

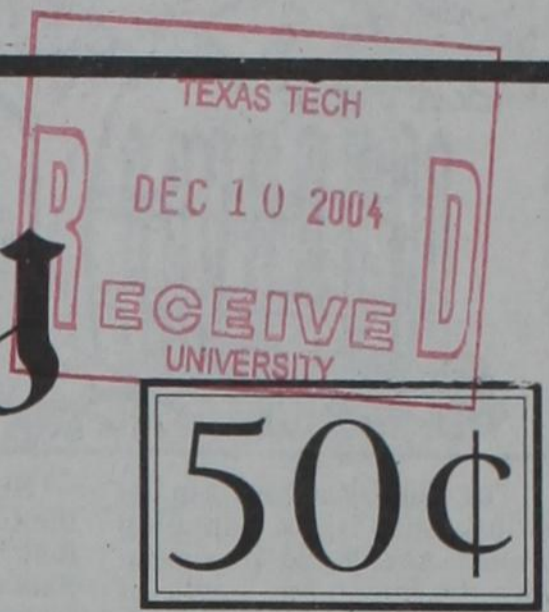
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**TEA PARTY YIELDS FUNDS FOR LIBRARY** — These young ladies enjoyed Granny's Tea Party at the home of Joyce Campbell Sunday. This is the 13th year Mrs. Campbell has hosted the Tea Party as a fundraiser for the Motley County Library's Children's section.

## Library fund raiser for children's books

### Granny's Tea Party well attended by young ladies

Fifteen very young ladies donned their "dress up" clothes, put on their grandmother's high heels, hats and gloves to attend the annual library fund raiser, Granny's Tea Party, on December 5 at the home of Joyce Campbell.

Greeted at the door as they stepped from their make-believe limos, the divas were escorted into the dining room where, as guests of honor, they were seated at personalized name cards and individual china settings of collector vintage. Spiced cinnamon candy tea and lemonade were served in china tea cups, and a vast array of holiday finger foods was offered from hand painted china plates by attentive waitresses and hostesses Joyce and Janie Campbell.

The first tea party was held around 1991, and Joyce's grandchildren, Cassie, Kittie, JoBeth and Britt, were the only guests. Since then the guest list has expanded, sometimes to twenty-two. This is the thirteenth year the Campbell's have sponsored the event to help the children's section of the library. Librarian Suzanne Abbott was on hand to explain to the girls that the money raised by their donations to the tea party went to buy beautiful books for the library. She showed them examples of the fine quality books they might expect to see and check out in the near future.

Shane'a Russell, a graduate

of many past tea parties, was on hand to help with serving and facilitating. She started things off by telling about herself and her dress and jewelry that had belonged to her great-grandmother. Then each guest had her photo taken at the Christmas tree, introduced herself, told a little about her costuming and its source, and how she enjoyed spending her time.

Five "little women" who were related cited their "nanna's" closet as the treasure trove where they came up with high heels, beads, and dresses. One miniature matron confided that she had picked up parts of her fashionable outfit at garage sales. Another admitted she wore her mother's straw hat and dress. The hobbies the modern ladies divulged were anything but genteel and ladylike, however, many citing gymnastics, jumping on the trampoline, and cheerleading as favorite pastimes. Two even admitted they enjoyed playing with their young siblings.

Those spending the afternoon at the tea room were Allison McCoy, Mattie Brooks, Kaylee Woolsey, Ashleigh Jones, Meagan Ford, Mikenna Ford, Thalia Quilimaco, Samantha Quilimaco, Taylor Perryman, Dode Perryman, Kenzie Perryman, Cassidy Turner, Carley Turner, Paige Perryman, Chloe Gleghorn and Dode Gleghorn.

## Senator Robert Duncan honored by Texas prosecutors

Sen. Robert Duncan, Senator for District 28 in West Texas, was honored by the Texas District and County Attorneys Association (TDCAA) with its Law & Order Award. The award was presented at the association's Elected Prosecutor Conference at the Doubletree Hotel in Austin on December 8, in grateful recognition of Duncan's service to the Texas criminal justice system during the 78th Regular Session.

"The Texas District and County Attorneys Association's commitment to keeping our streets safe is part of what makes our state a great place to live," Duncan said, "and I am honored to receive an award from such an important group."

Duncan will be recognized for his work on behalf of prosecutors during the 78th Regular Session in 2004. Senator Duncan spearheaded successful efforts to revise the state's handling of incompetent defendants and improved state laws on post-conviction DNA testing for prison inmates, laws that he originally authored. In addition to his own bills, Duncan used his

position as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Jurisprudence to continue his efforts to ward improving the efficiency of our state's court system.

"Though a very busy man during the legislative session, Sen. Duncan always found time

to talk with me when I needed him," said Mari Edwards, district attorney for Nolan, Fisher, and Mitchell Counties. "Prosecutors in his district appreciate that."

"He brings together opposing parties to draft legislation

with consensus — no small feat in Austin," added Bill Smith, county attorney in Briscoe County.

Sen. Duncan's work on the state budget also endeared him to county and district attorneys. As a member of the Senate Finance Committee and one of the

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## Bob's Oil Well marker approved

The Texas Historical Commission has approved the application for an official historical marker for Bob's Oil Well, according to Dan Utley, Chief Historian of the History Programs Division in Austin. Once payment is received for the marker, the application will be placed in line to have the marker inscrip-

tion written. When the text is written, a copy will be sent to owner Princess Skaggs of Archer City and the Motley County Historical Commission for review and approval. Upon approval, the text will be sent to the foundry for casting. An estimated date of arrival is not available at this time.

