

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Motley County Tribune

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1998 headlines in review

1998 - where did it go? It certainly doesn't seem like it has been 12 months since the last headline review. What happened in 1998? Take a look below at the list of headlines for this past year.

January 1: Snow Blankets Area for White Christmas.

"Large snowflakes fell Christmas Day grabbing the bare limbs of trees in sleeves of white and leaving sparkling crystals of lace on the ground. Two to three inches of snow was reported."

Local Graduates Win Honors At Clarendon College

"Dodie Morris received the award for Most Spirited Girl and Freshman Favorite, and Kasey Parks received the award for Cowgirl of the Year at Clarendon College."

January 8: Cars Vandalized in Matador.

"Four cars were reported vandalized late Sunday night or early Monday morning. Sheriff Jim Meador said that the car windows appear to have been shot out by a high powered BB or Pellet Gun."

New Texas Law To Impose Fines on Underage Smokers

"Some teenage smokers in Texas say they'll be more discreet when they light up their cigarettes with a new law effective New Years Day. A violation is punishable by a fine of up to \$250."

January 15: Macie Nichole Marshall is Motley County's first baby of the New Year. Macie was born to Brent and Jana Marshall, January 7, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

School Board Renews Superintendent's Contract.

January 22: Library Receives Gift For New Equipment

"The Motley County Library recently received a \$500 donation from the First National Bank of Floydada. The gift was to be used to purchase a computer scanner."

Cotton Yield Better Than Expected

"Motley County is about to wrap up the cotton ginning season with only a small amount of cotton left to gin. Red Ball Gin in Roaring Springs reported 7,502 bales ginned; Flomot Gin, 6,172; and ADM Paymaster Gin in Quitaque, 18,097."

January 29: Motley County Heart Association Launches 1998 Fund Campaign

"The Motley County Chapter of the American Heart Association will shift its 1998 campaign into high gear during the month of February."

Second Annual Shannon Davidson celebration to combine with Motley County Jr. Rodeo

The Motley County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors made the decision to hold the second annual Shannon Davidson Pony Express Days celebration on July 10-11, 1998 and combine it with the Motley County Junior Rodeo at its January 22 meeting."

February 5: Cobey Turner Selected Top Vocational Student

"Cobey D. Turner, Motley County Senior, has been selected as the local winner in the All-American Vocational Student Awards Program."

Matador Postmaster, Freddie Morren Honored for 35 Years of Service.

February 12: School Board Renews Principal's Contract.

59th Annual Motley County Junior Livestock Show Set For March 14.

February 19: Motley County Debaters Place Third In District

"Motley County Sophomores, Llan Barkley and Vanessa Easter placed third at the District Debate Contest."

Matador Plans Underway for 1998 Shannon Davidson Day.

Roaring Springs First Baptist Church Plans 100th Anniversary.

February 26: Roaring Springs Home Damaged by Fire.

"According to reports received by Matador VFD First Assistant Fire Chief, Craig Turner, the home of James and Jennifer Adams in Roar-

ing Springs was damaged by fire, believed to be electrical."

Jill Stanley Named to All-State Academic Honor Roll.

March 5: State Infrastructure Bank Loan Approved - Motley County Bridge to be Replaced.

"The first loan application to go through the State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) process was given preliminary approval by the Texas Transportation Commission."

Commissioners authorized the Texas Department of Transportation to negotiate a \$33,300 loan to Motley County to help replace a bridge on County Road 105 in the southeast corner of the county."

Local Candidate File for Election.

February Sales Tax Rebates Total \$290.5 Million.

March 12: Motley County Receives Law Enforcement Training Funds.

"State Comptroller John Sharp recently delivered more than \$6 million in supplemental training funds to 2,147 local law enforcement agencies across the state."

The Motley County Sheriff's Department received \$740.16."

58th Annual Motley County Junior Livestock Show Saturday.

Moderate Voter Turnout In Primary Elections.

March 19: Todd Thomas Wins Grand Champion Steer in 59th Annual Junior Livestock Show.

Matador City Council working on landfill expansion project.

Project Graduation Party plans in full swing.

March 26: Candidate interest low in local elections - only five candidates sign up for chance at office.

New Sign Dedicated at Methodist Church.

Father-Son Banquet set for April 6.

Gramm agreement will give states more road money.

April 2: Spring Forward - time to set your clocks up one hour.

Whitefall Homecoming to be celebrated Saturday.

Motley County Republican Party Convention Held Recently.

Great Texas Trash-off - Spring Cleaning Time in Texas.

April 9: High School UIL very successful at District Meet.

"Last week fifteen high school students did an outstanding job representing Motley County in UIL District Academic Meet."

Wilburn Martin Elected Motley County Museum Board President.

Homecoming Dates Set for September 18-19.

Babe Zaharias Golf Tournament set for April 19th.

April 16: Campbell Ranch Honored during Cattleman's Centennial.

"A local cattle operation, Campbell Ranch, is one of the more than 200 centennial farms and ranches across the United States being honored this year for their contribution to the cattle industry. H. Vance Campbell recently reported the Campbell Ranch to the National Cattleman's Beef Association (NCBA) for being in the family for 100 years or more."

Matador City Council Finalizes plans for Landfill Expansion.

Joe E. Campbell Honored With Lifetime Membership in American Legion.

Motley County Golf Teams Qualify for Regional.

April 23: FNB Kicks off 4-H Building Renovation Fund.

"A check from the First National Bank of Floydada has kicked off a drive for funds to renovate the Motley County VFW Memorial 4-H Building in Matador."

Judy Cartwright Wins \$2,000 from Pay-N-Save.

El Progreso Club Wins First Place Award for Matador Mural Project.

April 30: Museum Receives Tribute to Eleanor Traweck.

"For her contribution in preserv-

ing the history of the county, the late Eleanor Traweck recently received from Vance and Betty Campbell praise, a tribute, and a memorial in her name to the museum."

Memorial Day Muster Set for May 30.

Motley County Classes Participate in Extension Service Science Project.

May 7: Incumbent Candidates are Voters Choice.

Motley County Museum check point for cyclists.

Keane Cruse to play basketball in Hawaii.

Matador Couple Killed in Auto Accident.

May 14: Motley County Commissioners to receive surplus from TxDOT.

Shelley Cox Named Teacher of the Year.

Kristi Williams Crowned 1998 Lions Club Queen.

4-H Clubs to Sponsor Mini-Olympics.

Tommy Gleghorn and Tanya Barkley recognized as Tandy Technology Scholars.

May 21: 1998 MC Honor Students Announced.

Motley County Clinic and Crosbyton Clinic Hospital Affiliation.

Seventy-two applications received for Motley County Athletic Director position.

May 28: Ken Towery to speak at Veterans Muster.

Motley County Students receive Academic recognition.

FFA Members Honored at Annual Banquet.

MC Graduation Ceremonies to be held Friday and Saturday.

June 4: Memorial Day Muster Great Success.

Shannon Davidson's Endurance ride to be celebrated July 9-10

American Legion to sponsor Dayton Grundy at Boys State.

June 11: Kim Ashley and Jill Stanley selected to All-State Academic Honor Roll.

Motley County ranks fourth for DWIs.

"Motley County ranked fourth in the state for DWIs with 22 DWI arrests, 17.2 per 1,000 residents."

Ryan Martin awarded Cargill Scholarship.

June 18: Roaring Springs to celebrate 85th birthday.

"The town of Roaring Springs will celebrate its 85th birthday with a party sponsored by the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers. Roaring Springs was established June 19, 1913."

