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Windmill Cafe plans official Open House

By Carol Campbell

Deanette Gullede had a dream of owning her own restaurant while her husband, Perry Gullede, is more like a "behind the scenes" guy, he said.

The Windmill Cafe, Broadway Street, Roaring Springs, un-officially opened its doors on March 10, 2009, with a totally reconstructed building, transforming the old Hitchin' Post into a tribute not only to the water-pumping windmill but to a full menu of true Texas fare.

The official opening is planned for Friday, May 29, from 6- to 9:00 p.m., and will include free hor dourves, finger foods, and an open menu with a special menu item consisting of coconut shrimp with an orange-ginger marmalade dipping sauce. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be staged at 6:00 p.m., and live entertainment (to be announced) will provide music for the occasion.

Meanwhile, sidewalk planters with colorful pink and purple petunias and inviting outdoor tables provide a friendly

entrance to the Windmill; once inside, the Western-themed surroundings offer a familiar cowboy decor. But it is unmistakably the Windmill Cafe with framed paintings of windmills, miniature windmill replicas, and an Aermotor windmill fan, resting against the pastry cupboard.

The Gullede's make a great team with Perry in active construction and Deanette with an eye for interior design, a penchant for hospitality, and a gourmet-style cooking background. Sometimes it seems that all you learn boosts you in life to the next logical step — and owning and operating a restaurant was that step for the Gullede's.

"We worked for Kenny Rogers for four years and then an additional four years for the next owner and that is how we got into the hospitality business," Deanette said.

Rogers, a country-western singer, owned Beaver Dam Farms, Athens, Ga., an upscale golf course resort for the rich and famous. Deanette and Perry lived in the barn, well, "not your regular run-of-the-mill barn," Deanette said. The

resort could accommodate 33 people at any given time, and she cooked three meals a day while Perry took care of the grounds and maintenance.

Just like the Rogers country hit, The Gambler, "... You got to know when to hold 'em, know when to fold 'em," the Gullede's landed in Motley County via the Matador Ranch in 2008, where Perry was hired to manage the hunting leases and oversee the building of the hunting lodge, "... Know when to walk away and know when to run..."

After a year, he left this enterprise to open his own construction business, Stillwater's Construction, which specializes in refurbished concrete floors, a technique he has perfected over four years. He tore out all the old carpet at the Windmill, scraped up most of the glue, and stained and sealed the floor. The floors in the Windmill show his finished expertise, "... and I have a portfolio of my work," he said.

In addition to the floors, Perry reconfigured the waitress station and kitchen, and helped finish out the bath

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Deanette and Perry Gullede, proud owners of the new Windmill Cafe in Roaring Springs

Night at the Movies Prom Honors Juniors, Seniors

By Linda Roy

Motley County High School juniors and seniors dined in elegance and danced in a Night at the Movies pink and black wonderland Saturday night during a major high school rite of passage—the prom.

Beautiful gowns transformed girls into dazzling young ladies, and boys became gentlemen in starched and formal evening wear.

Shane'a Russell was selected as prom queen, and Will Butler was named prom king.

The evening began with dinner at the Hotel Matador. Guests

were seated among twinkling lights at tables featuring pink overlays, silver appointments, and arrangements of hot pink carnations.

Eric Simpson welcomed the guests and gave the invocation. Toastmaster was Justin Newman.

The meal began with 1886 Room Cheese Soup and field greens salad with feta cheese and candied pecans. The main course featured grilled steak Diane, twice-baked potatoes, bacon-wrapped green bean bundles, and yeast rolls. Dessert was homemade New York style cheesecake topped with

strawberry sauce and a fresh strawberry. A chocolate truffle was at each place setting. Servers for the evening were juniors Nayo Santos, Mark Quintero, and Danielle Gwinn.

Eric Simpson and Utah Falcon presented the class prophecy.

Courtney Alexander and Shane'a Russell read the Class of 2009 will.

Melissa Flores made closing remarks, and Karyn White closed the program with a benediction.

The prom dance was in the school's cafeteria, wonderfully

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MCISD early dismissals

Early Dismissals for last week of school--The week of May 25th-May 29th is the last week of school and semester tests for Motley County ISD. Because of the semester

test schedule, school will be dismissed at the following times:

Tuesday--3:00
Wednesday--2:00
Thursday at 12:20

Buses will run at the regular times in the mornings.

Monday is the Memorial Day holiday and there will be no school.

Matador City Council meets in regular session

Matador City Council met Thursday, May 14, 2009, with all members present. The meeting started with the swearing in of incumbent officers, Kay Bailey, Shane Jones and Charlie Ream. Motions carried to approve the minutes and expenditures. Discussions were held on Ex-

terior Painting bids on the water tower, Investments, and Wind Energy Contract, but all items were all tabled until further information could be obtained.

Council directed Mayor Pat Smith to examine and document properties that are not complying with the Sub Stan-

dard Housing Policy or the Nuisance Ordinance and report such properties to City Attorney Tom Hamilton for further action.

A future meeting is scheduled for May 28th to discuss and vote on tabled items.

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Connections

Community, Diversity, Art

By Larry Vogt

I am so glad I have not been asked to give a high school commencement address. What do you tell a group of seniors as they are about to embark on more schooling and/or entering the employment market?

Would you tell them "well, the economy is tanked, no matter what you do, things might get rough, good luck?" One thing I might say is keep your emotional life in good shape. Stay close to your family for support and advice. If you stay on an even keel with your emotions you can survive a bunch of ups and downs in your work/study situation.

Another piece of advice I might give them would be to stay flexible. The statistics are telling us that you are probably going to be changing careers once or more during

your life. Learn from anyone willing to share information and wisdom. Some of your best advice may come from someone with whom you may have had an adversative encounter.

Let yourself daydream sometimes. Some of the most creative moments can come to you out of the blue and you might just invent the next generation of vehicles in the upcoming shake-up of the transportation industry.

Education does give you more possibilities and also be ready for more responsibilities that come with it as you cruise into your life outside the halls of your high school.

Teamwork and collective collaboration may be more present in the coming job markets so your work in FFA and football team will come in mighty handy. Take your skills and make a difference!

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

When my Matador paper arrived this week, I was thrilled to see the picture of City Superintendent Barton and Mr. Bailey clearing a city lot of a vacant building. So many times as I drive through the small towns of West Texas on my way to Matador, I am struck by the number of sagging, dilapidated, or abandoned buildings along the way. Such blight is demoralizing and speaks of neglect and a lack of civic pride.

I am happy that the citizens of our wonderful hometown continue to make a concerted effort to keep Matador a welcoming, attractive place to be. It took hard work to make Bob's Oil Well, the Jail renovation, the beautiful welcome area east of town, and other sites a reality.

Hats off to the Mayor, City Council, and the people of Matador for showing how much you care!

Sincerely,
Charise Cullin Christian

See extra prom photos in the
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transformed into a fantasy land of movie magic featuring large, iridescent film reels, a curtain of twinkling lights, pink and black balloons, and glimmering strips of film. Music was provided by DJ Wes Mason, and he was assisted by Keyan Kautz.

A chocolate fountain for dipping strawberries, cake squares, and marshmallows adorned the refreshment table along with soft drinks, chips, spinach dip, and French onion dip.

Students and their guests attending prom were Courtney Alexander, Shane'a Russell with William Butler, Wichita Falcon, Brittany Nutter, Jasmine Porter with Josh Annis of Shallowater, and Aaron Bethard with Tamara Chunn of Spur.

Also, Utah Falcon with Marty Walker of Patton Spring, Melissa Flores with Justin Newman, Karyn White, and Eric Simpson with Tory Simpson of Patton Springs and Sarah Hinson of Patton Springs.

The superintendent, Dr. Andrew Seigrist and Mrs. Seigrist also attended, as did Principal William Cochran and Mrs. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Cox, and Jim Cooper. Shelley Cox is junior sponsor, and Cooper is senior sponsor.

The event was photographed by Ken Young.

Helping decorate the cafeteria were Shane Jones, Debra Scott, Cathey Turner, Lisa Simpson, Debbie Falcon, and Chase Buckner. Cassidy Turner assisted during dinner.