## Mother Nature had a full weather agenda for Motley County in November

by Earlyne Jameson

You name it, we had it in November! Mother Nature's agenda included rain, snow, sleet, fog, frost, and freezing temperatures in Motley County. The thermometer needle brought the season's lowest temperature of 21 degrees November 29th. The record rains definitely delayed drooping bolls. Despite bouts of rainfall, the size of cotton harvest is expected to be worth the wait.

Motley County's monthly precipitation in November re-

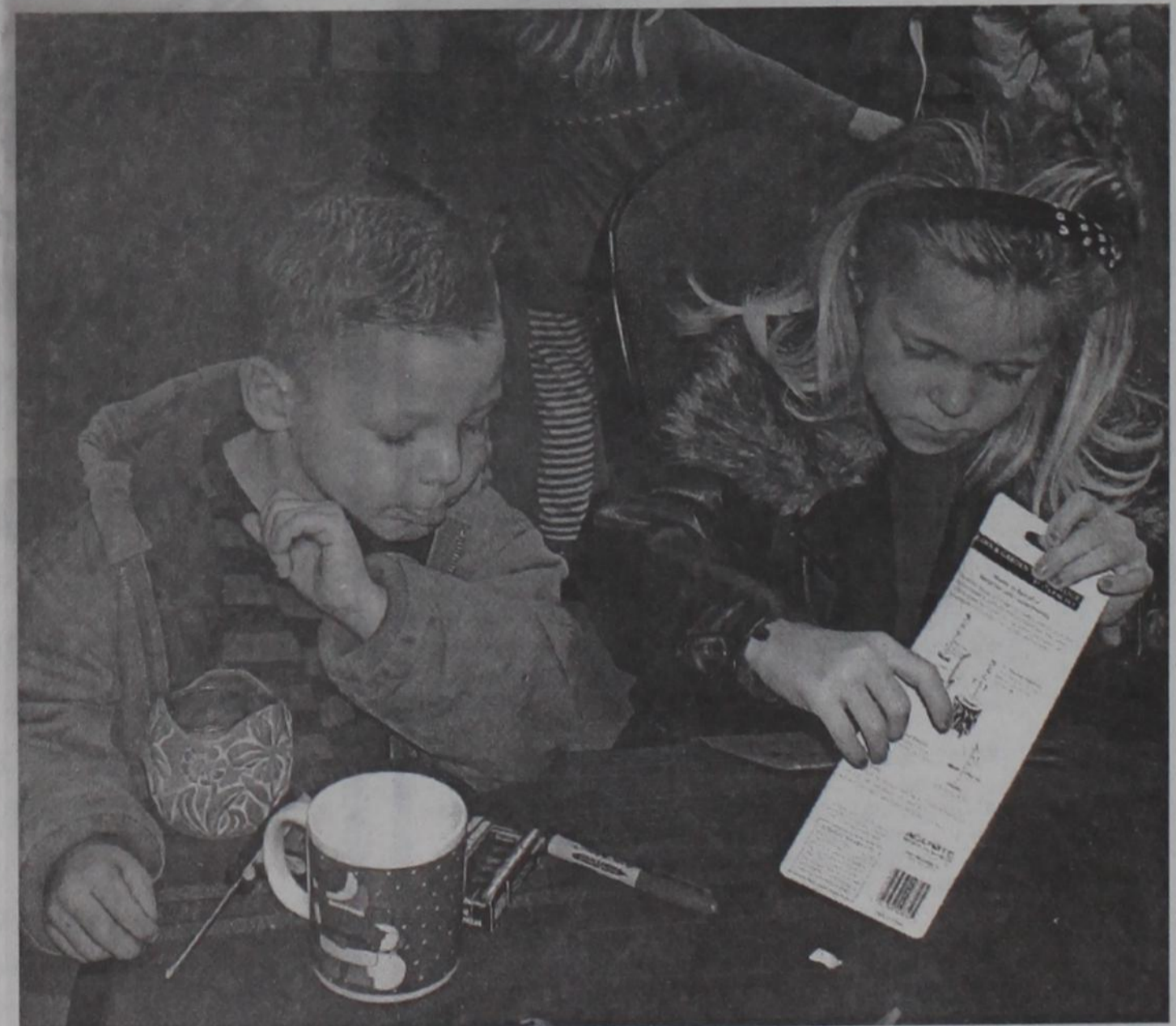
ported by the National Weather Service Volunteers: Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 7.24 (he reported it was the most rainfall for the month of November since 1957!) Kelly Meyer, Matador, 7.38; Betty Simpson, Northfield 7.62; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat 8.00 and Tommie Jo Cruise, Flomot 6.48 inches.

Motley County's precipitation accumulation since January 1st reported in Roaring Springs 36.49 inches; Matador 35.92 inches; Northfield 32.49 inches; Whiteflat 36.65 inches and Flomot 36.56 inches.

