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A Look
Back
Call

MAY 3, 1951

Accidental Gunshot Fatal
to Flomot Farmer
W.A. Rattan, Jr. is Victim of Tragedy

"Tragedy struck swiftly Friday afternoon on a Flomot farm and in its wake claimed the life of W.A. Rattan, Jr., 27, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Rattan, Sr., long-time residents of the Flomot community.

Three relatives and companions, the victim, had been fishing in a tank and decided to kill a rabbit for bait. The gun was accidentally discharged in the truck. The 22 bullet striking Rattan in the neck and lodging in his spine. He died about 5 p.m. Monday."



LIONS ROYALTY — Kayla Copp, (third from right) was crowned the new 2000-01 Lions Club Queen at their annual show, held Tuesday night. Ashley Stevens, (standing left of Kayla), last year's queen, crowned Kayla as the new queen. First runner up was LeeAnnra Wallace, (right of Kayla). Other queen candidates were (from left) Courtney Hays, Chasity Holman, and Cassie Campbell.

Motley County voters will decide outcome of local elections Saturday

Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday and remain open until 7:00 p.m. for Motley County voters to decide who will hold the seats on the local boards and councils, when they cast their votes this Saturday, May 6th. There are contested races on both the Matador and Roaring Springs City Councils and on the Motley County School Board. The Matador Mayor's race is also contested.

Voters may cast their votes in Matador at the Courthouse in Matador for School Board and City Council. It had been reported earlier that voters should cast their votes for Matador City Council at City Hall, but Matador City Secretary, Linda Perryman, reported to the Tribune Tuesday morning, that voters should vote for Council at the Courthouse.

Roaring Springs residents will cast their votes at the Depot; Northfield, at the Cemetery building; and Flomot residents will vote at the Community Center.

The outcome of the Motley County School Board election will be interesting with three places up for election and eight candidates. Incumbent candidates are Larry Clifton, Ben Charles Grundy and John D. Russell. Challenging candidates are Marisue Potts, Douglas Campbell, Coy Franks, Bobby Williams and Pat Smith.

Seeking election for the Mayor's seat in Matador are Incumbent Gary Lancaster and challenging candidate Rodney Williams. There are two places open on the City Council, currently held by Shane Jones and Don Warren. Both incumbent candidates are on the ballot, as well as challengers, Gene Chapman and Fred Parson.

Mayor Joey Thacker will seek re-

End-of-School Bash planned for May 9

Ice cream, ice cream, we all scream for ice cream!

Motley County ISD will sponsor an End-of-School Bash for one and all, May 9, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. at the school.

The coming of the end of school will be celebrated with cake and homemade ice cream. An informational meeting will follow to determine if there is enough interest in reorganizing PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization). If enough interest is shown, officers will be elected for the 2000-01 school year.

Statistics show that lack of family involvement in schools is one of the many reasons for failure in school and lack of motivation and achievement.

The residents of Motley County should work to improve the school, have some fun and help Motley County students. This is a family event, so children must be accompanied by an adult. Please make plans to attend this End-of-School Bash!

Memorial Day Muster dedicated to World War II Veterans

Motley County Veterans and their family members and friends will Muster at 6:00 p.m. on the traditional Memorial Day, Tuesday, May 30, at the Roaring Springs Community Center.

This event is dedicated to "The Greatest Generation" of Veterans and their loved ones who fought and won World War II.

A special guest will address the assemblage following the supper.

Fleming Post 37 of the American Legion and Unit 337 of the American Legion Auxiliary are sponsoring the Muster.

There will be more information printed about the Muster in subsequent issues of the *Motley County Tribune*.

\$100 million in tobacco funds delivered

(Austin) -- Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander is sending \$100 million this week from the Texas tobacco settlement to 288 Texas cities, counties and hospital districts to help offset costs of providing indigent health care.

The Motley County Hospital District received \$6,598.15.

The check amounts were determined by a formula, established by the Texas Department of Health, based on the amount spent on unreimbursed indigent health care in the previous year.

The funds are from the \$2.28 billion Texas tobacco settlement reached in 1998, and are separate from the \$15.3 billion settlement between tobacco companies and the state. An initial \$450 million was set aside for payments in 1999-2001. The 1999 payments totaled \$300 million.

Under the terms of the settlement agreement, the Comptroller's office will distribute \$50 million in April, 2001. The remaining \$1.8 billion was set aside in an untouchable fund, with interest to be distributed annually beginning next year.

April makes stormy exit Rainfall totals good for the month

by Earlyne Jameson

The month of April made a stormy exit Sunday, April 30, in Motley County with a sighted tornado funnel, hail and blowing rains.

Motley County has received average and above average rainfall amounts so far this year. Farmers are hoping it will be enough to make up for the lack of moisture the past year. Tractors moved across fields with Treflan and fertilizer rigs, followed by listing of land the past two weeks,

in preparation for planting cotton crop in May.

The total rainfall in April registered by Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse, National Weather Service Volunteer of Flomot, was 3.30 inches. Jim Stockton of Whiteflat reported a total of 3.28 inches. Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs, reported 3.53. Betty Simpson of Northfield reported a total of 3.33 inches, while Kelly Meyer of Matador reported 1.15 for the month of April.

Annual 4-H sponsored Mini-Olympics set for May 13

Motley County 4-H will once again sponsor a Mini-Olympics for area youth on Saturday, May 13, at the Motley County High School Track and Field. The event will start at about 9:30 a.m. with check-in beginning at 9:00 a.m. The Olympics are open to all youth of the area from ages 2 years through the sixth grade. The youth will compete based on their age or grade with a separate boy and girl division in each age or grade.

There will be a \$5.00 entry fee per participant which will allow the youth to enter one or all of the events in their age/grade bracket. The events

will include the 50, 100, 200 and 400 meter dash; the 400 meter relay; long jump; baseball throw; and jump rope. There will be a special family 400 meter relay which will consist of two adults and two youth, if there is enough interest.

Awards will be given to the first, second and third places in each event and participation ribbons to all participants.

A concession stand will be available.

To sign up or receive more information, please call D'anna Russell at 347-2601.

Teen Challenge Service to be held at Assembly of God

The Matador First Assembly of God will host the Teen Challenge team for a service on May 7th at 6:00 p.m. The Teen Challenge ministry works with both men and women of various ages that have become addicted to alcohol and drugs. Worldwide, Teen Challenge continues to have the highest cure rates of substance abusers. Come and hear for yourself first-hand testimonies of those that have been freed from their addictions. There is no charge for the service but those that desire to support the ministry of Teen Challenge will have the opportunity to do so.

For additional information contact Pastor Rex Kreuzel at (806) 347-2771.

Summer Baseball Sign-up

Summer Baseball sign-up is now in progress. All kids who want to participate may pick up forms at the Motley County School, New To You in Matador, or LaNita's Cafe in Roaring Springs.

All kids in Motley County or Patton Springs are encouraged to participate. Age divisions are for children who will be four by May 19 and up to 18 years of age.

Roaring Springs Methodist to sponsor supper

The Roaring Springs First United Methodist Church will sponsor a Supper on Monday night, May 8, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The meal will consist of soup or a bowl of beans, cobbler or cake topped with homemade ice cream. There will also be sugar free homemade ice cream and cake. The proceeds will go for expenses of the new Fellowship Hall.

Roaring Springs Volunteers to sponsor annual Flea Market

Roaring Springs Community Volunteers announced this week that they will sponsor their annual Flea Market fund-raiser on Saturday, May 6, 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Booth rentals will be \$10.00 each. Vendors must furnish their own tables, racks, etc. Items may be brought to set up the afternoon before, on May 5, between 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., or set up the next morning at 8:00 a.m.

Jo Trammel, 348-7565, will be the chairperson in charge of this event.

All-Sports Banquet set for May 11

The Motley County All-Sports Banquet will be held Thursday, May 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school gym. The cost of tickets are \$6.50 each and can be purchased at Rose Garden Floral, Marshall Brothers or Mane Place and PCA.

election in Roaring Springs. There are two places on the Council. Candidates are Vince Taylor, Gary Simpson and Corky Marshall.

Roaring Springs residents will also vote on a sales tax increase for economic development. The sales tax increase, including part 4A and part 4B under the Development Corporation Act of 1979, will ask for a 1/2 cent increase under part 4A and a 1/2 cent increase under part 4B. The sales tax was created by the Texas Legislature to be used exclusively for economic development.

Part 4A, primarily intended for manufacturing and industrial development, must be used to focus on these areas. Roaring Springs could use the money raised by this sales tax to acquire land, buildings, equipment, facilities and improvements.

This type of sales tax may be used for distribution centers, small warehouse facilities, commercial development and expansion in depressed areas, among others.

Part 4B of the sales tax increase would provide Roaring Springs with a wider range of the use of the tax revenues because it is intended to give communities an opportunity to undertake a project for quality of life improvements, including economic development.

Roaring Springs could use this

sales tax for a wide variety of projects, such as facilities for sports, tourism, entertainment, parks, concessions, water improvements and sewers, as well as affordable housing.

Other cities on the South Plains who have already passed the Sales Tax are Littlefield, Clarendon, Friona, Groom, Gruver, and Wellington.

It is reported that Arlington Stadium was built with money raised through the 4B tax.

The sales tax has been reported to be one of the most popular and effective tools used by cities to promote economic development.

A committee must be appointed to administer the work of the Economic Development Corporation. The Committee can only recommend to the council the spending of funds.

All purchases currently made within the City of Roaring Springs that already have a sales tax will have an additional 1/2 cent for each part of the tax added, if passed.

Motley County residents are urged to go to the polls this Saturday. Each part of this election is very important to the county and voters should let their voices be heard, in a sense, by casting their votes. Every vote counts!

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Did Coronado sleep here?

By Marisue Potts

Approximately 130 people gathered at the Plains Baptist Assembly in Blanco Canyon on April 17 to listen to the theories of historians and scholars about whether the Francisco Vasquez Coronado Expedition camped in 1541 near the spring-fed waters of White River, about seven miles south of present-day Floydada.

Following nine presentations at a sister conference held at New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, NM, this segment offered thirteen topics to interested historians, geographers, archaeologists, and just plain old history buffs.

For eons people needing shelter, water, and food have gathered within these canyon walls: the early pioneers, the cavalry, the Comanches, Apaches and Kiowas, and, if Wichita State professor Dr. Donald Blakeslee is correct, the Tejas Indians and an exploration party of 300 Spanish soldiers and 1,500 Mexican Indians, with thousands of head of livestock for the

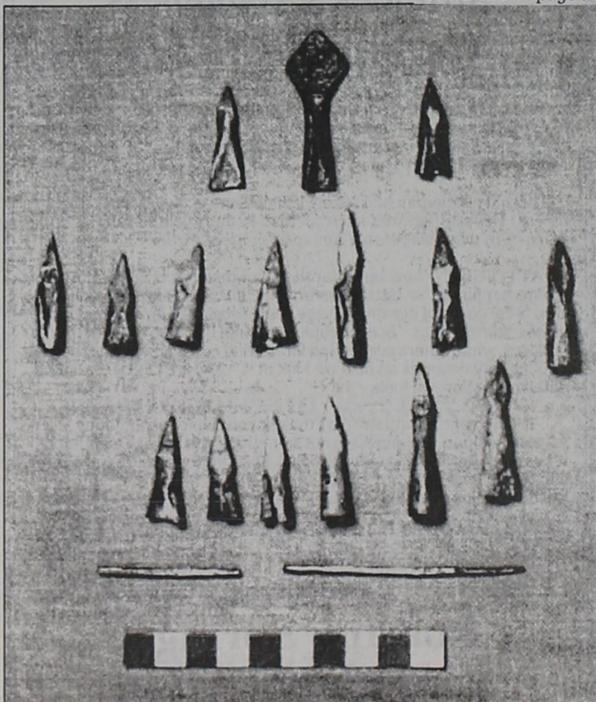
supply train.

