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It's time for Late Night Shopping Santa Claus will be in town Saturday!

The time is here! Saturday is the day! The annual Late Night Shopping event will begin in downtown Matador at 4:00 p.m. Several new activities have been added to this year's event. Businesses will offer special

savings for Senior Citizen shoppers until 5:00 p.m.

Santa Claus will arrive by fire truck around 6:00 p.m. He will visit with children until 8:30 p.m. at Dianne Washington's office on the

corner of Hwy. 70 and Main. Eternas Study Club members will also sponsor a Kiddie Store at the office for children to purchase gifts for their mommies and daddies. The Club will also sponsor a \$100 drawing.

Shoppers are urged to bring quilts or chairs and enjoy special music to be provided by local talent at the Band Stand on the Courthouse lawn, weather permitting.

An extra special drawing is

planned for this year. Customers making a purchase of \$10 or more will be given a number which can be compared to a chart to find your prize!

Several great items have been donated as prizes. The Motley County Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a \$100 drawing, which will be held at

8:00 p.m. Those receiving a special number after making purchases are eligible.

Various clubs and individuals are planning booths, with handmade craft items, baked goodies and more. Motley County organizations and individuals are encouraged to take part in this special event.

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans available for victims of drought

Fort Worth, TX -- Businesses in some Texas counties can now apply for low interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

These loans are available to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met due to the effects of a disaster. Fire and excessive temperatures that occurred on July 23, 2001, caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on businesses depending upon these producers. Farmers and ranchers are

not eligible for this loan program but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply:

Motley, Childress, Cottle, Dickens, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, and King.

To obtain an application or receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired. The deadline for filing an application is June 26, 2002.

Due to the weather, many pro-

ducers experienced crop losses and were not able to purchase goods and services at normal levels. Businesses that are dependent upon these producers may have experienced decreased sales, reduced gross profit margins, increased accounts receivable or difficulty in moving inventories at normal levels. The loan can help a business meet installments on long-term debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred. Refinancing of long-term debt, however, is not eligible under this program. The loan is de-

signed for those businesses with substantial disaster-related needs and is intended to supplement monies the business owner can provide from other sources.

Loans may be approved for up to \$1,500,000 for actual disaster-related financial needs of the business. Interest rates are four percent (4%) and terms may extend to thirty (30) years, depending upon the repayment ability of the individual applicant. To qualify, businesses must be small by SBA's size standard. Businesses which can meet their financial needs through other sources are not eligible.



Little ladies enjoy tea and cakes at last year's Grannie's Tea Party. Pictured above are Stormy Guerrero, right, and Cassidy Turner. The annual event, held at the home of Joyce Campbell, is a fund-raising event to benefit the Children's section at the Motley County Library.



Winter arrives in Motley County ...

Allen, Karrie and Andrew Martin enjoy playing in the snow on a cold Tuesday afternoon. Snow began falling in Motley County about 11:30 a.m. Tuesday morning and continued throughout the day and night. By Wednesday, accumulations of up to 6 inches had been reported, and Motley County was a beautiful winter wonderland. Roads were icy and driving was hazardous. At newstime, weather reports indicated that clearing would begin Wednesday afternoon. Allen, Karrie and Andrew are the children of Randy and Lenore Martin of Matador.

Filing begins December 3rd for March Primary election

Candidates wishing to file for a place on the ballot for the March 12th Primary Election, may do so December 3 until January 2, 2002.

Local positions up for election include Motley County Judge, County Clerk, Commissioner Precinct 2

Commissioner Precinct 4, County Treasurer, and Justice of the Peace.

Republican candidate, Ed D. Smith, has announced his candidacy for Motley County Judge. Mr. Smith was recently appointed Judge after the resignation of Laverna Price.

Democratic candidate, J.N. Fletcher, has announced his candidacy for Commissioner Precinct 4.

Those wishing to file for application may do so at the Motley County Clerk's office at the Courthouse.

AROUND THE COUNTY

News briefs of
area events

Kid's Praise set for Dec. 5

Kid's Praise will be held at the First Baptist Church in Matador Wednesday, December 5, 5:00 until 6:00 p.m.

All children, age two through sixth grade are invited to attend. Games, fun, a Bible story, and food will be enjoyed by all who attend.

Kid's Praise is a monthly event sponsored by the Women on Mission of the church's WMU.

Matador First Baptist Church to present Christmas Cantata December 16

The Matador First Baptist Church choir will present their annual Christmas Cantata, Sunday, December 16, at 11:00 a.m. The cantata, "Welcome To Our World," is a musical selection of songs welcoming Jesus into our lives.

A potluck lunch will be served after the services.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

CapRock Telephone to begin tree trimming

Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative will begin trimming trees in the city of Matador. The project will include the South and Southeast part of the community. All trees extending into aerial phone cable will be trimmed. The trimming of all trees is required to avoid future problems that could cause disrupted service. Additional trimming is required for ample room to rebuild or replace aerial cable.

Grannie's Tea Party to be held Sunday

A very special event will be held Sunday, December 1, at the home of Joyce Campbell in Matador. Grannie's Tea Party, for girls ages 4 years and up, is an annual event benefiting the Motley County Library Children's section.

Seating is limited to twelve this

year, so girls are urged to make reservations by calling 347-2793 or 347-2657. The tea party will begin at 2:30 p.m. and girls will enjoy tea and cakes until 4:00 p.m.

Girls are asked to dress in their grannie's dresses, hats, gloves, jewelry, etc.

Santa Letter deadline December 6th

The Motley County Tribune would like to make parents, teachers and kids aware that letters to Santa must be submitted to the paper no later than Thursday, December 6, to be included in the special Christmas edition of the paper.

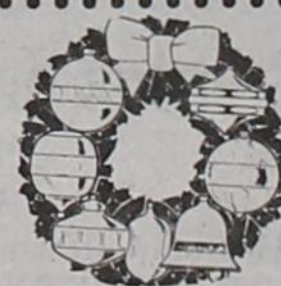
Santa Claus has given special permission to the Motley County Tribune to print the letters before forwarding them on to the North Pole.

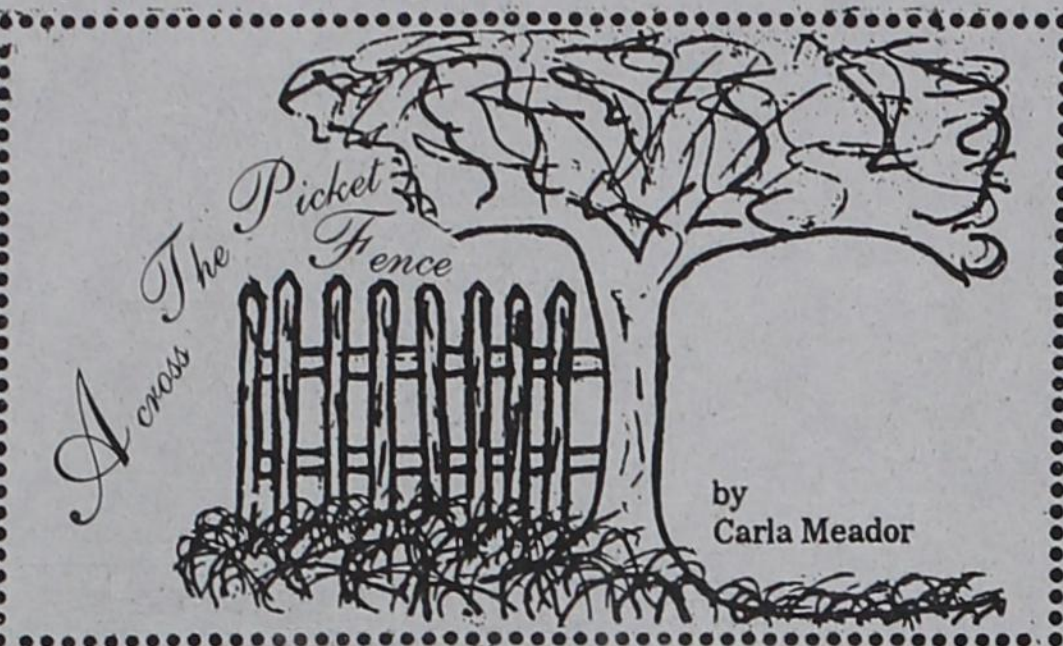
Letters may be brought by the office, left in the mail box in front of the office, or mailed to the following address:

Santa Claus
c/o Motley County Tribune
P.O. Box 490
Matador, Texas 79244

Although the special Christmas edition will not be published until December 20, due to print deadlines, the letters must be received no later than Thursday, December 6. Remember, write your letters now and bring them or mail them to the Motley County Tribune ASAP!