## Christmas Dinner will be served at Roaring Springs Methodist Church

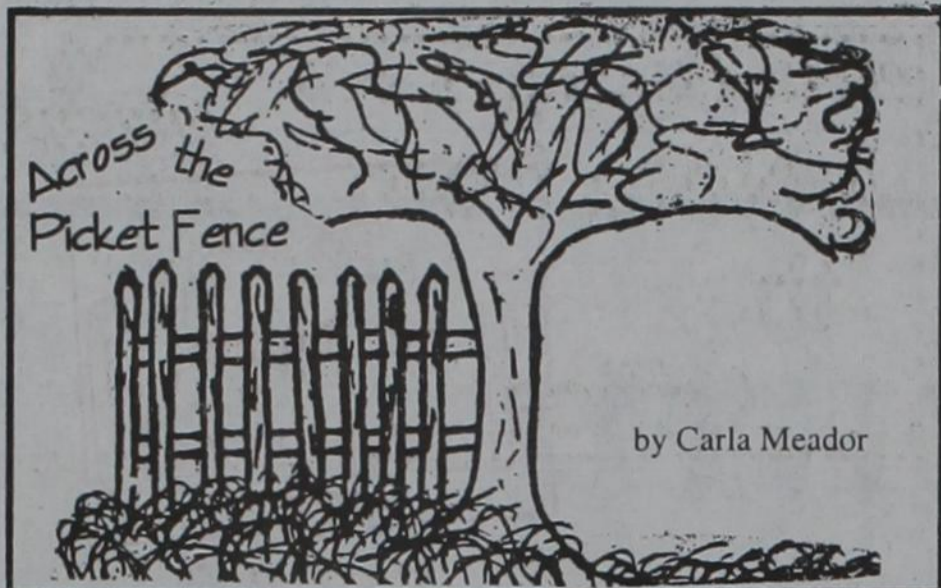
A group of individuals are planning to serve Christmas dinner at the Roaring Springs First United Methodist Church fellowship hall on Christmas Day. Turkey and Dressing with all the trimmings will be served.

The get-together is for everyone - singles, couples or small families who will have to spend the holidays alone. Those who would like to partake of the meal are asked to call Alex Crowder at 806-348-7336.



**SERIOUS SHOPPERS** — Eli and Macie Marshall look pretty serious about their Christmas shopping at the Kiddie Store, sponsored by the Eternas Study Club during last Thursday night's Late Night Shopping event in Matador. Eli, 5, and Macie, 6, are the children of Brent and Jana Marshall of Matador.

Only  
**16**  
days 'til  
Christmas!



The Holiday season is in full swing. Late Night Shopping brought a reality to the season with the hustle and bustle of shoppers in town. Lots of children visited with Santa and voiced their Christmas wishes.

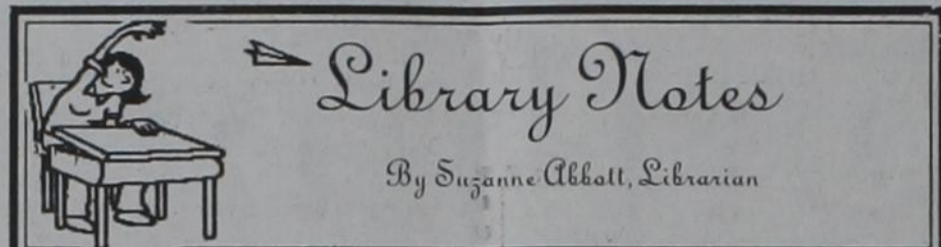
On Saturday my daughter-in-law, my grandchildren and I will attend the Nutcracker Ballet in Lubbock. This is a tradition with us. We started taking Jeremy to the Nutcracker when he was three. Of course he eventually got way too 'cool' for the Nutcracker. But I hope it's a long time before Morgan and Judson get too 'cool' to attend. They enjoy it and the day is a wonderful break for me.

Next week's edition will be the Christmas issue. I always look forward to reading the Santa letters. I hope everyone enjoys this edition. It really takes a lot of time to put it together, but it is fun. Typing and reading the Christmas stories, especially the Christian ones, brings a real sense of the reason for the season.

This is a very hectic time for all of us. It seems like we're running so fast trying to get everything done, we forget the true meaning of why we celebrate Christmas.

Jesus is the reason for the season!

# Motley County Lifestyles



We appreciate the memorials that the library has received this past week. We thank Jade and Erin Jones for their memorial for Carolyn Rose. We also thank Betty and Elmer Parks for their donations in memory of Carolyn Rose and Joe Campbell. We appreciate the donation from JoAnn and Bill Durham in memory of Jack Davis. We thank Jeff and Pam Thacker for their memorial for Jack Davis. We appreciate the donation by Robert and Polly Herrington in memory of Loutitia Armstrong.

Again this year Jim and Judy Cooper have given a gift subscription to Guideposts to

the library. Our patrons will enjoy reading this wonderful magazine, both in regular and in large print. We thank the Coopers for this gift.

I had to be out some last week and I thank Ruby McGuire, Betty Henry, Marihelen Wason and Deanie Edwards for keeping the library open. I know our library patrons are glad we have such loyal volunteers.

We still have the book sale going on and we have lots of books left to choose from. These are great bargains and I know you'll find something you really like.

**MOTLEY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS & VIEWS**  
By: Mary Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:

Mark Twain observed more than a century ago, that "nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits."

It's that time of year again - everyone has a recommendation as to how you should spend your money to make other people happy in the upcoming holidays.

Why should we, at the Chamber of Commerce, be any different? We, too, are ready to reform our habits. Of course we have the ideal suggestion ready for you.

Admittedly there are people who are very difficult to shop for. Even if you know the person well, it is sometimes very hard to pick out something for them that they need, want, and will treasure.

And of course you care about Motley County or you wouldn't be reading this newspaper.

So why not give Motley County Bucks?

Motley County Bucks are like money, but giving dollar bills can seem a bit devoid of imagination. Gift certificates are limited to use in the store

that issued them.

But Motley County Bucks have none of these drawbacks. They are like money, in that they give the recipient the opportunity to select a gift they really want, and pay for it with the Bucks. They are like gift certificates, in that they give the recipient a certain amount of money, but they can be used at almost every shop in the county. So the Bucks overcome the major drawbacks of cash and gift certificates, and, moreover, they help the county, since they keep the money at home.