Motley County Clinic to merge with Crosbyton Hospital.

Aaron Green awarded Caprock Telephone Scholarship.

June 25: Fires blaze over 5000 acres of Motley County.

"Fires blazed over Motley County keeping volunteer firemen busy for days, with the first fire beginning last Wednesday afternoon outside of Roaring Springs. The fire was set accidentally, and burned about 60 acres of land, and destroying the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, the church's parsonage, and the former home of Ossie Lee Brown."

County water usage soaring as drought conditions continue.

"Water usage in Motley County is soaring as the drought conditions continue. Matador water usage for May was 5,868,000 gallons. Roaring Springs used a total of 2,117,000 for May."

July 2: Burn Order issued for Motley County.

"Motley County Judge Laverna M. Price has issued an Outdoor Burn Order for Motley County. She has also issued a Declaration of Disaster Threat of Wildfires for the County."

Wildfires burn over 13,000 acres in Motley and Cottle County.

"The wildfires which ravaged over Motley and Cottle County ranch land last week burned over 13,000 acres before being brought under control. The total acreage figure given to the Motley County Tribune

by Matador Fire Chief, Rodney Williams, was Matador Wildlife Complex, 13,010; Taylor fire, 350; and Thomas fire, 50."

July 9: Shannon Davidson Day - Jr. Rodeo.

It's Rodeo Time! Thrills, spills, and stick horses promise entertainment this weekend.

July 16: Dickens girl big winner in Shannon Davidson Ranch Horse races.

Lightning sparks weekend fires.

"Local volunteer fire departments spent another weekend chasing fire, with lightning igniting several sparks around the area."

Sara Chapman named new Matador Postmaster.

July 23: Illegal Alcohol seized by local law enforcement.

"A large quantity of alcoholic beverages were seized late Friday night, July 17, when local law enforcement served a search warrant on a north Matador home. A Matador woman was arrested and booked into Floyd County Jail, charged with possession of illicit beverage with intent to selling a dry county."

Ronny Payne named new Athletic Director/head football coach for Motley County ISD.

July 30: Nancy Robinson Masters to speak at Motley County Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Motley County to receive \$27,000 from State Tobacco settlement.

August 6: Rain! Scattered Showers Sprinkle County.

"Small scattered thunderstorms dropped rain over isolated rural locations in Motley County in the month of July."

Motley County Tribune receives award.

6000 acres burn in area wildfires.

"Approximately 6,000 acres burned in wildfires last week, according to reports from Matador VFD Secretary, James Gillespie."

August 13: Marshall Brothers receive award for Business of the Year. Craig Turner named Citizen of the Year.

August 20: 75th Annual Motley-Dickens Old Settlers Reunion to be celebrated.

Motley County Homecoming set for September 17-19

August 27: 75th Old Settlers Reunion Celebrated.

Gail Ream new Physician's Assistant at Motley County Clinic.

September 3: Record Crowd Attends Cowboy Reunion.

"The largest ever crowd of folks participated in the Matador Cowboy Reunion at Roaring Springs on Old Settlers Saturday. Jim Bo Humphreys fed over 200 celebrants."

September 10: Lightning Ignites Fire - 3,000 acres burn in northeast Motley County.

Drought Continues - County still lacks rainfall.

September 17: Marisue Potts sworn in as new School Board member.

Land Donated to Motley County Chamber of Commerce.

Fund Raiser Set for Mt. Zion Church.

September 24: Exes meet for 1998 Homecoming Celebration.

Kember Everett Crowned 1998 Football Queen.

October 1: Commissioners Vote to keep County Trapper.

Miss South Plains Pageant to be held in Matador.

October 8: Cool front brings much needed rain to area.

"Storms dashed across Motley County bringing rain and hail to some areas."

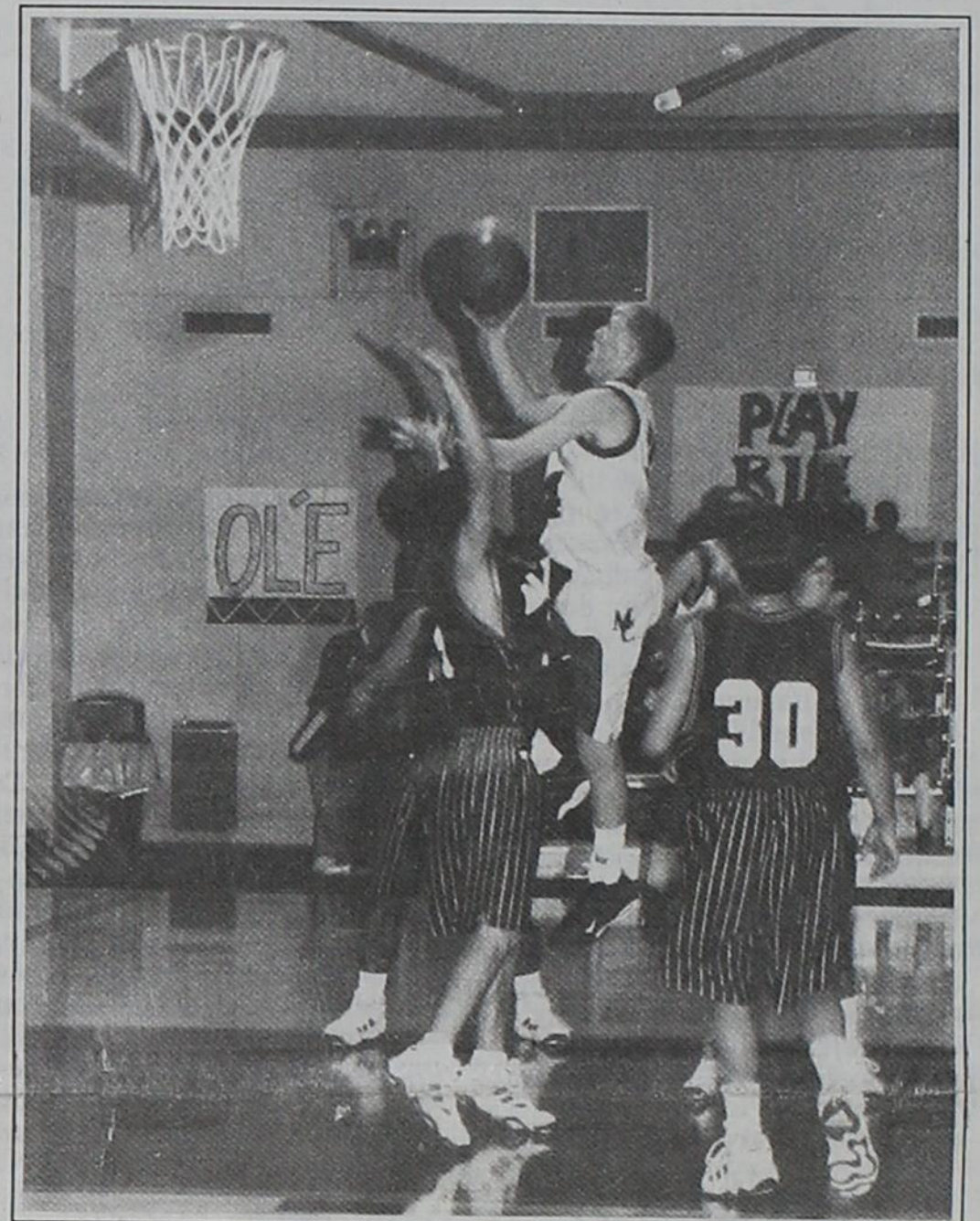
Legislative recommendations to assist drought-stricken Texas farmers and ranchers unveiled.