Only 26 days
'til Christmas!





I know I have written about this subject several times, and some people may be getting tired of my constant stressing of the importance of shopping at home and supporting our local businesses in every way. But with Late Night Shopping to take place this Saturday evening, I just wanted to remind everyone of the great things Motley County has to offer. We are very fortunate to have the businesses we have. If we don't support each one in every way that we can, we will slowly put an end to each and every business in the county. And then one day, we'll wake up and wonder — what made this place die????

We all have to be here for each other, to scratch each other's back. WE HAVE TO SHOP AT HOME! Okay, you want to know what Motley County has to offer, well we have — in Matador, The Motley County Tribune, the oldest continuously operating business in the county, established in 1891, which also has a great selection of books, Bibles and office supplies; The Matador Variety, an old-time Variety Store, with lots and lots of goodies; Matador Floral - Designs by Vickie, a complete florist and gift store; Calico Treasures - Decorator's Studio, a wonderful Antique shop with everything you can think of to decorate your home; New to You, a consignment shop, full of great buys; Lowe's Pay-N-Save, a grocery store that would match big-town stores, with a full line of groceries and meats;

The Motley County Library, a wonderful little library, with a great selection of books, tapes and much more; First State Bank, a longtime established bank, with a lot to offer; Main Street Cafe, a unique, old-time cafe with delicious food; Marshall Bro's. Propane, a propane and heating supplies business; Jo-Barb-Dee and JoAnn's Country Coiffure, a great place for all your hair needs and nail sculpturing, jewelry and other gift items; Farm Bureau Insurance; Pipkin Insurance, a long-time family established insurance business; Higginbotham Bartlett, a lumber and supply store, with lots of other great items; Farm Service Agency; Soil Conservation office; Ag Credit of Texas, PCA; Parson Brokerage; Quality Discount Outlet and Snowcone Stand, a wonderful place to shop with great bargains, and a quaint little place for a delicious meal; Abbott Boot Shop, offering hand-made boots and other leather goods, hats and gift items; Preferred Choice - Texaco, a wonderful gas station with groceries and other items to offer;

Allsup's, opened 24-hours with gas, groceries, and fast, hot food; Billie Dean's Restaurant and Motel, a family operated business with delicious food and comfortable rooms; Joe P's, a new restaurant in an old-time drive-in, offering pizza and other delicious food items; Texas Highway Department; Trail Dust Motel, a long-time Matador business; Mane Place Salon, a complete hair styling shop with hair products and gifts; Motley County Clinic, a wonderful medical clinic with a full-time PA, RN, and MD available, which this county is very fortunate to have; Motley County EMS, an ambulance service with very knowledgeable, capable and reliable EMT's; Motley County ISD, a school with pride and

accomplishment that this county should be extremely proud of;

Cowboy Boot Shop, a longtime established handmade boot and leather shop; Seigler Funeral Home; Dianne Washington, CPA; Jameson Well Service; Jameson Car Wash; Matador Implement; Knowles Cotton Buying; Moore Maker Knives, a family operation, making and shipping knives and other items across the country; Cowboy Wife Thangs, a two-women operation with hand-made soap and beautiful and unique gift items; Motley County Courthouse; Ken's RV Park, new to Matador, a complete RV park with electric hookups; Matador Ranch, the historic ranch which this city was established for and known nationwide;

Matador Volunteer Fire Department, with capable, trained, and reliable volunteers; Mother's Day Out Pre-School, a Christian pre-school, which has proved to be a much-needed operation in this county; Matador Senior Citizens Center, a newly established Senior Meal program; Matador Implement, a long-time established family operation, offering parts and other items. There are also several housecleaning operations in town. Matador also has several clubs and organizations very actively involved in supporting and improving this county.

Flomot has a well-established Gin, a Post Office, Lee's Insurance, Kathy's Hair Salon, a wonderful little out-of-the-way beauty salon, offering hair styling, a complete line of hair products, handmade jewelry, and more; and a very active women's club, the Do-Gooders. Flomot also has an active Fire Department with trained volunteers, trained EMT's are also available. The little town also has friendly, loving churches.

In Roaring Springs there is Alexander Fuel, the only full-service gas station in the county; Walker Auto Repair, a complete auto repair shop; LaNita's Cafe, a wonderful place to eat, with a delicious lunch buffet; Petticoat Junction, offering a beautiful line of women's clothing and jewelry, which is also a custom alteration and sewing shop; Parks Welding, custom welding and repair; Meredith Gas, a complete propane and heating supply business; Meredith Construction, a well-established family construction business, with over 40 years of experience; Graham Supply, an old-time hardware store with much more to offer, including furniture, appliances, gifts, and much more; Thacker Jewelry, with a beautiful line of jewelry and jewelry manufacturing shop, where you can design your own jewelry; Daniell Wood Floors, offering custom wood flooring and refurbishing of old wood floors, located in one of the oldest buildings in Roaring Springs, the old Hotel, which the Daniell's are restoring as a Bed and Breakfast; Long Insurance, a well-established insurance agency; Red Ball Gin; Motley Mill and Cube; Rinker Materials PolyPipe; Roaring Springs Volunteer Fire Department, with capable, trained volunteers; Simpson Appliance Repair; Dinah Young's Reflexology. Roaring Springs also several active clubs and organizations, such as the Roaring Springs Community Volunteers, who were responsible for the construction of the wonderful community center. There are also

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Lifestyles



Library Notes

by Suzanne Abbott

There are some very important events coming up at the Motley County Library. I will list these so that you may put them on your calendar.

1. The annual used book sale will start November 28. Come early for great book bargains.

2. Late Night Shopping, Saturday, December 1, will feature the used book sale, with half priced bargains for seniors from 4:00 to 6:00. There will also be a story time for children at 7:30 p.m. At 8:00 we will announce the winner of the "Name the 'Raptor'" contest and present the prize, which is a very nice "boom box."

3. Wednesday, December 5, our second brown-bag discussion will take place at 12:00 Noon. We will discuss *A Painted House* by John

Grisham. Even if you haven't read the book, bring your lunch and join the fun.

4. There is still time to name the 'Raptor'. The contest ends November 30.

5. Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, through December 20, there will be short story times at the library. There will be one at 2:30 p.m. and one at 4:30 p.m. each of those days. One exception is today. I have to go to a librarian's meeting in Lubbock so there will not be a story time Thursday, November 29. Children of all ages are welcome to attend these story times. The featured books are some of the 100 free books presented to the Motley County Library by the Brownstone Book Fund of New York.

Breast Cancer screening clinic to be held at Motley County Clinic

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Motley County Clinic, 1224 Main, in Matador on December 7, 2001.

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

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-(800) 377-4673 for more information.



Look Who's New

Zoe Grace Barnes

Bryan and Paige Barnes of Anson announce the birth of their daughter, Zoe Grace. She was born November 13, 2001, 11:07 a.m., at Abilene Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Bobby and Jeanne Williams of Matador and W.L. (Sonny) and Kathy Barnes of Eula.

Great grandmothers are Cleo Watson of Roaring Springs, and Bertha Walker of Clyde.