So why not change your habits, and give those "hard-to-shop-for" loved ones Motley County Bucks? You can purchase them at the bank, at the Variety Store or directly from the Chamber of Commerce. You can write to us (P.O. Box 788, Matador, TX 79244), letting us know what denomination you want, where you want them sent and include a check to cover the payment.

And think of it -- you don't have to wrap them, stand in line at the post office, and you can be quite sure that no exchanges or returns will be necessary.

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**Winner of Late Night Shopping in-store drawing was Brittany Moore!**  
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## Senior Notes

By Tommie Keith, Director

The Center has received from Katherine King, Bertha Moore, Willita & Larry Burkes, Charlie & Opal Johnson, The Luther Green family, Bobby & Jeanne Williams - a memorial in memory of Carolyn Rose.

Bertha Moore, Charlie & Opal Johnson, Rusty Birchfield, Leo & Joyce Archer, Luther Green family, Bobby & Jeanne Williams - in memory of Joe Campbell.

Bertha Moore, Willita & Larry Burkes, Sammy Phillips, Sherry Fred, Bobby Porter, Charlie & Opal Johnson, Rusty Birchfield, Leo & Joyce Archer, Luther Green family, Bobby & Jeanne Williams - in memory of Jack Davis.

We thank you all very much. Lorene Lancaster gave the Center a donation. Thanks

Lorene. If you have been in the Center and seen all the pretty Christmas decorations on the inside, we can thank Frances Hobbs and Marihelen Wason for putting the festive touch to the Center. On the outside Paul Westbrook donated the plywood and Frances painted the snowman and women and the greetings and Roy put it together. Thank y'all!

While I'm writing this I can hear Jim Watson and Joel Dean Spray out back leveling the dirt for outbuilding addition, it's really going to happen.

Have had a request after the first of the year to start up the armchair exercises. Get it on your mind to get in shape.

The Center is open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. til 3:00 p.m. Y'all come see us!

## PROOF OF THE TRUTH

BY TOM EDWARDS

What are self-evident truths?

Some are listed in the Declaration of Independence. They are the foundation for all knowledge, and are plain as the nose on one's face. Also known as "first principles," self-evident truths cannot be proven, they are self-evident and true and need no further explanation. They are undeniable. Here are some:

- 1. About logic:
  - A. Law of noncontradiction (A is now non-A)
  - B. Law of identity (A is A).
  - C. Law of excluded middle (either A or non-A).
  - D. Laws of valid inference.
- 2. About knowledge:
  - A. Something can be known.

B. Opposites cannot both be true.

C. Everything cannot be false.

3. About existence:

A. Something exists (e.g., I do).

B. Nothing cannot produce something.

C. Everything that comes to be is caused.

D. No effect can be qualitatively greater than its cause.

E. There is no such thing as an uncaused effect.

F. A beginning is an effect.

G. From nothing comes nothing.

This concludes "basic thinking." Now we'll have some fun.

(Next week: The role of "chance.")

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## Why Love One Another?

- Brotherly love -- it is:**
- ♥ The heart of Christianity. It keeps the body functioning properly.
  - ♥ The badge of Christianity. "By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, because you love one another." John 13:35
  - ♥ The 11th Commandment. "A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another." - John 13:34
  - ♥ The debt we can never get out of. "Owe no man anything, but to love one another," - Romans 13:8
  - ♥ Love is a warming influence. If you want to make a congregation attractive, let it radiate brotherly love.
  - ♥ Love is like a magnet -- it draws others.
- Traditional history says that when the Apostle John was an old man he was carried about the streets of Ephesus exhorting the Christians, "Little children, love one another." Should we? Do we? Will we? If we do, it will show" ...

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# THE MATADOR

— SCHOOL NEWS & HAPPENINGS —



## Motley County FCCLA will sponsor Book Drive

by Annie Green

The Motley County FCCLA classes will be sponsoring a book drive. Books will be collected and taken to children at hospitals. Books, new or old, in

good condition will be collected until December 14, 2004. Books can be donated by delivering them to the Motley County I.S.D. Lobby. You may also donate books by contacting the following people:

Mrs. Jones, Motley County's FCCLA teacher, Veronica Mendoza at 469-5308, or Annie Green at 347-2758.

All donations will be greatly appreciated. Help us in "Building a Brighter Tomorrow."

## ★ SPORTS



## Lady Matadors start season off with four straight wins

by Annie Green

The Motley County Lady Mats have had an extremely productive year thus far. Their first game of the season was against Plainview Christian. The Lady Mats posted an impressive victory, 70-40.

Leading scorers for the game were Brittany Moore-17, Ashley Fonseca-16, Chicagra Brown-15, Amy Easter-8, Christy Smith-6, Savannah Rose-4, and Griselda Flores and Angelica Mendoza each had two points each.

Leading rebounders were Moore and Fonseca.

Most steals of the game went to Griselda Flores.

For their second game, the Lady Mats battled Jayton. They took home another victory with a final score of 60-51.

Leading scorers for the game were Brittany Moore with 16 points and Chicagra Brown with 15 points. Also adding to the score were; Christy Smith-11, Amy Easter-7, Ashley Fonseca-6, Griselda Flores and Ashlee Green each contributed two points, and Angelica Mendoza rounded it out with 1 point.

Leading rebounders were Moore and Brown.

Amy Easter and Christy Smith achieved the most steals.

Once again the Lady Mats defeated Plainview Christian for their third game of the season. The final score totaled 62-52.

Leading scorer for the game was Brittany Moore with 22 points. Other scorers were: Ashley Fonseca-10, Ashlee

Green-8, Amy Easter-6, Chicagra Brown-5, Angelica Mendoza-4, Griselda Flores-3, Sabrina Osborn-2, and Christy Smith-2.

