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RECEIVE LONE STAR DEGREES — Kayla Copp and William Ho-Gland were recently awarded their FFA Lone Star Degrees at the annual Texas FFA State Convention, held in Houston. Kayla and William are Motley County ISD seniors.

Local students receive Lone Star degrees

Kayla Copp and William Ho-Gland of the Motley County FFA Chapter were awarded their Lone Star degrees at the 73rd Annual FFA Convention, held July 10-13 in Houston.

These two FFA members were among students from across Texas who received the highest degree offered to members. The FFA degree awards are vital components of the FFA association. They recognize the students who have completed and active program of projects and participated in FFA activities in the various agricultural fields.

Kayla, the daughter of Rick and Lana Copp of Matador, is a senior at Motley County High School. FFA activities she has precipitated include Jr. Chapter Conduction, Creed Speaking, Livestock and Horse Judging, Area and State Conventions and Leadership Camp. She has served as a Chapter and District officer and her project program includes swine, lambs, and show steers.

William, the son of Jonathan Ho-

Gland of Roaring Springs and Sarah Price, also of Roaring Springs, is also a senior at Motley County High School. His project program has included show pigs and show lambs for show at Motley County Livestock Show, participation in the parent/member banquet and help in completing class shop projects in his agriculture classes.

The Texas FFA Association has more than 57,000 members and is the largest state association of the National Organization. It is a non-profit educational organization that includes Jr. FFA membership to any student in 3rd grade through 8th grade and regular membership to high school students. Awards and activities provide opportunities for students to apply what they have learned in the classroom and shop and have the chance to travel and meet other students from across Texas and the Nation. Any student interested in FFA should contact Chapter Advisor Jim Cooper.

Advertising and more places to stay top priorities for Motley County

Decorator's Studio owner, Shirley Smith of Matador, visited with the Motley County Chamber board of directors on July 17 during their monthly meeting. Mrs. Smith met with the group to ask for help with a business directory sign. Businesses off the main two highways in Matador have a need to advertise to pull

people off the beaten path. A billboard-type sign and individual signs were discussed, with action to follow an investigation of prices and who might want to advertise.

"We need more places to stay," Mrs. Smith said on another subject. When a family member was planning a wedding, Mrs. Smith indicated that

she preferred to have it in Matador at her home, but the lack of enough rooms for the wedding party prevented it. Formerly a business owner in Ruidoso, NM, Mrs. Smith was invited to join the chamber as a board member.

Committee reports included discussion on the airport project for Motley County. Needed are letters of commitment from those who own airplanes and would commit to hangaring them at the proposed stop. Possibilities so far include The Matador Ranch, predator control agents, hunters and recreation seekers, and a local plane builder. Spin-off businesses from the airstrip are an added

incentive for the project, as indicated by Clark Self's recent talk to the Highway 70 Assn.

Board members brainstormed on other needs of the county that could be solved locally: 1. Antique and junk shops where people can browse.

2. A lawn mower repair service. 3. A wood lot to buy mesquite wood. 4. Movie-front Western town for movies. 5. Wild Hog Cook-off. 6. A consortium to buy a hotel or motel or old bank building for B&B. 7. Financing for places to stay. 8. Billboard for businesses or Burma Shave-type road signs. 9. Early Fall Garage Sales all along Highway 70.

The banquet date has been set

for early fall, pending dates available on the school calendar. Supporters of Bob's Oil Well are answering the chamber's letters and sending in money to help defray expenses incurred with the application of Bob's Oil Well Visitor's Center to the TxDOT Transportation Enhancement Funds program. The results are expected to be announced in six to eight months.

Board members Richard Knowles, Ken Young, Pennie Pipkin, Debbie Shaw, Rodney Williams, Sondra Francis and Marisue Potts, and Chamber employee, Barbara Armstrong, were present. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. at the Museum and Chamber office.

Additional stop signs to be erected in Matador

Matador City Council members voted to erect stop signs at the corners of Hunter and Scotch streets when they met for their regular meeting, Thursday, July 13. Requests for the stop signs were made by Matador residents Mellane Parson and Brooke Barton, who attended the meeting. Mrs. Parson and Mrs. Barton stated they would like to have the signs erected due to the high volume of traffic traveling down these roads. Mayor Williams will draw up an ordinance to present at the next meeting.

Glenn Martin, and new owner of Glenn Martin Companies, Jim Blakeley, Vice President of Caprock Waste, attended the open forum of the meeting. Mr. Blakeley stated there will be at least the same amount of trash taken to the landfill as with Mr. Martin and possibly more. He also stated that Waste Connections operates mainly in rural areas and he will be looking into acquiring more customers.

Minutes from the June 14 meeting were read and approved. Bills were presented to the council and after some discussion, Council voted to pay all bills with the exception of Morrison Supply, because of lack of invoices to document the charges.

Mayor Williams informed the council that the Motley County Library is requesting a \$100 raise in the monthly payment they receive from the City. He said he would like to amend the budget to include this raise. Council voted in favor of the increase.

Bids for the beautification project, at the east entrance to Matador, were reviewed. The bid was awarded to Shawn Elliott for \$595.00.

Dianne Washington, CPA for the City of Matador, spoke to the council about a retirement plan for city employees. The plan states that an employee must work for the city for two years to be eligible for the plan. Council members requested that Mrs. Washington research further as the two years would not be an option.

Appointing members to the Matador Water District was the next item of business on the agenda. Mayor Williams informed the council that Jim Watson had been appointed President of the Water District and that four other members were needed at this time. He suggested Fred Parson and Shane Jones for two of these positions, and asked that the council choose the other two. Council nominated Cynthia Stafford and Bobbie Brown, and after the two

had accepted the nomination, by phone, the four were approved.

Council is waiting to hear if the HOME project has been funded. This project would enable some homes to be refurbished to qualifying homeowners, in Matador.