Thank you for reading the Motley County Tribune

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Prescribed by Secretary of State
Sections 4.004, 83.010, 85.004, 85.007, Texas Election Code
9/91

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voters of the County of MOTLEY, Texas:
(a los votantes registrados del Condado de Motley, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on December 4th.

X5 2001, for voting in a special election to Elect State Senator, District #30

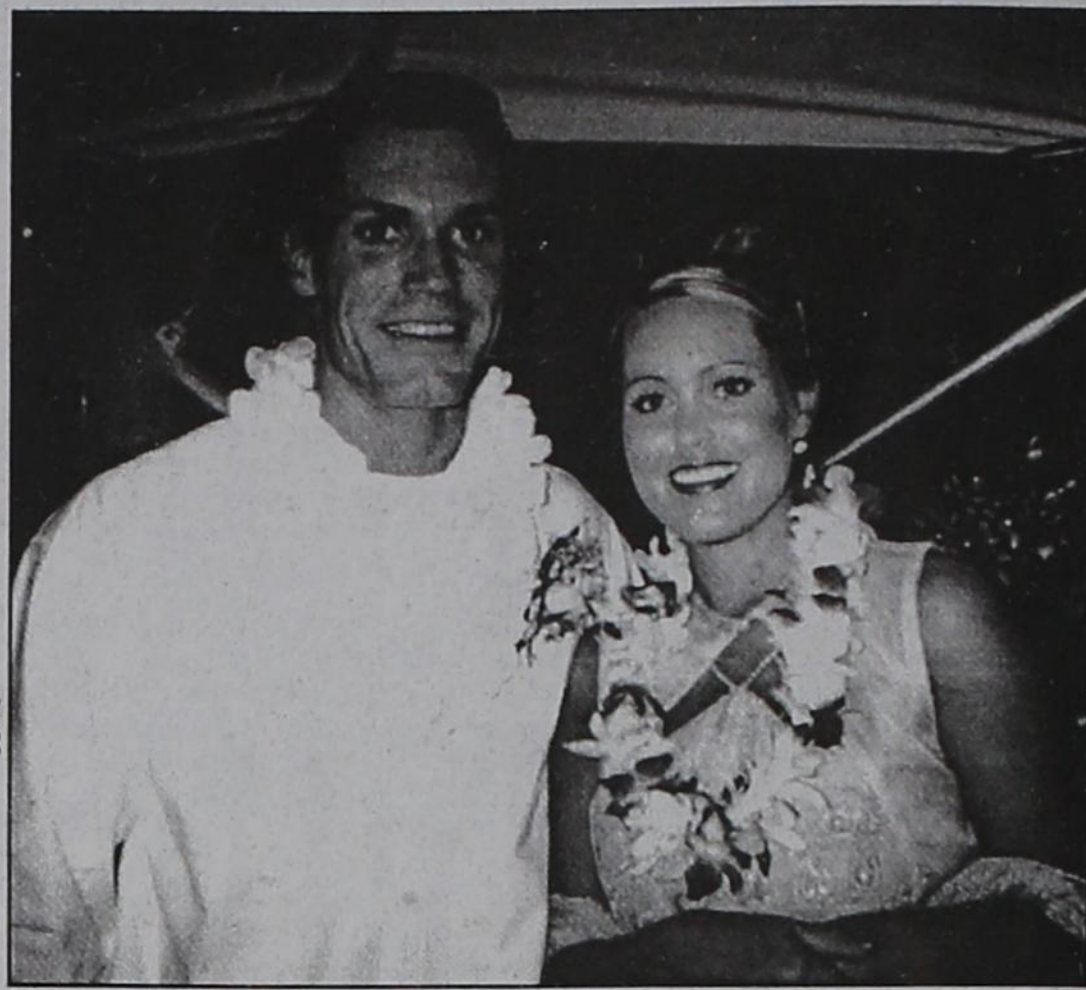
All Precincts will vote at the Courthouse in Matador, Texas

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales situadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 4 de 19 de 19 para votar
en la Elección Especial para .)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Early Voting - Clerk's Office, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #1, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #2, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #3, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #4, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #5, Motley County Courthouse
Precinct #6, Motley County Courthouse

Presiding Judge- Luther Green- Precinct #1
Presiding Judge- Tommie Cruse- Precinct #2
Alternate Judge- Betty Simpson- Precinct #3
Alternate Judge- D.A. McGuire- Precinct #4
Alternate Judge- Marisue Potts- Precinct #5
Alternate Judge Earlyne Jameson- Precinct #6



Mr. and Mrs. David Lance Donaldson

Couple exchanges vows on Lake Lewisville

Memori Dawn Assiter Grisham and David Lance Donaldson, M.D. exchanged wedding vows on August 12, 2001 during a double ring ceremony held on Lake Lewisville. Memori is a native of Matador and Lance is originally from Dallas, Texas.

The ceremony, held at sunset, was officiated by Judge Barbara Gailey of Denton. Fifteen guests attended the quaint ceremony, which was performed on a boat, owned by a friend of the couple, Jennifer Davis. The boat was decorated with ivy, ivory tulle, and crystal beads. The music of Dave Matthews played in the background. The bride was attired in a beautiful, hand beaded exclusive gown from India given to Memori as a gift from her friend, Veena Puri. The maid of honor was Mindi Fox, artist and best friend of the bride, of Dallas and the Best Men were Brandon Venable of Oklahoma City, OK and Kyler Grisham, seven year old son of the bride. The couple was surprisingly presented with lei's from Hawaii after the ceremony by their friends. The couple along with Kyler had taken a vacation to Hawaii earlier in the Summer to visit the bride's maternal grandparents, Dan and Nancy Hagood, where they became engaged.

A small reception was held at the

home of Veena and Pavan Puri in the Castle Hills Residential District. Friends of the bride and groom attended the reception where light hors d'ourves were served before the cutting of the cake and champagne.

Memori's parents are Douglas and Janie Campbell of Matador and Tim Assiter of Floydada. She is the granddaughter of Tommy and Joy Assiter of Floydada, Dan and Nancy Hagood of Lubbock, and Joyce Campbell of Matador. She is the great granddaughter of John and Bernice Buchanan of Lubbock. Lance is the son of David and Carrie Donaldson of Dallas and the grandson of Ruby Lee of Paris, Texas.

Memori, Kyler, and Lance currently live in Coppell, Texas where Memori has worked in Valley Ranch as a third grade teacher at Tom Landry Elementary School for the past several years. Kyler attends 2nd grade at Tom Landry Elementary and is very active in baseball, soccer, and Indian Guides. Lance recently finished a residency at Parkland Hospital and is continuing his training at Parkland Hospital with a one year fellowship in Neuroradiology. He will begin working in a private practice the first of July.

The couple are planning a spring-time honeymoon to Jamaica.

Drawing for \$100 basket of Avon!
(\$1.00 ticket to benefit Breast Cancer research)

Look for
In-Store Specials
All Day Saturday!

New to You

Downtown Matador ~ 347-2388

Where The Answers Are Found



What is to become of us? The Bible tells us that we are headed to the Judgement. There is hope. For a path of preparation for us has been identified. It is found in the grand old book of the ages. The Book that gives us the key to our appointment mentioned in Hebrews 9:27. The Bible tells us of the hope we have in Christ Jesus. It is the Bible that gives us the direction for this life and directs us toward the life beyond.

"We search the world for truth,
We call the good, the pure, the beautiful,
From graven stone and written scroll,
From all old flower fields of the soul,
And, weary seeker for the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said
Is in the Book our mothers read."

— John Greenleaf Whittier

Our key -- our code -- our guide, our source of encouragement and faith, it is the Bible. It tells us of the Christ and what He has done for us. It tells us of His way of life. It assures us that salvation is found in Jesus. It tells us how to prepare to enter into the life beyond all that we now see and know. Read it. Study it. Meditate upon it. Follow its teachings. This grand old Book has survived all its enemies. The Word of God will be around when time has ceased to be and all material things are gone. You can depend upon "the book our mothers read."