Brittany Moore and Chicagra Brown battled it out under the goal to receive the most rebounds.

Fonseca went home with the most steals.

The Lady Mats defeated Guthrie, 52-33, for their fourth game of the season.

Brittany Moore was the high scorer with 17 points. Also adding their share of points were: Ashley Fonseca-10, Griselda Flores-9, Chicagra Brown-7, Sabrina Osborn-4, Savannah Rose-2, Ashlee Green-2, and Amy Easter with one.

The most rebounds went to Moore and Brown.

Ashley Fonseca had the games most steals.

In their 5th game of the season, the Lady Mats fell short to Crowell with a final score of 47-54.

High scorers for the game were Brittany Moore-15, Ashley Fonseca-15, Chicagra Brown-8, Amy Easter-4, Ashlee Green-2, Savannah Rose-2 and Griselda Flores one.

Ashley Fonseca was leading rebounder and Griselda Flores had the most steals.

Last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday the Lady Mats participated in the Patton Springs Tournament. They played tough, worked hard as a team, and brought home second place.

The first game of the tournament was against Benjamin,

whom they defeated, 66-58.

Brittany Moore was leading scorer with an impressive 40 points. Also adding to the score were: Ashley Fonseca-8, Ashlee Green-6, Chicagra Brown-5, Amy Easter-4, Griselda Flores-2 and Christy Smith-1.

The games top rebounders were Chicagra Brown and Amy Easter. Sabrina Osborn, Griselda Flores, and Angelica Mendoza had the games most steals.

During their second game, the Lady Mats defeated Cotton Center with a score of 61-45.

Scorers are as follows: Brittany Moore-23, Chicagra Brown-12, Ashley Fonseca-11, Griselda Flores-9, Sabrina Osborn-5, and Christy Smith-1.

Brittany Moore and Chicagra Brown were the leading rebounders. The most steals were achieved by Sabrina Osborn and Griselda Flores.

The Lady Mats battled Kress in the Patton Springs Tournament Championship. Kress overcame the Lady Mats with a final score of 43-47.

Brittany Moore was the leading scorer. Also contributing were: Chicagra Brown-9, Griselda Flores-8, Amy Easter-5, Sabrina Osborn-3, Angelica Mendoza-2, Ashley Fonseca-2.

Brown and Moore were the leading rebounders during this game while Angelica Mendoza and Griselda Flores took home the most steals.

The Lady Mats are an impressive group of talented athletes. They work hard as a team and it shows. Come on out and help support your hometown

## Menu

**MONDAY, DEC. 6**  
Breakfast: Egg and Cheese Omelet, Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Hamburger, Cheese, Lettuce, Pickle, Tomato, French Fries, Peaches, Cupcake, Milk

**TUESDAY, DEC. 7**  
Breakfast: Biscuit, Sausage, Gravy, Cereal, Toast, Pears, Milk  
Lunch: Soft Taco, Lettuce Cheese, Mexican Beans, Sherbet.

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: BBQ Ribs, Beans, Cornbread, Creamed Potatoes, Pickles, Pear, Christmas Jello, Milk

**THURSDAY, DEC. 9**  
Breakfast: Waffle, Sausage, Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Pigs in a Blanket, Baked Beans, Salad, Crackers, Peaches, Milk

**FRIDAY, DEC. 10**  
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Frito Pie, Salad, Corn, Crackers, Apple Cobbler, Milk

## Canned Food Drive kicks off

by Annie Green

The Motley County Student Council members, along with the Matador Lion's Club, will be collecting canned food through December 13, 2004.

If you would like to donate food, there will be a box located in the Lowe's Grocery Store where you may do so. Students will also be collecting food Friday afternoon, December 10, 2004 in local neighborhoods.

Food may also be donated by delivering it to the Motley County School throughout this time period. All food that is collected will be delivered to individuals and families in need county-wide.

Thank you for your participation.

## Motley County I.S.D.

### A Note from the Office ...



by Marilynn Hicks, Principal

The movie was wonderful. If you haven't seen and read *The Polar Express*, you need to do so. Even the little kids were attentive, and the Plainview Cinemark made our trip very efficient. The cafeteria packed us lunches (Mrs. Pernel made the sandwiches), and there was even some playing time in the park.

So you can start making plans, school will be dismissed on the 15th, 16th, and 17th. These are test days for the secondary students; you may see some of them in town if they have earned test exemptions.

Our girls basketball team won second in the Patton Springs tournament last weekend and the boys earned consolation. They are both playing well. I guess the thing I am most happy to see starting to develop

is a sense of team.

We have a gorgeous Christmas tree in our lobby. Mrs. Pernel brought it from Granbury where her father has a nursery. The students are busily making ornaments for it. You need to come by toward the end of the week to see it. I still put on ornaments that the kids made when they were in school, and they are really special to me. I hope that these ornaments will eventually hold such a place on a family tree.

The elementary parties will be held before the program on the 17th. They will exchange small token gifts. Each teacher will let you know the plan in her class. The local merchants have ordered items for this exchange. A gymnastics and singing program will begin at 2:00; we will get to see the kids perform.

## Life Lessons

By Annie Green



All throughout my life I have been taught about success. How to become successful, to work hard, and never settle for anything less than you deserve. But I have also learned that success is more than just how much money you earn or the car you drive.

To me, being successful means leading a life so that I might somehow touch another's. I have never measured success with riches here on earth, for I have finally realized that my riches await me in Heaven.