In the early 1990's Floydada resident Jimmy Owens unearthed in Blanco Canyon the first crossbow bolt points linked by documents only to the Coronado Expedition. Since then Blakeslee has pursued and catalogued Spanish-style horseshoes and carrot-shaped horseshoe nails, and some 36 copper tips, the most found in any one location and more than in all the other locations combined. A chain mail gauntlet or glove that was found in a local farmer's field has also been linked to the site, Blakeslee believes.

Still elusive in the river valley are the definitive pottery sherds from olas broken in a hail storm and a massive amount of buffalo bones from a two week bison hunt undertaken by the exploration party which ultimately covered 4,000 miles from the Mexican coast and back.

One of the more interesting talks from our Motley County vantage point was presented by airline pilot

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Crossbow bolt points unearthed in Blanco Canyon are being linked to the Coronado Expedition of 1541 by Spanish documents. If these or other Spanish artifacts are found in Motley County, they could pinpoint the route of the large entourage of soldiers, Mexican Indians, and livestock.



Do you ever feel like popping yourself on the head and saying Duh! I felt that way after realizing the mistake on the front page of the paper last week. Some of you may not have noticed it, but to me those kinds of mistakes are really embarrassing. I really do know the difference between the words distinguish and extinguish. The bad thing is the mistake was in the article about my award. Double Duhhhh! By the time of the night that I typed that article I was not feeling very distinguished, and could really have used a little extinguishing! Anyway, if you didn't notice the mistake - never mind.

The end of school is approaching fast. My sister is very busy, with two graduates this year - a senior and an 8th grader. The mothers have been planning end of school parties. While listening to their plans, it reminded me of the year my son graduated. It was the first year we senior parents held a progressive party. Since we hadn't planned this type of party before, one of the parents borrowed a video tape from a parent from a nearby town, who had given a progressive party the year before.

We senior parents gathered in the cafeteria one night to view the tape and learn what we needed to do, to throw this type of party. One of the mothers put the tape in and we all settled back to watch. The tape started out a little fuzzy, which is sometimes to be expected from a home video. As the tape cleared, we

were glued to the screen, in anticipation of what we could expect for our great party plans. As we watched and tried to figure out what was going on, we suddenly realized that we were viewing a rather steamy part of an X-rated film!! Talk about a gasp! One of the mothers jumped to eject the film, and accidentally hit the fast forward button. Well, that made it worse, if you can use your imagination. She finally hit the right button, and the film was out of there. After a stunned look around the room by us parents, we all broke into laughter. We laughed and laughed, until we cried! That was a funny experience! Needless to say, that was not the film of the progressive party! We never knew exactly what happened.

After some fast forwarding, we did see the progressive party tape and threw a great party for our kids. I think this has become a real treat for the seniors. I hope everything goes great for this year's party. After all this group of kids are pretty special to me. My nephew is a member of this class and as I have told you before, I remember taking their group picture their first week of Kindergarten and printing it in the paper with the outline beginning "The Class of 2000". I can still see their little faces, all filled with wonder and excitement. Man, they grow up fast!

Get all the extra sleep you can, senior parents, you're going to need it, the next three weeks are going to be very busy! Just be careful when you borrow a tape!

Rev. Rex Kreusel Ordained

Rev. Rex Kreusel, pastor of First Assembly of God in Matador was officially ordained Thursday, April 27, at the West Texas Assemblies of God District Council meeting in Lubbock.

Bro. Rex has been credentialed and licensed as an Assembly of God minister since 1990. He has recently

completed all the required course work needed for ordination through Berean University. Bro. Rex's family, including his parents, Al and Lorene

Kreusel, and grandmother, Fern Holt from San Antonio, attended the ordination service with him.



Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott

Today, Thursday, the Friends of the Library will meet at 4:30 in the Library. Everybody is welcome to come. We need you to be a Friend!

Thanks to Billie Beth Moore for the year's subscription to the large-print *Guideposts*. We also appreciate the year's subscription to *Arthritis Today*, presented by the Arthritis Foundation.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund is sponsoring a College Scholarship Poster Contest. First place prizes will be two 4-year scholarships covering tuition and required fees to any Texas public university or college. Second place prizes will be two 1-year community college scholarships covering tuition and required fees. The first-place scholarships are sponsored by Farmers Insurance Group and Intel. The second-place scholarships are sponsored by Fannie Mae.

Rules for the contests and entry forms are available at the Motley County Library. The student who

enters must design and draw a poster on the theme, What I Hope To Be After College. Deadline is May 10, 2000. This contest is for students in elementary school and in middle/junior high schools.

I especially want to thank Ruby McGuire for cleaning the Library's windows. Over Easter weekend, someone threw things, leaving the windows spattered and dripping. Ruby volunteered to clean up the mess, and we appreciate her very much.

We thank Monta Marshall for providing items for our display case. Do you remember *Collier* magazine? *Post*? *Progressive Farmer*? *True*? *Come!* Monta has loaned us several copies of these out-of-print magazines. Come by and relive the 50's by looking at these interesting publications.

Don't forget the Friends of the Library meeting today at 4:30 p.m.

Attitudes & Happiness

A fine old gentleman, who at the age of 102, who was one of the happiest people around, was asked the secret of both his longevity and his personal joy. His reply was, "It's all a matter of attitude. For example, when I get up in the morning, I go over to the window and look out to see what the weather is doing. Sometimes I see rain, sometimes snow, sometimes sunshine. But regardless of the weather, I say to myself, 'This is exactly the kind of day I wanted.'"

This old gentleman had surely learned one of life's secrets to happiness. His attitude was such as that of the Apostle Paul. "I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content." Phil. 4:11

ATTITUDE - how important!! It can make or break you. It can create happiness or bitterness in your life. Someone has well spoken, "Few cases of eyestrain have been developed by looking on the bright side of things." Some people complain because God put thorns on roses, while others praise God for putting roses among the thorns. I guess it all depends on how we look at it - and **ATTITUDE** usually determines how we look.

It isn't your "position" that makes you happy or unhappy - it's your disposition. Happiness is not something you have in your hands: it's something you carry in your heart. Happiness does not come from what you have, but from what you are. Optimism may be defined as the disposition to look on the bright side of life - to expect the best - to work for the best - and to believe that the best will come to pass. Someone has said, "An optimist makes opportunities out of his calamities - a pessimist makes calamities out of his opportunities." How very true. The right disposition - coupled with optimism - creates within us the proper **ATTITUDE**.

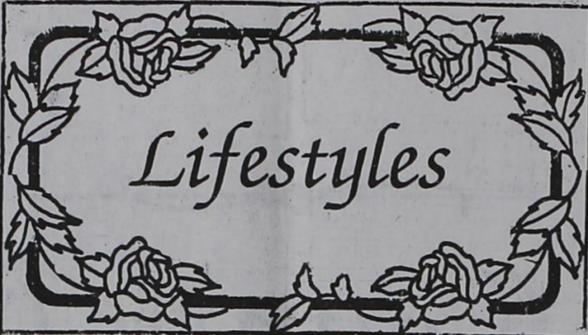
Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Radio Programs K-96 FM

Bible Study - 10 a.m.

Worship - 9 a.m.



Roaring Springs Community Volunteers plan upcoming events

by Rita Groves

The Roaring Springs Community Volunteers met the second Tuesday in April at 7:30 p.m. President Walter Trammel presided with seventeen members present: Jo Trammel, Corky and Monta Marshall, Dorothy Lee, Steven Byrd, Ruby Hipp, Alex and Jo Crowder, Kim Fletcher, Lula Swim, Sheila Lefevre, Bill and Lea Peacock, D.A. and Ruby McGuire, J.N. and Darleen Fletcher. Business opened with the reading of minutes of the previous meeting by Monta Marshall, Secretary, and D.A. McGuire's treasurer's report. Both reports were approved.

Providing dinner for the last town meeting to discuss raising sales tax, netted the Volunteers \$639.00. Bill Youngren of the Texas Health Department has visited the Center and given helpful instructions for food concessions planned during future activities.

Darleen Fletcher reported on the progress being made by the Kid's Camp committee. A circus theme "Under the Big Top" will include a pet parade, a clown face painter, story teller, Boy and Girl Scouts from Caprock Council, as well as a young magician for the week-long camp, beginning July 17.

When the Roaring Springs Alumni Fund Raiser Quilt, to be ac-

tioned at the Alumni Reunion, June 17, is ready, tickets will go on sale for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Ruby McGuire will make the tickets. Pearl Patten is the person to see to learn more about this "Roaring Springs Quilt."

The Annual Flea Market fundraiser will be held May 6, 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. May 5 at 1 p.m. will be set-up time for vendors' booths in the pavilion area of the Center. Rental is \$10 per booth space. See Venita Sedgewick for further details.

J.N. Fletcher reported that Bud Glenn has issued a challenge for plaques to be designed to represent each of the schools that were consolidated with the Roaring Springs School. These would be displayed in the Community Center with a larger plaque representing the Roaring Springs School. Bud Glenn offered to provide the Darden Canyon plaque. Other schools were Flag Springs, Teepee Flat, and Stripling School, also known as the "Old Rock School."

Contributions received during the month were from Jo Ala Green Bell, 7499 SVL Box, Victorville, CA 92392; Billie Clifton, Alex and Jo Crowder, J.N. and Darleen Fletcher, Corky and Monta Marshall, D.A. and Ruby McGuire, Zella Palmer, Pearl Patten, Joyce Smith Farms and Walter and Jo Trammel.

Pivots & Divots

by Geneva

TUESDAY SCRAMBLE

Winners: First with a score of 31, play-off on card, were Alan Bingham, Ronnie Vandiver, Conway Clary, Jerry Collins and Betty Collins.

Second, with a score of 31, were Jason Clauser, Gene Brannon, Jerry Chalwell, Robert Osborn and Olivia Osborn.

Third, with a score of 31, were Buzz Thacker, LaVoe Thacker, Bobby Hines, Carolyn Hines and Corky Marshall. Carolyn Hines got closest to pin, 6 ft. 5 in.

Others playing were Van Francis, Matt Washington, Alfred Barton, Louise Barton, Charlie Long, Nancy Long, Tim Washington, Roy Grundy, Rob Francis, Tempie Hutton, Jim Watson and Jeri Watson.

LADIES PLAYDAY

Playing 18 holes were Louise Barton and LaVoe Thacker. No ball given.

Nine hole players were Marihelen Wason, Frances Hobbs, Lucretia Campbell and Nell Berryman. No ball given.

BABE ZAHARIAS CANCER BENEFIT TOURNAMENT

The Babe Zaharias Cancer Benefit Tournament was a success in spite of the bad weather.

Playing and donating were Alan Bingham, Kay Bingham, Jim Watson and Jeri Watson. This team won first (play-off on card) with a score of 31. The Ladies Golf Association gave each a sleeve of balls, to first place only.

Other winners were Alfred Barton, Louise Barton, and Ken

Marshall, score 31.

Darrell Cruse, Derrick Cruse, Tim Lane, and Richard Senter, score 31.

Randy Martin, Garland Cartwright, Bob Logan, Ilene Lunsford, Gene Brannon, Mark Brannon, Geneva Wilson, Ronnie Vandiver, Conway Clary, Dena Washington, Ted Petty and Lynda Petty.

Those donating but not playing were Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Jeff and Pam Thacker, Kenny and Olivia Barton, Marihelen Wason, Frances Hobbs, Ellis and Leona Terry.