Ed Ipser, feasibility analyst for Fort Worth, was in Matador on Wednesday, July 11, and visited with Mayor Williams and health officials around the area to see if there is a worthwhile cause to build a nursing home in Matador. Mr. Ipser said it will take three to four weeks to get the report completed.

Water Superintendent Steve Barton reported the transmission on the loader is acting up and that the caterpillar is not in working order. He stated that since it is a 1951 model,

no catalogs are available to order parts.

Mr. Barton also reported that Subtitle D Post Closure on the landfill will be completed as soon as the final grade on the old part of the landfill is completed. Che Shadle will shoot the grade and send it to TNRC. Mr. Barton suggested to the council that the John Deere tractor be returned to the John Deere Company as it is not used enough to justify the monthly payments.

Those in attendance for this meeting were Mayor Rodney Williams, Council members Shane Jones, Jim Watson, Doyle Rose, Fred Parson, City Secretary Linda Perryman, Water Superintendent Steve Barton, Glenn Martin, Jim Blakeley, Mellane Parson and Brooke Barton.

Vatican's Frescoes exhibit may draw tourists locally

Contacts are being made within a 150-mile radius of Lubbock on the availability of rooms for overflow tourists traveling to the Hub-city for a rare view of Vatican frescoes from June 1 to September 15, 2002. "Traditions and Renewal: Medieval Frescoes from the Vatican Museums," is expected to draw 4,000 or more visitors each day to Texas Tech University, Lubbock hotels, motels and Bed and Breakfast establishments are expected to be full, so the Llano Estacado Tourism Society is asking surrounding towns to list the number of rooms they can offer, as well as the type of tourist attractions found in their area.

The Rev. Malcolm Neyland, pastor of churches in Post and Wilson, addressed members of the LETS group on July 19 at the Holiday Inn and Towers. He is credited with the idea of bringing to Lubbock the frescoes that once adorned two early Roman churches and largely depict the lives of Christian saints and martyrs. Traditionally, the Vatican has rarely shared its treasurers, especially those in storage, but, in 1990,

Neyland has sold them on the idea of a West Texas only exhibition. Initially, the curators had no clue to the location of Lubbock, but after Neyland's 14 trips to Rome to facilitate the agreement between officials at Texas Tech and the Vatican Museum, they are beginning to get the message.

Tickets are free but reservations must be made in advance to see the 31 priceless frescoes. According to Donald Haragan, former president of Texas Tech University and chairman of the exhibit's steering committee, "I believe none of us really realize the impact this is going to have, not just on Texas Tech, but on the entire community."

Because of the expected shortage of housing in Lubbock, this may be the time for Motley County residents to spruce up Granny's old house or the extra house at the farm and hang out a B&B sign. To list the availability of local B&B, hotel, and motel rooms, individuals may call the Motley County Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Llano Estacado Tourism Society, at the Chamber office in Matador: 806-347-2968.

Commissioners meet in called session

The Motley County Commissioners Court met in a called session, Monday, July 23.

The Court discussed the 2001-2002 FY budget. Line items for general and the four precincts were reviewed for preparation of the 2001-2002 FY proposed budget. The proposed budget will be prepared during the next several days.

Redistricting plans for Motley County was presented to the Court by Jared Miller and Maria Elena

Quintanilla, Director of Regional Services with South Plains Association of Governments. There will be some minor changes in the proposed precinct lines because of change in population in Motley County. The redistricting study will be submitted for approval in August or early September.

Attending this special session were Commissioners Franklin Jameson, Ronnie Davis, Donnie Turner, and J.N. Fletcher. Also attending was Judge Laverna Price.

Just in time for school

Sales tax holiday August 3-5

Motley County ISD will open their doors for the 2001-2002 school year bright and early Monday morning, August 20. Just in time for this nearing back-to-school date, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander announced that the third annual Sales Tax Holiday will enable parents to purchase clothes, shoes and more tax-free August 3-5.

"On the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August no state or local sales tax will be charged on most clothing and footwear priced at under \$100," Comptroller Rylander said. "The Sales Tax Holiday provides much-needed tax relief for hard-working Texas families and lets them stretch their budgets a little farther as they shop for school clothes for the kids and work clothes for mom and dad."

This year, the Sales Tax Holiday is expected to save Texans \$31.2 million in state sales taxes and \$8.4 million in local sales taxes. Cities have the option to not waive the local taxes, but no community has opted out of the event this year.

The rules for the 2001 Sales Tax Holiday are the same as in previous years. They include:

- Most children's and adults' clothing and footwear priced under \$100 are exempt from sales taxes. Customers may purchase as many tax-exempt items as they wish.

- Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletics or protective wear, such as golf cleats or football pads are not exempt. However, tennis shoes, baseball caps, jogging suits

and other athletic clothes that are commonly worn on the street are eligible for the tax exemption.

- Accessories, jewelry, watches, handbags, wallets and briefcases are not tax-exempt.

- Items previously placed on lay-away may be redeemed tax-free later.

- School supplies and backpacks are not tax exempt.

Earlier this year, I asked the Legislature to expand the list of tax-exempt items to include backpacks,

school supplies, sewing supplies and safety gear such as bicycle helmets and car safety seats," Comptroller Rylander said. "I also proposed expanding the Sales Tax Holiday to five days to avoid a three day traffic jam."

"However, the Legislature did not make the Sales Tax Holiday a priority, and the proposal died. Next session, I will again urge the Legislature to make Texas families and the Sales Tax Holiday expansion a top priority."

IRS sent mistaken refund check notices to 523,000 taxpayers

Washington -- The IRS sent about 523,000 notices to taxpayers informing them they will get the maximum possible tax cut refund check — when in fact they won't.

Internal Revenue Service officials placed the blame on a computer program that initially neglected to take into account certain tax credits in figuring the check amount for these taxpayers. The checks are correct, but some people could get a notice promising the maximum and a check for much less.