My parents have instilled in me a faith that I can never deny, a hope, and a future. And if somehow, in my life, I manage to do the same for another—then I will have succeeded. After all, you can't take materialistic things with you to Heaven—but you can take friends.

So why not let your life be an example to others. I once heard this quote, "You might be the only Bible some people read.".....it's true—you never know who is watching.



**GYMNASTICS MEET WINNERS** — These four young ladies competed in the 7-year-old division of the gymnastics meet at Idalou, Saturday, November 20. Pictured left to right are Cassidy Turner, daughter of Craig and Cathy Turner, Silver Medal; Catherine Ward, daughter of Tim Ward, Gold Medal; Katie Barton, daughter of Bobby and Brooke Barton, Silver Medal; and Shelby Elliott, daughter of Shawn and Shonda Elliott, Bronze Medal.



## Holiday Countdown Sale



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## Matadors get win over Guthrie, but fall short to Crowell

by Annie Green

On November 12, 2004, the Mighty Matadors defeated Guthrie with a score of 46-37. This marked a total of three wins and one loss.

Leading scorer for the game was Bradley Brown with 24 points. Also adding to the final score were: Isiah Archer with 11, Clay Cooper-4, Matt Henzler-3, Chance Bingham-2, and Kenny Johannes-2.

Brown was leading rebounder with a total of 15 to his name. Other rebounders were: Bingham-6, Johannes-6, Cooper-4, Archer-2, Henzler-2, and Stacy Perruman with one.

Chance Bingham added some impressive stats to the game with 3 steals, 3 assists, and 3 defensive tips. Brown also managed 2 steals, 1 assist, and 4 defensive tips.

On November 30, 2004, the Motley County Matadors took a loss to the Crowell Wildcats. The ultimate score was 34-50.

Bradley Brown was the games leading scorer with 19 points. Other scorers for the game were Isiah Archer who added 7, Matt Henzler with 4, and Kenny Johannes who also had 4 points.

On December 2, 2004, the Matadors competed in the Patton Springs Tournament.

For their first game they faced the Benjamin Mustangs. Although the team put up a good fight, they lost in a close battle, 39-40.

Bradley Brown was leading scorer for this game with 12 points. Also adding to the scoreboard were: Seagram Sims-11, Kenny Johannes-8, Chance Bingham-6, and Clay Cooper-2.

For their second game of the tournament, the Mats defeated Cotton Center with a score of 38-33.

Scoring for the game is as follows: Bradley Brown-15, Isiah Archer-9, Seagram Sims-6, Clay Cooper-3, Kenny Johannes-2, Matt Henzler-2, and Chance Bingham-1.

The final game was played against Plainview Christian, whom they beat with a final score of 36-21.

Bradley Brown was leading scorer. Seagram Sims and Clay Cooper followed with 6 points each. Chance Bingham contributed 4 points, Isiah Archer added 3, and Kenny Johannes finished the scoring portion of the game with his two points.

The Matadors are doing an excellent job this season. They have an enormous amount of talent and play with heart. Be sure to come out and support your Mighty Matadors.

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# News Around the County

## Roaring Springs News

By Lula Swim

Visiting the Buzz Thackers Thursday and attending burial services for Bill Nichols were Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lowrance and Lare' Mitchell from Amarillo, Jerry Nichols from Columbus, Michigan; Mike and Betty Nichols from Ashland, Oregon; and Shauna Brogan, Las Vegas, Nev.; Gilbert Perry from Childress, Francis Gunter, Floydada, Pepper Nichols of Wichita Falls, Maxell Smith, Tula; and local residents Banty and Sybol Brandon, and Dean McInroe and Joyce Smith.

Blair Thacker spent the weekend with her parents, Jeff and Pam Thacker.

Mrs. Juanita Cooper of Matador visited Lula Swim on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Hand of Coppell visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hand and last Saturday after Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Letkeman and Lula Swim went to Lubbock on Monday to see Dr. Carr for follow-up from surgery. They were met at noon at Furr's by Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams.

Rev. Kenny Kirk of Floydada filled the Methodist pulpit at Roar-

ing Springs and Matador Sunday. Mr. Travis McPherson received word this past week that his mother passed away last week.

### WESLEYAN GUILD MEETS

Mrs. Debbie Martin was hostess to the Wesleyan Service Guild when it met at the Roaring Springs Methodist Fellowship Hall on Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 17. She gave the opening prayer. Mrs. Callie Giesecke read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved. Debbie also gave the devotional. She read a story on the Nativity.

A Thanksgiving prayer by Jesus was led by Chelsea Read and it was said in unison.

New officers elected were the following:

President, Debbie Martin; Vice President, JoEtta Bumgardner; Sec-Treas., Callie Giesecke; Reporter, Lula Swim.

The Christmas party will be held Dec. 8 at 3 p.m. at the Methodist Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. Read dismissed the group with prayer.

## Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

### OVERHEARD

"At your book sale last week, I bought a book, 'ONE HUNDRED WAYS TO PLEASE A MAN,'" complained the female customer. "Since you didn't indicate this was a cookbook, kindly refund my money."

### (Delayed)

Visiting during the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay were Mark Clay of Garland; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clay, Kelsey, Tanner, and Sarah of Panhandle, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carson, Walker, Parker and Ryleigh of Turkey and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Edwards, Caden and Jaxon of Flomot.

Guests Thanksgiving day of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Richard Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rogers of Lubbock and their grandchildren, Keith, Kyle, Jaren and Colin Dercehrhouse of San Angelo; Mrs. Donna Sue Degan of Kalgary and Dane Degan, Kasen and Kyle of Crosbyton, and Donnie Rogers of Flomot.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stark of Flomot and their houseguest, daughter, Mindy Stark of Austin; Mrs. Keri Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville and Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Shorter and Mrs. Geneva Martin of Flomot.