Thanks to everyone for the donations and the effort put into this. We have received \$295 up to this date. Donations are still welcome.

Country Gospel Music Show to be presented at Dickens



John Webster

The 4th Annual Country Gospel Music Show, featuring John Webster and special guest, will be presented Saturday, May 6, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Herman Ranch, Dickens.

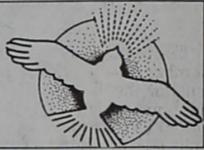
John Webster has been partnering with pastors and church leaders since April of 1989 and sharing Jesus Christ with all he comes in contact with. The ministry God has given him in song and testimony has won souls and touched countless lives around the world. John presently travels each year in the USA, Canada and Europe. His message of the love of Christ to all is encouraging and motivating. He has appeared on Canada's nationally televised program "1000 Huntley Street," BBC Radio in Great Britain, radio and television shows all across the USA and North America. He is a member of the Gospel Music Association, Nashville, Tennessee.

There will be no admission charge, but a love offering will be taken.

For more information, please call Pearl Herman at 792-5530 for directions to the ranch which is located near Dickens.

Sonbeams

by June Keltie



Valuable lessons are learned as we observe God's little creatures practicing the wisdom He has instilled in their tiny little brains. In the months prior to winter, my backyard is alive with squirrels and blue jays who have a common goal. Their focus is storing food in the ground for the future, not caring that beneath my feet is a field of nut landmines cleverly buried just enough to be concealed.

As they go about this task they exhibit great prudence by making quick gestures of digging, stopping to look behind, to the side, forward and then continuing if an enemy is not present. If an enemy approaches, they seek safety for a moment but always return to finish the task when the all clear is sounded.

We human beings, as well as creatures, have a common goal called survival. It takes a great degree of judgement both to survive personally and to help others overcome our adversary in the mental, physical and spiritual realm.

The Creator of Heaven, earth, sky and sea gave us a built-in communication system whereby we may obtain wisdom to exist victoriously. The connective wires lead straight to

Him. Unlike our little nature friends, much of our labor for the Lord and self discipline for our own good is thwarted by our lack of awareness of the enemies' devices. Each and every move toward obeying God's word will be abated by Satan unless we return to the place of desertion and in God's power finish the assigned job.

Divine wisdom is to know the will and ways of Father God and to follow them. Human wisdom is a false independence of God, believing one's self to be totally sufficient. It manifests itself in pride and vain glory which is offensive to the only high God.

Since true wisdom has a divine origin, God's mind can be known only by His Holy Spirit, which He has revealed through His son, Jesus Christ; therefore, those who have met Jesus at the Cross are wise. In Him we experience a keen discernment unknown to those who have foolishly chosen to follow their own destructive paths. In Him we have the ability to survive, reach our goals and to complete the tasks assigned to us for our good and His glory.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." Prov. 9:10

Local church's bake sale yields donation for Community Chest

The Easter Bake Sale sponsored by the Matador First Assembly of God Church was a rousing success. The fund raising efforts of church members resulted in \$646.65 which will be used for their fellowship hall.

According to Pastor Rex Kreusel \$64.65 was donated to the Motley County Community Chest, in keeping with their pledge. "We would like to say thank you to the community for making our bake sale a success," he said.



Mangold Memorial is Proud to Announce their New Arrivals!!

Beyonce Love Barrios, daughter of Francisco Barrios and Rita Ramos, of Quitaque, was born April 3, 2000 at 10:13 a.m. She weighed 5 pounds 3 ounces. Grandparents are Ramiro and Maria Ramos, of Quitaque and Sotero and Isidra Barrios, of San Luis Potosi, Mexico.

Stephen Rey Cuba, son of Robert and Isabel Cuba, of Floydada, was born April 7, 2000, at 3:34 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds 12 1/2 ounces. Grandparents are Raymond and Gloria Yannis, of Floydada, and Reinaldo and Margie Cuba, of Floydada.

Cecil Rayden Savage, son of Freddie Jr. and Christie Savage, of Floydada was born April 9, 2000 at 1:50 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds 1 ounce. Grandparents are Freddie Savage and Tommie Wilson, of Amarillo, and Cecil and Sue Chisum, of Vega.

Brayden Tyler Fry, son of Troy and Monica Fry, of Turkey, was born April 11, 2000 at 2:24 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces. Grandparents are Edward and Emma Fry, of Amarillo, and Alphonse and Viola Kleman, of Nazareth.

Un-named, son of Jonathan Biera, of Lubbock, and Maria Castiallo, of Plainview, was born April 11, 2000 at 2:59 p.m. He weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dario Castillo, of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. John Biera, of Lubbock.

Christian Michel McMorries, son of James and Genie McMorries, of Silverton, was born April 21, 2000 at 1:35 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces. Grandparents are Leon and Pat Lavy, of Silverton, and Danny and Vicki Ault, of Amarillo.

Brittany Elena Flores, daughter of Gilbert and Leslie Flores, of Floydada, was born April 25, 2000 at 7:27 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces. Grandparents are Julio Sr. and Janie Flores, of Floydada and Herman and Lupe Martinez, of Plainview.

Samantha Renee Quilimaco, daughter of Daniel and Adriana Quilimaco, of Turkey, was born April 28, 2000 at 8:39 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce. Grandparents are Roy and Benita Moreno, of Matador, and Estefania Quilimaco, of Turkey and Robert Quilimaco, of Colorado Springs, CO.

Kristan Taylor Rincon, daughter of Edward and Dania Vannesa Rincon, was born April 28, 2000. She weighed 7 pounds 10 1/2 ounces. Grandparents are Roberto and Janie Rincon, of Plainview, and Rolando and Irma Morales of Waynesville, N.C.

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El Progreso hosts District Convention

by Beverly Vinson

April 8, 2000, dawned bright and clear for the Santa Rosa District Convention of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs hosted by El Progreso Club. A continental breakfast greeted the guests from various clubs of the district. The executive board meeting was held at 9:45 a.m. Then at 10:30 a.m., Patricia Wilkins, District President of Paducah, called the meeting to order, and the usual amenities were carried out.

Members of El Progreso who had parts in the day's programming were Grace Campbell, Jo Etta Bumgardner, Lois Campbell, Winifred Darsey, Jo Ann Dickson and Dorothy Day.

The tables had been decorated with quilts, some very old and some very new, making for a most interesting display. It carried out the theme of the convention: "Stitch in Unity-Quilt in Diversity."

El Progreso Club furnished the luncheon.

El Progreso will meet for their final meeting of this season on May 4 at the Senior Citizens building for luncheon and installation.

Motley County School News



CLASS OF 2000 SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Immunization Clinic set at School May 9

An Immunization Clinic will be held at the Motley County School in the Multipurpose Room on May 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

A flat fee of \$7.00 will be charged for each child who is served at the clinic. The fee remains the same no matter how many immunizations the child receives. If the child is covered by Medicaid, either the parent or student will need to bring a current Medicaid card or a clear copy to school on the day of the clinic.

The consent form sent home with

each child and the required \$7.00 fee must be returned to Mrs. Carolyn Johnson at the school by Friday, May 5, in order for the immunizations to be provided at the scheduled clinic. If these items are not returned by May 5, the immunization becomes the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

If a child has had the required immunization, please contact Mrs. Johnson at 347-2676 with the correct documentation so that the school files can be updated.

What's to Eat?



MONDAY, MAY 8

Breakfast: Biscuits, Sausage and Gravy, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Cheese - Pepperoni Pizza, Garden Salad, Pineapple, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

Breakfast: Toast, Scrambled Eggs, hash Browns, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Assorted Sandwiches, Lettuce and Tomato, Potato Chips, Cowboy Cookie, Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Breaded Pork Chops, Fluffy Potatoes, Green Beans, Gravy, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Barbecue on a Bun, Lettuce and Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Potato Chips, Peach Cup, Milk.

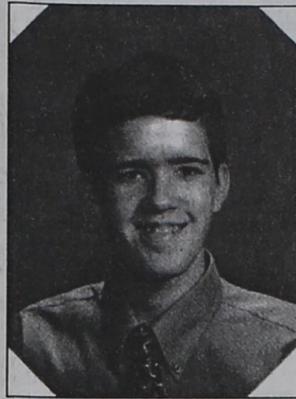
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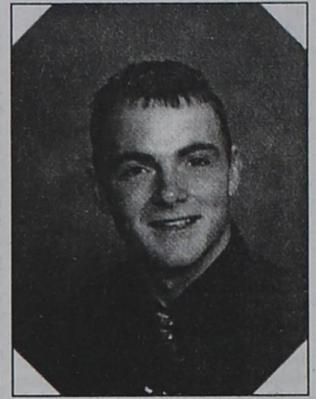
JAY TOMISON

Age 18
 Birthday: August 23
 Place Of Birth: Plainview
 Nickname: Jaybo
 Parents: Arnold and Nelda Tomison
 Favorite Past Time: Watching TV
 Favorite color: Blue
 Favorite food: Chicken Strips
 Best Movie I ever saw : Titanic
 Favorite song: The Dance by Garth Brooks
 Favorite musical talent or group: Dixie Chicks
 Favorite style of clothes: Wranglers and T-Shirts
 Best place to hang out: Nathan's house.
 Best memory of school years: Regional U.I.L. trip.
 Favorite teacher throughout school: Mrs. Cox
 Favorite subject: Computers
 Who do you most admire and why? My Mom and Dad and my Grandmom because they've always been there for me when I've needed them



KEMBER DeSHAY EVERETT

Age: 18
 Birthday: March 17, 1982
 Place of birth: Lockney, Texas
 Parents: Rob and LeShay Everett
 Brothers and sisters: Jaron and Logan
 Favorite past time: Hanging out, playing basketball
 Favorite color: Yellow
 Favorite food: Mashed Potatoes
 Best movie I ever saw: Dirty Dancing
 Favorite Song: The Kangaroo Song
 Favorite musical talent or group: Creed
 Favorite style of clothes: Lucky and Abercrombie
 Best place to hangout: anywhere
 Best memory of school years: Road trips
 Favorite teacher throughout school: Mrs. Gillespie.
 Favorite subject: Calculus
 Who do you most admire and why: I admire Maw-Maw Sue because she is always willing to help others no matter how it affects herself.



DUSTY JAY JACKSON

Age: 17
 Birthday: August 28, 1982
 Place of birth: Lockney, Texas
 Nickname: DJ
 Parents: Donnie and Kelli Jackson
 Brothers & sisters: Jack
 Favorite past time: Playing football, visiting Kember.
 Favorite color: Blue
 Favorite food: Steak
 Best movie I ever saw: Tombstone and Varsity Blues
 Favorite song: My Own Prison
 Favorite musical talent or group: Creed
 Favorite style of clothes: Lucky and Tommy
 Best place to hangout: Kember's house.
 Best memory of school years: Football '99.
 Favorite teacher throughout school: Coach Cox
 Favorite subject: Math Models
 Who do you most admire and why: My Mom and Dad because they are always there for me no matter how bad I mess up.

Plans in progress for "Project Graduation"

The Motley County Booster Club members are beginning preparations for the "Project Graduation." This is an all-night, lock-in, drug free, alcohol free party that the Booster Club sponsors for all Motley County High School students and a guest, to be held May 27, 2000, after graduation.

Motley County ISD is made up of students from the Roaring Springs, Matador, Flomot, Whiteflat and

Northfield areas. The Booster Club is asking for donations or gifts for the event from these communities. Checks should be made payable to "Motley County Booster Club."