Kaci Risser named commended student 1999 Merit Scholarship program.

Two juveniles arrested for graffiti.

October 15: Annual 4-H banquet honors members, leaders, friends.

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Up, Up, Up — MC Matador Brad Marvel leaps into the air to score two in a recent Motley County basketball game held at the high school gym. The Matador teams are busy with a full schedule of games each week.

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Flomot man killed in one-vehicle accident

A Flomot man was killed in a one-vehicle crash Saturday night, December 26. Warren Gene Davis, 20, formerly of Fritch, was a passenger in a 1999 Ford Explorer traveling on FM 97 about 11:03 p.m. about a mile east of Flomot.

According to local DPS Trooper, Mark Gumaer, the truck, driven by Chesle Suzanne Parson, 21, of Matador was traveling at a high rate of speed. The driver failed to negotiate a curve, overcorrected, skidded across the highway and overturned several times. Davis was thrown from the vehicle. He was not wearing a seat belt.

Miss Parson, who was wearing a seat belt, was taken by helicopter to University Medical Center, where she was reported to be in good condition by reports received on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Parson is a 1996 graduate of Motley County High School. She is the daughter of Fred and Melane Parson of Matador.

Funeral services for Mr. Davis were held Tuesday, December 29 at the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Burial was in Silverton Cemetery.

He was born April 7, 1978 at Wellington. He graduated from Fritch High School in 1995. He had farmed in Flomot since his graduation. He is survived by his mother, Jackie Lynn Davis of Flomot; a brother, Michael Eugene Davis of Flomot; his grandparents, Jack Davis of Silverton and Jackie and Nada Starkey of Flomot; his great-grandmother, Bessie Starkey of Flomot; two uncles, Jackie Wayne Davis of Muleshoe and Michael Starkey of Canyon; and an aunt, Bessie Reid of Amarillo.

Jr. High Math students fare well on National exam

Twenty Motley County students from grades 6,7 and 8 participated in the American Junior High School Mathematics Examination on November 17, 1998. This is a national examination that is designed to test a student's problem solving ability. The test contains algebraic and geometric concepts as well as logical reasoning problems.

Eighth grade students participating were Cassie Campbell, Clint Cooper, Derrick Cruse, Brenda Gillespie, Chasity Holman, Chantry Meyer, and Brittany Perryman. Participating from the seventh grade were Stachia Baxter, Dumont Darsey, Angie Marvel, Susana Mendoza, Ryan Payne, Quinten Rose, and Lorenzo Salazar. Sixth grade participants were Kittle Campbell, Cody Cooper, Annie Green, Dakota Meyer, Sabrina Osborn, and John Stevens.

The students were divided into two sections of ten each. The results from section one are: Brenda Gillespie and Chantry Meyer tied for first place; Clint Cooper-second (by only one question); Derrick Cruse and Brittany Perryman tied for third. Results from section two are: Dumont Darsey-first; Annie Green-second; Quinten Rose-third. Each of these students will be given a certificate recognizing their achievement. Also, the top scoring student in the school is awarded a pin. Brenda and Chantry tied for this award and each will receive a pin. Every other student who participated in this contest is awarded a certificate of participation.

Mrs. Gillespie who coordinated and administered this exam is very proud of each student. The exam was a difficult one yet these students scored very well. Each student deserves congratulations for a job well done!



With the new year fast approaching, I've been thinking about my New Year's resolutions. This year I must commit to making more time for myself! Kathy and Nancy make fun of me, because I always seem to say "I just don't have time". That statement has become a joke at the office. Well this year, I really mean it, I am going to be dedicated to making more valuable time for good things.

Not that my work is not a good thing, but a person can only work so many hours of the day before becoming very burned out. Don't you agree? Jim says I'm a workaholic anyway, and I guess I must admit, he's right. If I'm not working at the office, I'm working at home, and if there's really not a whole lot to do, I'll make some work, (a direct quote from Jim). He says I make more work than anyone he's ever seen.

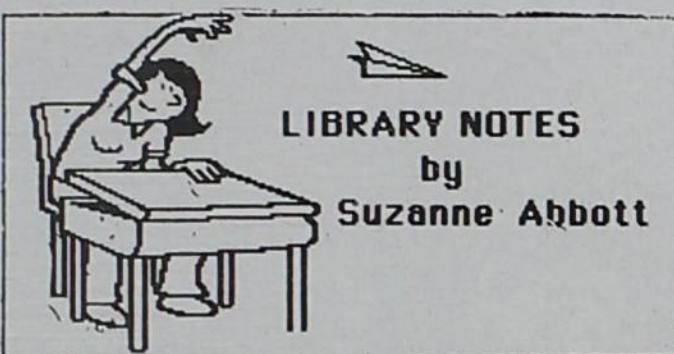
One thing I know for sure, I have

certainly never been bored. When I hear someone say they're bored, I just can't imagine feeling bored. To me there's always something constructive to do!

It seems like no one has any time anymore. With all the new gadgets we have at our homes and work places to save time, one would think the average person would have a little extra time. What's wrong here? It almost seems like the world is spinning around faster!

Well, anyway I plan to set my goal to really work (more work!) at making more quality time for myself as my New Year's resolution. I gave up on trying to lose those last 10 pounds, which I usually resolve to do. I can honestly say I would rather have a little more fun time than to be skinny, anyway.

Happy New Year!



Some very nice memorials have been made to the Library this week. One donation was made in memory of Beverly Whitaker by Marion Woodruff, Susannah Woodruff, and Lou Anne Jameson. Another donation was made in memory of Zola Mae Renfro by Virgie Bannister. We received donations from Roy and Joanie Stephens in memory of Zola Renfro and in memory of Beverly Whitaker. In addition, we received a donation from Betty and Vance Campbell in memory of Carl King. From Mike Hoyle and Larry and Donna Hoyle we received a memorial for Carl King. We appreciate the thoughtfulness and support of these people in providing these lasting memorials at the Library.

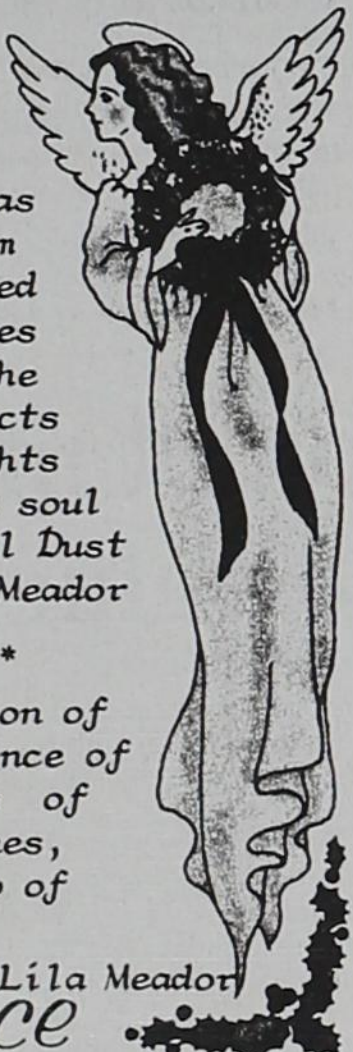
We received two new additions to the Library's genealogical section this week. Marge Edwards pre-

sented us with a copy of the 1998 Alumni Directory of Texas Woman's University. This directory has names of all who attended the university. If you are looking for a long-lost classmate, you will probably find her in this book. We appreciate the gift of this valuable directory to the Library.