Thanksgiving day guests of Erma and Bill D. Washington were Mr. and Mrs. Lance Barclay, Colton, and Kayla of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Conway Clary, Mickey, Caleb and Kenzie of Matador; Mr. and Mrs. Tim Washington of Roaring Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Cary Franks of Flomot.

Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse visited in Rising Star from Friday until Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Dona Browning. They visited in Gatesville, Saturday with Mrs. Browning's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Mullin and Mrs. Yvonne Smith and grandson Elliot.

### HAS SURGERY

Mrs. Nada Starkey had surgery, Wednesday, Dec. 1 at the Eye Medical Center in Amarillo. She came home Friday and returned to Amarillo, Monday Dec. 6 for a check up. She was told she will need to have two more surgeries before her eye complications can be complete including skin grafts.

### CELEBRATES THIRD BIRTHDAY

Haley Milam had a fun filled time when celebrating her third birthday Saturday afternoon in the home of her parents, Christi and Dwain Milam and sister, Emily in Petrolia. She had a party with all the trim-

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## Christmas edition next week

Next week's paper will be the Christmas edition. Christmas Greetings from businesses and individuals, holiday poems and stories, recipes and Santa letters will make this edition special.

Any business or individual who would like to have a greeting in this issue should contact the Tribune office by Thursday, (today), December 9. All Santa Letters are also due today.

As in the past, The Motley County Tribune will be closed Christmas week, December 20-25. There will be no paper that week. The next edition will be the December 30 issue, which will be the last edition for 2004.

## OBITUARIES

### Billy Faver Nichols

Billy Faver Nichols was born July 23, 1919, in Afton, Texas to William H. and Allie Faver Nichols. He was the oldest of three sons. Billy served in World War II in the Navy Medical Corps; Pharmacist Mate 1st Class. He served in the South Pacific and was awarded the Silver Star, Purple Heart and three combat stars.

Billy married Clyda C. Mitchell August 22, 1944 in Amarillo. She preceded him in death in December, 1997.

He is survived by three

sons, Jerry and wife Cathy of Columbus, Mi., Mike and wife Betty of Ashland, Oregon, and Todd of Lucerne Valley, Ca.; and one daughter, Marla and husband Paul Kelley of Apple Valley, Ca. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Billy grew up in the Roaring Springs area and graduated from high school there. He was living in Apple Valley, California with his daughter and family at the time of his death.

### Mary Loutitia Armstrong

Services for Mary Loutitia Armstrong were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 4, 2004, at Hiett's LyBrand Funeral Home in Wills Point, with Rev. Noel Bryant officiating. Loutitia passed away on November 29, 2004.

Loutitia was born in Fort Worth, Texas, to the late Nallie and Ruth Cox. She was raised in Fort Worth area, where she graduated from Paschall High School. Loutitia married Lewis Armstrong in Ft. Worth and moved to Dallas after World War II. She worked at The Book Store at SMU and as a teacher's aid at Herbert Marcus Elemen-

tary School in Dallas. She was a member of the University Park Methodist Church.

Along with her parents, Nallie and Ruth Cox, of Edgewood, Loutitia was also preceded in death by her husband, Lewis Armstrong and son-in-law, Gale Stafford.

Loutitia is survived by her son, Andy Armstrong and wife Barbara, of Humble; daughter, Lindy Stafford, of Matador; sister, Emma Ruth Finley, of San Antonio; three grandsons and four great-grandsons.

Memorials may be made to Texas Methodist Children's Home in Waco.

## Senator Duncan

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select few to sit on the legislative conference committee that wrote the final state budget, Sen. Duncan helped preserve the limited state resources that let prosecutors see that justice is done in their communities.

"Senator Duncan had to make some very hard choices regarding funding last session, and his final decisions proved that he strongly supports law enforcement and protecting the public," said Bill Sowder, criminal district attorney in Lubbock County. "We appreciate his efforts and look forward to working with him this session to make Texas a safer place for all of us."

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Carla,

I would like to thank all those who worked with the House of Faith Bible club of children at Roaring Springs. As you know this is an inter-denominational effort to teach Bible truths to children. As well as the ones who were seen each week, there were many in the background giving support.

The ladies at the Methodist Church graciously opened their fellowship hall to provide a restroom for the children. Many gave cookies and kool-aid.

Lula Swim was the queen of the refreshments making brownies and providing many boxed juices for the children.

Joyce Meredith always kept up with the refreshments making sure we had plenty.

Ken Abbott was always there and made stilt for the kids and provided hula-hoops for games.

Walter Trammell helped when he could. Alex Crowder opened the devotional and story time each time.

Jo Trammell and Monta Marshall taught most of the lessons. Corky Marshall made sure all the equipment was there and set up and then put it all away.

He iced the drinks.

Some gave money for refreshments, several adults agreed to be actors in skits to tell the Bible stories. There were some who deserved Oscars or at least a Hammy Award. The kids who attended with eager hearts to learn more about God and Jesus made it all worthwhile!

The men who helped were responsible for keeping the children orderly and seeing that the ones who listened were rewarded with Kingdom Coins to be exchanged at the end of each lesson for prizes.

The Church of Christ, Full Gospel, Baptist and Methodist churches each donated \$100 to give each child a New International Version of a Children's Bible that is written on a third grade level.

We have recessed the club for the winter months and will begin again in the Spring when the weather is better suited for outside activities.

Again, I wish to thank all who worked, prayed for us and gave to make this possible.