Following prom, a Senior Breakfast was hosted by J.D. and D'anna Russell, Lejeana Faulks, and Matthew Faulks. Before heading home for the evening, students were served cheesy scrambled eggs, sausage, cinnamon rolls, milk and juice.



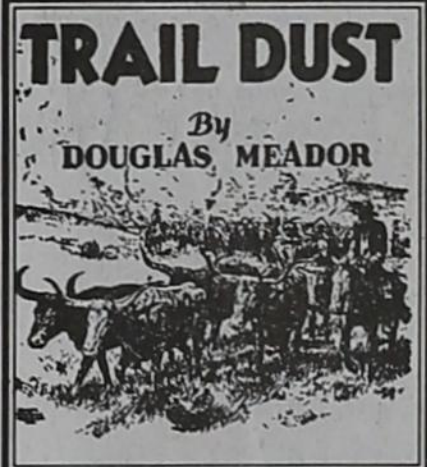
Beautiful gowns transformed girls into dazzling young ladies, and boys became gentlemen in starched and formal evening wear. Top to Bottom: Courtney Alexander, Will Butler, Shane'a Russell, Aaron Bethard, Brittany Nutter, Wichita Falcon, and Jasmine Porter.

RETRO NEWS

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Doctor delivers 100th baby

Since coming to Matador Dr. J.S. Stanley, local physician has ushered into the world, his 100th baby since beginning his practice twelve years ago. The baby is Phillip Ronald Varnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Varnell, Jr., of Dickens, who was born at Stanley Clinic Monday, October 20. His weight was 8pounds 3 ounces. The father is County and District Clerk of Dickens County and the mother is the former Doris Marie Avara.



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Lost like small diamonds dropped in a well are the minutes in which the man dominated our conversation to such an extent that he became involved in an argument with himself. Ignorance seeks no more dependable champion than loud and coercive conversation.

Restraint of speech is more

important that what is said; chosen words are the gold, many words the dross.

Except for the eternal prayers of the righteous we have no assurance that God would not reduce the world to a sphere of flaming gases and leave it spinning in the orbit of broken faiths.

She was such a little girl, with blue eyes looking on life through the sublime curtain of innocence, and chubby hands that pressed an unruly strand of yellow hair from her forehead. The ancient car coughed and rattled its pistons like false teeth and stream hissed from the radiator. Many other children were crowded with the little blond girl in the rear compartment of the antiquated vehicle and they watched in silence as school children hurried on their way to

lunch. Stained cotton sacks were tied on the side of the car. Presently the father returned and broke a package of bread, handing slices to each of the children. The little girl with blue eyes, held her bread with out eating. She was watching a laughing girl on the walk; a head of brown, carefully waved hair.

Another proof that the fates chartering the courses of our lives possess a sense of humor is the ironical condition that forces a man to false teeth about the time he is able to afford anything he desires to eat.

Because of the flames of its unseen fires and the pains that fester from thorns on its bushes of silence, fear is the steadfast comptroller of human conduct. It is a law that effects punishment before violation and increases it afterward.

Opinion Editorial

Memorial Day is for Patriots

By David K. Rehbein

In some circles, patriotism has become a synonym for arrogant or jingoistic. Some people even use it as a political weapon; "Don't question my patriotism," they say. Yet, this Memorial Day, and every other day for that matter, we should remember that those who died for this country are the true patriots.

Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes called Memorial Day, "our most respected holiday," and urged that "we not ponder with sad thoughts the passing of our heroes but rather ponder their legacy - the life they made possible for us by their commitment and pain."

At its core, Memorial Day has always commemorated the universal all-encompassing understanding of, "No greater love than this does any man have, that he lay down his life for his friends."

President Lincoln put their sacrifice into perspective at the battlefield in Gettysburg when he said, "The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can

never forget what they did here."

After the terrorists struck us on 9/11, America was changed. Our all volunteer force responded. People with comfortable jobs left their towns and deployed with their Reserve and Guard units. Some even joined the active-duty forces. The existing military responded in its typical heroic fashion, overthrowing a tyrannical regime in Afghanistan and battling ruthless insurgents in Iraq. Thousands gave their lives.

The call to freedom came and they answered. Just as their predecessors in the two world wars, Korea, Vietnam, Beirut, Grenada, and the Persian Gulf, the War on Terrorism is being won by ordinary Americans making extraordinary sacrifices.

One such man was Marine Cpl. Travis Braddock-Nail of Portland, Ore. He played the drums, loved punk rock and drove his mother crazy with his tattoos. Although he hoped to attend college, he extended his stay in Iraq to help his platoon. "The platoon wasn't surprised by his decision. He would

always step in and take his spot," a Marine buddy recalled.

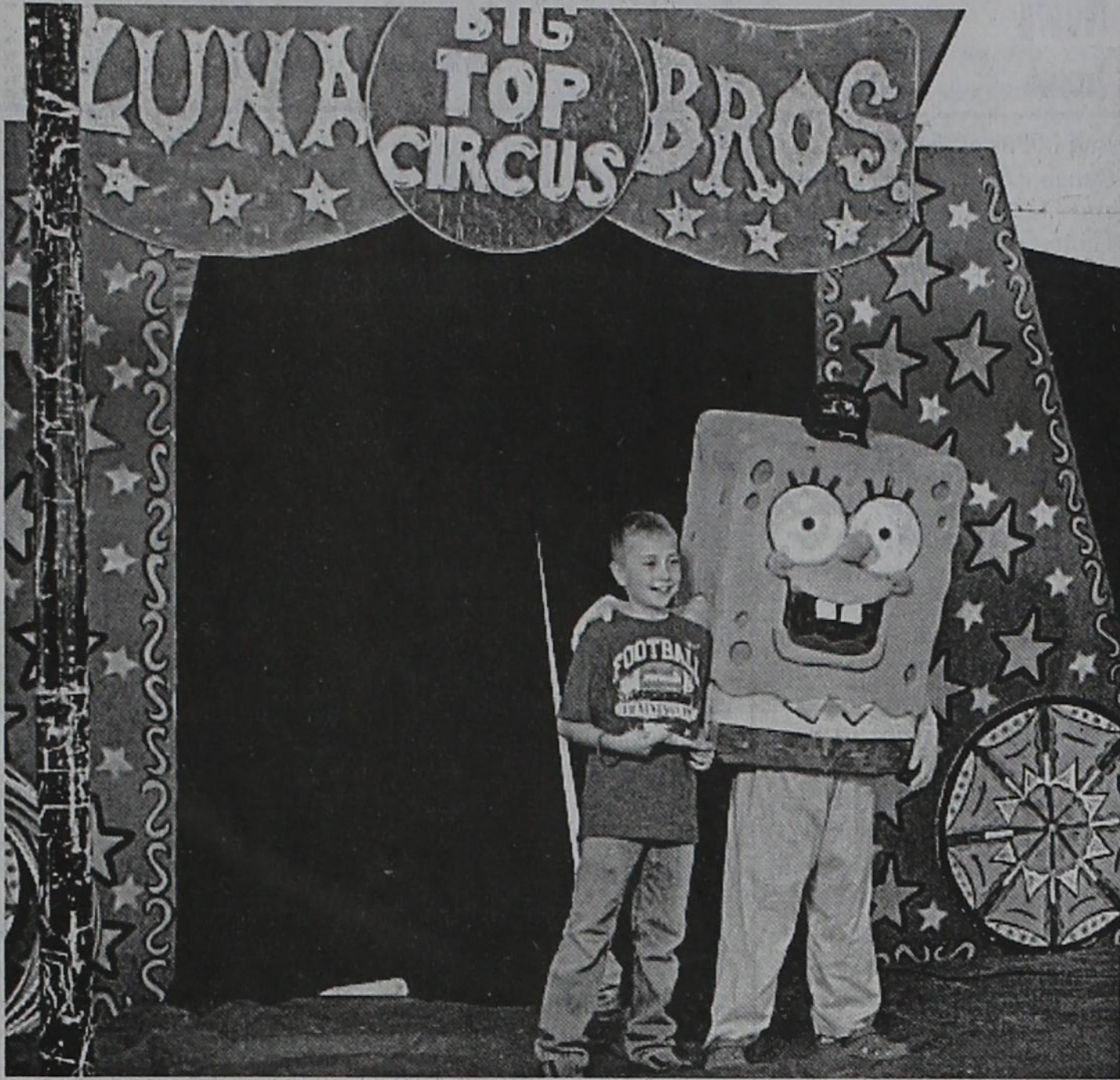
Travis was killed two months later in an explosion during a mine-clearing operation near Karbala. We owe Travis, and the men and women like him, our unending respect and gratitude.