We also received a very detailed and useful history of the Clower family. This family history is by Ervin Gafford Clower and we appreciate this welcome addition to our family history section. The title is John and Virginia Lee Clower One Hundred Years of Memories in One Family and includes many photographs, not only of the family but also of the county and area landmarks.

We wish for everyone a Wonderful New Year! May you read many good books in 1999.

Love
When the world has
the Spirit of Christmas
in its heart, no room
will remain for hatred
and fear. Life reaches
its fullness when the
warmth of love directs
the course of thoughts
and deeds; when the soul
is at peace. ---Trail Dust
by Douglas Meador



May this celebration of
the birth of the Prince of
Peace bring memories of
friends and loved ones,
and reflect the glow of
lasting friendship.

Lila Meador
Peace

"His Special People"



The Bible tells us that we can be God's special people. Imagine that! Some translations say that we are a "peculiar people" or "a people for God's own possession." Any of these show us that when we become a Christian, that we are no longer our own, but that we belong to God.

Because of the death of Jesus on the Cross and His resurrection, we have through our faith and obedience, become in Him a royal priesthood. In our priesthood we have the privilege to offer up our spiritual sacrifices to our God.

We are to be "holy people". Being holy does not mean that we are sinless, but it does mean that we are to be different from the world. Also involved in holiness is the concept of being "set apart" for service to our great God.

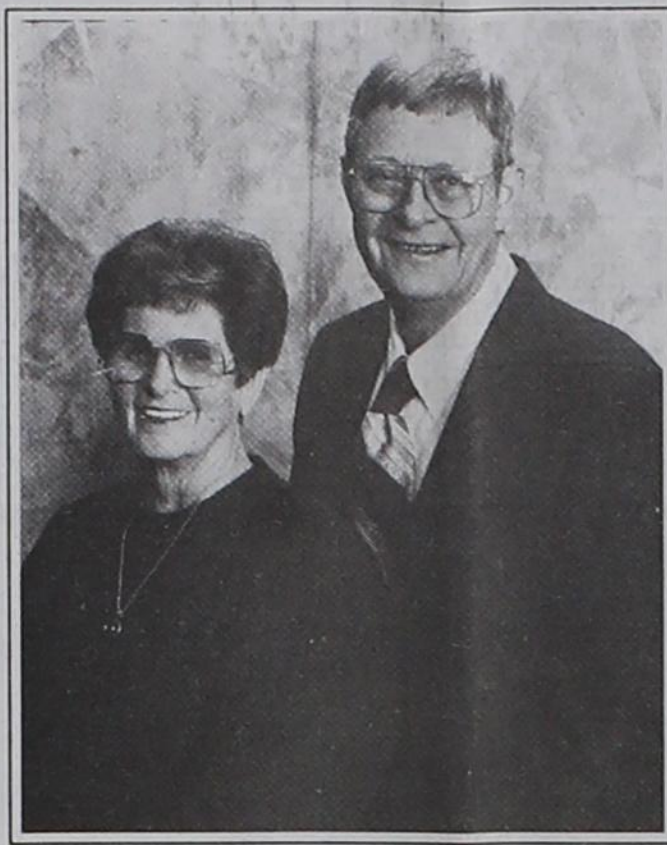
We are to live our lives in such a way that brings glory to our Lord. To be holy shows that we are God's people walking according to His Word. When we come to realize how important it is to be God's special people, we will want to glorify Him in all that we do in this life.

Roaring Springs Church of Christ
Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Worship - 9 a.m.

November 24, 1948



You are cordially invited to join
with friends and family
in celebrating the
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of
Wilburn Z. Martin
and Paula D. (Gilbert) Martin
and
Herbert A. Martin
and Geneva L. (Tanner) Martin
on Sunday, the third of January
Nineteen hundred and ninety-nine
from 2:00 to 5:00 in the afternoon
The celebration will be at
the Homot Community Center
Homot, Texas
No Gifts Please

January 15, 1949



Library on Wheels a possibility

The Motley County Library has the opportunity to apply for a grant that would pay for library materials to be delivered right to the door of those who, for whatever reason, are unable to come to the Library. People who are ill, disabled, or just do not drive anymore and can't come to the Library would be eligible to receive

this service. The Patron would tell the Librarian the types of books, magazines, or videos that he or she would like. These materials would then be checked out to him and delivered. There would be a possibility of receiving large print books and books on tape, with tape player. Every two

weeks the materials would be picked up and delivered.

If you or someone you know, anywhere in Motley County, would be interested in receiving this service, please call the library at 806-347-2717 and let us know. We must know that the service is needed before we can

apply for the grant. The library is waiting to receive your call on Mondays, 2:00-5:00 p.m. and on Tuesdays - Fridays, 1:00-6:00 p.m.

When you call we would like to know your name, mailing address, and telephone number as well as your interest in this service.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic to be in Matador

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Motley County Clinic, 1224 Main, in Matador on January 13, 1999.

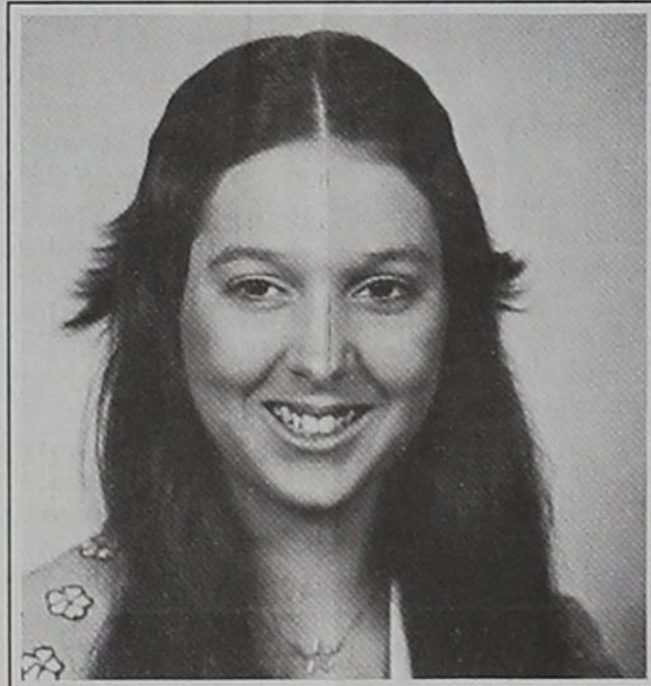
Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam., mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-

cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse. The total cost is \$75. A minimum of fifteen women need to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 359-1905 or 1-(800) 377-4673 for more information.

Thank you for reading the
Motley County Tribune

Lordy, Lordy...
look who's 40!



Happy Birthday!
Love - your family

new year
HAPPY

HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY
Ossie L. Brown

Join family and friends for a celebration in honor of
OSSIE (SHINE) BROWN
who turns 80 on January 1, 1999.
Come join in and help ring in the New Year
with a birthday luncheon.

When: January 1, 1999
Time: 1:00 p.m. - until
Where: Depot - Roaring Springs, Texas

Hosted by Ossie Brown's children

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Thursday, December 31
featuring
MARVIN DAVIS

9:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. \$5.00 cover charge
Midnight Buffet Available!
Feed Trough Steakhouse

Downtown Roaring Springs

Headlines
in review from page 1

Matador Fire Department receives \$10,000 donation.
Commissioners discuss delinquent tax collection.

October 22: Roaring Springs Church to celebrate 100 years.
Chamber of Commerce Selis Donated Land.