Any donation or prize may be given to Reneigh Burns, Judy Renfro, Ronda Miller, Wanda Kilmer or Dana Graham in Roaring Springs. Your kindness and support will be greatly appreciated.

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CANDIDATES' PROFILE

NOTE: Every candidate was mailed a Candidate Profile. Some chose not to return them. The following profiles are the candidates' comments concerning the office they are seeking in Saturday's upcoming election. We appreciate the response to this Profile feature by the candidates and hope you will take the time to read each one.

Gary L. Lancaster
Incumbent Candidate
for Mayor, Matador

Family & Education: Wife, Carolyn; two daughters, Mrs. Brian (Shanna) Glover, grandchildren Cutter and Canbree of Lazbuddie, Tx.; and Mrs. Jay (Wendy) Flowers of Old Glory, Tx.

Graduated from Matador High School. Graduated Cum Laude from Midwestern State University with a bachelors degree in Business Administration and Accounting.

Work: Self-employed Certified Public Accountant and part-time Rancher.

Reason for running for this position: To continue progress on upgrading water, sewer, and solid waste systems while at the same time keeping the City financially solvent.

New projects: While completing the solid waster landfill expansion, several grants for water and sewer system improvements are in the planning stage. There is also a possibility of obtaining some form of economic development grant. These grant possibilities require matching funds and must be carefully monitored to prevent an increased burden to the taxpayers.

Needs, plans and comments: Everyone is interested in seeing Matador increase its industrial, retail, and population base. The city government should do everything in its power to provide adequate infrastructure and a business climate conducive to any new business or business expansion that might arise. The city must keep in mind, however, that money alone can not bring about these changes. The private sector, civic organizations, financial institutions, and other local governments must assume part of the burden, not just the taxpayers of the city. Above all, it takes a business or individual willing to take the risk of investing time and money in order to start a business in this area. The taxpayers can not, nor should they, assume the financial responsibility required to start a new business.

In order to assist local businesses and individual taxpayer the City of Matador has been able to decrease ad valorem tax rates while maintain-

ing a high level of efficiency. The City of Matador has decreased its rate by 15 cents from 1981 to 1999. By contrast, Motley County has seen a 25-cent increase over the same period. Matador's water, sewer, and solid waste rates are also among the lowest in the region. The City of Paducah, for instance, has a base rate for businesses \$23.00 per month higher than the base rate of Matador.

The tax rates and user fees mentioned in the above paragraph have been accomplished while updating all City owned equipment, obtaining over \$1,000,000 in State & Federal grants, converting the City accounting system from hand ledgers to an up-to-date internet capable computer system, and changing solid waster disposal from "burning barrels" to dumpsters.

Lancaster commented, "As a candidate, my pledge is to continue this path of low taxes, low user fees, while still doing everything possible (within the City's financial means) to encourage new business growth and success."



Rodney Williams
Candidate, Mayor, Matador

Family and Education: I am 44 years old. I have a wife, Glenda, and two daughters, Lindsey, 21, and Kristi, 19, both students at South Plains and living in Lubbock.

Attended Matador High School. Place of work: USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Your reason for running for this position: I have been a City Councilman for five years. I would like to expand my service to the citizens of Matador as Mayor.

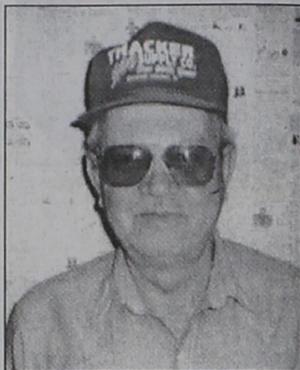
What do you want to "do" or "change" if elected? I would like to promote growth of the City by providing quality service and encourage business growth, which will benefit all citizens.

What do you think Matador's greatest needs are? Means of re-

taining our youth here as future Matadorites.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? To promote our city as a place for small business to prosper due to low taxes, living expenses, etc.

Comments: I have tried to be fair and honest with everyone I have dealt with the past five years. I will continue to be fair and truthful and work hard for the betterment of the citizens and the City of Matador.



Gene Chapman
Candidate, City Council Matador

Family and Education: Wife, Sara, Matador Postmaster.

Graduated from Paducah High School.

Place of Work: Motley County ISD.

Reason for running for this position: I have some ideas that I think could help the town.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected? Check into any and all government programs available to help small towns.

What do you think Matador's greatest needs are: Better streets, new business and/or industry. More housing.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system and what are they? I know there are ways to get what we need for Matador and I want to work and find the help we need to do this.

Comments: I would really like to look into the development of creating something for our youth, such as researching grants available for a youth center.

Fred Parson
Candidate, City Council, Matador

Family and Education: Wife, Mallane; daughters, Chesle Rains of Floydada and Brooke Barton of

Matador; one granddaughter, Katie Barton; one grandson, Riley Rains.

Attended Floydada High School and Wayland Baptist University.

Place of work: Higginbotham-Bartlett, Matador.

Your reason for running for this position: I consider this to be an opportunity to become directly involved in furthering Matador's progress.

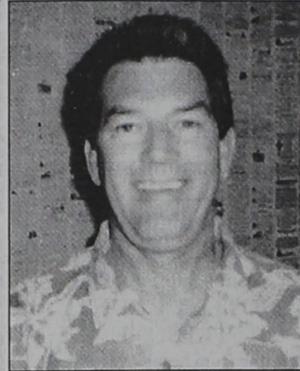
What do you want to "do" or "change" if elected? Explore all avenues for Matador's economic growth.

What do you think Matador's greatest needs are? Jobs and housing.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? The present system is working fine. We should all work toward the common goal of keeping our community strong and secure.

Comments: I would like to see our town progress, but keep the qualities that make it "home." Matador is an ideal place to raise a family or retire.

We have many resources here to work with and we should be good stewards of them.



Vince F. Taylor
Candidate, City Council,
Roaring Springs

Family and education: Parents, Frank and Jimmie Taylor; sister Jody Piper; daughter ShaVonne Taylor, 18; son, Luke, 14; wife, Laura Taylor.

Attended Paducah High School. Place of Work: Valley Tribune, owner.

Reason for running for this position: I feel that it's everyone's responsibility to serve their community in some capacity or another, and the City Council does a lot of good.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if elected? I would like to work with the other council members

to bring new businesses to our community and improve our quality of life in Roaring Springs.

What do you think Roaring Springs' greatest needs are: We need a lot of things, but the one thing I think we need the most is a reliable Grocery Store that is well stocked and open regularly.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? I would like to work for more grants and with landowners in town to help bring in more people.

Comments: If elected, I will try to serve the people of Roaring Springs with their best interest at heart, be fair and open to all ideas, and work with fellow council members and the Mayor to make Roaring Springs a place we will all be proud to call home!

Gary L. Simpson
Candidate, City Council,
Roaring Springs

Family and education: Wife, Lisa; two children at home, Eric and Britton.

Graduate of Motley County High School.

Place of work: WTU

Your reason for running for this position: My heart is in this small town. I feel everyone should take a turn running the affairs of their town, if they care at all.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected? To change, I don't know. To do, I would like to insure the survival of this small town.

What do you think Roaring Springs' greatest needs are? The greatest needs we have at this moment is trying to keep the people working and living here.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? I would like to do my part to contribute to the town I live in and to work to improve it in any way I can.

Corky Marshall
Candidate for City Council,
Roaring Springs

Family and education: Wife, Monta; son Kenneth and wife, Mary; daughter, Pennie and husband, Kelly; four grandkids and two great-grandkids.

Graduated from Roaring Springs High School, 1950

Place of work: Broker for I.M.C. Salt Co.

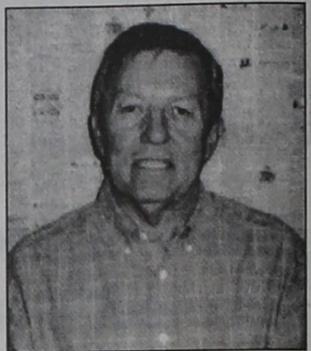
Reason for running for this position: I want to do what I can for my home town.

What do you want to "do" or

"change" if elected? I want to do my best and only change things that will make the city better if it is changed.

What do you think Roaring Springs' greatest needs are? More businesses, more jobs and more housing.

Do you have plans to better our present system, and what are they? As I serve in the system I will develop ideas and plans.



Bobby G. Williams
Candidate, School Board

Family and Education: Wife, Jeanne; daughter, Paige W. Barnes. Graduate of Matador High School, class of 1959.

Place of work: Texas Department of Transportation, Childress Area Engineer's Office.

Reason for running for this position: To serve the School District in a fair and impartial manner for the betterment of the system.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if elected? I would like to see the Motley County School become more cohesive and obtain an even higher level of efficiency.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? To be open-minded, fair and to work with the Board, Administration, Faculty and all involved, to serve and improve the entire Motley County School community.

Comments: I feel that I would bring a high level of experience, maturity and fairness to this position as I was previously a two-term Motley County School Board member (1983-1989). During this time we were working with architects, contractors, etc., for the construction of the current school building. It was a trying time when the entire system pulled together to obtain the fine facilities that we now enjoy.

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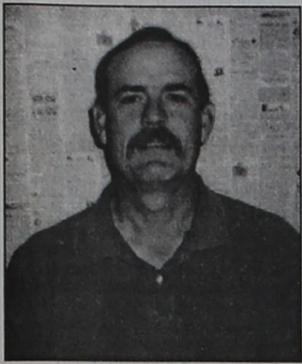
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Candidate's Profile

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Larry Clifton
Incumbent Candidate
for School Board

Family and education: Wife of 24 years, Deidra; daughter and son-in-law, Monica and Tanner Smith; son, Skylar, a sophomore at M.C.H.S. I attended Roaring Springs School for 10 years and Matador High School for 2 years, graduating in 1974.

Place of work: West Texas Utilities, 22 years.

Your reason for running for this position: Our kids, they are the most important part of our school system. It concerns me that almost 10% of our kids are either home schooled or transferring to another school district.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected? I would like to change whatever it is that causes our students to transfer or whatever it is that makes parents want to home school their kids.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are? Strong, effective leadership at all levels. To be fair and consistent in carrying out school policies.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present school system, and what are they? We need to do what is necessary to improve our school so that all kids want to go to school here.

If you are an incumbent, do you feel you have been fair and open minded and how do you feel you have been a benefit to the position? Yes I do. I hope that I have been beneficial by having been fair and open minded.

Comments: I feel that our school is a very important part of our county. It's becoming more difficult to maintain with a declining tax base and declining student enrollment. I would like to have a part in facing these situations.



Douglas Neal Campbell
Candidate, School Board

Family and Education: 1978 graduate of Motley County I.S.D.

Wife Janie; three daughters, Memori Grisham, Coppell 3rd grade teacher; Cassie Campbell, 15; and Kittie Campbell, 13.

Place of work: TxDOT
Your reason for running for this position: To have a more active position in seeing that the children of Motley County are receiving the best education possible.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if elected? I want to support our school administrators as they ensure the academic education to the highest level for every student.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are: To focus more on academics. Give guidance to all students to help them choose a correct path in continuing education.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present system, and what are they? Continue to see that the school apply for all grants that will better improve our school and its curriculum.

Comments: "I will be open minded and have the best interest in properly educating all Motley County students. I encourage all Motley County eligible voters to go to the polls and exercise your right to vote as an American citizen."

He who has conquered doubt and fear has conquered failure.
— James Lane Allen



Coy Franks
Candidate, School Board

Family and Education: Wife, Jonnie; Son and daughter-in-law, Cory and Amy; son, Cary; and daughter, Cara.

Graduate of Matador High School and attended 3 1/2 years Texas Tech University.