"What we're doing now is working to get a corrected notice out to the taxpayers," said IRS spokesman Don Roberts.

The IRS hopes to get the proper

notices out to the affected taxpayers by next week, which is when the first batch of tax refund checks should begin arriving. The estimated 112 million notices were mailed last Monday.

The checks of up to \$300 for a single taxpayer, \$500 for a head of household and \$600 for a married couple filing jointly reflect this year's payment for the new 10 percent income tax bracket created by the 10-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut signed into law by President Bush.

That new bracket applies to the first portion of every taxpayer's income, but some taxpayers who had sufficient income still do not qualify for the maximum checks. That's be-

cause they claimed child, education or other credits on their 2000 income tax returns that reduced their tax below the check's maximum amount.

The IRS figures that only a few of those taxpayers scheduled to receive checks next week will get less than the amount promised in the notice. If that happens, Roberts suggested that they examine the notice's explanation of how the checks are calculated and compare that with the information on their 2000 tax return.

The checks will continue to go out each week through late September to taxpayers based on the last two digits of their Social Security numbers, starting with 00. Most people affected by the mistake should get a corrected notice before their check arrives.

Janell Kilmer, Cobey Turner exchange wedding vows

Janell Kilmer and Cobey Turner were united in marriage June 16, 2001, at 4:00 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Matador. Officiating was Mike Crowley, Minister of the Matador Church of Christ.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a gown of white Italian satin and alencon lace. The strapless gown featured a scalloped square neckline and fitted bodice that was accented with beaded pearls. Alencon lace further embellished the bodice with crystal sequins. The full A-line skirt fell to the floor and swept into a semi-cathedral length train. The entire bottom of the gown was edged with alencon lace appliques finished with pearls and sequins.

To complete her ensemble the bride selected a crown style bunwrap veil encrusted with pearls and rhinestones and finished at the back with layers of white fingertip length illusion.

Keeping with tradition the bride chose her gown as something new, borrowed were pearl earrings from Heather Blount, the groom's sister, something old was a pearl necklace belonging to her maternal grandmother Bobbie Dillow, and something blue was her garter.

Serving her sister as maid of honor was Jodie Kilmer of Lubbock. Bridesmaids were Heather Blount, sister of the groom of Abernathy, and friends Blair Thacker and Kandi Keltz of Lubbock. Their gowns were strapless a-line with fitted bodices in eggplant with miniature covered buttons down the back. All bridesmaids carried nosegays in cream and eggplant with satin ribbons.

Ryan Martin served as best man. Scott Blount, brother-in-law of the groom, and friends Chad Conley and Darryl Perryman were groomsmen.

The groom was dressed in full tuxedo in black with a vest of eggplant and black. Groomsmen wore tuxedo jackets, vests and wranglers.

Flower girl was Cassidy Turner, daughter of Craig and Cathy Turner. She wore a white satin bodice dress with tulle skirt and carried a basket with white rose petals. Ushers were cousin of the groom, Craig Turner, and the groom's uncle, Mike Montague of Amarillo. Wedding music was provided by organist Carolyn Luckenbach, grandmother of the groom.

A reception followed the ceremony in the fellowship hall. The bride's table featured a cream tablecloth with a lace overlay with eggplant ribbon and ivy. The four tiered cake of Italian Cream Cordilla Lace frosting sat upon a mirror with pearls and ivy. Cream bows adorned the cake at the corners and a big bow was the topper. The bride's wedding portrait and her bouquet were centerpieces on the table. Surrounding the punch bowl were the bridesmaids nosegays.

The groom's table featured copper coffee appointments, a chocolate cake with chocolate dipped strawberries which sat upon an antique cheese box. Pictures of the couple, and mints and ivy were intertwined on the table. The groom's cake and mints were made by his aunt, Nova Dale Turner of Matador. Serving in the houseparty were cousins of the groom, Michelle and Marisa Montague of Houston, and friends Joetta Bumgardner, Janie Campbell, Joyce Campbell, Darla Gwinn, Susan Jameson, all of Matador, and Pat Palmer of Eureka, Kansas. Ashley Stevens of Matador, friend of the bride, registered guests.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents, Johnney and Carol Ann Turner, at the Roaring Springs Ranch Club. A steak dinner with all the trimmings was enjoyed by wedding guests and friends.

After a wedding trip to Red River, NM, the couple live and work in Lubbock.



Mr. and Mrs. Cobey Turner

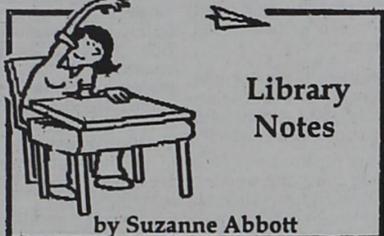


I think it would be safe to say that we are in a heat wave! Day after day of 105° and over temperatures surely qualifies as a heat wave. I don't know about you, but I'm tired of being hot! I don't guess there's anything we can do about it, but I, as well as many others, I suppose, have said a lot of prayers for rain.

Just imagine, wouldn't a good downpour feel good right about now? Then two or three days, or while we're wishing let's say a week, of a slow drizzle. Oh, I can almost feel it - NOT! It's too hot in my office to imagine actually feeling rain. Any drops of water in here would be sweat. But I know our rain is coming, and I'm thankful for the blessings God has in store for us.

As you can see, I don't have very much room this week, but I must say

I have learned again, that you just can't please all the people all the time. I apologize for anything in this paper that may be offensive to someone, at any given time, but I must tell you that I strive each week to publish the news to the best of my ability, with a positive approach. There are some things, from time to time, that can't seem to come out on a positive note. That's just the way things are sometimes. I guess that's just part of life. But I do strive to emphasize POSITIVE in this paper and build up Motley County and it's people and places. Again, I apologize to those who may be offended from time to time. I hope there are items in the paper each week that may make someone - somewhere, feel good.