October 29: Church overflows for 100th Anniversary Celebration.
MC Booster Club will sponsor MADD program.

November 5: U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison to hold town hall meeting in Matador.

Veterans to be honored with program at School.

November 12: Over 40 will compete in Miss MC South Plains Pageant.

Darren Pruski is new County Executive Director.

November 19: Senator Hutchison tells Motley County residents: '1998 tough year for Ag, future looks brighter'

November 26: Happy Thanksgiving!
Community Chest sets \$1,000 goal.

December 3: Santa makes stop in Matador.

Slower economic growth expected as 1999 approaches.

December 10: Fourteen Matadors Named to All-District Team.
Fine Arts Department to present "A Christmas Smorgasbord".

December 17: Merry Christmas! Commissioners Court adopts Resolution.

Celebrate The Call-idays with Caprock Cellular



For a limited time, you get your choice of:

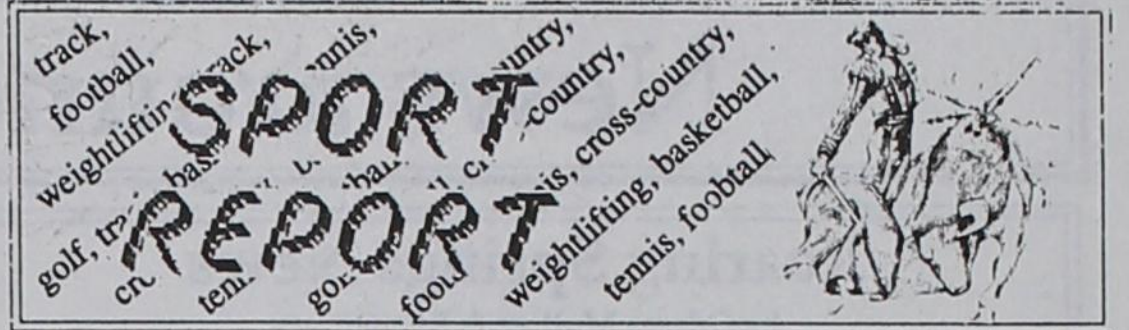
- * Motorola Tote Bag Phone
or
* NEC 960MAX Handheld with Drop-In Charger & 36 hour battery
and
Executive fold-over Road Atlas & Travel Guide

Call Free 888-271-3344 or see our local agent:

In Matador, James Gillespie

*Offer ends December 31, 1998. Customer has choice of \$59.95 preferred equipment pricing, \$75.00 airtime credit & minimum \$24.95 plan for 12 month contract, or Free Phone for 12 month contract and \$24.95 monthly minimum calling plan required. See your nearest Caprock Cellular Agent for details. Territorial restrictions may apply. Must have a valid drivers license; Credit check required; New Activations ONLY; Other restrictions may apply.

MOTLEY COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS



Cast and Crew of A Christmas Smorgasbord, presented by the Theatre Arts Department and the High School Choir, perform one last song for the audience. The group performed a variety of songs and one-act skits relating to Christmas, Thursday, December 17.

Matadors win over Petersburg, place third in Lockney tournament

The Motley County Matadors won over Petersburg, December 10, defeating them by a score of 52-43. Brad Marvel was leading scorer with 15 points, followed by Sean Rose, with 12; Keane Cruse with 12; Jason Barton, with 8; Jason Clouser, 3; and Brant Donaldson with 2.

Jason Barton led with rebounds with 7, followed by Sean Rose with 6; Keane Cruse, 5; Brad Marvel, 5; Jason Clouser, 4; Dayton Grundy, 3; Brant Donaldson, 2; and Chase Carson, 1.

Keane Cruse, Jason Barton, and Jason Clouser had two assists each. Keane Cruse had four steals, followed by Jason Clouser and Brad Marvel with three each.

Sean Rose shot 71% from the floor. Brant Donaldson and Jason Clouser shot 50% from the floor. Sean Rose shot 100% from the freethrow line, and Keane Cruse shot 80%.

Coach Ridgley stated, "Sean Rose did an outstanding job off the bench. Brad Marvel played great defense as did Keane Cruse and Jason Barton."

The Matadors participated in the Lockney Tournament December 11 and 12. Their first game was with Lockney. The Matadors lost the game 57-38.

Keane Cruse led in scoring with 11 points. Jason Barton had 8, Brad Marvel, 6; Brant Donaldson, 6; Sean Rose, 4; Matt Easter, 2; and Jason Clouser, 1.

Keane Cruse, Sean Rose and Brant Donaldson led with rebounds, grabbing 4 each. Dayton Grundy, Chase Carson, and Brad Marvel grabbed three each, and Jason Barton, Jermaine Hendrix and Matt Easter, each had 2.

Keane Cruse had five assists; Jason Barton and Jason Clouser, 2 each. Jason Barton had 3 steals, Keane Cruse, Jason Clouser, Casey Lawrence, 2 steals each. Keane Cruse was 5 for 7 from the field.

Coach Ridgley stated, "We shot the ball poorly. Also the FT line killed us. We would of stayed in the game if we hit our FT."

The Matadors went up against Hart, playing for third place in the tournament. The Matadors came out on top, defeating Hart 62-31.

Keane Cruse was leading scorer with 23, followed by Chase Carson with 11; Brad Marvel, 10; Brant Donaldson, 4; Jason Clouser, 3; Dayton Grundy, 3; Sean Rose, 2; Matt Easter, 2; Benjamin Ridgley, 2; and Jason Barton, 2.

Leading rebounder was Dayton Grundy with 8, followed by Sean Rose with 6; Chase Carson, 6; Keane Cruse, 4; Jason Barton, 2; Brad Marvel, 2; Brant Donaldson, 2; Benjamin Ridgley, 2; Jermaine Hendrix, 2; Jason Clouser, 1; Matt Easter, 1; and Casey Lawrence, 1.

Dayton Grundy had 4 steals; Keane Cruse and Jason Barton, 3; Jermaine Hendrix, 2; and Casey Lawrence, 1. Jason Clouser had three assists, Jason Barton, 2.

Keane Cruse shot 9 for 15 from the floor and 100% FT. Brad Marvel was 100% from the FT line. Chase Carson was 5 for 6 and 100% from the 3 point range. Jason Clouser was 100% from the 3 point range.