Place of work: Self-employed farmer and rancher in Motley County.

Reason for running for this position: I feel there is a need for a change in direction of governance by the school board. It seems all too often that the current board is making decisions not in the best interest of the students, the faculty, and the taxpayers.

What do you want to "do" or "change if elected: I do not have children in school and I do not have any single reason for running. Therefore, I am open to any changes or anything I can do that will improve the school system for all the students. The current administration has made outstanding advances in the school system in technology and in maintaining a high level of student achievement while working under the constraints of a limited budget. I would like to support this level of advancement and encourage this progress rather than hinder.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are: Currently, our greatest need is to let the students and the faculty work toward the level of achievement of which they are capable. The administration does a good job of maintaining the proper perspective and learning environment for our students and faculty to succeed. We should not impose constraints on the students, the faculty, or the administration that will hinder their abilities. We should focus on the positive issues of this system and build on these positives rather than tear down with negative issues.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present school system, and what are they? We currently have a very good school system. We also have an administration that has made great strides in improving the technology available to students and faculty. Rather than make changes that will have a negative impact, I would propose that we build on the positive accomplishments of the current administration and expand to a level that is second to none.

Comments: As a school board member I will be willing to make decisions that are in the best interest of all the students and all of the faculty and not for just a few or some special interest area. The board's responsibility is policy, governance, tax rates, and long range success of the school through goals, priorities and quantifiable success. The board's responsibility is not day to day running of the school.



Marisue Potts
Candidate for School Board

Family and education: Four sons, Jim, Tom, Robert and Richard; one daughter, Christy; three grandsons, Jay, Neal and Grant Potts.

I graduated from Floydada High in 1960 and Texas Tech in 1998.

Place of Work: Mott Creek Ranch, part-time Tribune employee.

Your reason for running for this position: Several friends convinced me to "re-enlist" because a woman's perspective might be considered valuable on an otherwise male board.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected? In School Board training, we are told to hire the best personnel possible and then let them do their job, a principle I endorse. School Board members, I believe, are policy makers in an advisory capacity and should not be concerned with the every day details of coaching or teaching. That's what the professionals are hired to do.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are? Staying current with state mandates, balancing student needs for an education with their social and sports activities while running the School as a business.

Do you have plans to better our present school system, and what are they? I believe we have a good system which constantly tries to improve. I am amazed at the advances that have taken place since Christy graduated about six years ago. Many Motley County ISD students have excelled and taken their places successfully in the professional business world.

Comments: "I have served under three superintendents as a school board member. I understand the limitations dictated by the state as a necessary hurdle that we must work with to achieve our goals. Although I have had children in school and now have grandsons there, I believe I can make objective choices with the best interest of the students in mind."



Ben Charles Grundy
Incumbent Candidate
for School Board

Family and Education: Wife, Dvonna, three sons, Dayton, Cole and Justin.

1976 graduate of Motley County High School.

Place of work: Correctional Services Corporation, Spur.

Reason for running for this position: As a parent, I would like to be involved in the decision making that affects our kids.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected: I have no plans to change or do anything in particular. I have always had our students best interest in mind and will continue to put their needs first.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are? With a continuously declining tax roll, we need to stay on top of State and Federal programs and grants, and watch our budget.

If you are an incumbent, do you feel you have been fair and open minded and how do you feel you have been a benefit to this position: "I feel I have been fair and open minded in every decision I have made while on the School Board."

MC Sports Banquet
May 11, 6:30 pm



Pat Smith
Candidate for School Board

Family & Education: Wife, Cyndi; and six children, Charity, Rachael, Christy, Jesse, Alyx and Christina.

Graduate of Motley County High School. Attended TSU and TTU.

Place of work: Billie Dean's Restaurant.

Reason for running for this position: To work with other board members and to stress academic achievement and excellence in the school system.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are: Community support to meet the needs of our school and provide a curriculum second to none.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present school system, and what are they? Stress academic achievement, set high standards and work together to meet these goals.

Comments: "It is my understanding we have 6 or 7 kids from our district attending other schools and several more considering this for next year. What are they offering that we're not? Do they have a curriculum that's preparing them for college better than us? We need to come up with something that makes our school more appealing and reverse this trend."



John D. Russell
Incumbent Candidate
for School Board

Family and education: Wife, D'anna; son, Colton, 6th grader; daughter, Shane'a, 3rd grader.

Attended Motley County ISD all my school years. 1983 graduate of Motley County High School; 1986 graduate of Texas Tech University with a B.S. in Agriculture Economics.

Place of Work: Assistant Manager, Matador Cattle Company, Matador Ranch.

Your reason for running for this position: To be a pro-active part of a system that will insure an equal opportunity for every student to receive the best education possible.

What do you want to "do" or "change" if you are elected? To help develop a more open and direct line of communication between the School Board and the Administration, so as to move forward to the business of providing the best education for the students of Motley County ISD.

What do you think our school system's greatest needs are? More specialization in ESL and other special learning problems and also additional technology which would allow us the opportunity to offer a broader curriculum base without adding additional staff.

Do you have plans or ideas to better our present school system, and what are they? I would like to insure an equal opportunity for every student to receive the best education possible.

If you are incumbent, do you feel you have been fair and open minded and how do you feel you have been a benefit to this position? Yes, I feel I have been fair and open minded, because I feel that I listen to both sides before making a decision. When additional information is presented I feel I have demonstrated my open-mindedness by asking for issues to be revisited.

Comments: I am a member of the First United Methodist Church and serve on the board of trustees there. I am an active 4-H adult leader and was chosen as the 1999 Adult Leader of the Year. I am president of the Motley County Livestock Show and serve on the board of directors for the Motley County Jr. Rodeo.

Letter to the Editor

Re: School Board Election

On May 6th, we of Motley County, will determine the direction of our county school. At present there is a well administered school. A school superintendent that is liked and respected by the teachers and students alike.

Mr. Copp has been instrumental in helping Motley County School receive OVER \$150,000 in grants for the upgrading of our school.

The three incumbent school board members that are up for re-election have already chosen not to support the extension of Mr. Copp's contract past 2001, and thereby are trying to end a very successful tenure of our Superintendent. I believe it is up to we, the voters, to vote for three of the challenging candidates and restore confidence in the school board that will hear and react positively to the majority of the voters. It is time to elect people that hear the voters. We do not want to see those that use personal likes and dislikes that are influenced by a small group to be re-elected and damage the great efforts of a good administration.

Our School Board needs new thinking, cooperation and work with the superintendent. Please vote for three of these that are challenging the incumbents. This is the only way to say enough is enough.

The teachers and staff feel very positive toward Mr. Copp. A comprehensive report was sent to Mr. Russell in January, 2000 and to the president of the School board, Mr. Jeff Thacker. I, myself, have obtained a copy of this report. It is public record.

As a resident voter of Motley County and a strong supporter of Mr. Copp, our coaches, teachers, support staff and, most of all, our students, I encourage everyone to vote this Saturday.

Royce Jennings

Dear Editor,

Thank you for keeping the Tribune interesting.

I especially enjoy Earlene Jameson's "OVERHEARD," Rita Groves' column, Mary Meason's memories and your "Picket Fence."

Carl D. and LaNelle Chandler attended the funeral of Linda Beth Seigler Smith at Wylie, Texas. Thomas and Deanie Edwards were also in attendance. They graduated in the 1960 class.

I am sure Linda Beth would have me thank the 1960 Class for the ease, a large and beautiful arrangement of gladiolas, mums and carnations, bearing the MHS Class of 1960 on a large bow. It was very touching and so thoughtful.

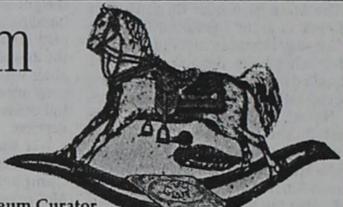
Ann Seigler was loved and she stayed with Linda Beth on each occasion she was needed.

Linda Beth remained positive and fought a good fight. There were many good and productive years during the 14 years she had cancer.

She was such a special person - it reminds me of the holes in swiss cheese. Some holes are larger than others. Linda Beth's promotion to Heaven leaves a very large hole and she will be very missed, but we give thanks to God for letting us keep her for 57 years.

LaNelle Byers-Chandler

Museum notes



by Barbara Armstrong, Museum Curator

The Museum has received several memorials to help with the ongoing expenses and improvements in the Museum. The Museum operates strictly on donations, and we are very grateful for each and everyone who remembers us with your memorials and honorariums. Thank you!

Donations given this year to date are as follows:
In memory of Hazel Walton Donovan by Charles and Joan Keith.
In memory of Boyce Hart and Viola Stinson by Marisue Potts.
In memory of John Barton by W.Z. and Trula Martin, Mary Ellen Barton, Grace and Harold Campbell, James and Judy Renfro, and W.C. Pallmeyer.

In memory of Wilna Hobbs, Herb Martin, Bly Shannon, Ruby Myles, Boyce Hart, Milton Brooks, Ruth Baker, and Wes Hall by W.C. Pallmeyer.

Two new plaques have been donated: one in memory of Herbert Martin by W.Z. and Trula Martin, Wayde and Ronald Clay and Mary Ellen Barton, and another in honor of Wayde and Ronald Clay.

Charles and David Keith have given a spindle-back rocking chair from the Cribbs-Keith family. It was brought to Motley County about 1910. We certainly appreciate these families and their generosity. We could not have the beautiful displays if it

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were not for your gifts. The volunteers, J.W. Tipton and Bobby Fletcher, have added a new pegboard in the Veterans room. This room is looking very nice.

Be sure to come by and visit the Museum and see the new gifts during our office hours, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1-5 p.m., or call 806-347-2968 and volunteer to help catalog or put out new items.

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News around the County

Roaring Springs News

by Odessa Mullins

Those enjoying coffee and cranberry cake, biscuits and jam in the home of Mrs. Corky Marshall on Monday, May 21, were Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Ken and Suzanne Abbott, Callie Giesecke, Grace Zabielski, Ruby McGuire, Dorothy Lee, Ruby Hipp, Pearl Patten, Mary Lumsden, Billie Clifton, Rita Groves, Lula Swim, and the hosts Corky and Monta Marshall.

Joyce Smith spent Easter in Corinth with her daughter, Michelle and Don Smith, and grandchildren, Julie and Brian Dipaolo from Houston and Chad Smith, a Tech student from Lubbock.

Grace Zabielski drove her brother, Dan Tilson, to UMC Outpatient Surgery, where he underwent laser treatment on his vocal cords. While waiting for Dan, Grace visited her sister-in-law, Barbara Tilson. Dan is experiencing much more energy and strength in his legs.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trammell attended the Franklin Graham West Texas Festival 2000 at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock, Sunday night. While there they spent several days visiting their children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayborn Mitchell of Paducah accompanied his mother, Vera Mitchell, to Crosbyton, Friday, for blood work at the Clinic. While there, they visited with Ora Stonecipher, who is a resident at the Crosbyton Care Center.

Pearl Patten and Mary Lumsden visited with JoAnn and Brice Reagan in Quitaque Sunday. They were joined there

by Buddy Allen and friend, Linda, and Jeff Burkes all of Pampa. They came to visit and pick up Jeff's son, Skee, who had spent the night with his grandmother, JoAnn and brother, Brice.

Tim and Tina Brooks accompanied his mother, Modean Brooks, to Crosbyton Hospital Friday. She remained there for treatment for blood pressure problems.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder tended to business in Lubbock, Monday.

Odessa Mullins attended WMU Camp Day at Plains Baptist Assembly, Floydada, Monday. Missionary speaker was Pat Cusery, Retired IMP, Kenya, who now lives in Pocatello, ID, where her husband, Clayton, is Area Association Missionary.