The Preamble to The American Legion's Constitution states in part, "to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars." On Memorial Day, we call on all Americans to do this.

Memorial Day is not about trips to the beach or sporting events. It's not about politics. It's about people who have decided that the United States is worth dying for. It's about patriots.

David K. Rehbein, of Ames, Iowa, is national commander of the 2.6 million-member American Legion, www.legion.org, the nation's largest wartime veterans organization.

Circus comes to Matador



Coloring contest winner, Cade Drum, wins an opportunity to have his picture taken with Sponge Bob at the Luna Bros. Big Top Circus sponsored by Billie Deans.

Grandson of local resident serves on USS CARR

Commander Phillip Engle, grandson of local resident Dorothy Day, and son of Phil Engle and the late Pat Engle, Oklahoma City, has served in the United States Navy for 16 years, now serving as Executive Officer of the USS CARR (FFG 52).

He has received many personal awards during his career, including the Joint Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (three gold stars), and the Navy Achievement Medal.

Commander Engle was born in Lubbock, accepting a commission as an Ensign in 1993. After graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Systems Engineering, he served as First Lieutenant, Ordnance Officer, and Electrical Officer in USS DOYLE (FFG 39) homeported in Mayport, FL.

He was then transferred to Orlando, where he worked as an Assistant Program Manager for Surface Training Sys-

tems at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division.

His first Department Head tour was in USS HAWES (FFG 53) as Combat Systems Officer from August, 2000, to January, 2002. His second Department Head tour was on the staff of Commander, Destroyer Squadron Two, as the Combat Systems Officer, where he served from January to October, 2002. Following a brief stint on limited duty, Commander Engle served as Executive Officer in USS ORIOLE (MHC 55) from May, 2003, to September, 2004.

After completing his Department Head Tours, Commander Engle served on the staff of Commander, Naval Surface Forces, US Atlantic Fleet, as the Current Operations Officer (N32), then Future Operations and Schedules Officer (N31); and finally Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations (N3A) from October, 2004, to July, 2006. While on



staff, Commander Engle was sent on an Individual Augment (IA) assignment to Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, VA.

Commander Engle served in USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70) as Auxiliaries Officer from September, 2006, to October, 2008, during her Refueling Complex Overhaul, before being named as the Executive Officer of the USS CARR in October, 2008.

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rooms. His biggest job was replacing all the drain lines from the business to the water main.

Deanette worked at Hotel Matador for a while, waitressed at Espuela's Steakhouse in Dickens for a year, and finally began formulating a plan to open her own business.

Her full-fare dinner menu may include a Friday night Mexican food buffet, and on Saturday, Perry grills steaks outside. The Roaring Springs community is proud of their new business, holding a "Cafe-Warming Party" before their March opening, Deanette said, "showing the new business with a new Kitchen-Aide mixer and a new food processor." It seems a lot of people have invested time, energy and expertise to help the new owners be successful. Pastry chef Zella Palmer makes homemade pies, including lemon, coconut, chocolate, cherry, and caramel creams, lemon chess and pecan. Occasionally, Deputy Chris Spence makes his famous Key Lime Pie and

cobblers.

"The outpouring of support from the community has just been over whelming, and we are so grateful," she said. "Steve Byrd comes by every morning and makes coffee and tea for me," Deanette said. "Barbara Armstrong is an "as needed" employee, and will come in and help out in the kitchen, she said.

Her son Christopher Cox cooked for her until about a week ago. He left to pursue his golf-pro dream, moving back to Georgia. "I saw a t-shirt that said: "Born to golf, but forced to cook," that was Christopher," she smiled. Currently, Deanette is cooking, and she has a very high standard. "I love serving people," she said, "and I want my food to not only taste good, but to look good."

The Windmill is a work in progress. According to the Gullidge's they try to listen to the community, and incorporate what people really want in a restaurant. The menu is changing, according to the positive input on specials.

For example, the chicken fajita wrap was introduced as a special several weeks ago, and got so much praise that it was incorporated into the menu. Currently, the business is open for breakfast at 7:30 a.m., Tuesday through Thursday; Friday and Saturday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and Sunday Buffet from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. But that could change, Deanette said, "we haven't been open in the summer months yet, and we will have to assess what will work then," she said.

Deanette planned her Open House around the schedule of her family. Her father, Dean Johnson and his wife Debbie, from Scottsboro, Ala., and her sister Christy Pruitt, Atlanta, Ga., will be here to celebrate the opening. They have one daughter, Motley County 5th grader, Lexy Gullidge.

Deanette's daughter Misha Knotts from South Carolina; and son Christopher Cox, Atlanta, will not be able to attend. They have three grandchildren, ages 5, 4, and 1-year-old.

Osborn Places at Regional Track Meet

Lexi Osborn, daughter of Brenda and Billy Osborn, came in fourth place in each of her running events during the Region II-A Track Meet last Friday and Saturday at Abilene Christian University.

Typical of spring track meets, the freshman performed in hot weather Friday when she placed in the 2-mile or 3200 meter race with a time of 13:07. However, Lexi battled the cold on Saturday during the 1-mile or 1600 meter raced but was able to complete the race with a time of 5:50.

Judy Cooper, Osborn's track coach, said "Lexi logged her best time of the year in the 1-mile. We are really proud of the way she performed. I have no doubt she will continue to compete successfully during her next three years of high school."

PK-5 students take Book-It field trip



Sixty-four students from Motley County School traveled to Plainview on Friday, May 15, for the annual Book-It field trip. The trip is the culmination of the current year's Book-It program sponsored by Pizza Hut for students in grades PK-5.

To encourage reading, the pizza company rewards students who reach their home

reading goal with a certificate for a personal pan pizza each month. At the end of the year, students who have received certificates each month earn a trip to Plainview where they redeem one of their certificates. They also enjoy the Kidsville play area before making a final stop for ice cream at the Plainview Dairy Queen.

PreK Registration May 26

Registration for PreK students will be in the Motley County ISD cafeteria Tuesday, May 26, from 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Children must be 4 years of age before September 1, 2009, to be eligible to register.

Parents must bring the following items to successfully

complete registration:

Official, certified birth certificate (not the certificate issued by the hospital)