Roaring Springs Church of Christ

Michael G. Crowley, Sr.

Radio Programs, K-96FM

Bible Study - 10 am

Worship - 9 am

Motley County School News



Motley County students participate in recent UIL meet at Patton Springs

Motley County elementary and junior high students recently participated in the District 10-A West Zone UIL meet held at Patton Springs ISD. Those placing in the meet are as follows:

ART, 5th place, Elizondo, Williams and Reyes.
 CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS, 6th grade: 6th place, Christy Smith; 3rd team, Brown, Rose and Smith.
 CREATIVE WRITING, 2nd grade: 5th place, Keyan Kautz.
 DICTIONARY SKILLS, 5th grade: 5th place, Laura Martinez.
 DICTIONARY SKILLS, 6th grade: 6th place, Bradley Brown.
 DICTIONARY SKILLS, 7th grade: 3rd place team, Espinoza, Brown, and Mendoza.

LISTENING, 5th grade: 6th place, Laura Martinez.
 MAPS, GRAPHS & CHARTS, 6th grade: 5th place, Savannah Rose; 3rd place team, Brown, Smith and Rose.
 MATH, 6th grade: 5th place, Savannah Rose; 6th place, Christy Smith; 3rd place team, Rose, Smith and Brown.
 MATH, 8th grade: 5th place, Matthew Martin.
 MUSIC MEMORY, 3rd grade: 4th place, Jay Potts; 4th place team, Kerns and Simpson.
 MUSIC MEMORY, 3rd place team, Martinez, Hollinsworth and Russell.
 MUSIC MEMORY, 6th grade (team): 1st place, Alvarado, Gilmore and Perryman.
 NUMBER SENSE, 6th grade:

3rd place, Christy Smith; 5th place, Savannah Rose; 2nd place team, Rose, Brown and Smith.
 ORAL READING, 4th grade: 5th place, Xavier Elizondo.
 READY WRITING, 6th place, Kyla Simpson.
 SCIENCE I, 7th grade: 5th place, Marc Henzler.
 SPELLING, 3rd and 4th grade combined: 4th place, Adriann Walker; 5th place, Xavier Elizondo; 2nd place team, Walker, Elizondo, and Simpson.
 SPELLING, 5th & 6th grade combined: 3rd place team, Hollinsworth, Rose and Smith.
 SPELLING, 7th & 8th grade combined: 1st place, Ashlee Green.
 STORYTELLING, 2nd grade: 1st, Keyan Kautz; 3rd, Christian Brooks; 5th place, Brett Fletcher.

SCHOOL MENU



MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Pizza, Green Salad, Pineapple, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Juice, Milk.
 Lunch: Macho Nachos, Green Salad, Refried Beans, Cake, Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

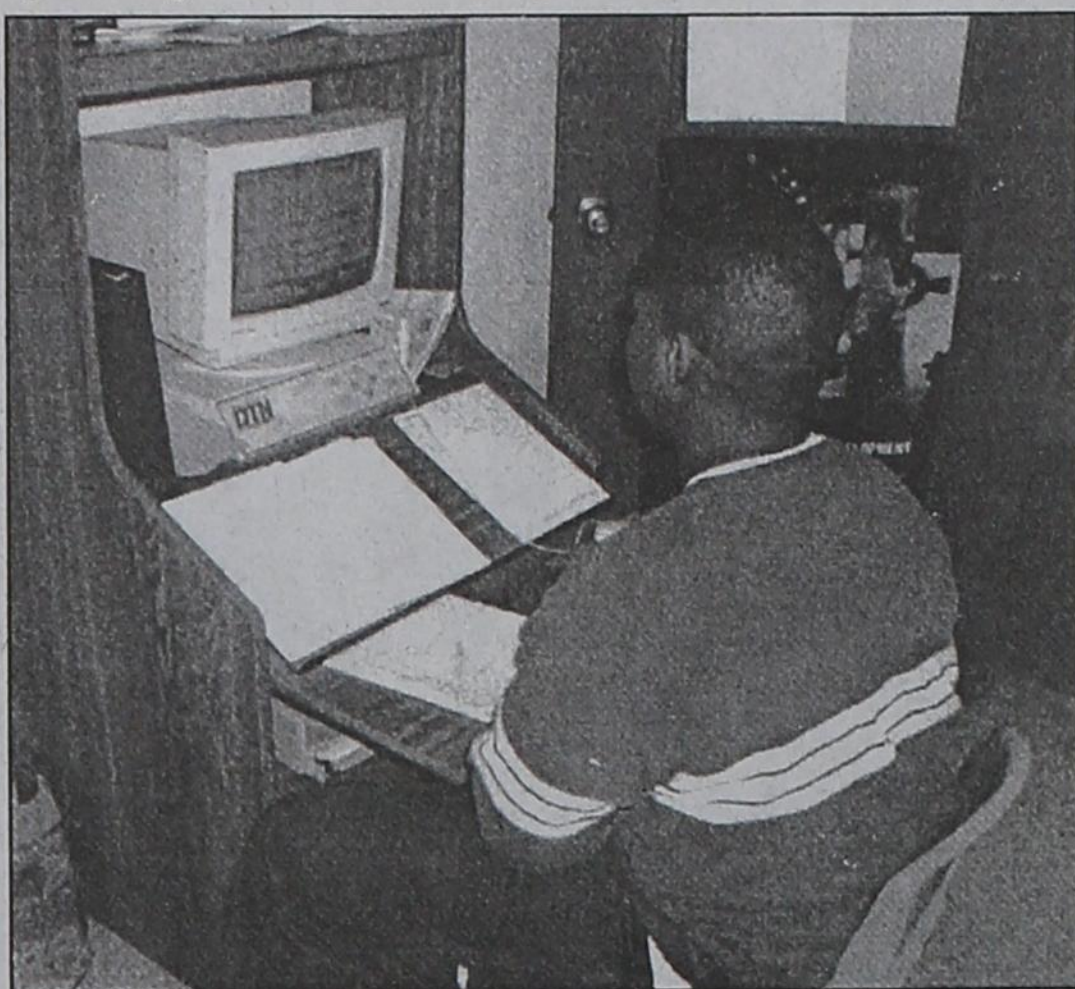
Breakfast: Breakfast Burrito, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Assorted Sandwiches, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Chips, Fruit Fluff, Milk.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Milk.
 Lunch: Corn Dogs, French Fries, Baked Beans, Pickle Spear, Chocolate Pudding, Milk.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

Breakfast: Pancake, Syrup, Sausage, Juice, Milk.
 Lunch: Steak Fingers, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Corn on the Cob, Hot Rolls, Honey, Milk.



Tim Mangram checks commodities prices on the DTN in the Ag Classroom as part of the Agricultural Management and Marketing class. DTN receives satellite information that provides up to the minute market information from commodities exchanges in Chicago, New York, and Kansas City.

Ag Management Class gets real world experience

For the last six weeks the seventh period Ag management and marketing class, Cassie Campbell, Kyle Ashby, Kayla Copp, Clint Cooper, and Tim Mangram, students at Motley County High School being taught by Jim Cooper have been participating in a simulated commodities trading project. Through this commodities class the students have learned how to manage money, and make responsible decisions regarding agricultural markets.

Throughout the six weeks the students were given a fictitious \$5000 in an account to allow for various commodity trading. The students used fundamental and technical analysis to aid in their trading decisions. During the first quarter of the six weeks the students learned the basic history of the futures markets,

and how and where they originated. They also learned the terminology used in trading and speculating the markets.

Another experience learned by the students is when to get into markets, and when to get out of markets. They also learned about supply and demand, which is a major part of our economy today. The class was also introduced to the gaps involved in the markets. The gaps involved are the common gap, runaway gap, breakaway gap, and the exhaustion gap.

The majority of the students made a hefty profit of over \$4000. Throughout the six weeks, the students gained an abundant amount of information that will be useful to them in their later experiences.