We appreciate the gifts to the library from Joan Patton and from El Progreso Study Club. Joan helped the library obtain the best seller, John Adams and the ladies of the club brought us Tea for Texas.

Other new books in the library are Janet Evanovich's latest, Hot Six and Bill Neeley's The Last Comanche Chief. The Chief in the the book is, of course, Quanah Parker and we thank Darleen F. Letcher for providing this valuable book to the library. We have Quanah Parker and his People so The Last Comanche Chief will make a

nice companion book to complete the tale.

We appreciate the memorials that we received last week. We thank Charlotte Richardson for her donation in memory of Mike Groves. We also thank Marihelen Wason and Jackie and Shirley Smith for their donations in memory of Glenn Woodruff.

We will have a Friends of the Library meeting at 4:00 PM, in the library on Thursday, August 2. Please attend this important meeting.

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To give thee warning day and night.
For every tick to thee I give
Cuts short the time thou hast to live.
Therefore a warning take by me
To serve thy God, as I serve thee.
Each day and night be on thy guard,
And thou shalt have a just reward.

With every tick of the clock, our life is one second shorter. All the more reason to serve the Lord with gladness -- to use our time in a wise and profitable way for the kingdom. The age-old choice faces us every day -- to be ministered unto, or to minister to others. Just remember that Jesus taught that whoever is the servant of all is the greatest of all.

TIME!! Let's use it wisely, as the Apostle Paul said, "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." — Ephesians 5: 15-16. Today might be our last day on the earth.

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Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

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Pivots & Divots

by Geneva



TUESDAY SCRAMBLE

July 10

Winners: First, with a score of 28, were Robert Osborn, Sut Braselton, Francine Braselton, Dot Grundy and Randy Martin.

Second, with a score of 32, (play-off on card), Alan Bingham, Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker and Louise Barton. Reagan McClenny got closest to pin on #3, 28' 11", (money declined).

Others playing were Ken Marshall, Carolyn Hines, Jake Goodson, Geneva Wilson, Larry McClenny, Tempie Francis and J.R. Christy.

LADIES PLAYDAY

July 12

18 hole players were Carolyn Hines, Louise Barton, Dot Grundy, Francine Braselton, Geneva Wilson and LaVoe Thacker. Geneva won the ball.

Dot Grundy won the ball in nine hole play. Carolyn Hines invited us to lunch after we played golf. It was simply delicious. We enjoyed the food, visiting and getting to see their new R.V. Carolyn, again, we thank you for a very enjoyable time.

Lorenzo Ladies Association hosted a 2-Lady Scramble July 13. Attending from the Roaring Springs Ranch Club were LaVoe Thacker and Francine Braselton, Louise Barton and Geneva Wilson. Louise and Geneva won third in the 2nd flight. LaVoe got closest to the pin on #4, 6' 9".

Francine won a door prize. We really enjoyed the day.

2 JACK & 1 JILL TOURNAMENT

July 14 & 15

Championship: 1st, Francis, Francis and Francis, 118; 2nd, Hitt, Hitt & Hitt, (won play-off), 120; 3rd, Majors, McCain and Parker, 120.

First Flight: 1st, Blasingame, Blasingame and VanHoose, 122; 2nd, Lyles, Lyles and Lyles, 123; Doss, Doss and Norris, 124.

Second Flight: 1st, Roberson, Roberson and Avon, 128; 2nd, Stanton, Stanton and Lemon, 130; 3rd, Hunley, Hunley and Reese, 130.

Third Flight: 1st, Hines, Hines and Washer, 136; 2nd, North, North and North, 137; 3rd, Nazworth, Nazworth and Johnson, 139.

Closest to pin on Saturday was Matt Stanton, 3'4".

Closest to pin on Sunday morning was Jeanie Johnson, 6'8"; Sunday evening, Clay Simpson, 2'4".

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE

July 18

Winners: 1st, with a score of 33, were Matt Washington, Bob Logan, Buzz Thacker and LaVoe Thacker.

Second, with a score of 35, were Bob Hines, Mindy Jameson and Kay Bingham.

No one got on the green for closest to the pin.

Others playing were Conway Clary, Roy Stephens, Francine Braselton, Brad Jameson, Carolyn Hines and Louise Barton.



Look Who's

New

Kendra Nicole Protsman

Kendra Nicole Protsman was born June 14, 2001, at 10:59 p.m. at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She weighed 7 pounds and 9 ounces, and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are John and Donna Protsman of Idalou. Kendra has an older brother and sister, Devin, 5 1/2,

and Virginia, 2 1/2.

Grandparents are Wes and Lynn Campbell of the Dougherty community. Great-grandparents are Vance and Betty Campbell of the Dougherty community and Phil and Juaneal Krambeck of Denison. Great-great grandmother is Bessie Glover of Floydada.

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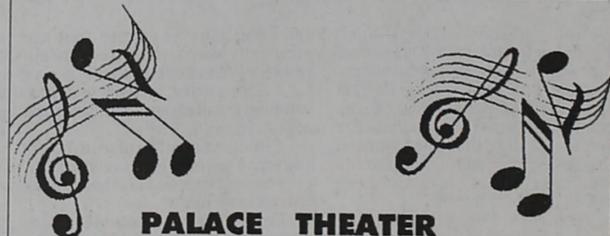
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MISSION TRIP — Laura Kreusel, right, is pictured here with some of the inner-city children she ministered to while on a mission trip in Boston, Mass. Laura is a former Matador resident and the daughter of Rev. Rex and Laura Kreusel, now of Dumas.

Mission trip reaches inner-city neighborhoods

Laura Kreusel, daughter of Rev. Rex and Angela Kreusel, former residents of Matador, recently returned from a life-changing missions trip to Boston, Massachusetts, reaching to inner-city neighborhoods and parks. Laura was one of 50 youth from the West Texas District of the Assemblies of God that attended this A.I.M. (Ambassadors in Missions) trip.