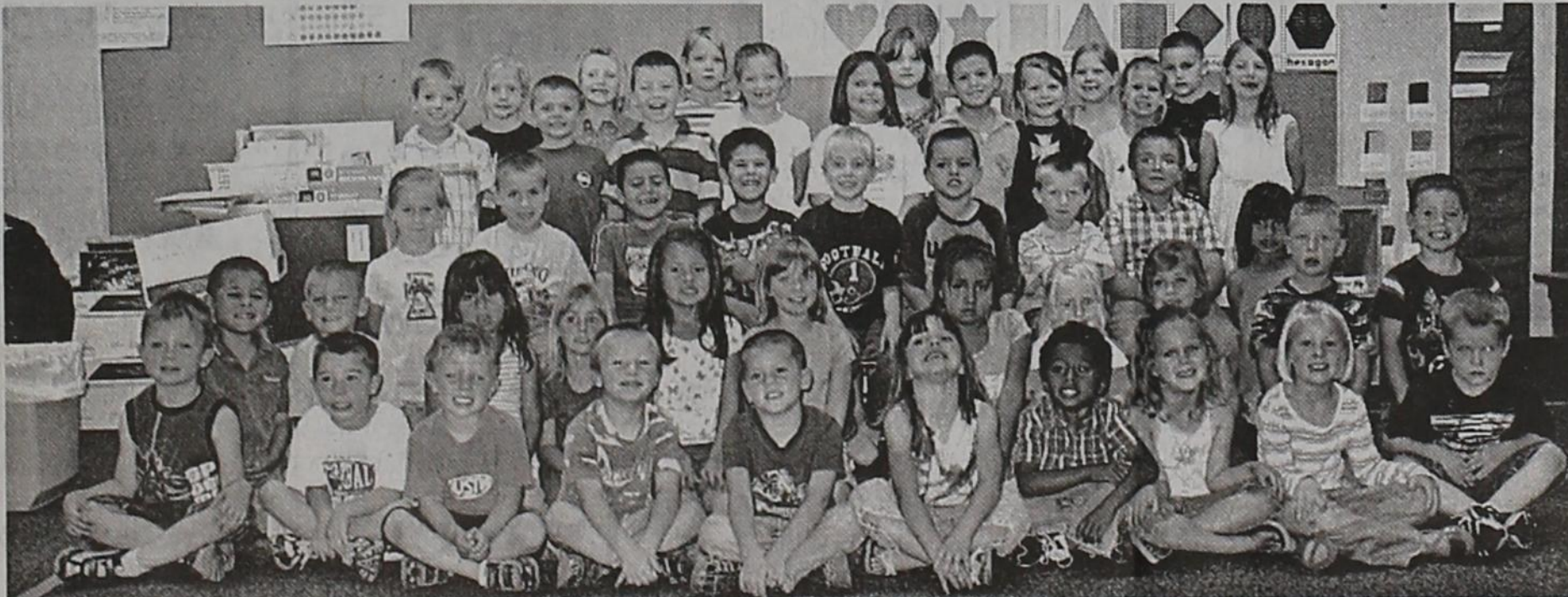
Record of immunizations

Social Security card

The above items will be copied at the school and returned immediately to the parents.

Relay for Life June 19

Motley County Shining Stars



The Pre-K, Kindergarten, and First grade classes attended the Science Spectrum in Lubbock on May 8th. While the students were there they participated in the fun science activities, and enjoyed the Omni max movie about prehistoric sea monsters. They also saw fossils and the Monsters of the Deep Exhibit. We want to thank the MCPC for donating money for us to go on this great field trip. We appreciate everything you do to help us have fun experiences.

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NEWS AROUND MOTLEY COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

Again I would like to remind everyone of Motley County that if they have a family member in the armed forces to please give me a call at 348-7000 and give me an update on their whereabouts and status. There may be some who have joined the military since last Memorial Day. We would like to mention all who are serving our country in the Memorial Service on Memorial Day. The service will be at 11:00 a.m. so that the American Legion Members will have time to get the flags out in the cemeteries. Come and honor our young Americans who proudly serve our country.

Don and Billie Stuckey attended the wedding of their daughter, Leandra Stuckey Whittenberg and Randy Harris at St. Andrew United Methodist Church on Saturday in Plano, Texas on Saturday. Don gave his daughter away in marriage. Their attendants were Leandra's son and daughter, Matthew and Kenna Whittenberg. Four of Randy's college friends were ushers. A reception was held at Rafain's Brazilian Restaurant. Billie said it was a beautiful wedding.

Fourteen Roaring Springs Volunteers attended the monthly meeting of the club on Tuesday, May 12 at the Walter Trammell's home. A Mexican stack supper was served. Plans for the Fourth of July celebration were discussed.

The First Baptist Church is planning to host an area wide singing in early June. Definite plans are being worked out at this time. Hopefully more information will be in next week's paper. If you like to sing get ready! It will be fun.

On Mother's day, Tince Thacker's daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter visited with Tince and Buzz. They were Lou Ann and Gordon Terry of Post and Mandy Terry of Slaton.

I know I missed other Mother's day visitors. I had to get my news out a day early last week because of out of town appointments.

Several folks from Roaring Springs attended the Washington Cattle Co.'s Blue Grass festival; Ken and Dinah Young, Ken and Suzanne Abbott and Corky and Monta Marshall attended on Friday evening. The weather was

perfect; a backdrop of lighting occasionally lit the skies. It was many miles away but it added to the beauty of the evening. The stage was set up under a giant elm tree and the grass was so green. A good brisket sandwich with all the trimmings could be had from a vendor and many ate picnic suppers while enjoying the music.

Will Palmer of Lovington, New Mexico visited with his mom, Pearl Patten on Friday and Saturday. Willeta Burkes of Paducah visited Pearl on Sunday.

Corky and Monta Marshall attended the Floydada High School's Awards Banquet at noon on Tuesday. One hundred sixty students received academic awards. Monta's grandson, Sean Miller received the 2009 Tomorrow's Leaders award presented by the Plainview Daily News and KLFP FM Radio Station in Plainview. Other's from our area receiving awards were Bailey Davenport, daughter of Winfield and Pattie Davenport (former Methodist minister for Roaring Springs and Matador) and Jay Potts, grandson of Marisue Potts Powell. Bailey Davenport will be representing Floydada HS at the National Finals in Business Professionals of America. There were four or five BPA's who went to the state finals. Among them was my granddaughter, Kelsea Miller who is a freshman. I was impressed by the number of students that had competed in UIL and had gone to the State Meets. More are scheduled to attend state competition this week and next week. Presenting the awards was Pennie Keltz' cousin Wayne Moran, High School Principal.

John and Barbara Alexander hosted their annual cook out Sunday at noon. They prepared brisket, barbecued chicken, beans and Polish sausages. Guests brought the side dishes and desserts. About 14 people enjoyed the meal and fellowship. Barbara said there couldn't have been a more perfect day. Those attending the Alexander's cookout were: Walter and Jo Trammell; Johnnie and Connie Morris; Ken and Dinah Young; Genetta Ameijide; Nancy Long, Jerry Long; Jerry Collins, Barbara and John Alexander and Corky Marshall.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD
Dear American veteran, "This Memorial Day I remember your sacrifice. I honor your courage and I do not forget that it was you who paid the high price for freedom."

Deanna and Todd Oberhue, Grant and Tye of Walsenburg, Colorado visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob.

Butch Hughes was a patient at Mangold Hospital in Lockney from Wednesday until Saturday. His wife, Janice was with him during his hospitalization. His sons, Roger and Rickey Hughes of Floydada accompanied him home from hospital, Saturday.

Mrs. Jackie Lynn Davis of Fritch visited Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Jack and Nada Starkey.

Enjoying a Mexican supper Friday night at the Windmill Restaurant in Roaring Springs were Mary Ellen "Dude" Waydette and Ronald Clay and Wilburn Martin. Joining them there were Marisue and

Ralph Powell of Mott Creek Ranch, Dinah and Ken Young and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hunter of Roaring Springs.

L.T. Starkey of Ralls visited Wednesday and Thursday with his brother, Johnie Starkey.

Mrs. Wanda Davey of Plainview visited Saturday with her daughter and husband, Shonda a Roger Lee they enjoyed The Blue Grass Festival.

Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay and grandsons, Walker and Parker Carson of Turkey enjoyed the end of the year Panhandle School band concert held Thursday night in Panhandle. Their grandchildren, Tanner, Kelsey and Sarah, children of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, are members of the band.

Visiting the weekend with Ruth and Orville Lee and enjoying the Blue Grass Festival were son and wife, Joey and Brenda Lee of Clarendon and grandson and wife, Robert and Kynlee Lee of Amarillo.

School Menu

Thursday, May 21: Breakfast- Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk. Lunch- Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Crackers, Sherbet, Milk

Friday, May 22: Breakfast- Last time for Cinnamon Rolls, Applesauce, Milk. Lunch- Hamburger/Cheese, Lettuce, tomato, pickle slices, potato chips, dessert, milk

Monday, May 25: No School

Tuesday, May 26: Cooks Choice

Wednesday May 27: Cooks Choice

Thursday, May 28: Last Day, Cooks Choice

Senior Menu

Thursday, May 21: Chicken Strips, Cream Gravy, Summer Squash, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot and Raisin Salad, Chocolate Pudding

Friday, May 22: Fried Fish, Red Beans, Coleslaw, Baked Hush Puppies, Gelatin, and Fruit

Monday, May 25: Center closed Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 26: Baked Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Spinach, Roll, Chocolate Cake with berries

Wednesday, May 27: Sausage on Bun, Tator Tots, Carrots, Baked Apples

*Dear Friends,
Thank you all for the calls, food, visits, cards, flowers, and contributions. I am so blessed to know so many precious people. All of you have always been so kind to Ellis and I. We are proud to call Matador home because of you.
Sincerely,
The Ellis Key Family*

Matador News

Mrs. Frances Dixon, daughter and husbands, Elaine and Fred Risser returned home Saturday after visiting six days in Columbia, South Carolina with granddaughter and daughter, Kaci Risser. They enjoyed the scenic drives in this beautiful state.