NEW GREAT-GRANDSON ANNOUNCED

Ray and Grace Zabielski are announcing the arrival of their new great-grandson, Avery Joseph Logsdon, son of granddaughter and husband, Dana and Gary Logsdon of Lexington, Kentucky.

Avery was born Saturday, April 29, 2000. He weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Laverne (Zabielski) and Larry Vogt of Lexington, Kentucky, Don and Lou Wittler of Floydada and Pat and Sue Logsdon of Lexington, Kentucky.

Other great-grandparents are Ed and Lyda Thomas of Lebanon, Kentucky, and Mrs. Jo Wittler of Mohammed, Illinois.

Matador Senior Citizens News

by J.B. Cooper

The Matador Senior Citizens gathered April 11 at the Center for their second Tuesday business meeting and covered dish luncheon. Jean Cooper, President, called the meeting to order and gave a special welcome to members and visitors. No birthdays or anniversaries were reported. She announced that Motley County Extension Agent, Economics, Mozelle Montano would be bringing a program on Nutrition immediately following lunch. Also the business meeting would follow the program. Mrs. Cooper encouraged everyone to stay for the events. Also County Agent, Agriculture, Lonnie Jenschke, would be meeting with committee members. J.W. Tipton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mrs. Montano gave the blessing for the meal. There was an abundance of nutritious, delicious food that was enjoyed by everyone. The program was also enjoyed by everyone.

Mr. Jenschke conducted his meeting, and the Senior Citizens conducted their meeting in which Mrs. Cooper reported that she is getting some prices on couches. This project has been discussed and voted on previously. The day's business consisted of a motion to pay outstanding accounts and select the Senior Citizen of the Year.

Mrs. Cooper was nominated for this honor. Motion was made, seconded and carried. She thanked the group for selecting her.

J.W. Tipton arrived early and was very helpful in last-minute preparations. His help was very much appreciated. We also want to thank J.W. for paying our annual flag fee for the center. We will now have a flag on holidays. Our thanks go to the American Legion Fleming Post 337 for

the gift of new lights to be installed at the building. They are needed. Their generosity is appreciated. We also want to thank the Jewel Landrum family for the wheelchair which they gave to the Senior Citizens organization to be used and kept at the center for those who may need this service.

It was nice to have visitors, Kim Jenschke, D'Anna Russell and Janie Campbell. Dena Meador and Mary McCreless have been here before, and it was good to have them again. Among the regulars attending, there were fourteen present. Cora Hall was unable to attend, but sent her food. Thank you, Cora. Catherine Henderson was on the sick list. We missed Lola Pohl and her music, and Grant Carlson was missed. Cards were sent to those reported ill. Also, Mrs. Richard Martin was missed. It was good to have Odessa Mullins and Bobby Brown, J.B., Jim D. Smith and Roger Evans.

Our Extension Agent plans on being here for the May 9 meeting. All Seniors are welcome and urged to come, bring a dish, and enjoy our meals, programs and fellowships.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Slover celebrated the birthdays and wedding anniversary of their granddaughter and husband, Lisha and Lee Vernon of Wichita Falls, with a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, last weekend. They enjoyed the entertaining shows and other tourist attractions before their return flight home, Monday.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd returned home Sunday night, April 30, from a twelve day vacation trip that included visiting in Tyler with Mr. and Mrs. Norris Cloyd and in Van with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Martin. She continued to Center and visited Betty and Harold Robertson, LeaAnn and Ashlyn Robertson and Mrs. Joyce Bridges. She also visited in Shelbyville with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall visited in Midland during the Easter holidays with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall and daughter, Chancey.

Wilburn Martin attended the funeral services of Weldon "B" Merritt held in Morton, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter attended the 2000 FESTIVAL featuring Franklin Graham Sunday night held at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris and daughter, Rabeca visited in Afton, Sunday with

Mrs. Lou Burleson of Floydada, Mary Ellen Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin attended the Variety Show and Country Jamboree at the Gem Theater in Turkey, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Nada Starkey returned home Thursday from Wellington where she stayed with grandchildren, Jackie Lee and Tanya Starkey, while their mother, Twanna and husband, Jay Kennedy were in Oklahoma City for his surgery. He has

returned home and is listed in good condition. The Starkey family received word that Z.D. Starkey of Amarillo has been readmitted to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital suffering cardiac complications following a vehicle accident last Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Ross and daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock, attended Book Sales from Tuesday until Saturday that included the Galleria Mall in St. Louis, Missouri, and Ojate and Emporia, Kansas. En route, they enjoyed entertainment and tourist attractions in Branson, Missouri.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and her houseguest and mother, Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star, attended the entertaining Variety Show and Country Jamboree held at the Gem Theater in Turkey, Saturday evening.

Seab and Dianne Washington walked with the Gate City Electric team in the Relay For Life sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Friday night in Childress. Their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Todd (Stachia) Washington of Childress was chairman of this event and was pleased with the \$22,000.00 earned by the Relay.

Richard March of Garden Grove, California, is visiting in the home of his daughter and husband, Linda and Travis Kendall. Richard is here making plans to move to Quitaque.

Whiteflat News

OVERHEARD

With millions upon millions of people in nonstop contact, the real success for a person will be if he is not reachable at all. The guy you can't phone, the guy to whom you have to write a letter will be on top of the universe. Power? It will be found in the sounds of silence!

Guests last Sunday in the home of Mrs. Frances Dixon were Mrs. Elaine Risser of Matador joined by Kaci Risser and friend, Melissa Hahn of Roseburg, Oregon, students at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Jack Samford of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Matador, Lula Swim of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Juanita Cooper attended, last Monday night, the impressive performance of HEAVEN'S GATES and HELL'S FLAMES at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner honored her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Luckenbach of Silverton, with a birthday luncheon in Plainview, Sunday. Guests were Heather and Scott Blount of Abernathy, Cobey Turner, student at

Tarleton University in Stephenville and Janell Kilmor of Matador.

Mrs. Kathryn Martin visited in Roaring Springs, Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Josie Martin.

Mrs. Frances Dixon was a guest in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser of Matador, Sunday. Other guests were Kobi Risser of Arlington, Kaci Risser, student at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Bailey of Clyde.

Lula Swim of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Juanita Cooper were in McKinney, Saturday and Sunday. They attended the 50th wedding anniversary reception of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Alderson on Sunday afternoon. En route home Sunday, they encountered a tornado, hail and flooding rains in Olney and joined local residents in the basement of First Baptist Church from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. before continuing home. The tornado caused extensive destruction in Olney and the Elbert community near by.

Cobey Turner was in Lubbock, Monday in the process of transferring from Tarleton University in Stephenville to Texas Tech University.

Matador News

KEITHS VISIT GEORGETOWN

Charlie and Viola had an eventful week when they joined Charles and Joan on a recent trek to Georgetown. On their way south, they stopped in San Saba to visit with Josephine Hamilton who is recovering from a stroke at a nursing home there, and also visited briefly in the beautiful home of Josephine's daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Carl Carter. Although Josephine cannot speak, she communicated effectively with them via bright smiling eyes, nods of the head, and even an "uh huh" from deep down. The brief visit was a major highlight of their trip.

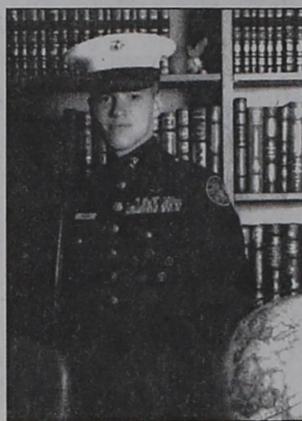
They continued on to Sun City Georgetown where they stayed at the new home of Charles and Joan. During their visit, they toured Sun City; the Park Place Assisted Living Center (twice) and met Lawrence Evans, an uncle of Elaine Hart's who lives there; saw their grandson Jack get a big hit and score a run at his baseball game; attended a Passover Seder conducted by the Sun City Havurah Shalom group at the First United Methodist Church of Georgetown; participated in the Passover Seder conducted by Joan in their home; and attended the baptism on Easter Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church of Georgetown of their three great grandchildren whose parents are Liz and John Schmalstieg; John Henry Schmalstieg IV (Jack), Benjamin Charles Schmalstieg, and Victoria Elizabeth Schmalstieg.

Joining in the weekend festivities were Liz's older sister, Merrie Goguen, her husband Scott, and son Jonathan, all of Newport, North Carolina; John's mother, Edith Schmalstieg, who flew in from Corpus Christi; a sister and her husband, Linda and Marshall Gant of Garland; another sister, Jackie Arnold of Georgetown, and her daughter, Jana Roberts of Bryan, and grandson.

It was an eventful week, made even more so by basking in the joy and companionship of four generations - Charlie & Viola, their son, Charles and Joan, his daughters, Liz and John and Merrie and Scott, and four of their five great-grandchildren, Jonathan Goguen, 17; and the Schmalstiegs, Jack, 8 this month; Ben, 4; and Tori, 17 months.

Their return to Matador led them through Brownwood and a luncheon stop at Underwoods, and of course, the beautiful Texas wildflowers were evident everywhere.

Out of towners' Senior Spotlight



Brian Barrow

Note: Brian Barrow is the son of Nancy Traweck Barrow of San Marcos, Texas, a graduate of Matador High School. Brian is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Howard Traweck of Matador. On May 27, 2000, Brian will graduate from the Marine Military Academy where he is a First Lieutenant and Platoon Commander. He will attend the University of Texas, Austin, beginning this summer.

FULL NAME: Brian Patrick Mitchell Barrow.
AGE: 18
BIRTHDATE: January 5, 1982
BIRTHPLACE: San Diego, California.
WHAT I LIKE MOST ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL: The friends you make.
ACTIVITIES: Football, soccer, track,

cross country, weight lifting, YPFT, basketball, studying, flying HOSTS (help one student to succeed).
PARENTS: Bob Barrow and Nancy (Traweck) Barrow.
SISTER: Laura Barrow, age 23.
BEST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED: "Never give up. Never give up. Never, never, never, never give up."
WORST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED: "Who cares?"

FAVORITE SUBJECT: Physics
FAVORITE EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY: Flying
TWO WORDS THAT DESCRIBE YOU: Loyal and forthright.
THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH MOST AS A SENIOR: Bring my mile time down to 4:05, and understand Latin in its completeness.
IF I COULD CHANGE ANYTHING: I would make sure that there would be no hydro or fluoro carbons in the atmosphere.
MOST VALUED POSSESSION: The ability to love.
IF I WERE PRESIDENT: I would act as a medal on a marine's shirt. (That is, I would stand for something).
PLANS FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL: I want to be the first man to go to the moon in a solo spacecraft.
FAVORITE MEMORY: My first soccer goal.
WORST HABIT: Stating aloud the way things really are.
FAVORITE MUSIC: Classical.
HOBBIES: Flying, dirt bike riding, multiplying three digit numbers by three digit numbers in my head.
NICKNAME: "Emperor"
IN MY SPARE TIME: Read, sleep, give advice to the men under my command, create techno music.
OTHER IMPORTANT RELATIVES: Bill Barrow, uncle and stepfather.

Obituaries

Weldon "B" Merritt

Services for Weldon "B" Merritt, 71, of Morton were held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 27, 2000, at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Danny Baker of Brewster, Kansas, the Rev. Danny Jackson, and the Rev. Dan Carter of the First United Methodist Church of Morton, all officiated.

Burial was in the Morton Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, April 25, 2000, at Covenant Medical Center - Lakeside.