The group traveled to Dallas and flew from there to Boston, July 5. While in Boston the group stayed in a church, and walked or rode the subway everywhere they went.

Beginning Friday, July 6, the group of young missionaries held outreaches and crusades. During the outreaches the group handed out free hotdogs and drinks and had blow up games for the children. They performed skits and dramas, and invited everyone to the program that evening. The outreaches were well attended by children, teens, and adults.

During the evening services there was more ministry and an invitation to receive Christ. Many responded to the invitation. One missionary who works in Boston, was amazed at the breakthrough that took place while the A.I.M. team was there. He stated that in the 15 years he had been in Boston he had never seen anything like it. The group saw first-hand the life of a different culture.

The group was there for a total of 10 days with little time for sight-seeing or leisure, but did enjoy seeing some historical landmarks and the beach. Laura returned to her home in Dumas on Sunday, July 15, with a bigger burden to minister to those without Christ. She and other West Texas youth are planning to go on next year's A.I.M. trip to Zambia, Africa. There they will be ministering to children and youth who are orphaned by the A.I.D.S. Epidemic.



Erica Parker

Granddaughter to compete in National Basketball Tournament

Erica Parker, daughter of Arnold Wayne and Linda Parker of Boyd, will compete in the National AAU Basketball Tournament for fifteen-year-olds July 20-29 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Erica is a four year member of the Texas Stars, a basketball team made up of elite players from the Dallas/Fort Worth area. This is her fourth time to compete in the national tournament.

Erica also competed with her hometown team, The Boyd Lady Yellowjackets, in the finals of the state tournament this past year in Austin. She was named to the All-Tournament Team for class 2A. Other honors she has received this year include being named to the Texas Basketball Magazine All-State Team, Texas Association of Basketball Coaches 2nd Team All-State, All-Region Team, MVP of District 11-2A, MVP of Wise County, and All-Tournament at the Bridgeport, Decatur, and Callisburg tournaments.

Erica is the granddaughter of Harry and Pearl Patten of Roaring Springs and Arnold and Carmella Parker of Commerce.

Gospel Jamboree to be held in Spur

Spur -- The second Old Fashioned Gospel Jamboree will be held at 7:00 p.m. this Saturday, July 28, at the historical Palace Theater at 420 Burlington in downtown Spur.

In addition to the regular stage group, talented artists from the local and surrounding area will be featured, as well as audience participation. Admission is free and donations are requested. The concession stand will open at 6:30.

For more information, contact Norma Roberson at (806) 271-4556.

New Cellular tower in operation

Spur -- Caprock Cellular is pleased to announce that the new cellular tower located just north of Matador is operational. The addition of this new tower will improve the cellular service in the city of Matador and the surrounding areas in Motley County.

With the new tower and better service, Caprock Cellular will offer special pricing on new phones for new and existing customers for a limited time. Local agent, James Gillespie is available to help.

Turkey Jamboree set for Aug. 4

The Turkey Jamboree is now one year old and just keeps getting better! August 4 will begin a new year for the Jamboree and a great line-up of entertainers is planned including Weldon Allard from Amarillo; Blue Denim II from Amarillo; Pat Seigler and Friends from Matador; Talent Showcase and the Turkey Gems.

There will be door prizes and a concession stand and homemade ice cream. Join in the fun at the Bob Wills Community Gymnasium for good food and good music. Food is served beginning at 6:00 p.m. and entertainment begins at 7:00 p.m.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Carla,

As I have told you on previous occasions, one of the greatest services you perform as an editor is reporting on various public and private entities. It allows us all to attend the meetings, although after the fact. As a virtual one-woman newspaper with many duties, I know you do not have the time to attend all of the meetings that come up.

However, if you had attended the school board meeting on July 16, you would have seen that all board members were present, not two absent as reported. In addition, you would have heard Doug Karr, the financial advisor for Region 17, report that out of 250 schools in Region 17, about 150 are in a similar of financial condition as Motley County.

Drain of student population due

to many conditions, drought and lost income, loss of family jobs, urban flight, home and private schooling, and transfers, hit hard many communities, including our neighbors Paducah, Spur and Lockney. Plainview alone has lost 200 students. Houston ISD is asking teachers to resign. Wichita Falls is cutting teachers drastically. This makes it no easier to cut jobs at home, to tighten the belts, and find ways to finance our children's education at Motley County. We all want the best education for our children and our grandchildren, as well as our friends and neighbors.

Thank you for your help in making our community as strong as it can be. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Marisue Potts.

A Note of Thanks

Dear Friends and Family,

Thank you for the many wonderful calls, visits, flowers, snack baskets, cards, food, but above all the prayers that have kept our family going since the accident. Words can't express how the goodness of people keep you strong during these difficult times.

Everyone has been so supportive, helpful and caring, whether it was checking cattle, feeding Copper or staying at the hospital with us. The many, many offers of help has each been a blessing also.

From the accident site to each turn of events, whether more surgery in Amarillo or treatments in Lubbock, to our return home, we have always had good Christian people caring for and helping Franklin and our family.

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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

ROARING SPRINGS NEWS

BY ODESSA MULLINS

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patten for a few days were her granddaughter Tara Parker and friend, Megan, from Boyd. Also visiting were Jared and Darrin Allen of Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Brooks will be leaving on a Cruise in a few days, and will be gone about six days. They won the cruise through a drawing at the grocery store in Matador.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peacock was their daughter-in-law, Sharon Peacock, wife of Pat Peacock. She helped with Kid's Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Largent took their grandson, Cody Byrd, back to his home in Fort Worth, after visiting them for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins of Arlington and her sister Virginia of Lubbock, spent the weekend with his mother, Odessa Mullins.