HONOR ROLL

DISTINGUISHED LIST (All grades 90 or above)

Kindergarten: Stormy Darnell, Hannah Hulsey.
 First Grade: Hance Davey, Christina Moehring, Britt Simpson, Austin Taylor.
 Second Grade: Christian Brooks, Clarissa Elizondo, Garrett Jenschke, Keyan Kautz, Cody Martin, Braden Mason, Alexis Osborn, Nayo Santos.
 Third Grade: Adriann Walker, Ky Christopher, Colby McCleskey, Jay Potts, Kyla Simpson.
 Fourth Grade: Xavier Elizondo.
 Fifth Grade: Kayla Hollinsworth.
 Sixth Grade: Mylissa Gilmore, Christy Smith, Savannah Rose.
 Seventh Grade: None.
 Eighth Grade: Ashlee Green.
 Ninth Grade: None.
 Tenth Grade: Dumont Darsey.
 Eleventh Grade: Clint Cooper, Chantry Meyer.
 Twelfth Grade: Kayla Copp.

HONOR ROLL (all grades 80 or above)

Kindergarten: Aaryn Brandon, Jamie Jameson, Dillon McCleskey, Conner Mason, Jacob Woolsey, Noah Guerrero.
 First Grade: Juan Flores,

Stormy Guerrero, Neal Potts, Dominique Quilimaco, Hayden Scott.
 Second Grade: Reagan Elliott, Gabriel Espinoza, Brett Fletcher, Pablo Martinez, Jonathan Osborn, Mari Simmons.
 Third Grade: Leslie Alvarado, Dillon Walker, Jacob Dilworth, Sarah Ferguson, Anna Moctezuma, Leanne Jameson.
 Fourth Grade: Melissa Flores, Kaleigh Kerns, Sam Fletcher, Eric Simpson, Kortney Williams.
 Fifth Grade: Laura Martinez, Shane'a Russell.
 Sixth Grade: Bradley Brown, Stacy Perryman.
 Seventh Grade: Cameron Jeffcoat, Angelica Mendoza, Perry Whitaker, Lawrence Williams.
 Eighth Grade: Chance Bingham, Colton Russell.
 Ninth Grade: Jesse Blanton, Kattie Campbell, Clay Cooper, Cody Cooper, Annie Green, Veronica Mendoza, Brittany Moore.
 Tenth Grade: Amanda Hurt, Susana Mendoza, Mandi Ream.
 Eleventh Grade: Cassie Campbell, Brittany Donaldson, Brenda Gillespie, Chasity Holman.
 Twelfth Grade: Bradley Baxter, Arturo Flores, Courtney Hays, Justin Jameson, Brandon Moore, Lisa Perryman, Kelsi Wallace.

Santa will be here Saturday!

Local students named to national Who's Who

Six Motley County students are included in the 35th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 2000-2001*. Local students are Bradley Baxter, Brenda Gillespie, Justin Jameson, Kayla Copp, Jermaine Hendrix, and John Salazar.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97% are college bound.

The 35th Annual Edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 2000-2001*, published in 18 regional volumes, features over 750,000 students or just 5% of the nation's 15,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 20,000 of the 24,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country. *Who's Who* students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The book is distributed on a complimentary basis to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country. To learn more about *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, visit www.honoring.com.



Picket Fence

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wonderful, welcoming churches in Roaring Springs.

Motley County has many wonderful churches, with wonderful people, with welcome arms for anyone wanting to worship.

I hope I have not left anyone out. If I have I apologize. Clip and save

this list if you would like, and the next time someone says, "What does Motley County have to offer?" just show them this article. We really need to take a good look at this county and realize what we have. We simply must support our hometown businesses and do everything we can to keep them in operation. We must do everything we can to keep Motley County alive and well!

Don't forget - Late Night Shopping, this Saturday!

Firestone® - Ford®

NO FEE FOR FIRST VISIT

Tire failure causing roll-overs are usually devastating to those involved and their loved ones. Call us for professional insight into a dangerous and defective product.

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Motley County Arts & Crafts club members at their recent Christmas Bazaar held at the Senior Citizens Center, November 17. The ladies reported that the bazaar was a success and expressed their thanks to everyone for attending.

Note of Thanks

I would like to say thank you to all the friends that attended my 98th birthday party. Thank you for the gifts, cards, cake and punch. A special thanks to Lula Swim, Pearl Patten and Odessa Mullins for hosting the party. May God bless each of you.

Vera Mitchell

Bundy and I would like to express our appreciation to our family and friends for all the wonderful support we have received the past two months. We thank you so much for all the cards, telephone calls, visits, flowers, the delicious food, errands you have taken care of for us and most of all your prayers, which we hope you will continue as we are getting better each day.

Love,
Lucretia

Arts & Crafts Club's recent bazaar is deemed a success

The Motley County Arts & Crafts Club's Christmas Bazaar was a smashing success on Saturday, November 17, at the Senior Citizens Center.

The club room was attractive with Christmas decorations of trees, Santas, reindeer, snowmen, and tree ornaments, among many other items.

The tea table was decorated with Christmas decor, covered with a red cloth, embellished with gold leaves and poinsettias. The centerpiece of red and gold poinsettias in a green vase completed the setting.

Spiced punch, coffee, an assortment of cookies, candies, and mints were served throughout the day to friends and patrons.

The items for sale were pretty, attractive and plentiful. Gifts for Christmas, patriotic gifts, tee-shirts,

baby clothing, cards, many beautiful angels were among the items available for purchase. It was a wonderful variety of gifts for all.

The baked goods sold out. A special section was allocated to the crafts made by our beloved member, the late Winifred Lee. The items were donated to the club by members of the Lee family. Many of the items were purchased by friends and members as a memento of a special friend.

Friends from out-of-town included Herbert and Lona Smallwood of Iowa Park. They are nephew and niece of Winifred Lee. They brought bread for the sale and pies to be served at the Club's Christmas party. This gift was happily received by club president, Joy Archer and with much thanks from the members.

Karen Burns Fry from Amarillo also came to the Bazaar. She will be

remembered as Karen Burns, daughter of Lee and Virginia Burns and sister to Dr. Clinton Lee Burns.

Sharon Allen's ceramic ornaments atop a two and one-half foot Christmas tree was the focal point of the Bazaar. All items shown brought praise from the patrons for excellent workmanship.

Members present were Joy Archer, Sharon Allen, Loys Campbell, Lana Copp, Grace Evelyn Garrison, Billie Koon, Dorothy Knight, Lorene Lancaster, Nan Lumpkins, Donalda Letkeman, Joyce Meredith, Vee Gordon, Kathryn Russell, Shirley Smith, Betty Simpson, Nova Dell Turner, and Winifred Darsey.

The Christmas Party will be held at Nova Dell Turner's home, December 3. A covered dish luncheon and gift exchange will be enjoyed.

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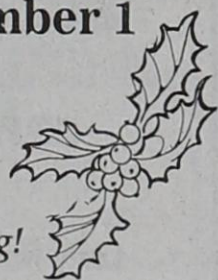
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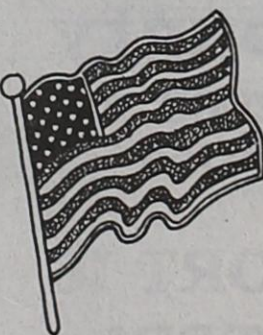
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FFA members compete at Area Contest — Three members of the Motley County FFA Chapter competed in Agricultural Radio Broadcasting at the Area I Leadership contests held at Clarendon College on November 17th. Cassie Campbell, Chantry Meyer, and Clint Cooper qualified for the Area elimination contest by placing second at District on November 3. The top two teams from each of the six districts qualify for the Area contest each year. Of the twelve teams at the Area contest, only the winner advances to State. These three narrowly missed qualifying for the State contest which will be held in Huntsville on December 1. A three judge panel listens to a simulated radio program performed by the team, which consists of three or four members. The members, which are out of sight of the judges, are scored on the content of the material in their broadcast as well as their performance. This year the vote between the top two teams, Motley and Anton, was decided by a single vote in favor of Anton. Pictured left to right are Chantry, Cassie and Clint.