Betty and Billy Paul Simpson of Northfield have been in Amarillo where Billy Paul is undergoing radiation treatments again. Betty reported 4.68 inches of rain in Northfield for the month of April

The family of Tresa Louise Meece of Bryan were in Matador last weekend for the graveside services of their loved one. Tresa was born in Matador to Lewis Patrick and Donnie Fairce Markham McDonough. Attending the service were here daughter, Connie Meece Slayton of Bryan; grandson, Jack Lewis Slayton of Bryan; son and daughter-in-law, Patrick and Margaret Meece of Bryan; brother and sister-in-law, Stanley and Nell McDonough of Happy; cousin, Judy Lowery of Langley, Arkansas; aunt, Nell Markham Nuss of Braggs, Oklahoma; family friend, Scott Combest of Dallas; cousin, Bill and his wife Sue Birchfield of Eules; cousin Bobby and his wife Sandy Birchfield of Andrews; niece Debbie Gough.

In Matador for a girlfriend reunion at Hotel Matador last Friday were Sandy Leaves of Clear Lake, Barbara Robbins of Idalou, and Michelle Smith of The Woodlands. Michelle is formerly of Roaring Springs.

Leon and Zenita Gardner of Sylvester attended the Flomot

Bluegrass Festival last weekend.

Visiting a hunting lease they have with Craig Turner last week were Len Brickey of Alba, Peaches Osborn of Alba, and David Rohde of McKinney.

Bill and Lisa Ashley of Levelland were in town for the golf tournament at Roaring Springs Ranch last weekend. Bill is formerly from Spur and is an agent for Farm Bureau.

Matt and Kelly Roy, son and daughter-in-law of Linda and Tom Roy, were in town last week to visit before leaving for their tour of duty in Fiji with the Peace Corps. The couple will be working on the island of Fiji for 27 months. Matt is the grandson of Dorothy Russell.

Harvey Case of Lubbock is busy working his Motley County farm. Harvey is formerly of Turkey.

A bus load of area tourists visited points of interest in Matador last week. On a King's Highway tour, they visited the museum, the historic jail, Hotel Matador, and downtown merchants and restaurants.

Hotel Matador will host a Senior Supper for graduating seniors Sunday night after baccalaureate at First United Methodist Church.

May Thomas is home from the hospital and improving every day.

Robert Fisk has redeployed for another tour of duty in Iraq. Wife Christie delivered him to the plane for departure on Saturday.

Fairways & Rough

Scramble
May 12, 2009

Closest to the pin- Jim Watson- 2'2 1/2"

First, with a score of 31, Jim Watson, David Taylor, Tim Ward, and Austin Taylor

Second, with a score of 31, Liv Barton, Bryan Thomas, Kyle Moore and Jerry Johnson.

Others playing were Robert Osborn, Alvin Martin, Ray Martin, Kevin Keltz, Mike Hancock, and Todd Johnson.

Ladies Play Day
May 7, 2009

Most Two Putts: Geneva Wilson, Olivia Osborn

Others Playing: Liv Barton, Dartha Westbrook, Judy Cartwright, Jean Hoover, Judy Renfro, Pat Warren, Nell Berryman, Tommye Keith, Tammy Simpson, Francis Hobbs.

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Announces that they will be placing flags on the graves of Motley County veterans for the Memorial Day weekend. Legion members from Matador will meet at the East Mound Cemetery at 6 PM on Friday, May 22 to put out flags. Volunteers will pick up the flags at 6 PM on Monday, May 25. Legion members will place flags on veterans graves at the Roaring Springs cemetery and the Flomot cemetery and community volunteers will place them on veterans graves at Whiteflat and Northfield.

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Weather Trivia

How can you tell how many miles away a lightning bolt is?
ANSWER: Count the seconds between the lightning and the thunder and divide by five.

Weather History

May 21, 1866 - A swarm of tornadoes occurred in the Ohio Valley. Tornadoes struck the cities of Louisville, Ky., Cincinnati, Chillicothe, Ohio and Marietta, Ohio causing a million dollars in damage.

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Obituary

Tresa Louise Meece

Tresa Louise Meece, 75, of Bryan passed away Sunday surrounded by her loving family. A viewing was held May 15, 2009 at First Presbyterian Church. Another service was held on May 16 in Odessa, Texas at Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Interment followed in Matador, Texas at East Mound Cemetery.

Tresa was born in Matador to Lewis Patrick and Donnie Fairce Markham McDonough. She enjoyed serving her community and contributed generously of her time and resources to American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Brazos County Republican Party, Brazos County Republican Women, Brazos Valley Christmas Parade, Brazos Valley Rehabilitation Center, Bryan College Station Chamber of Commerce, Bryan Independent School District HOST Program, Crime Stoppers, Junior Leadership Brazos, Leadership Brazos and Business Professionals of America.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Lewis Patrick and Donnie Fairce Markham Mc-



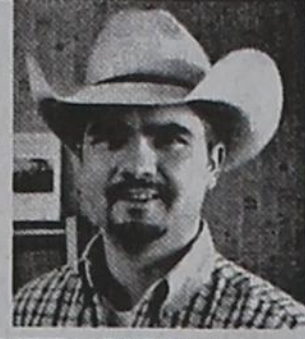
Donough; and sister, Donnie Jane.

Survivors include her son, Patrick Meece and wife, Margaret of Bryan; daughter, Connie Meece Slayton of Bryan; brother, Stanley McDonough and wife, Nell of Happy, Texas; and grandchildren, Jack Lewis Slayton of Bryan and Ryan Kohn of Houston.

In lieu of flowers and in honor of Tresa's life-long service to children and education, please make donations to St. Michael's Episcopal School 2500 S. College Avenue, Bryan, Texas 77801.

County Agent's News

by Ryan Martin, Agri LIFE EXTENSION Agent



Texas Crop Weather Report

COLLEGE STATION - It's been a "sad story" for wheat in Texas, said Dr. Travis Miller, Texas AgriLife Extension Service statewide agronomist in College Station. "What the drought didn't get, two freezes in April seriously injured," Miller said. The projected harvest in early April was 100 million bushels. The latest projection is about 50 million bushels, he said. "We had a pretty good stand over much of the Rolling Plains and High Plains. The area from San Angelo to Amarillo was too dry and lot of it didn't even get a stand," Miller said. The southern Blacklands didn't get a stand either, but the northern Blacklands looked good, and the northern High Plains looked very good in the fall, he said. "And they got some rains in the spring, and things were looking up," he said.

Then came two hard freezes in April, about 10 days apart. "From 20 to 100 percent loss was common to a lot of the Blacklands and Rolling Plains," Miller said. "The area north of Amarillo didn't get a lot of freeze damage, but everywhere else did." Two significant weather disasters is more than a lot of wheat producers are going to be able to take, he said. "We've seen a lot of abandoned wheat," Miller said.

PANHANDLE: The region received some moisture and saw cooler temperatures. Soil moisture levels were still rather mostly short. Producers nearly finished planting corn; stands were rated fair to good. Range conditions were mostly poor, but improved with recent rains. Cattle were fair to good.

ROLLING PLAINS: Temperatures fluctuated over the past week, and it almost felt like fall again, reported AgriLife Extension personnel. Because of the rain over the past couple of weeks, conditions began to turn around across most of the region. Pastures greened up and promised to produce enough forage to hold cattle for awhile. Most cotton fields had enough soil moisture for producers to start planting, but no planting began. Cattle were in good to excellent condition. Ranchers began taking cattle off winter wheat and putting them on native pastures.

SOUTH PLAINS: The region was dry with temperatures soaring to near 100 degrees. Soil moisture was very short to short. Corn, sunflower, sorghum and peanut planting continued. Some irrigated cotton planting began and was expected to pick up speed soon. Dryland cotton producers held off planting, waiting for rain. Wheat was in very poor to poor condition. Due to the freeze in April, wheat yields likely will be low. Producers may not bother to harvest many fields. Insurance adjusters were examining fields. Many wheat fields probably will be baled for hay. Pastures and ranges were in very poor to poor condition. Cattle were in good condition with continued supplemental feeding.