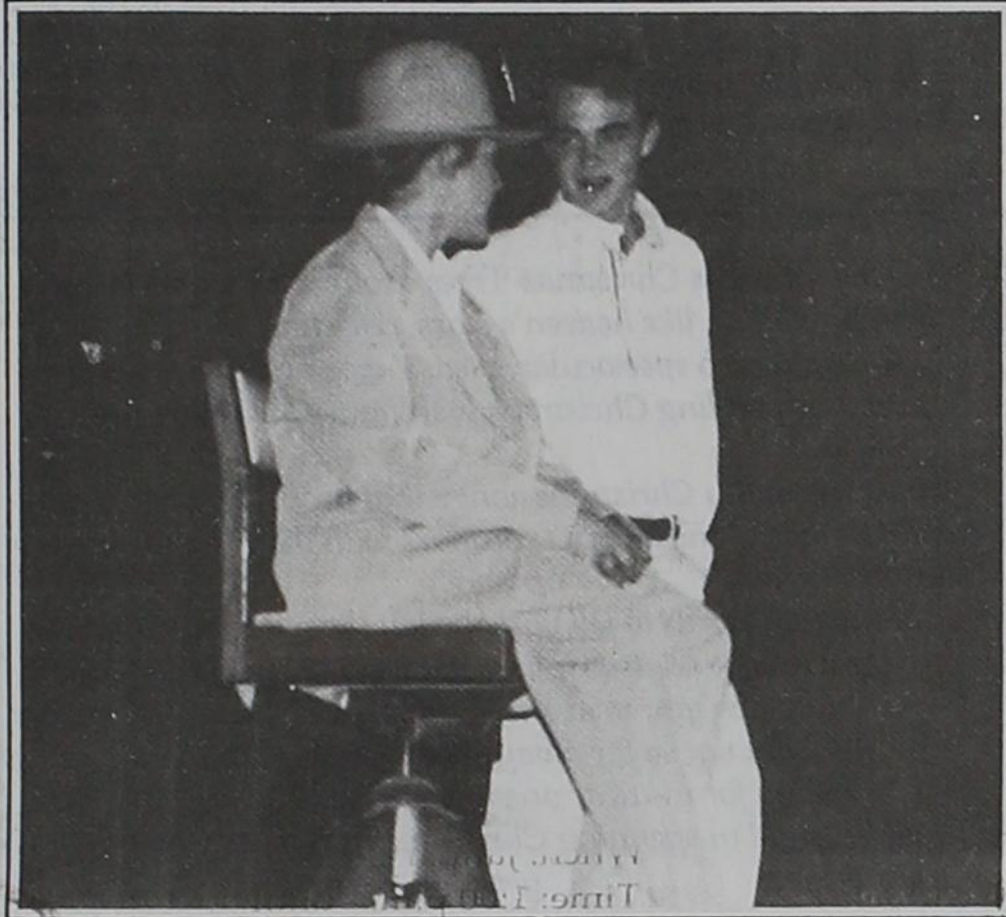
Coach Ridgley stated, "Excellent team effort. Great job of bouncing back after a disappointing loss. Chase Carson was spectacular off the bench."

Career planning guidance offered to high school students

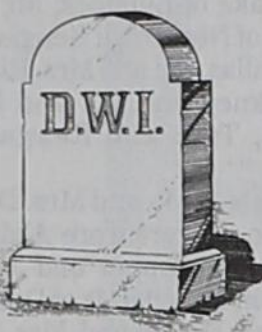
Are you in the 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade and thinking about what you want to do after you graduate from Motley County High School? Have you and/or your parents talked about making career plans? Do you think you may want to go to college? Are you worried about how to pay for college?

If you and your parents answered yes to just one of these questions, then you are invited to call Joan Keith at 347-2283 to make an appointment for a free consultation. With 30 years of experience as a Career Advisor, Consultant in Career guidance, Head Counselor, and college instructor in Educational and Career Planning to Master's degree candidates, Mrs. Keith is offering her expertise at no cost to Motley County residents - for this year only.

Individual meetings will be scheduled for any high school student and their parents. This is an important time in the lives of all high school students, and college and career planning should begin no later than the 9th grade. Just call 347-2283 to schedule your appointment.



A SMORGASBORD ACT — Theatre Art students, Dusty Jackson and Janelle Kilmer perform an act at the Christmas Smorgasbord program presented at school, December 17.



Don't Drink & Drive!

When you mix alcohol with driving, you never know what you're up against. This holiday season, don't make a mistake that could be fatal. Use good judgement. Don't drink and drive.

After Christmas Sale!

Rose Garden
Floral & Gifts



Most Christmas Items
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MOTLEY COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1998

EXHIBIT A-2

Data Control Codes	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES		TOTALS (Memorandum Only)		
	100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Funds	98 August 31, 1998	97 August 31, 1997	
REVENUES:					
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 720,628	\$ 269,618	\$ 990,246	\$ 880,512
5800	State Program Revenues	901,348	8,417	909,765	860,298
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	261,771	261,771	226,505
5020	Total Revenues	1,621,976	539,806	2,161,782	1,967,315
EXPENDITURES:					
Current:					
0010	Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	965,576	323,362	1,288,938	1,137,190
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	66,722	108,196	174,918	181,551
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	168,555	130,799	299,354	323,936
0040	Administrative Support Services	138,056	1,218	139,274	128,262
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	270,728	8,261	278,989	205,937
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	-	-	-	30,294
6030	Total Expenditures	1,609,637	571,836	2,181,473	2,007,170
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	12,339	(32,030)	(19,691)	(39,855)
7020	Other Resources	-	-	-	1,385
8030	Other (Uses)	(20,039)	-	(20,039)	-
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	(7,700)	(32,030)	(39,730)	(38,470)
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	732,741	142,280	875,021	938,114
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	69,331	(176,396)	(107,065)	(24,624)
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 794,372	\$ (66,146)	\$ 728,226	\$ 875,020

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News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins & Rita Groves

A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER
 Dear Lord, please give me...
 A few friends who understand me
 and yet remain friends
 A work to do which has real value,
 without which the world
 would feel poorer...
 A mind unafraid to travel,
 even though the trail be not blazed.
 An understanding heart...
 A sense of humor
 Time for quiet, silent meditation.
 A feeling of the presence of God.
 And the patience to wait,
 for the coming of these things,
 With the wisdom to know them
 when they come.

—WR. Hunt

Don't forget to eat blackeyed peas tomorrow!

Guests in the Venita Sedgwick home over the Christmas holidays, were son, Jerry and wife, Elizabeth with their children, Ben and Karen Sedgwick of Claude; Susie and husband, Gordon, and children Audie and Brandy of Lake Somerville. Venita's brother and wife, Tony and Judy Cook of Eminence, Mo., also a niece Joanne and husband Bryce Reagan of Quitaque with Deanne and Ski Burkes of McQueen.

Family members in the J.N. and Darleen Fletcher home were Laurie and Andrew Dunlap with Lauren and Dylan; Stephanie and Brandon Woodall, Garrett and Bailey, Darla and Brad McNeill and Brenner, and Kim and Dave Lee and children Casey, Sam, and Brett.

Noma and Monte Wike, ministers of the R.S. Methodist Church were in Seattle, Washington visiting their son Greg during Christmas week. Coming from Wellington, Texas to preach Sunday the 27th were Eddie Melton accompanied by his wife Trish. The Wikes will return Thursday New Year's Eve.

Early holiday visitors Wednesday, Dec. 16 from Lubbock, bearing gifts, were Ruby Nichols and her daughters, Virginia Martin and Rita Little, to visit in the homes of Ruby's sister, Margie Payne and sister-in-law Rita and husband, Algie Groves. The group met at Cafe RS for lunch.

Mike Groves of Houston arrived Wednesday, Dec. 23 for a Christmas visit with his parents, Rita and Algie Groves, who accompanied him to Lubbock Monday, Dec. 28 for his return from Southwest to Houston.

Two highlights of the season were visiting with Larry Elliott and his mother, Bailey Elliott at Cafe RS on Sunday. Larry was visiting from Beaumont where he teaches public speaking at Lamar University. Keith Patton passed along the information that he recently heard Peter Jennings on CNN when he quoted Karen Elliott House concerning the keeping of journalistic integrity alive. Many of us remember Karen and Larry when they attended school in Matador and were being encouraged in their journalistic efforts by the late Douglas Meador and his wife Lila.

Christmas dinner at the Cleo Watson home brought Cleo's children Monte, Larry, and Jeanie and their families for dinner. Among the grandchildren were

Larry Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Crupe and boys from Amarillo, and Bryan and Paige Barnes from Silverton. Of all the neat recipes tasted during the holidays at the homes of friends, the most interesting was probably Frog-eye salad a speciality of one of Cleo's daughters. To prevent a raid on her recipe file, the donor shall remain anonymous.