Thornberry outlines steps taken to strengthen military and beef up homeland and economic security

U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry (TX-13) held a news conference last week to give an update on the war on terrorism and discuss some of the steps that Congress and the President have taken to strengthen U.S. efforts in this area.

"We live in a different world," Thornberry stated. "The last eight weeks have changed us all. Many things that were important before September 11th do not seem so important today. Likewise, many of the things we took for granted or did not pay a lot of attention to prior to the attacks are now front and center in our minds."

"Ensuring the security of every American is the greatest challenge we face. Congress and the President have taken some important and historic steps in this area over the past two months. I think it's important for people to know what some of these steps are and how they will affect our lives."

According to Thornberry, these steps include:

— **Providing \$40 Billion in Emergency Funds** — The funds include money for federal, state, and local response; support to investigate crimes; transit security; public facility and transit repair; and national security needs.

— **Providing Assistance to the Airline Industry** — Congress passed — and the President signed into law — an airline stabilization bill that provides \$5 billion in grants for direct losses to the U.S. air carriers and \$10 billion in guaranteed loans to U.S. air carriers. Additionally, the House and Senate are nearing completion of a bill that would establish strict federal guidelines and oversight of airport security.

— **Beefing up Domestic Security** — Congress approved — and the President signed — the PATRIOT Act, which will strengthen control of our borders, improve information shar-

ing among law enforcement, enhance foreign intelligence tools, increase penalties for terrorism, broaden the definition of terrorist acts, and protect against abuse of new police powers.

— **Strengthening the Nation's Military** — Just three days after the attacks, Congress passed a resolution that authorized the President to use force against those responsible. The House and Senate Armed Services Conference Committee (of which Thornberry is a member) is also currently finalizing work on the Defense Authorization Act for next year. Among other things, this bill would provide our military with the largest pay raise since 1982 and provide Sheppard Air Force Base with \$45.2 million for three new facilities.

— **Shoring up the Economy** — The House has passed — and the Senate is expected to soon consider — a bill to help jump-start the economy, create jobs, and restore confidence by putting money back into taxpayers' pocketbooks.

"All of these things are a good start," Thornberry stated, "but clearly, more needs to be done. I happen to believe, for instance, that we need to realign and strengthen some of our border security and response agencies so we are better able to prevent and respond to homeland threats. I've been pushing since March to establish a Homeland Security Agency, and it's my hope we can get it done."

"That said, I think it's important to remember that new laws alone will not prevent future attacks. As the President said last Thursday, each of us has a role to play — whether it's by volunteering in our community or by refusing to be intimidated in the face of a possible threat."

"We face a long, hard battle ahead of us. But I am confident we will succeed if we remain vigilant and remember what's at stake."



Terry Simpson and David Blanco, local TxDOT employees, recently competed in the Truck Rodeo at Childress.

Local TxDOT employees are top finalists in Truck Rodeo

Terry Simpson and David Blanco, of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Childress District Motley County Maintenance Section were the top finalists in their section at the district Truck Rodeo held at the Childress Airport.

Texas Department of Transportation sponsors the Truck Rodeo as part of the fleet safety training. Drivers

are scored on two different levels. First, they drive through an obstacle course designed to simulate truck maneuvers encountered during a normal workday. Then, they identify safety defects on equipment within specific time limits. Simpson and Blanco received a special award at the Childress District Safety Awards Banquet last week in Childress.

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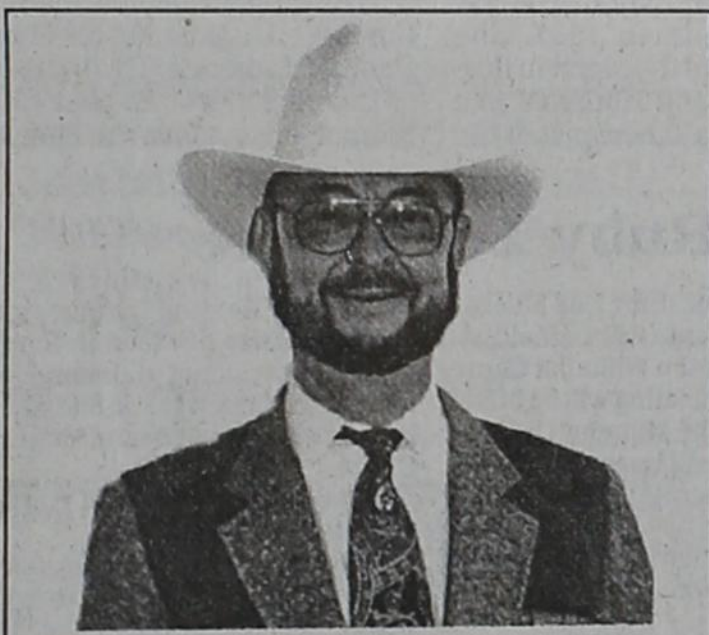
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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins

Joe and Joyce Meredith returned Tuesday from visiting their son and family, Cody and Leah Meredith and children, Angelica and Jonah, in Las Vegas, NV. While there they enjoyed Thanksgiving and a birthday celebration for Jonah.

Vera Mitchell attended the wedding of her great-granddaughter Friday in Littlefield. Her son-in-law and grandson, Benny Goss and Lee Goss came for her and brought her home. The wedding was held at the Sunset Baptist Church in Littlefield. Rev. Benny Goss, grandfather of the bride, performed the wedding of Georgia Goss to Steve Coats.

Thanksgiving visitors of Modean Brooks were her grandson and friend, Quinn Brooks and Ginny Gillmar of Austin.

Visiting Odessa Mullins during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mullins and Christopher of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Mullins of Plainview and Kelly Odell, Kevin and David of Lubbock. Lester and Linda Mullins moved Saturday to the former Adams house on third street. The boys helped him unload Saturday afternoon. The Mullins are moving to Roaring Springs from Arlington.

Pearl Patten, Mary Lumsden and Margaret Shaw tended to business in Spur Monday morning.

Thanksgiving visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patten were Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Parker and girls of Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Allen of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Will Palmer, Matt and Erica of Lovington,

NM, Jo Ann Reagan and Bryce of Quitaque, Dudley Allen of Lubbock and local resident, Margaret Shaw.

Zella Palmer had Thanksgiving lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Palmer in Matador.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Peacock during Thanksgiving week were grandson, Jon Michael Peacock and daughters Ashley and Paige from Weatherford, and Dale Peacock from Houston.

Miss Lula Swim spent Thanksgiving with her cousin, Bob Alderson and his family. There were 80 family members enjoying the day.

Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams filled the pulpit at the Roaring Springs and Matador Methodist churches Sunday in absence of pastor Rev. Paul Stearns, who was visiting his family for Thanksgiving. Rev. Williams is retired and lives in Lubbock. Mrs. Marlene Wilmar of Guthrie joined her parents at Matador services. She, the Williams, Truitt and Chelsea Read and Vic joined Lula Swim for lunch at LaNita's Cafe in Roaring Springs.

The coffee drinkers enjoyed coffee, goodies and visiting on Monday, Nov. 26, at the Methodist Church fellowship hall. Mrs. LaVoe Thacker, Mrs. Pearl Patten, Mrs. Donald Letkeman, Mrs. Char Lotzgesell and Lula Swim furnished the refreshments. Those attending in addition to those already mentioned were Mrs. Cleo Watson, Larry Watson, Mr. and Mrs. D.A. McGuire, Buzz Thacker, Mary Lumsden, Zella Palmer, Dennis Letkeman, Dean McInroe, J.N. Fletcher, Reva Sweeney, and Gale Stafford.

Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

If flying is so safe, why do they call the airport the terminal.