He was born March 7, 1929, in Flomot. He married Glynda Kennedy in Morton, March 7, 1951. He moved to Morton in 1946 from Flomot. He attended West Texas State University in Canyon. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Morton. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He was a former Morton City Council member in 1960. He, his father and older brother owned and operated the Mobil Oil and gas distributorship and the Red Horse service station in Morton. He was a member of the Cochran County Farm Bureau and the American Quarter Horse Association. In 1967, he began to spend all of his time farming. He was acknowledged in 1971 as one of the outstanding farmers of America. In 1977, he and his family were recognized as the Farm Family of the Year in Cochran County.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Monty and Donnie, both of Morton; two brothers, J.D. "Dake" of Morton and Ervin of Granbury; seven grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to Cochran County Unit of the American Cancer Society or the First Baptist Church, 202 S.E. St., Morton, Texas 79346.

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Farm and Ranch news



News from the County Agent

by Lonnie Jenschke, Motley County Agent

BIODEGRADABLE HYDRAULIC FLUID NEARS MARKET

A new vegetable-based biodegradable hydraulic fluid for use in heavy equipment is moving toward commercialization. USDA scientists are producing industrial-sized quantities of the basis for making biodegradable lubricants from sunflower oil fatty acids. Hydraulic fluids are used to transfer pressure in machinery to activate motion, such as a moving crane or a blade.

Sunflower oil can replace petroleum-based hydraulic fluids, which do not degrade well. Construction equipment manufacturers began seeking biodegradable alternatives in response to tighter environmental regulations from the Environmental Protection Agency. Sunflower fatty acids produce a clear fluid that pours well at below-freezing temperatures, making this hydraulic fluid desirable for engine operation during cold weather.

FOR UNIFORMITY, DON'T CROSSBREED?

There is currently a good bit of discussion about the lack of uniformity in the nation's beef herd. One proposed cure is straightbreeding, which certainly can increase uniformity compared to indiscriminate, ill-planned crossbreeding. But, just because an animal is straightbred doesn't mean it's good; undesirable uniformity is not good, whether straightbred or not. Crossbreds from well-designed systems can be uniform. And, realize that uniformity is important primarily when selling in multiple-head groups, but market desirability is important always. The U.S. Meat Animal Research Center reports that crossbreeding averages a 20% increase in pounds of calf weaned per cow exposed to breeding, and crossbred cows average staying in the herd 1.3 years longer with 30% higher lifetime production than straightbred cows. Strive to produce adapted, efficient, desirable crossbreds. If you are marketing in groups, uniformity is a bonus.



Displaying the \$1 million patronage to Panhandle-Plains FLBA stockholders are Kenneth Hooper, Steve Brown, Jerry Oswalt, Ronnie Hopper and Tommy Ogden.

Highlights of Panhandle-Plains stockholders meeting

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association held its annual meeting April 15th at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. The meeting was well attended with some 200 plus members and their families, guests, and staff.

In board elections, Steve Burns, a producer and businessman from Roaring Springs, was elected to a vacancy in Place 9. Stockholders also reelected Larry Fairchild from Place 4 and Ronnie Hopper from Place 8.

According to Chairman Jerry Oswalt, the association enjoyed several significant accomplishments during 1999. "We are proud to report a one million dollar cash patronage and approval of the interest rate reduction that occurred in January of this year. The transition to a direct lender, or Federal Land Credit Association, was successful and the association is now positioned to use its financial strength for the benefit of its membership."

CEO Robert R. Williams, Jr, re-

viewed financial reports for the past year. "The association's 1999 financial performance was highlighted by strong consistent earnings, a strong and improving capital position, superior asset quality, and a 6% net loan volume growth. The association is positioned to be successful, even during these rough times in the agriculture economy," Williams said.

The speaker for the evening was Dr. Kenneth Wyatt of Tulia. A former minister, Dr. Wyatt is nationally known for his western artwork.

Headquartered in Pampa, Panhandle-Plains FLBA is a member-owned lending cooperative, providing long-term financing for agricultural real estate purchase, refinance, and improvement. The association has approximately \$150 million in loans outstanding to farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview.

Coronado

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Dee Brecheisen of Peralta, NM. His slides centered around the Spanish artifacts found on old mule train trails in Panama. The adventurer shared items from his collection: carrot-head nails, mule shoes, cross bow tips, harness rings, mule bells, belt buckles, crosses, medallions, silver cast buttons, weight cups to weigh precious metals, gold coins, links of chain mail, Chinese ceramics, lead balls of many different sizes, spurs of a wide variety of designs, and the distinctive "Jesus" stirrups in a cross shape.

"Artifacts linked to the Spanish in Panama and found there should also be found here," he said.

Pat Mercado-Allinger of the Texas Historical Commission has stated that the Coronado sites are of great importance to Texas history because they testify to the first encounter of Europeans with Indian groups of the Panhandle-Plains. In addition, they are a viable tourism

draw, so much so that the THC is considering adding explorer's routes to the Trail series, the Forts Trails, the Mission Trails, the Plains Trails, and so forth. For local chambers of commerce, the location of the Coronado sites in their regions provide a marketing tool vitally important to boost sagging economies with tourism dollars.

If the Blanco Canyon site is indeed the place where Coronado pitched his silk tent, as Dr. Blakeslee suggests, and not Palo Duro Canyon as Dr. Jack Hughes suggests, then where is the location of the second campsite described in the chronicles of Castenada? Motley County, an area where Spanish artifacts have been discovered for years by landowners, cowboys, and amateur archeologists, could harbor the second location. It may be that Coronado (and about 1,799 others) did indeed sleep here.

If anyone has information about Spanish artifacts and/or old trails, please contact the Floyd County Museum in Floydada or the Motley County Museum in Matador. The search goes on.

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Grace Zabielski drove her brother, Dan Tilson, to UMC Outpatient Surgery, where he underwent laser treatment on his vocal cords. While waiting for Dan, Grace visited her sister-in-law, Barbara Tilson. Dan is experiencing much more energy and strength in his legs.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trammell attended the Franklin Graham West Texas Festival 2000 at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock, Sunday night. While there they spent several days visiting their children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayborn Mitchell of Paducah accompanied his mother, Vera Mitchell, to Crosbyton, Friday, for blood work at the Clinic. While there, they visited with Ora Stonecipher, who is a resident at the Crosbyton Care Center.

Pearl Patten and Mary Lumsden visited with JoAnn and Brice Reagan in Quitaque Sunday. They were joined there

by Buddy Allen and friend, Linda, and Jeff Burkes all of Pampa. They came to visit and pick up Jeff's son, Skee, who had spent the night with his grandmother, JoAnn and brother, Brice.

Tim and Tina Brooks accompanied his mother, Modean Brooks, to Crosbyton Hospital Friday. She remained there for treatment for blood pressure problems.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Crowder tended to business in Lubbock, Monday.

Odessa Mullins attended WMU Camp Day at Plains Baptist Assembly, Floydada, Monday. Missionary speaker was Pat Cusery, Retired IMP, Kenya, who now lives in Pocatello, ID, where her husband, Clayton, is Area Association Missionary.

NEW GREAT-GRANDSON ANNOUNCED

Ray and Grace Zabielski are announcing the arrival of their new great-grandson, Avery Joseph Logsdon, son of granddaughter and husband, Dana and Gary Logsdon of Lexington, Kentucky.

Avery was born Saturday, April 29, 2000. He weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Laverne (Zabielski) and Larry Vogt of Lexington, Kentucky, Don and Lou Wittler of Floydada and Pat and Sue Logsdon of Lexington, Kentucky.

Other great-grandparents are Ed and Lyda Thomas of Lebanon, Kentucky, and Mrs. Jo Wittler of Mohammed, Illinois.

Matador Senior Citizens News

by J.B. Cooper

The Matador Senior Citizens gathered April 11 at the Center for their second Tuesday business meeting and covered dish luncheon. Jean Cooper, President, called the meeting to order and gave a special welcome to members and visitors. No birthdays or anniversaries were reported. She announced that Motley County Extension Agent, Economics, Mozelle Montano would be bringing a program on Nutrition immediately following lunch. Also the business meeting would follow the program. Mrs. Cooper encouraged everyone to stay for the events. Also County Agent, Agriculture, Lonnie Jenschke, would be meeting with committee members. J.W. Tipton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mrs. Montano gave the blessing for the meal. There was an abundance of nutritious, delicious food that was enjoyed by everyone. The program was also enjoyed by everyone.

Mr. Jenschke conducted his meeting, and the Senior Citizens conducted their meeting in which Mrs. Cooper reported that she is getting some prices on couches. This project has been discussed and voted on previously. The day's business consisted of a motion to pay outstanding accounts and select the Senior Citizen of the Year.

Mrs. Cooper was nominated for this honor. Motion was made, seconded and carried. She thanked the group for selecting her.

J.W. Tipton arrived early and was very helpful in last-minute preparations. His help was very much appreciated. We also want to thank J.W. for paying our annual flag fee for the center. We will now have a flag on holidays. Our thanks go to the American Legion Fleming Post 337 for

the gift of new lights to be installed at the building. They are needed. Their generosity is appreciated. We also want to thank the Jewel Landrum family for the wheelchair which they gave to the Senior Citizens organization to be used and kept at the center for those who may need this service.

It was nice to have visitors, Kim Jenschke, D'Anna Russell and Janie Campbell. Dena Meador and Mary McCressel have been here before, and it was good to have them again. Among the regulars attending, there were fourteen present. Cora Hall was unable to attend, but sent her food. Thank you, Cora. Catherine Henderson was on the sick list. We missed Lola Pohl and her music, and Grant Carlson was missed. Cards were sent to those reported ill. Also, Mrs. Richard Martin was missed. It was good to have Odessa Mullins and Bobby Brown, J.B., Jim D. Smith and Roger Evans.

Our Extension Agent plans on being here for the May 9 meeting. All Seniors are welcome and urged to come, bring a dish, and enjoy our meals, programs and fellowships.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Slover celebrated the birthdays and wedding anniversary of their granddaughter and husband, Lisha and Lee Vernon of Wichita Falls, with a trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, last weekend. They enjoyed the entertaining shows and other tourist attractions before their return flight home, Monday.

Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd returned home Sunday night, April 30, from a twelve day vacation trip that included visiting in Tyler with Mr. and Mrs. Norris Cloyd and in Van with Mr. and Mrs. Dean Martin. She continued to Center and visited Betty and Harold Robertson, LeaAnn and Ashlyn Robertson and Mrs. Joyce Bridges. She also visited in Shelbyville with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall visited in Midland during the Easter holidays with son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall and daughter, Chancey.

Wilburn Martin attended the funeral services of Weldon "B" Merritt held in Morton, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter attended the 2000 FESTIVAL featuring Franklin Graham Sunday night held at the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris and daughter, Rabeca visited in Afton, Sunday with

Mrs. Lou Burleson of Floydada, Mary Ellen Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin attended the Variety Show and Country Jamboree at the Gem Theater in Turkey, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Nada Starkey returned home Thursday from Wellington where she stayed with grandchildren, Jackie Lee and Tanya Starkey, while their mother, Twanna and husband, Jay Kennedy were in Oklahoma City for his surgery. He has

returned home and is listed in good condition. The Starkey family received word that Z.D. Starkey of Amarillo has been readmitted to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital suffering cardiac complications following a vehicle accident last Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Ross and daughter, Mrs. Elisa Wigley of Lubbock, attended Book Sales from Tuesday until Saturday that included the Galleria Mall in St. Louis, Missouri, and Ojate and Emporia, Kansas. En route, they enjoyed entertainment and tourist attractions in Branson, Missouri.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse and her houseguest and mother, Mrs. Dona Browning of Rising Star, attended the entertaining Variety Show and Country Jamboree held at the Gem Theater in Turkey, Saturday evening.