Visiting in the home of Jr., Betty and Cindy Bearden were Kerry and Tena Bearden of Quitaque, Scott Bearden and Stephanie Miller of Crowell, Max, Dana, Kelsey and Bryce Bearden of Ropesville, Connie, Teresa and Blake Bearden of McKinney, Penny Bearden of Lubbock, Jerry, Becky, Wes and Austin Bearden of

Decatur, Alabama. Earlier in the summer, Betty flew to San Antonio to meet Max, Dana, Kelsey and Bryce. Kelsey was in National Competition in U.S.A. Gymnastics. They all enjoyed the competitions and sight-seeing. They stopped in Fredericksburg on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer and grandson, Michael Palmer of Eureka, Kansas, and granddaughters, Shelby and Shanna Spikes of Rotan, spent Thursday night with his mother, Zella Palmer. They went on to Lubbock for a Reunion. The girls will spend some time with their grandparents in Kansas.

The coffee drinkers enjoyed coffee at the Methodist Fellowship hall on Monday, July 23. Those bringing food were Joyce Smith, LaVoe Thacker, Rita Groves and Lula Swim. Clean-up duties were taken care of by Joyce Smith, Jeannie Adams and Lula Swim.

Those attending, in addition to those already mentioned, were Tom Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Reynolds of Panhandle, Florida, Reva Sweeney, Dean McInroe, Corky Marshall, Linda Hotcho of Dickens, and Ruby Hipp.

FLOMOT NEWS

BY EARLYNE JAMESON

SHANNON FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of James Luther and Hester Jane Shannon held their annual family reunion during the weekend at Ceta Canyon. The 125 family members attending from California, Washington, New Mexico and throughout Texas enjoyed renewing friendships and good food including barbecued meals.

Among those attending was Mrs. Annie Shannon of Turkey and her children and families, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Shannon of Roaring Springs; Mrs. Velma Winston and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Winston of Washington State; Don and Carol Martin of Silverton and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Shannon of Flomot.

HAS SURGERY

Mrs. Nada Starkey returned home from Amarillo Saturday, July 21st, following surgery Friday morning at Panhandle Surgical Hospital. With her during her surgery were husband, Jack and daughter, Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch.

Jack and Nada were in Amarillo, Tuesday July 17th to be with his sister-in-law; Mrs. Bessie Reid, wife of Z.D. Starkey, who had major surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Sarah Clay celebrated her 5th birthday Sunday afternoon, July 22nd, in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay and brothers, Kelsey and Tanner. They had a fun filled time playing games and

on the trampoline. Refreshments of decorated cake, ice cream and punch were served.

Special guests were her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Metcalf of Panhandle and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay of Flomot. Many friends from Flomot, Quitaque and Turkey attended.

Mrs. Nola Mary Long of Winnewood, Okla. and Johnie Starkey accompanied their mother, Mrs. C.W. Starkey to Denver, Colorado Thursday to attend during the weekend the 80th birthday celebration of Mrs. Starkey's brother, Curtis Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin enjoyed the 72 degree temperatures during the day and cool nights in Taos, N.M. from Wednesday until Friday. Joining them there to visit and the tourist attractions were daughter and husband, Marilee and Fred Cooper and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cooper of Borger.

Brain Sehon of Ropesville visited from Friday until Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. His parents, Keri and Kevin Sehon were in Dallas and also visited her sister and husband, Cindy and Chad Calvert in Mesquite. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Shorter Saturday and Sunday was granddaughter, Emily Milam of Petersburg. Her mother, Mrs. Christi Milam visited Sunday and accompanied her home.

WHITEFLAT NEWS

BY EARLYNE JAMESON

OVERHEARD

I'm not going to say that if you laugh you won't die, but laughter helps you enjoy the trip along the way.

HAS ACCIDENT

Tim Shannon suffered an injured ankle Thursday morning when mounting his horse at his ranch home northwest of Whiteflat. He had extensive surgery for shattered bones at the Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, Friday. He is recuperating at the rural home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Shannon of Roaring Springs. He is to keep his leg elevated above his head for two weeks before returning for more medical care.

HAS SURGERY

Mrs. Wilda Dixon had surgery, Tuesday morning, July 24th at the Lakeside Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. With her during surgery and hospitalization was her husband, Spencer, and mother, Mrs. Ted Hester of Lovington N.M. Mrs. Frances Dixon accompanied Wilda and Spencer to Lubbock, Monday.

CELEBRATES 7TH BIRTHDAY

Danielle Gwinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, celebrated her birthday with a swimming party at the Roar-

ing Springs Ranch Thursday afternoon, July 19th. She blew out her seven candles on a Barbie Doll Decorated cake. Refreshments of cake and lemonade were served.

Those attending the happy occasion were Mrs. Janie Campbell and her grandson, Tyler Grisham of Coppel; Mrs. Kim Alexander and daughter, Hanna of Lubbock; Mrs. Lisa Simpson and sons, Britt and Eric, Mrs. Kim Jenschke and son, Garrett, Adrian Walker and Alexis Osborn of Matador; Mrs. Tina Brooks and son, Christian of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Deidra Clifton of Turkey. Special guest was Danielle's grandmother, Mrs. Tommie Cruse of Flomot.

Jack Samford of Matador and Juanita Cooper of Whiteflat visited in Amarillo and Canyon, July 19 and 20. Jack visited his daughter and husband, Ray and Vikki King and Juanita visited her daughter and husband, Ken and Kay Dunnam. They visited in BSA Hospital with Mrs. Lonnie Harmon who had colon surgery, and Cody Oglesby who had a tonsillectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon, Jack Samford, of Matador, and Lula Swim of Roaring Springs visited with Juanita Cooper on Saturday.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BY RITA GROVES

IN MEMORIAM

Foremost in our thoughts today is the loss of an old friend Glenn Woodruff. I look to my 1973 Motley County History for the background of these friends. The family history of the J.L. Woodruff family is the next to the last one in the book. May I quote? It seems that Eleanor Traweck expresses it best: "Young" Lucy Glenn was engaged to Jimmy Woodruff and she was bringing him home to meet her mama and paps. It was in the early '20's, and the roads in Motley County were rough and unpaved. Matador, a sprawling little county town, lay at the end of the them- and the statement Jimmy made when he saw it for the first time has been a family joke since that time. He shook his head and said, "Lucy, I didn't know you came from the end of a pasture." On three sides, Matador is still the end of a pasture.