Guests of Mrs. Frances Dixon during the Thanksgiving holidays were daughter and husband, Elaine and Fred Risser of Matador and their houseguests, Brian and Kobi Blair of Salem, Oregon, Kaci Risser, student at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Bailey of Clyde. Also visiting Thanksgiving day was Adrian Risser of Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn, Fannin and Danielle enjoyed Thanksgiving holidays at the Gwinn home in Matador. Family members joining them there were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Jeffers, Adrienne and Kirk of San Marcos; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holcomb of Floydada; Aly Gwinn of Lubbock; Mrs. Sarah Hurt, Emily and Annie, Charles "Chig" Gwinn and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Raetz

of Matador and Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse of Flomot.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mrs. Juanita Cooper were Kay, Ken, and Kourtney Dunnam of Amarillo, Jack Samford and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gordon of Matador.

Ryan Martin, student at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, visited during the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin. Joining them Thanksgiving day was her father, Art Green of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner were guests on Thanksgiving day in Silverton with her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Luckenbach. Other guests were Bill Crowell of Dallas, Mike Montague and Mary Ann Lemons of Amarillo and Heather and Scott Blount of Abertathy. Cobey Turner of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Saturday.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Guests of Angelia and Larry Clay and children from Wednesday until Sunday were ex-college classmates, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Johnson and children of San Marcos. They attended the Stratford vs Anton football game Friday night held in Amarillo. Joining them there were Angelia's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Metcalf of Panhandle. Angelia's brother, Eddie Metcalf is the coach for the Stratford football team that won the game 48-0.

Michael Tiffin, Trent and Kevin of Weatherford visited during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tiffin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington, Mrs. Connie Franks and Bob McWilliams were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Washington of Roaring Springs. Other guests were Cara Franks of Canyon; Mr. and Mrs. Matt Washington of Dougherty; Mrs. Susan Garr of McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. Tim McWilliams and Sally Ann of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Conway Clary, Mickey and Caleb of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross visited in Quanah Thanksgiving day with Mrs. Ruth Williams. Visiting them Sunday were Stan and Dave Wigley of Lubbock.

Bengie and J.J. Hughes of Nevada, Texas visited from Wednesday until Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Hughes. Other visitors during the Thanksgiving holidays were sons and families, Billy, Becky and Brennan Hughes of Lubbock, Roger, Tiffany, Tara and Reagan Hughes, Rickey and Tasha Hughes of Floydada.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foster and Mrs. Gwen Mandrell, Shae and Peyton of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse and Derrick were guests Thanksgiving day in the home of her mother, Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador. Other guests were Dennie Marricle of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wason and Dalton of Casper, Wyoming, Shahala and Kaycee Marricle, Leah and Keane Cruse of Lubbock.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited during the holidays in Rising Star with her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning and brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Browning.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington, Wednesday was her brother, Richard Nall of Wellington. Visiting them Saturday

were Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks of Flomot and their houseguest, Cary Franks of Lubbock.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee were Mrs. Teresa Willey, Kellan, Kacee and Micah of Turkey and Roger Lee, Josh and Brandon of Flomot.

Mrs. C.W. Starkey and son, Johnny Starkey were Thanksgiving day guest of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cypert in Lockney.

Mrs. Cindy Calvert of Mesquite visited from Wednesday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. Other guests during the holidays and for Thanksgiving day luncheon were Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Sehon and Brian of Ropesville, Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Milam and Emily of Petersburg, Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter and Mrs. Geneva Martin of Flomot.

Thanksgiving holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kendall were Mr. and Mrs. Cory Kendall, Connor and Chancey of Midland; Mrs. Gladys Banewski, Jerry and Scott Banewski of Houston; Bill and Patsy Rucker, Donna Rucker and Justin of Quitaque; Raymond Kendall of Lockney, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Kendall, Jere and Jacob of Flomot.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan of Calgary, Dane Degan and Kyler of Crosbyton, Shay and Jimmy McDaniel of Lubbock, Natalie Rogers of Lindale and Donnie Rogers of Flomot.

Visiting during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey were Mrs. Jackie Davis and Michael of Fritch, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid of Amarillo and daughter, Christina, student at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Johnson during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Breck Docker and Brittany of Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Guest of Turkey and Mrs. Dorothy May of Quitaque.

Mary Ellen Barton was a guest Thanksgiving day in Matador of Mr. and Mrs. Butch Renfro and family.

Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were Mr. and Mrs. Kevon Kleibrink, Kyler and Karlee of Clifton; Julie Clay and friend, Neal Edwards of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson, Ryleigh, Walker and Parker of Turkey, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Johnson and children of San Marcos and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Tanner, Kelsey and Sarah of Flomot.

Matador News

Billy Paul and Betty Simpson of Northfield were hosts of a traditional turkey luncheon with all the trimmings, in their home Thanksgiving day. Family

members enjoying the good food and visiting was the Simpson's daughter and family, Tanya and Warren Multer, Cory, Amy and Katy of Garden City; Finis and Cynthia Davis of Adrian; Rene Carter and Ronald Bourland of Amarillo; Cari and

Toby Castleberry of Vernon; Jim and Marilyn Blake of Childress; Genelle Lowery of Canyon; Guy Garrison of Floydada; Gayland and Jo Simpson, Tim, Missy and Fischer Davis of Midland; Susan and Todd Thompson of Grand Prairie; Angie Simpson of Dallas; Molly Simpson of Northfield; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman of Matador.

Edna Ruth and Luther Green of Matador and their Thanksgiving guests Tim, Dorothy and Jordan Green of Austin; Virginia Academy in Annanapolis, Maryland; Katye Green, A&M student in College Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Green had a sumptuous Thanksgiving dinner Friday in their home for their children and families mentioned above and his brother, Art Green and Mrs. Kathryn Martin of Matador.

Guests Thanksgiving day of Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison were Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Garrison and daughter, Brooke of Red Rock; Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Garrison, Gustin and Graden of Guthrie; Mr. and Mrs. David Garrison of Childress; Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Garrison, Sean and Kaylee Jarrell of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. Jody Scott, Candice and Justin of Roosevelt and Mrs. Debra Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Scott, Hayden, Riley and Wesley of Matador.

Mrs. James (Dorothy) Meador visited the Thanksgiving holidays in Andrews with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Martin.

Richard and Sue Lancaster and Christy of Breckenridge visited Mr. and Mrs. C.D. Garrison Sunday en route to Lockney to visit her mother, Mrs. Grace Shelton.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Caron Perkins was whisked away from her job recently for a weekend celebration of her 50th birthday.

Sneaking in the back door of the Snyder Independent School District Administration building, Caron's mother, Dorothy Russell, and sister-in-law, D'Anna Russell, both of Matador, joined her sisters, Marilyn Hicks of El Paso and Linda Roy of Weatherford, in kidnapping Caron.

The five then traveled to San Angelo where they spent a relaxing weekend in the Henkle Haus Bed and Breakfast.

The weekend was spent browsing unique Concho Valley shops and antique stores and leisurely dining in the town's best restaurants.

On November 11, 1951, Caron Sue Russell was born in Terrell, Texas, to John and Dorothy Russell. Half a century later and half a state away, she gathered with these of her family to celebrate a life well-lived and to offer a dedication to the next 50 years.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meador and children, Matthew and Mahanna, of Gatesville, visited John's mother, Dena Meador, and his brother and wife, Jim and Carla Meador, for the Thanksgiving holidays.

WORD of GOD

"If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

— John 15:7



Honored on 98th Birthday

Mrs. Vera Mitchell, longtime resident of Roaring Springs was recently honored on her 98th birthday with a party in her home. Friends and family enjoyed birthday cake and visiting. Vera was born November 8, 1903 in Montague County. She came to Motley County in 1921 and married Elbert Mitchell, (now deceased), in Dickens County, in 1926.

OBITUARIES

Melva Jo Shelton

Memorial services for Melva Jo Speer Shelton, 80, of Lubbock, was held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, November 24, 2001 in Neil Chapel at the Carlisle in Lubbock. Cremation is under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada, TX.