Seab and Dianne Washington walked with the Gate City Electric team in the Relay For Life sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Friday night in Childress. Their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Todd (Stachia) Washington of Childress was chairman of this event and was pleased with the \$22,000.00 earned by the Relay.

Richard March of Garden Grove, California, is visiting in the home of his daughter and husband, Linda and Travis Kendall. Richard is here making plans to move to Quitaque.

Whiteflat News

OVERHEARD
With millions upon millions of people in nonstop contact, the real success for a person will be if he is not reachable at all. The guy you can't phone, the guy to whom you have to write a letter will be on top of the universe. Power? It will be found in the sounds of silence!

Guests last Sunday in the home of Mrs. Frances Dixon were Mrs. Elaine Risser of Matador joined by Kaci Risser and friend, Melissa Hahn of Roseburg, Oregon, students at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Jack Samford of Afton, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Matador, Lula Swim of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Juanita Cooper attended, last Monday night, the impressive performance of HEAVEN'S GATES and HELL'S FLAMES at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner honored her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Luckenbach of Silverton, with a birthday luncheon in Plainview, Sunday. Guests were Heather and Scott Blount of Abernathy, Cobey Turner, student at

Tarleton University in Stephenville and Janell Kilmer of Matador.

Mrs. Kathryn Martin visited in Roaring Springs, Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Josie Martin.

Mrs. Frances Dixon was a guest in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser of Matador, Sunday. Other guests were Kobi Risser of Arlington, Kaci Risser, student at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Bailey of Clyde.

Lula Swim of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Juanita Cooper were in McKinney, Saturday and Sunday. They attended the 50th wedding anniversary reception of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Alderson on Sunday afternoon. En route home Sunday, they encountered a tornado, hail and flooding rains in Olney and joined local residents in the basement of First Baptist Church from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. before continuing home. The tornado caused extensive destruction in Olney and the Elbert community near by.

Cobey Turner was in Lubbock, Monday in the process of transferring from Tarleton University in Stephenville to Texas Tech University.

Matador News

KEITHS VISIT GEORGETOWN
Charlie and Viola had an eventful week when they joined Charles and Joan on a recent trek to Georgetown. On their way south, they stopped in San Saba to visit with Josephine Hamilton who is recovering from a stroke at a nursing home there, and also visited briefly in the beautiful home of Josephine's daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Carl Carter. Although Josephine cannot speak, she communicated effectively with them via bright smiling eyes, nods of the head, and even an "uh huh" from deep down. The brief visit was a major highlight of their trip.

They continued on to Sun City Georgetown where they stayed at the new home of Charles and Joan. During their visit, they toured Sun City; the Park Place Assisted Living Center (twice) and met Lawrence Evans, an uncle of Elaine Hart's who lives there; saw their grandson Jack get a big hit and score a run at his baseball game; attended a Passover Seder conducted by the Sun City Havurah Shalom group at the First United Methodist Church of Georgetown; participated in the Passover Seder conducted by Joan in their home; and attended the baptism on Easter Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church of Georgetown of their three great grandchildren whose parents are Liz and John Schmalstieg; John Henry Schmalstieg IV (Jack), Benjamin Charles Schmalstieg, and Victoria Elizabeth Schmalstieg.

Joining in the weekend festivities were Liz's older sister, Merrie Goguen, her husband Scott, and son Jonathan, all of Newport, North Carolina; John's mother, Edith Schmalstieg, who flew in from Corpus Christi; a sister and her husband, Linda and Marshall Gant of Garland; another sister, Jackie Arnold of Georgetown, and her daughter, Jana Roberts of Bryan, and grandson.

Out of towners' Senior Spotlight



Brian Barrow

Note: Brian Barrow is the son of Nancy Traweck Barrow of San Marcos, Texas, a graduate of Matador High School. Brian is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Howard Traweck of Matador. On May 27, 2000, Brian will graduate from the Marine Military Academy where he is a First Lieutenant and Platoon Commander. He will attend the University of Texas, Austin, beginning this summer.

FULL NAME: Brian Patrick Mitchell Barrow.
AGE: 18
BIRTHDATE: January 5, 1982
BIRTHPLACE: San Diego, California.
WHAT I LIKE MOST ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL: The friends you make.
ACTIVITIES: Football, soccer, track,

cross country, weight lifting, YPFT, basketball, studying, flying HOSTS (help one student to succeed).
PARENTS: Bob Barrow and Nancy (Traweck) Barrow.
SISTER: Laura Barrow, age 23.
BEST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED: "Never give up. Never give up. Never, never, never, never give up."
WORST ADVICE EVER RECEIVED: "Who cares?"

FAVORITE SUBJECT: Physics
FAVORITE EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITY: Flying
TWO WORDS THAT DESCRIBE YOU: Loyal and forthright.
THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH MOST AS A SENIOR: Bring my mile time down to 4:05, and understand Latin in its completeness.
IF I COULD CHANGE ANYTHING: I would make sure that there would be no hydro or fluoro carbons in the atmosphere.

MOST VALUED POSSESSION: The ability to love.

IF I WERE PRESIDENT: I would act as a medal on a marine's shirt. (That is, I would stand for something).

PLANS FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL: I want to be the first man to go to the moon in a solo spacecraft.
FAVORITE MEMORY: My first soccer goal.

WORST HABIT: Stating aloud the way things really are.

FAVORITE MUSIC: Classical.
HOBBIES: Flying, dirt bike riding, multiplying three digit numbers by three digit numbers in my head.

NICKNAME: "Emperor"
IN MY SPARE TIME: Read, sleep, give advice to the men under my command, create techno music.
OTHER IMPORTANT RELATIVES: Bill Barrow, uncle and stepfather.

Obituaries

Weldon "B" Merritt

Services for Weldon "B" Merritt, 71, of Morton were held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 27, 2000, at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Danny Baker of Brewster, Kansas, the Rev. Danny Jackson, and the Rev. Dan Carter of the First United Methodist Church of Morton, all officiated.

Burial was in the Morton Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, April 25, 2000, at Covenant Medical Center - Lakeside.

He was born March 7, 1929, in Flomot. He married Glynnna Kennedy in Morton, March 7, 1951. He moved to Morton in 1946 from Flomot. He attended West Texas State University in Canyon. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Morton. He was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He was a former Morton City Council member in 1960. He, his father and older brother owned and operated the Mobil Oil and gas distributorship and the Red Horse service station in Morton. He was a member of the Cochran County Farm Bureau and the American Quarter Horse Association. In 1967, he began to spend all of his time farming. He was acknowledged in 1971 as one of the outstanding farmers of America. In 1977, he and his family were recognized as the Farm Family of the Year in Cochran County.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Monty and Donnie, both of Morton; two brothers, J.D. "Dake" of Morton and Ervin of Granbury; seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Cochran County Unit of the American Cancer Society or the First Baptist Church, 202 S.E. St., Morton, Texas 79346.

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Farm and Ranch news



News from the County Agent

by Lonnie Jenschke, Motley County Agent

BIODEGRADABLE HYDRAULIC FLUID NEARS MARKET

A new vegetable-based biodegradable hydraulic fluid for use in heavy equipment is moving toward commercialization. USDA scientists are producing industrial-sized quantities of the basis for making biodegradable lubricants from sunflower oil fatty acids. Hydraulic fluids are used to transfer pressure in machinery to activate motion, such as a moving crane or a blade.

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FOR UNIFORMITY, DON'T CROSSBREED?

There is currently a good bit of discussion about the lack of uniformity in the nation's beef herd. One proposed cure is straightbreeding, which certainly can increase uniformity compared to indiscriminate, ill-planned crossbreeding. But, just because an animal is straightbred doesn't mean it's good; undesirable uniformity is not good, whether straightbred or not. Crossbreds from well-designed systems can be uniform. And, realize that uniformity is important primarily when selling in multiple-head groups, but market desirability is important always. The U.S. Meat Animal Research Center reports that crossbreeding averages a 20% increase in pounds of calf weaned per cow exposed to breeding, and crossbred cows average staying in the herd 1.3 years longer with 30% higher lifetime production than straightbred cows. Strive to produce adapted, efficient, desirable crossbreds. If you are marketing in groups, uniformity is a bonus.



Displaying the \$1 million patronage to Panhandle-Plains FLBA stockholders are Kenneth Hooper, Steve Brown, Jerry Oswalt, Ronnie Hopper and Tommy Ogden.

Highlights of Panhandle-Plains stockholders meeting

Panhandle-Plains Federal Land Bank Association held its annual meeting April 15th at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. The meeting was well attended with some 200 plus members and their families, guests, and staff.

In board elections, Steve Burns, a producer and businessman from Roaring Springs, was elected to a vacancy in Place 9. Stockholders also reelected Larry Fairchild from Place 4 and Ronnie Hopper from Place 8.

According to Chairman Jerry Oswalt, the association enjoyed several significant accomplishments during 1999. "We are proud to report a one million dollar cash patronage and approval of the interest rate reduction that occurred in January of this year. The transition to a direct lender, or Federal Land Credit Association, was successful and the association is now positioned to use its financial strength for the benefit of its membership."

CEO Robert R. Williams, Jr., re-

viewed financial reports for the past year. "The association's 1999 financial performance was highlighted by strong consistent earnings, a strong

and improving capital position, superior asset quality, and a 6% net loan volume growth. The association is positioned to be successful, even during these rough times in the agriculture economy," Williams said.

The speaker for the evening was Dr. Kenneth Wyatt of Tulia. A former minister, Dr. Wyatt is nationally known for his western artwork.

Headquartered in Pampa, Panhandle-Plains FLBA is a member-owned lending cooperative, providing long-term financing for agricultural real estate purchase, refinance, and improvement. The association has approximately \$150 million in loans outstanding to farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview.

Coronado

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Dee Brecheisen of Peralta, NM. His slides centered around the Spanish artifacts found on old mule train trails in Panama. The adventurer shared items from his collection: carrot-head nails, mule shoes, cross bow tips, harness rings, mule bells, belt buckles, crosses, medallions, silver cast buttons, weight cups to weigh precious metals, gold coins, links of chain mail, Chinese ceramics, lead balls of many different sizes, spurs of a wide variety of designs, and the distinctive "Jesus" stirrups in a cross shape.

"Artifacts linked to the Spanish in Panama and found there should also be found here," he said.

Pat Mercado-Allinger of the Texas Historical Commission has stated that the Coronado sites are of great importance to Texas history because they testify to the first encounter of Europeans with Indian groups of the Panhandle-Plains. In addition, they are a viable tourism

draw, so much so that the THC is considering adding explorer's routes to the Trail series, the Forts Trails, the Mission Trails, the Plains Trails, and so forth. For local chambers of commerce, the location of the Coronado sites in their regions provide a marketing tool vitally important to boost sagging economies with tourism dollars.

If the Blanco Canyon site is indeed the place where Coronado pitched his silk tent, as Dr. Blakeslee suggests, and not Palo Duro Canyon as Dr. Jack Hughes suggests, then where is the location of the second campsite described in the chronicles of Castenada? Motley County, an area where Spanish artifacts have been discovered for years by landowners, cowboys, and amateur archeologists, could harbor the second location. It may be that Coronado (and about 1,799 others) did indeed sleep here.

If anyone has information about Spanish artifacts and/or old trails, please contact the Floyd County Museum in Floydada or the Motley County Museum in Matador. The search goes on.

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By Ace Reid



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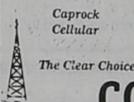
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