Spending Christmas with Zella Palmer were her sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer of Eureka, KS, and Josh Palmer of Gordon City, KS, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Spikes, Shelby and Shanna of Rotan, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Palmer and Miranda, Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Palmer of Matador, and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. James Adams, Dillon and Ty, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adams ate lunch with them on Christmas Day.

Veda Lou Kopecky of Midland came on Wednesday to visit her grandmother. They drove to Littlefield to have Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. Benny Goss and their family. Veda went home Sunday morning.

Christmas guests of Lula Swim were J.R. Swim of Abilene, and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim. Lula kept a Dr. appointment on Monday and got a good report from her heart surgery. She will go back in March.

Christmas visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Brooks were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brooks of Austin and Rev. and Mrs. Keith Brooks of Del Rio. On Monday, they accompanied Mr. Brooks to Crosbyton Care Center where he will receive medication and therapy for awhile.

Enjoying the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Bearden and Cindy were Mr. and Mrs. Max Bearden, Kelsey and Bryce of Ropesville, Penny Bearden of Lubbock, and Kerry Bearden of Quitaque.

Enjoying Christmas Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Meredith were local residents, Yancy, Daphne and Parker Meredith, Randy Meredith, Holly Hodges and sons, Wylie and John of Dickens, Cody, Leah, Angelica and Jonah Meredith of Plainview, Tony, Sherry, Sean and Shea Rose, and Jim and Carla Meador, of Matador.

Visiting the Merediths on Sunday and Monday were Jackie and Shirley Smith and Steve Smith, of Ruidoso, N.M. They were on their way home from visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Cooper, in DeRidder, Louisiana. The group enjoyed another Christmas celebration in Matador at the home of Jim and Carla Meador. Also attending were grandson and family, Jeremy, Whitney and Morgan Jones of Lubbock, and Tony, Sherry, Sean and Shea Rose, also of Matador.

Visiting over the Christmas holidays with the Harry Pattens were her children and grandchildren, Veda Kopecky from Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Reagan and Bryce from Quitaque; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burkes of Afton; Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Allen, Jared and Darrin of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. William Palmer, Matt and Micah of Lovington, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Parker, Tara, Erica and Lisa of Boyd; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Burkes and Skee of McQueen; Mr. and Mrs. Darrin Waddell of Carlsbad, CA; Angie Burkes of Lubbock, and local resident, Dudley Allen.

and Mrs. Nancy Marshall of Matador, and Ryan Martin of Stephenville.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stockton Christmas Eve were Brandi, Bo and Jade Bennett of Ballinger; Freda, Billy and Paige Hughes of Quitaque; Jeremy Hughes, Matt Abram, Jake Justin, Lindsey Williams and Randy Westbrook of Lubbock; Debra and Joel Spray, Glenda, Rodney and Kristi Williams of Matador and Leanne Jameson of Dougherty.

Visiting during the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Frances Dixon were Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Risner of Wheeler; Kobbi Risser of Arlington and Fred, Elaine and Kaci Risser of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Fannin and Danielle joined family members at the Gwinn home in Matador, Christmas Eve, Aly Gwinn and Betty Lynch of Lubbock, Marilyn and Ray Holcomb of Floydada; Cris Gwinn of Taylor; Charles "Chig" Gwinn, Josie and Bill Raetz, Sarah, Emily and Annie Hurt of Matador.

Wilda and Spencer Dixon visited from Dec. 23 to 27 in Lovington, N.M. with her family, Mrs. Ted Hester, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hester, Kristen and Christopher.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke Brock and sons of Tyler visited Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Jennings.

Mrs. Johnny Turner, son, Cobey of Stephenville, daughter, Mrs. Heather Blount of Lubbock and mother, Mrs. Joe (Carolyn) Luckenbach of Silverton visited Sunday until Tuesday in Houston with Mr. and Mrs. John Montague and family. They attended the military graveside rites of Joe Luckenbach held Monday at the Houston National Cemetery.

A Note of Thanks

Thank you for the cards, flowers, and food while Mom lived in Plainview and when we brought her home for her final rest.

The family of Artie Wason
 I would like to thank each one for the visits, calls, cards, flowers, food and prayers during the illness and death of my brother, Carl. May each be blessed in a special way.

Myra Spears

Words cannot express our appreciation for the kind deeds shown to us in the loss of our loved one, Zola. To all of you who gave her so much love and support during her illness, our heart felt thanks. Your love and support meant so much to her. God bless each of you.

Charles Renfro family
 Butch Renfro family
 Edward Bartley family
 Florence Rainbolt family
 K.J. Clifton family
 Pete Clifton family
 Billie Clifton family

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

Guests in the home of Mrs. Leona Degan during the Christmas holidays were children and families, Sheila and Jerry Gilbert of Jacksonville, Alabama; Lou and Morris Degan of Medicine Mound; Donna and Stanley Degan of Kalgary; Shawna Degan of Anton; Shay and Jimmie McDaniel of Dallas and Dane Degan of Lubbock.

Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay and Ty of Flomot and their houseguests, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton and Kayla of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Cody Barclay, Lane and Ashton of Matador; Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Cara of Flomot and their holiday guests, Cary Franks of Amarillo and Amy and Cory Franks of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Washington and Mr. and Mrs. Conway Clary, Caleb and Mickey of Roaring Springs, Matt Washington and Ashley Morrison of Matador and Mrs. Edith Washington of Flomot. The Barclay families visited Christmas Eve in Lockney with Mr. and Mrs. S.D. Barclay.

Guests during the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Natalie and Brooke Rogers of Athens, Georgia; Ronnie, Richard and Becky Rogers and Dane Degan of Lubbock; Randy Rogers, Shay and Jimmie McDaniel of Dallas; Shawna Degan of Anton; Donna and Stanley Degan of Kalgary, Jackie and Michael Davis of Fritch and Donnie Rogers and Warren Davis of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin and grandchildren, Lindsay and Cole Martin of Panhandle had a pre Christmas celebration last weekend in the home of daughter and family, Marilee and Fred Cooper of Borger.

Visiting Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Edith Washington were granddaughters and families, Laura and Matt Hathaway of Clovis, N.M. and Major Bruce and Melyanna Hamilton, Luke, Hunter and David of Coweta, Oklahoma.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay and attending a Christmas Eve supper were Julie Clay of Lubbock; Kevin, Lori, Karlee and Kyler Kleibrink of Clifton; Mrs. Margaret Lane, Tina, Pat, Walker and Ryleigh Carson, Hubert and Delores Price, Billy Neal, Lacy Shannon and children, Peggy, Emily, Tiffany and Kim Woods, Billy and Suzie Shannon of Turkey; Stanley Price of Quitaque; Larry, Angelia, Kelsey, Tanner and Sarah Clay, Ronald and Wadetta Clay, Herb and Geneva Martin and League Clay of Flomot and Jim and Dave Driver of Sydney, Australia.

Visiting during the holidays with Mrs. Sylvia Lee Martin were Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Martin and Seth of Lubbock; Lori Martin of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Martin, Dakota and Corie Jo of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Turner and Cassidy of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross and Aleda Elaine visited Christmas holidays in Lubbock with Elisa and Stan Wigley and their guests, William Wigley of Dallas and John Garton of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Shorter visited Dec. 26 to 29 at Lake Conroe with daughter and family, Judy and Richard Rhodes.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Tommie Cruse for a family dinner Christmas night were Regina, Chad and Allison Seward of Goldthwaite; Chancey and Christi Cruse of Hedley, Mark, Derinda, Thor, Tory and Leah Patton of Silverton; Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star; James, Daria, Danielle and Fannin Gwinn of Whiteflat; Brand Cruse of Turkey; Larry, Deidra, Skylar and Monica (student at Texas Tech) Clifton of Matador; Donnie, Judy, Roegan and Talon Cruse, Darrell, Brenda, Keane, Derrick and Leah Cruse of Flomot.