2009 Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course Aug. 3-5

COLLEGE STATION - The 55th Annual Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course is scheduled Aug. 3-5 at Texas A&M University in College Station.

"Planning committee members from around the state have met with us and helped us put together another outstanding program," said Dr. Jason Cleere, Texas AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist and conference coordinator.

Drought, high production costs, emerging diseases and a weakened market have made this a challenging year for cattle producers, Cleere said. The short course, sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension Service, will address these issues as well as other topics during the three-day event, providing information for both the novice and experienced rancher.

"The short course has become one of the most comprehensive beef cattle educational programs in the U.S. with 20 different educational sessions taught by more than 50 different speakers," Cleere said.

The Cattleman's College portion of the short course provides participants with an opportunity to choose workshops based on their level of production experience and the needs of their ranch, Cleere said.

"These concurrent workshops will feature information on ranch management, nutrition, reproduction, genetics, pastures, carcass evaluation, record keeping, brush bust-

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By Ace Reid



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Motley County High School Project Celebration 2009

How it all began.....

Originally called "Project Graduation", the concept originated in Maine in response to the deaths of 12 teenagers in alcohol-related highway crashes. Seven of the teens were from one community. Parents in the community were devastated and determined not to let this happen again. In an effort to prevent the incapacitating injuries and deaths that were often the result of teens driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs, the parents organized "Project Graduation". From that school the idea spread. By 1985, 95% of the high schools in Maine were hosting successful chemical-free parties.

In Texas

How did this drug-free celebration originate in Texas? While attending a traffic safety conference in the early 80's, John McKay, now a retired TxDOT employee learned of Maine's success with sponsoring over-night chemical-free Project Graduation events following graduation ceremonies.

Working with the Maine Department of Education and Cultural Services Alcohol, Drugs, and Highway Safety Program Coordinator, TxDOT utilized the original Project Graduation concept, ideas, and experiences and adapted it for Texas high schools. The concept was endorsed by The Congress of Parents and Teachers, Texan's War on Drugs, Texas Department of Health, Texas Safety Associa-

tion, Texas Education Agency, Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. and the Texas Department of Public Safety. Two schools piloted the program during the 1983-84 school year. Later, senior prom activities were also identified as a potentially deadly time for teen involvement in alcohol-related traffic crashes. In 1987, the name changed from Project Graduation to Project Celebration. These changes enabled schools to hold events during the time of year which put their students at the greatest risk for alcohol-related vehicle crashes.

Project Celebration is now a statewide program and the parents of Motley County Parents Club have been working hard for months trying to keep this tradition going for our school and kids, which has been going on since the early 1990's. Plans have been made and we are looking forward to an awesome night with the kids. Check-in time is 10:30 pm to 11:00pm and go home time is approximately 5:00 a.m. so as you can imagine it takes lots of food activities and prizes. This is the last chance for many of the students to spend quality time together before they all go off to college or to start their future. If you would like to help or make a donation you can contact: Tammy Simpson, Olivia Osborn Tina Brooks or D'anna Russell. We appreciate everything the community is able to do for the kids and this celebration.

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Washington, D.C.— As you begin to make your summer travel plans, there will be several things that you need to add to your checklist before heading to Mexico, Canada, or the Caribbean. On June 1, 2009, the U.S. government will implement the full requirements of the land and sea phase of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI). The proposed rules under the WHTI will require U.S. citizens entering the United States at sea or land ports of entry to have a passport.

Currently, all U.S. citizens must show proof of identity and proof of U.S. citizenship when entering the United States from Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Caribbean by land or sea. All persons travelling by air are required to show a passport to enter or re-enter the U.S. However, on

June 1, all air, land, and sea passengers will be required to show a passport or other approved document. For a list of documents approved by the Department of Homeland Security, please visit http://www.getyouhome.gov/html/lang_eng/index.html.

The State Department is encouraging people to seek passports now to avoid a backlog of applications, and the Department of Homeland Security is stepping up publicity along U.S. border towns about the new policy. The policy aims to keep terrorists out of the country and our borders safe. If you have not already done so, I encourage you to apply or renew your passport soon and, as always, contact my office or visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport> for more information about obtaining a passport.

"BUT MY SCHEDULE"???



In a world attitude of unbelief is sometimes difficult to fit in the time to reflect upon and strengthen our faith. The Bibles tell us that "faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God." Therefore, we need to read and study our Bibles to allow the growth of faith. But, we often feel frustrated as

we find ourselves unable to find the time in our schedules for Bible reading? Here are some suggestions that may be of help.

- Wake up 15 minutes earlier each day.
- Place your Bible by your bed and read before going to sleep.
- Place a Bible by your telephone and read whenever you are placed on hold.
- Carry a small compact Bible with you in purse or pocket to read while you wait in lines or at appointments.
- Pack your Bible when you go on trips.
- Turn off the TV for a few minutes and read your Bible to your family.
- Mealtimes are excellent opportunities to read one or two Bible verses.
- Remember this. A Bible in your hand is worth two on some shelf somewhere. So, how about it? Are these suggestions worth a try? Perhaps we can find our own answer to that question through practice.

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

TxDOT begins seal coat operation

CHILDRESS - Various roadways in the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Childress District will be getting a fresh new look starting this week as highway construction crews start putting down a new rock and asphalt [seal coat] surface.

Work will get underway on May 18, 2009 and weather permitting, the estimated completion date is June 18, 2009.

According to Rickey Gonzales, TxDOT Chief Seal Coat Inspector, this \$4.8 million project is part of an annual preventive maintenance program across most of the 13-counties which comprises the Childress TxDOT district. "Seal coat" is a rock and asphalt layer put down on the highway to reseal the surface and keep moisture from damaging the road base. It extends the life of the highway.

The contractor for this seal coat project is Lipham Construction Co., Inc. of Aspermont, Texas. According to Chris Lipham, the sequence of work is:

- May 18, 2009 * Knox County * FM 267
- May 19-21 * King County * US 82;
- May 22-27 * Dickens County * US 82
- May 28-29 * Cottle County * FM 1038
- June 2-3 * Cottle County * US 70
- June 4-5 * Foard County * US 70
- June 6 * Childress County * FM 2638
- June 8-9 * Childress County * US 62
- June 10 * Wheeler County * FM 3182
- June 11 * Donley County * SH 203
- June 12 * Donley County * FM 3257

June 15 * Briscoe County * SH 256

June 16 * Hall County * SH 70

June 17 * Motley County * FM 656

June 18 * Motley County * SH 70

Work will be in various locations on the roadways listed above. "Motorists will encounter workers who will direct them through the work zone, and there will be brief lane closures in those areas on the two-lane roadways where seal coat work is being done", said Rickey Gonzales. "Drivers should always use caution and drive carefully and choose alternate routes if possible, while the seal coat work is underway".

Anyone with questions about this or any other TxDOT project should contact Barbara Seal, Public Information Officer at 940-937-7288.

Disaster Assistance Available for Agricultural-Dependent Small Businesses

Sacramento, CA - Small, non-farm businesses in 162 Texas counties (plus neighboring counties in New Mexico and Oklahoma) may now apply for low-interest disaster loans from the

U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA). "These disaster loans offset economic losses because of reduced revenues caused by drought, above-normal temperatures, and associated wildfires beginning January 1, 2009," announced Alfred E. Judd, Director of SBA's Disaster Field Operations Center -West.

Primary Texas Counties: Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Baylor, Bee, Blanco, Brown, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Callahan, Coleman, Collingsworth, Comal, Coryell, Cottle, Dallam, De Witt, Dickens, Donley, Eastland, Fayette, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gillespie, Glasscock, Gonzales, Hamilton, Hays, Hill, Howard, Jones, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kent, King, Kinney, Kleberg, Lampasas, Lee, Lipscomb, Live Oak, Lubbock, Martin, Maverick, McCulloch, McLennan, McMullen, Medina, Mills, Motley, Nolan, Nueces, Potter, Real, Runnels, San Patricio, San Saba, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor, Travis, Uvalde, Victoria, Waller, Washington, Wilbarger and Wilson.