Lucy and J.L. were married in Ft. Worth in the home of a friend. Amy, Lucy's older sister was studying at the seminary there at the time, and Lucy stayed with her and bought her trousseau. The young couple lived in Mineral Wells for seven years before moving back to Matador where Jimmy bought land and cattle and went into the Ford Agency and Garage business with his brother-in-law, Mitchell Glenn. Jimmy's parents were Mr. and Mrs. John Warren Woodruff of Decatur, Texas. Their two children were Glenn and his sister Dorothy who married Melton Dailey. Their grandchildren were Lou Ann and Lois Susannah Woodruff and James Robert, Kay and Mitchell Dailey.

As Algie Groves did at Roaring Springs, we think Glenn's spirit went happily knowing that his Masonic brothers would perform last rites for him at 5:00 p.m. before many friends at East Mound Cemetery at Matador.

My brother Claudis M. Nichols is "taking up a storm" while spending a month in a Quana Nursing Home while his wife had shoulder replacement surgery and is recuperating. His roommate is an old Eldorado friend who can push Claud's wheel chair to and from meals.

Brother Jack is recuperating from an extended stay in Amarillo and Pampa hospitals after extensive heart repair work.

I didn't realize when I was growing up without grandparents that at age 4, I had an aunt (Algie's). She is Kewpie Duncan. She is the lady who frequently comes from Aspermont to attend out Methodist Church and buy my lunch. She brought me a delightful antique glass "pin tray" and a New York cheese cake that I shared with her friends at Monday Coffee.

Probably the most fun I've had in sometime was having lunch with upwards of a hundred children at Kid's Camp on their closing day last Friday. You'd be amazed at what discipline and organization is taught and exercised there. I didn't even notice the heat; I was so astonished at the devotion of the Volunteers, older and young, who were assisting in the work and "riding herd" on that many children. It's easy to see that they are doing a good thing. The nicest thing was the T-Shirt I was given.

I have LaNita's to thank for lighting a candle for me on my 88th birthday Saturday, and Sut Braselton for buying my lunch. He may be the only kid I ever spanked in Roaring Springs I.D.S., and it really made a good guy out of him.

When I was trying to learn more about Gary Markham's father, I had forgotten that the heart-shaped house on the northernmost Matador Street was built by his father Elvin.

MATADOR NEWS

Visiting last weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Green and houseguest, daughter Virginia Green of Whiteface, was granddaughter and niece, Jolie and husband, Arturo Sanchez of Austin. Visiting them Sunday was ex-employee from Matador Ranch, Chesley "Goob" Irvin of Silver Springs, Nevada. He also visited Mr. and Mrs. John M. Russell.

Mrs. Myrna Stephens returned recently from Angel Fire, N.M. where she visited son and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Stephens, Jared and Keneshaw of Roaring Springs, who have a vacation home near Angel Fire. Her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Norrell, Taelor and Tanner accompanied her to Angel Fire and continued to Red River. They enjoyed the

respite from the Texas heat, tourist attractions and summer activities.

Returning home Saturday, July 21st from an enjoyable trip to Paltora, Colorado were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shannon and daughter, Denise, Chad Lawrence, Mrs. Sammie Phillips and her daughter and family, Mrs. Dee McNeely, Joshua and Austin of Lubbock.

Mrs. Mary McMahan had laser eye surgery in Lubbock, Thursday, July 26th. Wade "Mutt" Berryman had surgery Tuesday morning, July 24th at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Jameson returned home Friday night after a vacation trip the last ten days in the cool climate at Lake City and Creed, Colorado.



WIN TRIP — Mickey and Jill Brooks will depart for a five-day cruise next week. The couple won the cruise through a drawing held at Lowe's Pay-N-Save. According to store manager, Frances Taylor, the contest, sponsored by the Hershey company, was conducted in Lowe's stores all over the area. The Matador store was drawn for the winner to be selected from, and Mr. and Mrs. Brooks were the lucky winners. The couple will depart from Galveston and their cruise will take them to Cozumel and Cancun.

Obituaries

Glenn L. Woodruff

Graveside rites for Glenn L. Woodruff, 78, of Lubbock, and formerly of Matador, were held at 5:00 p.m. Friday, July 20, at the East Mound Cemetery at Matador. Officiating was Mike Crowley, minister of the Matador Church of Christ. Masonic rites were conducted by the Matador Masonic Lodge. Interment was under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mr. Woodruff died Tuesday at a Lubbock nursing home. He was born March 9, 1923, at Mineral Wells, Texas, and had been a lifelong resident of Matador, prior to moving to Lubbock about five years ago.

He was a graduate of Matador High School, attended Tarleton State College and graduated from Texas Tech. He was a veteran of World War II, and had operated a Ford dealership in Matador until his retirement, along with farming and ranching interests.

He was a member of the First United

Methodist Church at Matador. He was a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge, and the York Rite Bodies. He was also a member of the Matador Lions Club, the VFW and the American Legion, and was active in the establishment of the Motley County Historical Museum.

He is survived by two daughters, Lou Anne Jameson of Matador and Lois Susannah Woodruff of Lubbock; one sister, Dorothy Dailey of Grapeland; four grandchildren, Whitney Jones of Lubbock, Rebecca Jameson of Denton, Justin Jameson of Matador and Aaron Woodruff of Lubbock; and two great-grandchildren, Morgan and Judson Jones of Lubbock.

The family suggests memorials to the Motley County Historical Museum at Matador.