Art Green visited Christmas Day in Matador with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green, Aaron, Ashlee and Annie. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Green, Karlie and Kylie of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin and Ryan of Matador.

Visiting during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Butch Hughes were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Hughes and Brennan and Mrs. Marsha Blake of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Pierce of New Deal; Bengie and J.J. Hughes of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Hughes of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hughes, Tara and Reagan of Floydada.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Alvia Jo Calvert, Ashley, Christopher and Justin (student at SPC in Levelland) of Dumas; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foster and Mrs. Tim Mandrell, Peyton, Dustin and Shae of Lubbock. Keith Cook, grandson of New Orleans, Louisiana, called to wish them a Merry Christmas.

Wendell Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris, Dodie and Rebecca were guests at a Christmas dinner in Plainview, Dec. 19 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Lane, Krysha, Amy and Kilie. Other family members were Tommy Morris of Lockney and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green and children of Matador.

Happy New Year from the Edwards'



Matador News

Cora Hall and Catherine Henderson visited in Floydada with Mrs. Louvena Brown and Isabell White of Plainview for a luncheon. Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. White worked as L.V.N.'s together for many years in Lubbock. The ladies enjoyed visiting and all exchanged gifts.

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Obituaries

Warren Gene Davis

Silverton - Services for Warren Gene Davis, 20, of Flomot, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 29, 1998 at the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Rev. Edwin Norris officiated. Burial was in Silverton Cemetery by Myers-Long Funeral Directors of Silverton.

Mr. Davis was born on April 7, 1978 at Wellington, Texas. He passed away on December 27, 1998 at Flomot at the age of 20 years, 8 months and 20 days. He graduated from Fritch High School in 1995. He had farmed in Flomot since his graduation. He was preceded in death by his father, Carol Gene Davis in 1994.

Survivors include his mother, Jackie Lynn Davis of Flomot; his brother, Michael Eugene Davis of Flomot; his grandparents, Jack Davis of Silverton and Jackie and Nada Starkey of Flomot. By a great-grandmother, Bessie Starkey of Flomot; two uncles, Jackie Wayne Davis of Muleshoe and Michael Starkey of Canyon; and an aunt, Bessie Reid of Amarillo.

Pallbearers were Ken Hutson, Tommy Davis, Mat Davis, John Kemp, T.C. Reid, Josh Lee.

Honorary pallbearers were Ty Barclay and Brandon Gower.

Artie Wason

Funeral service for Artie Wason, 94, of Plainview, were at 2:00 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28, at the First United Methodist Church in Matador. Officiating was Rev. Dan McNamara, Hospice Chaplain of Plainview. Interment was in East Mound Cemetery at Matador under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wason died Wednesday, Dec. 23, at Hi Plains Hospital in Hale Center.

She was born October 19, 1904, at Pilot Point, Texas. She moved to Matador as a teenager and made her home here until moving to Plainview three years ago.

She was married to W.B. Wason on May 28, 1924 at Estancia, N.M. Mr. Wason passed away in 1973.

Mrs. Wason was a retired cafeteria manager for the Matador Schools. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Matador. She had been

active in the Matador Senior Citizens Organization and the Matador Garden Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, and by a son, Billy Wason, who died in 1993.

Her survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Don and June Wason of Plainview; a daughter and son-in-law, Dorothy and David Campbell of Floydada; a daughter-in-law, Marihelen Wason of Matador; three sisters, Gertrude Buffington of Stockton, CA, Leota Gillitt of Lubbock, and Ina Mae Lightfoot of Roby; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Grandsons and sons-in-law will serve as pallbearers, Kelly Wason, Gary Campbell, Cale Campbell, Greg Campbell, Mark Wason, Dake Vernon, Darrell Cruse and Bennie Marricle.

William L. (Jack) Hall

William L. (Jack) Hall, 84, of Aztec, N.M. passed away November 28, 1998, in Farmington, N.M. He was born in Roaring Springs, Texas to the late Herman and Lettie Clifton Hall. He married Myrtle Bridges in 1935.

Grateful to have shared his life are his children, Jack Hall and Melvin (Bud) Hall of Aztec, Mildred Jones of Nashville,

Tenn., Gayle Maurer of Victoria, Texas, and Jacky (Snooks) Deal of Montrose, Colo.; his brother Carl Hall of Farmersville, La., his sister Lucille Haddock of Mineral Wells, Texas; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents, three brothers and two great-grandchildren.

*I see the countless Christmas Trees around the world below,
 with tiny lights, like heaven's stars, reflecting on the snow.
 The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away that tear,
 for I am spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.*

*I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear,
 but the sounds of music can't compare with the Christmas choir
 up here.*

*I have no words to tell you, the joy their voices bring,
 for it is beyond description, to hear the angels sing.
 I know how much you miss me. I see the pain inside your heart
 but I am not so far away. We really aren't apart.
 So be happy for me dear ones. You know I hold you dear,
 and be glad I'm spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.*

*I send you each a special gift, from my heavenly home above.
 I send you each a memory of my undying love.
 After all love is the gift, more precious than pure gold.
 It was always most important in the stories Jesus told.
 Please love and keep each other, as my Father said to do,
 for I can't count the blessings or love he has for each of you.
 So, have a Merry Christmas and wipe away that tear.
 Remember, I'm spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.*

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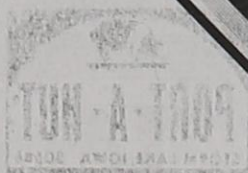
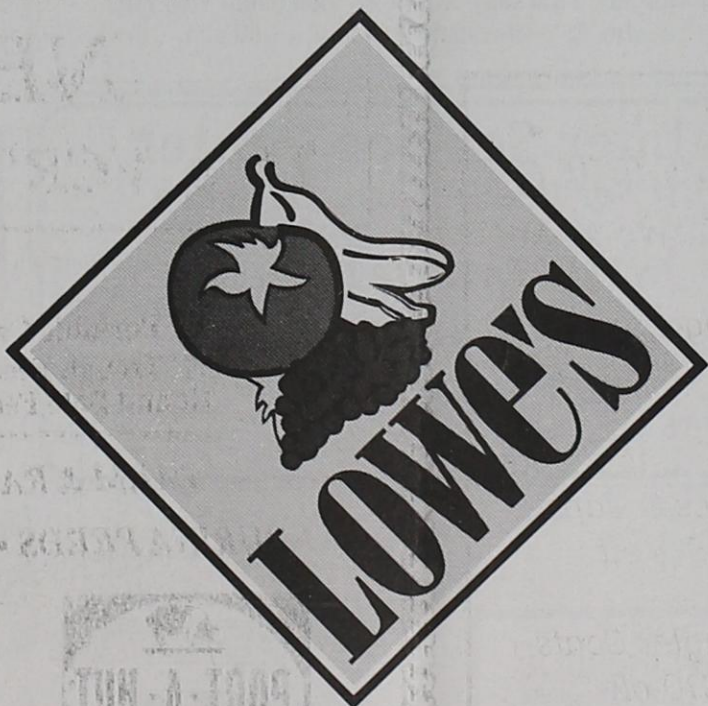
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