Neighboring Texas Counties: Andrews, Archer, Armstrong, Atascosa, Bandera, Bell, Bexar,

Borden, Bosque, Brazos, Briscoe, Brooks, Burleson, Carson, Childress, Coke, Colorado, Comanche, Concho, Crosby, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Ellis, Erath, Falls, Fort Bend, Frio, Gaines, Garza, Goliad, Gray, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Harris, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hidalgo, Hockley, Hutchinson, Jackson, Jim Wells, Johnson, Kerr, Kimble, Knox, La Salle, Lamb, Lavaca, Limestone, Llano, Lynn, Mason, Matagorda, Menard, Midland, Milam, Mitchell, Montgomery, Moore, Navarro, Ochiltree, Oldham,

Palo Pinto, Randall, Reagan, Refugio, Roberts, Scurry, Shackelford, Sherman, Sterling, Swisher, Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Val Verde, Webb, Wharton, Wheeler, Wichita, Willacy, Williamson, Young and Zavala.

Neighboring New Mexico Counties: Union.

Neighboring Oklahoma Counties: Beaver, Beckham, Cimarron, Ellis, Harmon, Jackson and Tillman.

Small businesses and most private, non-profit organizations of any size may qualify for

Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) of up to \$2 million to help meet financial obligations and operating expenses which could have been met had the disaster not occurred. "Eligibility for these working capital loans is based on the financial impact of the disaster only and not on any actual property damage. These loans have an interest rate of 4%, a maximum term of 30 years, and are available to small businesses and most private, non-profits without the adverse impact without hardship," Judd said.

By law, SBA makes EIDLs available when the U. S. Secretary of Agriculture designates an agricultural disaster. Secretary Tom Vilsack declared this disaster at the request of Governor Rick Perry.

Businesses primarily engaged in farming or ranching are not eligible for SBA disaster assistance. Agricultural enterprises should contact the Farm Services Agency (FSA) about the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) assistance made available by the Secretary's declaration.

Information and application forms are available from SBA's Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955, emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or by visiting SBA's website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339.

The deadline to apply for these loans is December 28, 2009.

Blue Grass Festival 2009

By Dinah Young

Another great Blue Grass Festival took place last weekend, the 14th, 15th, & 16th. Thursday featured gospel music from some of the best. The Triple L's, the Miller family from Portales, harmonized like angels. All the groups are talented and strong coming from New Mexico, Oklahoma

and Texas. The food is terrific with brisquit, sausage, potato salad, beans, and many yummy desserts. Diane and Seab Washington do an amazing job getting all this together so we as an audience can be blessed by great music under the stars. If the weather doesn't cooperate, they open up the Flomot gym and there is great fun to be had with the

musicians and exchange that takes place with spectators in there also.

If you have never been, I highly recommend taking one of these evenings and driving over to Flomot to experience excellent banjo picking, fiddling, mandolin and guitar playing, as well as the unique individual voices crooning tunes thru the sweet night air.

Veterans Memorial Park
Roaring Springs
Memorial Day Service, 11am



Thank You

Thank you to everyone who prayed for me and all the phone calls,

A special thanks to Seven, Pat, Tina and Jennifer for literally Saving My Life Love to all TJ

Preparedness and response workshops offered to small museums in June and July

AUSTIN, Texas - Texas heritage is at risk in facilities throughout the state. With more than 500 local history museums across Texas, less than 25 percent have a plan for dealing with potential emergencies including hurricanes, fire and flood. As a result, the Texas Historical Commission (THC) will begin offering training workshops in June and July aimed at increasing the abilities of small and medium sized history museums to anticipate, respond and recover from an emergency.

"These workshops will help provide small museums with the tools they need to prepare for any possible disaster," said Laura Casey of the THC's Museum Services Program. "It is crucial that we safeguard our heritage resources for the enjoyment and enrichment of future generations."

The workshops will be led by conservator Rebecca Elder of Amigos Library Services and coordinated in partnership with the Texas Association of Museums. They will be offered in 12 locations throughout Texas including Angleton, Beaumont, Brownsville, Corpus Christi, Nacogdoches and Pittsburg. Registration is \$25 per person and is limited to 30 people. Each participating institution is permitted two attendees. Advance registra-

tion is required at <https://www.io.com/tam/theworkshop.html>.

The Emergency, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Workshop is the first in a series of regional workshops designed to target the needs of small and medium-sized history museums in Texas. The workshops are one component of the Training for Texas Museums initiative administered by the THC's Museum Services Program. The initiative is funded by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services and combines traditional training workshops with structured networking and a distance learning component.

"Our partnership with the Texas Association of Museums in offering these workshops will help us protect the real stories of Texas' past," said THC Executive Director Larry Oaks. "By safeguarding these resources we ensure vital artifacts will continue to enrich the lives of visitors through history."

To learn more about the Training for Texas Museums initiative and a complete listing of upcoming workshops contact the THC's Museum Services Program at 512.463.5853 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us.

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The tax-free appliance sales apply only to eligible purchases made between 12:01 a.m. Saturday, May 23 and 11:59 p.m. Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day) per the legislative restrictions.

The ENERGY STAR program is a joint venture of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U. S. Department of Energy (DOE). AEP Texas is proud to be an ENERGY STAR partner.



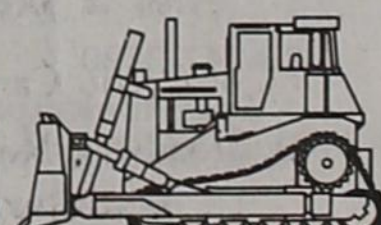
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FFA Chapter Awards Members at Starwalk Annual Banquet at Copper Breaks

The Motley County FFA Chapter held its annual Parent/Member banquet at the High School Cafeteria on Thursday night May 14. The chapter banquet, which is the highlight of the year for many FFA chapters, is to award those members who have excelled throughout the year, to recognize member accomplishments, to honor deserving community members and businesses that have provided outstanding service to the FFA, and is a means of saying "thank you" to parents, school staff, administration, and school board for their support and cooperation with the FFA chapter.

Greenhand members who were awarded their certificates of participation included Ashley Brackeen, Christian Brooks, Chase Buckner, Augustine Chavez, Reagan Elliott, Paul Gutierrez, Patrick Harvey, Keyan Kautz, Cody Martin, Braden Mason, Alexis Osborn, Jonathan Osborn, and Mark Quintero. High point plaques were presented to those members who scored the highest number of points in the spring judging contests. High point cotton team award went to Christian Brooks. High point wool team award went to Mark Quintero. High point food science team award went to Ashley Brackeen. The Star Greenhand Award was presented to Alexis Osborn.

Chapter members were recognized and were presented with certificates of completion. Chapter members recognized were Hailey Blanco, Dayne Butler, Leanne Jameson, Andrew Martin, Colby McCleskey, Adam Seigrist, Kyla Simpson, and Alyx Smith. The high point land judging team award was presented to Dayne Butler. The Star Chapter Award was presented to Dayne Butler.

The junior and senior FFA

members were recognized and presented with certificates of completion. These members included Courtney Alexander, Will Butler, Wichita Falcon, Justin Newman, Shane'a Russell, and Eric Simpson. The high point horse judging award was presented to Will Butler. The Dekalb Award which is presented to the outstanding senior Agricultural Science student was presented to Shane'a Russell.

Matador Motor and Implementation owner Tim Ward was presented with a plaque of appreciation for his support of the Motley County FFA Chapter. Judy Cooper, wife of chapter advisor Jim Cooper, was inducted as an Honorary Chapter member and was presented with a plaque of membership.

Chapter officers for 2009 - 2010 were installed; President - Dayne Butler; Vice President - Keyan Kautz; Secretary - Leanne Jameson; Treasurer - Braden Mason; Reporter - Lexi Osborn; Sentinel - Christian Brooks.

The members of the Motley County FFA Chapter wish to extend a very hearty "thank you" to John Morris of Afton, Texas for his support of the FFA. John presented a very inspiring and motivational address to the FFA members at the banquet challenging them to motivate themselves to do their best with the abilities they have been endowed with and to do so with a good attitude.

The 8th grade ag. students who assisted with serving the meal for the banquet were recognized. They included Juan Flores, Stormy Guerrero, Paden Perryman, Kaitlan Perryman, Sabra Pope, Neal Potts, Dominique Quilimaco, Britt Simpson, Austin Taylor, and Aaron Woodruff.



Chapter Advisor Jim Cooper presenting Tim Ward with plaque of appreciation.