Named as honorary pallbearers were Charles Johnson, Bill McKelvey, R.C. Giesecke, Bill Moss, Dick Pollard, and Mike Hoyle.

Sonny Jackson

Funeral services for C.P. "Sonny" Jackson, 75, of Matador will be held at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 26, at the First Baptist Church in Matador. Officiating will be Rev. Rickey Lawrence, pastor of the Roaring Springs Full Gospel Church. Interment will be in East Mound Cemetery at Matador under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Mr. Jackson died early Tuesday, July 24, 2001, at a Crosbyton hospital.

He was born November 24, 1925, at Stephenville, Texas, and had been a resident of Matador since 1928. He was the water superintendent for the City of Matador for twenty-seven years, until his retirement, had been the maintenance supervisor for East Mound Cemetery at Matador, and was custodian for the Motley County I.S.D. He was married to the former Evelyn Roberts September 15,

1951, in VanBuren, Arkansas.

He served with the U.S. Navy in World War II, and was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge and the V.F.W. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Matador.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn; three sons, James Earl Jackson of Norman, Oklahoma, Donnie Jackson of Matador, and Gerald Jackson of Luling; two sisters, Hylois Garnett of Dallas and Sibyl Ward of Lubbock; one brother, Shelby Jackson of Jemez, N.M.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Carter Luckett, Bill Luckett, Harold Parks, Johnny Turner, Brent Whitaker, Craig Turner, Kelly Meyer and Fred Parson.

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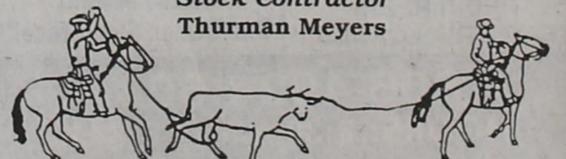
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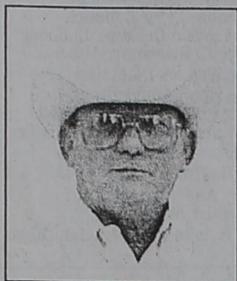
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This was one part of the annual South Plains Electric Cooperative (SPEC) Dickens Division Membership Meeting held Thursday, July 19, at the local SPEC office in Spur. More than 498 members and guests enjoyed a barbecue dinner, entertainment, informational meeting and door prizes.

Robert Forbis, Roaring Springs, and incumbent Ned Ward, Aspermont, were on the ballot for the District 10 election. Returning to the microphone, Emcee Ned Ward said, "I asked the nominating committee to make sure they selected a 'good man' to run against me. Folks, you got a 'good man.'"

Forbis served 21 years on the former Dickens Electric Cooperative Board and had been serving on the South Plains Development Corporation Board since the merger with SPEC in 1999. He also serves on the Motley-Dickens County Old Settlers Association Board. He and his wife, Pat, operate a farm/ranch in Roaring Springs.

Ward retires from the board with a total of 37 years of service to the electric cooperative. He also represented the cooperative on the Brazos Electric Cooperative and San Miguel Electric Cooperative Boards. He and his wife, Wanda, ranch in Aspermont.

SPEC President Tommy Joines and General Manager Jim Roberts highlighted events and activities over the past year. "Your cooperative remains in sound financial condition," said Roberts. "A full financial report will be sent to each member with the September issue of Texas Co-op Power." Roberts highlights House Bill 1692 passed in the most recent legislative session delaying deregulation in the Panhandle/South Plains area until the year 2007.

Danika Robertson, Spur, expressed her thanks to the membership for the scholarship. She was one of six local students introduced by Operation Round-Up Directors Jean Sonnamaker and Buddy Baldrige. The other scholarship winners included Jimmy Sedberry, Aspermont; Carmen Kelling, Aspermont; Kristen Key, Spur; Seth Jeter, Jayton; and Jackie Chisum, Jayton. These students received a total of \$5,500 in scholarship awards for the 2001-2002 school year.

Four Dickens Division employees, representing a total of 70 years of service, received service awards at the informational meeting. Lorita Thomason and Gayle Neaves earned 15-year service awards. Jeff Atkinson and Terry Adcock received 20-year service awards.

Lyndie Hinson, the 8-year old granddaughter of Graden and Billie Bass, Spur and Cole Clark, the 8-year old grandson of Shorty and Donna Clark, Spur, helped draw door prize winners. The grand prize went to Rick and Lisa Paschall of Spur. They chose a new electric range at their grand prize.

Danny's Fins and Hens of Lubbock catered the dinner and Mike Porter of Dickens entertained members while they ate.

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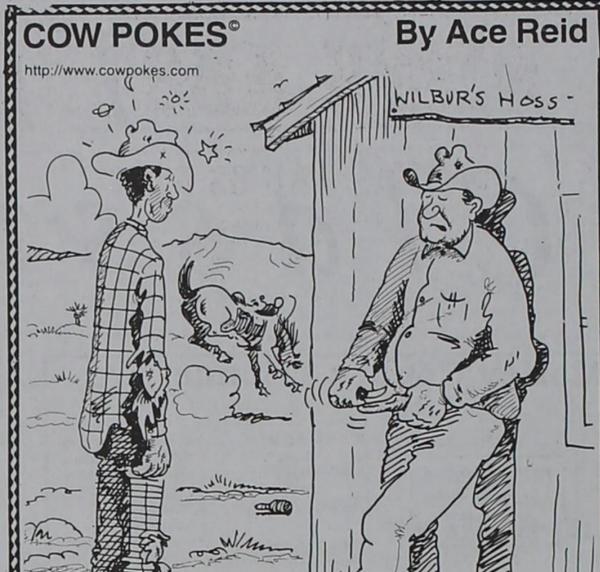
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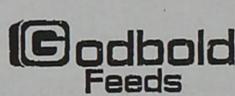
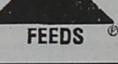
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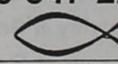
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