Mrs. Shelton died Tuesday, November 20, 2001 in Lubbock, TX.

She was born on March 14, 1921 in Dickens, Texas. She graduated from Flomot High School, West Texas State University, and later earned an Occupational Therapy degree from University of Pennsylvania, and a Masters in Education from Prairie View A&M. During World War II she taught electronics at Amarillo AFB and worked at Kirtland AFB in Albuquerque.

She married Thomas Martin Shelton in Excelsior Springs, Missouri on December 7, 1947. He preceded her in death in 1997. She worked as a physical therapist in hospitals in St. Louis and Houston. She was named Physical Therapist of the

Year by her peers in the American Occupational Therapy Association. She was a real estate broker in Hockley and Waller County, Texas. She was a member of the Waller County Historical Society and the Country Palette Art League. After retirement, she returned to West Texas to live in Flomot and later in Lubbock. She joined Macedonia Methodist Church and later attended Flomot Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by a sister, Alyce Montoya of Albuquerque and by her parents, Joe and Effie Speer of Flomot.

She is survived by a sister, Jimmie Hunter of Lubbock; three brothers, John Speer of Floydada, Walter Speer of Colorado Springs, and Raymond Speer of Lacy, Washington, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Lupe Hughes Foster Home 1709 Pontiac, Lubbock, TX 79416, Hospice of Lubbock, First Baptist Church of Flomot, or to a favorite charity.

Ruby Lee Moore

Graveside rites for Ruby Lee Moore, 58, of Benton, Arkansas, will be held at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, at the Whiteflat Cemetery at Whiteflat. Officiating will be Mike Crowley, minister of the Matador Church of Christ. Interment will be under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home of Matador.

Mrs. Moore died early Monday at a nursing home in Benton, Arkansas.

She was born December 27, 1942, at Edinburg, Texas. She was the daughter of Jimmie M. and Myrtle Williams. She

lived in the Roaring Springs community for a short time, and later in Houston. She had been a resident of Benton, Arkansas, for the past fifteen years. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and by a brother.

She is survived by her husband, Fred Moore of Benton, Arkansas; two brothers, Wayne Williams of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Calvin Williams of Amarillo; two sisters, Imogene Newberry of Crosbyton and Ruth Stone of Matador.

Electra Irwin

Services are pending at Seigler Funeral Home in Matador for Electra Irwin,

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Texas Big Game Award promotes big game hunting in Texas

Hunting season here in the Rolling Plains generally means cooler temperatures, but not this year, so far. Mother Nature always keeps us guessing in this part of Texas and even though we aren't waking up to chilly mornings it's still hunting season. If you plan to go deer hunting this season, or already have, you should be aware of a program called the Texas Big Game Awards (TBGA).

The Texas Big Game Awards was started ten years ago through the co-operated efforts of the Texas Parks & Wildlife and the Texas Wildlife Association. The TBGA is designed to promote big game hunting in Texas and to encourage sound habitat management. The program recognizes the quality of big game animals in Texas, the hunters who harvest these animals, land managers who produce these animals, the importance of our hunting heritage and the achievement of young and new hunters.

Any hunter who has a valid Texas hunting license and lawfully harvests a white-tailed deer, mule deer or pronghorn antelope during the 2001-02 hunting season is eligible for entry into the TBGA. The animal must be scored by a certified TBGA scorer using the Boone & Crockett Club scoring system, there is no cost for scoring the animal or entering the TBGA program. At the end of the year there will be a recognition banquet in each of the eight regions.

There are also two other categories in the TBGA program, the Youth Division and the First Big Game Harvest Division. The Youth Division is limited to any hunter 16 years of age or younger who harvests any big game animal during the 2001-02 hunting season, regardless of the sex or score of the animal. The First Big Game Harvest Division recognizes any hunter regardless of age who harvests his/her first lifetime big

game animal in Texas during this hunting season is eligible for recognition.

If you are interested in entering the Texas Big Game Awards Program or having your deer scored you may call any of the following certified TBGA scorers: Childress - Fred Skinner (940) 585-4416; Paducah - Richard Cranford (806) 492-3404 or Dana Wright (806) 492-2264; Quanah - Matt

Thompson (940) 663-5999. The Texas Big Game Awards is also offering scholarships for enrolling or current college students. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded in each of the eight regions and one statewide scholarship of \$1000 will be given each year. For more information on the TBGA and scholarship opportunities check out www.texasbiggameawards.com.

Extension Director named for Family and Consumer Sciences on the Rolling Plains

Vernon -- Pam Foster of Childress was recently named Rolling Plains Extension director for family and consumer sciences (FCS) with Texas Cooperative Extension, effective Nov. 15. She will be headquartered at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center here.

In her new role, Foster will work closely with Galen Chandler, Rolling Plains district Extension director - agriculture; Kalico Karr, Rolling Plains 4-H and youth development specialist; county agents; and Extension specialists to plan and coordinate Extension programs on the Rolling Plains.

Foster will also provide district leadership for Extension family and consumer sciences programming - including planning and coordinating educational programs; supervising faculty and staff; fiscal planning and management; and serving as a liaison with government and public/private clientele.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to serve in this role," Foster said. "I love the Rolling Plains, and have spent all of my Extension career in this district."

"I'm looking forward to working with agents, volunteers and county commissioners courts as we continue to bring high quality outreach and education programs to people of the Rolling Plains."

A native of Nocona, Texas, Foster earned a bachelor's degree in home economics from Tarleton State University in 1975, and her master's degree in home economics education from Sam Houston State University in 1981.

She is certified as a food protection management training instructor

and holds her certification for family and consumer sciences from the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. She is also a graduate of San Antonio Leadership Extension (SALE) - a two-year leadership development program sponsored and conducted by Texas Cooperative Extension.

Foster served as a home economics teacher with Mexia Independent School District in 1977, before beginning her Extension career as home economics agent-at large for Hall, Motley, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties. In 1980, she moved to Wilbarger County as a county Extension agent in home economics.

In 1989, she transferred to Wichita County as an Extension for 4-H and youth development agent. Foster has served as county Extension agent for family and consumer sciences in Childress County since 1991.

Foster has received several awards during her Extension Career. These include: Vice Chancellor's award for Excellence in Extension Programs; Texas Cooperative Extension's Superior Service Award; USDA's 20-Year Service Recognition; Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agent's Education Exhibit Award; a Meritorious Service Award from Epilson Sigma Phi; and Distinguished Service Awards from the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and the National Association for Extension 4-H Agents.

She has also received awards for community service, such as 1997 Woman of the Year Award from the Childress Chamber of Commerce; Outstanding Young Woman in America and honorable mention in the Attorney General's 1996 Criminal Justice Award.

Foster is married to Lyall Foster. They will continue to live in Childress.

TFU urges Senate to pass Country-of-Origin labeling

Waco, Texas -- Texas Farmers Union (TFU) commends the Senate Agriculture Committee for including Mandatory Country-of-Origin labeling in the farm bill version the committee passed Thursday, November 15, that will now go to the full Senate floor.

After turning down the competition title and Country-of-Origin Labeling measures in a narrow vote earlier in the week, Senate Agriculture Committee members voted 11-10 to accept an amendment by Senators Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., and Craig Thomas, R-Wy., to establish Mandatory Country-of-Origin Labeling for livestock, meat, fruit and vegetable products.

"We applaud the Ag Committee

members for the foresight they have shown by including Country-of-Origin Labeling in their version of the farm bill," TFU President Wes Sims said. "This is a win for the American farmer and rancher and a big win for the American consumer."

"As a matter of choice, consumers should be given the option of choosing between purchasing imported food and food produced and processed under strict U.S. standards."

TFU encourages all Texas Farmers Union members, producers and consumers to contact Texas Senators Gramm and Hutchinson in support of keeping Mandatory Country-of-Origin Labeling in the final Senate version of the farm bill.

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