Chapter Advisor Jim Cooper with Star Greenhand winner Lexi Osborn and Star Chapter winner Dayne Butler.



(L-R) Chapter Advisor Jim Cooper, Wool judging high point winner Mark Quintero, Horse judging high point winner Will Butler, Land judging high point winner Dayne Butler, and Cotton judging high point winner Christian Brooks. Not pictured is Food Science high point winner Ashley Brackeen.

QUANAH, TX. - StarWalk@, the nationally acclaimed public astronomy program at Copper Breaks State Park, continues its thirteenth year on Saturday, May 23, 2009, with the presentation "Virgo's Treasures" which will highlight the numerous deep sky objects contained in the largest constellation in the night sky. Program creator Jeri Turner will return as presenter and will lead participants in a naked-eye exploration of the constellation and other objects beginning at sunset, around 9:00 p.m., in the Big Pond Campground.

In addition to the after-dark program, SkyGuide volunteers will again offer Sun Fun at 5:00 p.m. Sun Fun offers the public rare views of our own star, the Sun, through telescopes fitted with filters for safe viewing.

Nighttime observing begins after sunset. Turner jumpstarts the program with a tour of the darkening sky-the original StarWalk. Blending science with history, legends, and lore, Turner takes the public on a trip through major constellations, spotlighting bright stars, and introducing the "star-hopping" technique to find other interesting objects. May's program will focus on the constellation Virgo and the area of the sky astronomers call 'the realm of the galaxies'-just coming in to view as springtime progresses.

After the StarWalk, the public is invited to view these various dark-sky objects through

the park's binoculars and telescopes with the help of knowledgeable SkyGuides.

These volunteers come from throughout Texas and Oklahoma to assist with the StarWalk program through the generous use of their own equipment.

"For more than a dozen years, Copper Breaks has hosted the original and still the best star program in Texas," said park manager David D. Turner. "Thanks to the dedication and generosity of our volunteers, we can continue to offer this award-winning public event and folks never seem to get tired of this low-key, low tech approach to stargazing."

The 2009 slate of StarWalks includes Saturday presentations set for June 20, July 18, August 22, September 19, and October 10, weather permitting.

Upon entering the park, StarWalk signs will direct visitors to Big Pond Campground and parking. The quarter-mile walk into the observing area is on lighted asphalt, and extra assistance for the handicapped is available from park personnel.

StarWalk and Sun Fun are continuing Campsite Programs offered by Copper Breaks State Park. For more information on park facilities or programs, call (940)-839-4331 during business hours. Copper Breaks is located 13 miles south of Quanah and eight miles north of Crowell on State Highway 6.



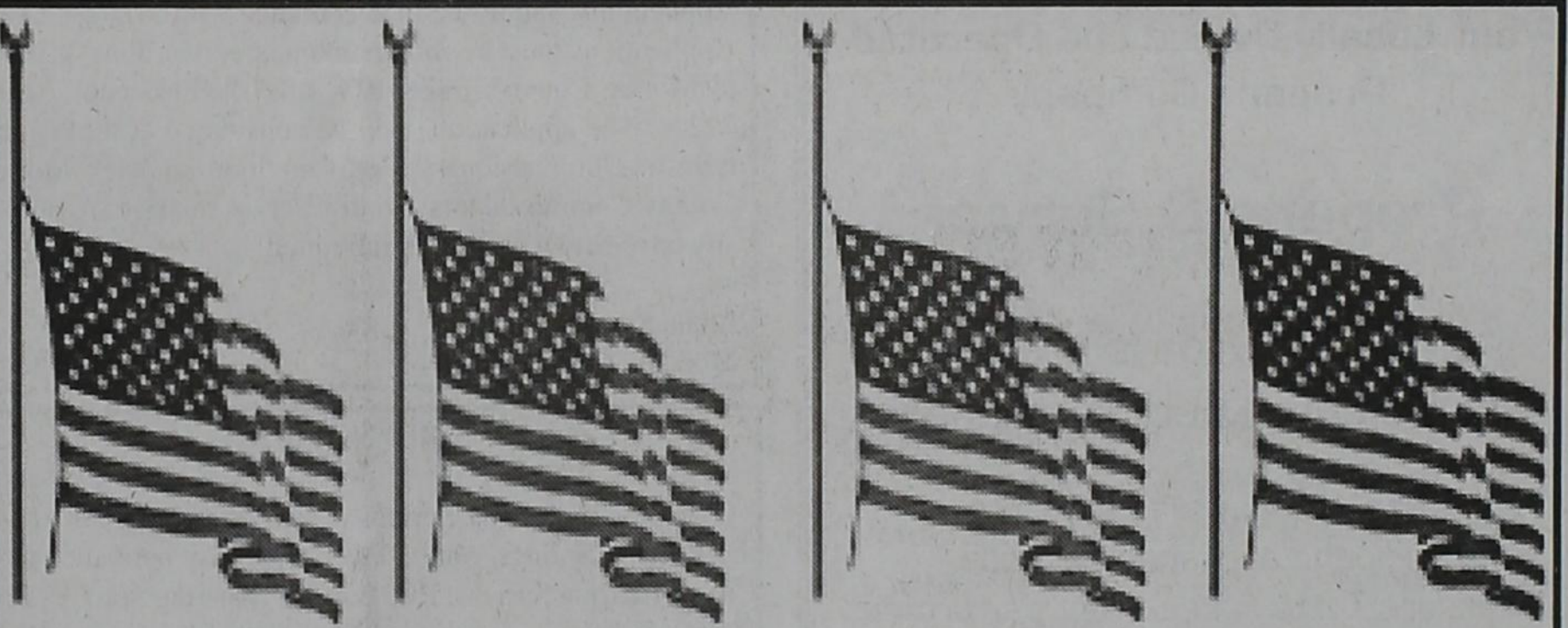
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EVENTS CALENDAR

May

- 21 Motley County High School Honors Banquet
- 21 Medication Management Health Fair, Senior Citizens' Center, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- 21 Matador Masonic Lodge, 6:30 pm
- 21 Foothills Fellowship 7:00 p. m. at the Community Center in Roaring Springs
- 23 Copper Breaks State Park, Sun Fun at 5pm Starwalk, "Virgo's Treasures" 9pm
- 24 Baccalareate, First United Methodist Church in Matador 6pm
- 25 Veterans Memorial Park in Roaring Springs, Memorial Day Service, 11am
- 26 Pre K Registration at MCISD cafeteria, 1-2pm
- 28 Eastern Star, 6:30pm
- 28 Hackberry Creek Pot Luck Lunch
- 29 Jr High Graduation 7:30
- 30 High School Graduation 7:30

June

- 6 Men's Breakfast, Methodist Church in Matador, 7:00 a.m.
- 8 Commissioners' Court
- 8 MCYO Season begins
- 11 Matador City Council
- 8-12 - Texas 4-H State Roundup - College Station
- 14-16 - Howard College Lamb Camp - Big Spring
- 14-19 - Texas Pork Leadership Camp - Amarillo to College Station
- 15-17 - District 3 Teen Leader Lab - Brownwood
- 19 Relay for Life
- 20 Copper Breaks State Park, Sun Fun, 5pm Starwalk, 9pm

July

- 9 - District 3 Recordbook Judging

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May 26 Pre K Registration at MCISD cafeteria, 1-2pm

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Notice is herewith given that Motley County is accepting applications from banks to serve as the County's bank depository as required by 116.022 Local Government Code. Applications should be in accordance with 116.021 LGC. Applications must be submitted no later than June 3, 2009, to Motley County Judge, P.O. Box 219, Matador, Texas 79244. The applications will be considered at the regular term of Commissioners' Court on June 8, 2009. Motley County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to accept any or reject all proposals submitted.

Ed D. Smith
Motley County Judge ct22

BID NOTICE

The City of Roaring Springs is now accepting bids to paint the Roaring Springs Water Tower. Bids may be mailed to the City of Roaring Springs, P.O. Box 247, Roaring Springs, Texas 79256, or may be brought to City Hall during regular business hours: 8:00 a.m. until 12 noon, Monday through Friday. Contact Robert Osborn, water manager, at 806-269-0688 for specifications. Bids must be received by noon, June 5, 2009. The City of Roaring Springs has the right to refuse any or all bids. ct22

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