Sincerely,  
Monta Marshall

## Matador News

Thanksgiving day guests in the home of Betty and Billy Paul Simpson of Northfield were Mr. and Mrs. Finis Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Davis Brown of Adrian; Karen Brown and fiance, David Smith of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Coby Castleberry and daughter, Sarah of Vernon; Mrs. Virginia Green of Whiteface and Mrs. Edna Ruth Green of Matador. Visiting during Thanksgiving weekend holidays were daughter and family Tanya and Warren Multer, Cory, Amy, and Katie of Garden City. Betty, Tanya, and daughters enjoyed

the Old Mill Trade Days in Post, Saturday. Warren and Cody enjoyed the hunting season.

Wilda and Spencer Dixon visited from Nov. 24 to Nov. 30 in Lovington N.M. with her mother, Mrs. Ted Hester and brother, Carl Hester and son, Christopher. They accompanied her mother, Mrs. Hester to Lubbock, Monday for a medical appointment before returning home Tuesday.

Gary Laughlin of Midland visited his sister and husband, Earlyne and Skeet Jameson, Monday.

*"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."*

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# FARM & RANCH NEWS

## An old standard making a comeback

From the Lubbock SBA Office

Lubbock, TX -- The determination of a couple, Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn in Roaring Springs, Texas, to find a more profitable way of using the yearly supply of cotton seed from Red Ball Cotton Gin led to the re-introduction of a product that during the 40's, 50's and 60's was the market standard for cattle feeds. Large mills under the names such as Paris Milling Company, Martin Lane Milling, Purina, and small mills like Tindall Milling in Twitty, Texas turned out tons upon tons of high quality cottonseed cake that ranchers fed their cattle.

This cotton cube cake was high in protein (16 to 22 percent) with extremely good fiber and highly digestible by the cattle. The major problem at the time was storage. The use of cotton seed caused the cake to leach out a great deal of cotton oil into the paper sack. This caused the sacks to weaken allowing them to tear easier, thus causing spillage and waste.

During the late 50's and 60's cotton producers throughout Texas used acids to kill their plants to allow them time to manage the cotton harvest and allowed harvesting in time segments to assist maximizing the quality of the cotton fiber before frost. This new method of killing the leaves off the plant had a major serious drawback; it left arsenic in the cotton seed, which was highly toxic and made the cotton seed unusable for cotton cube production. This process made the majority of the cotton seed produced in Texas no longer usable for the manufacturing of cattle cake. The cattle cake industry converted from using cotton seed and cotton fiber to using corn and corn meal as the industry norm. These changes led to the demise of several of the small cake mills and the loss of a milling art that was soon forgotten.

James and Darla Gwinn have been involved in the cotton industry throughout their lives. This involvement was far from

limited to only one phase of the industry. They grew the cotton taking all risk that every cotton producer has, they did the harvesting and were directly involved with the ginning of the cotton. This ginning involvement evolved through out their lives from working within the confines of the gin to the management roles of the Red Ball Gin. Throughout the ginning process one of the major profit factors was the use of the cotton burrs and cotton seed. The cotton burrs were given or sold at a modest price to the local farmers and cattlemen to be hauled and spread out either for organic material for farms or cattle feed roughage for ranchers. The cotton seed were sold to large cotton oil mills for small returns to the local gins.

The Gwinns felt there was a more profitable solution to the use of these by products and the search was on. The search started with the different companies that produced the cotton seed oil exactors to determine if there was another product that the cotton seed could be better used. Research continued for several months until James remembered feeding cotton seek cake when he was younger and the search turned to the process of making cotton seed cake. The Gwinns found that the art of milling cotton seed cake was lost in the late sixties and early seventies, but they determined that based on the average price of cotton seed and cost of milling the current cattle cake there should be a fairly good profit margin, if they could only find the equipment to produce the cake.

By talking to several cake equipment manufactures, they decided with some modifications the equipment could be purchased that would produce a good quality cotton seed cube. Once this was determined their next step was to acquire the funds to construct their mill. In 1999, with the assistance of an SBA 7(a) guaranty they were able to construct their mill and


begin the production of Cotton Seed Cake. The actual production of a good cube took several modifications and a lot of trial and error, but they finally produced a cube that they were satisfied would meet the standards of the cattle industry. It was time to begin the next phase of the business, the marketing of a superior product to the cattle industry.

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 By John Bird, Motley County CED

**NEW SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE NAMED**  
 On Dec. 2, the new Secretary of Agriculture was named. The following is his biography:  
 Mike Johanns was sworn into office as Nebraska's 38th Governor on January 7, 1999, and in November, 2002, became the first Republican to be re-elected Governor of Nebraska since 1956.

As Governor, he has promoted an agenda of tax relief, less government, building the economy, protecting families, and ensuring the health, safety, and success of Nebraska's children.  
 Mike Johanns was born in Iowa and raised on a dairy farm. He graduated from Osage (Iowa) Community High School, St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota, and earned his law degree from Creighton University in Omaha. He then clerked for the Honorable Hale McCown at the Nebraska Supreme Court.

Governor Johanns has made property tax relief, reducing the size of government, building the state's economy, protecting families, and ensuring the health, safety and success of Nebraska's children his priorities. A list of his major enacted initiatives:

— \$85 million dollars in surplus state sales tax and state income tax dollars dedicated for direct property tax relief over two years and an expanded homestead exemption for seniors, veterans, and the disabled;

— reductions in the size and cost of the Governor's office staff, elimination of the Washington lobbyist, restrictions on the use of state cars, an emphasis on e-government and technology applications, and the merger of the Department of Water Resources and Natural Resources Commission into the new Department of Natural Resources;

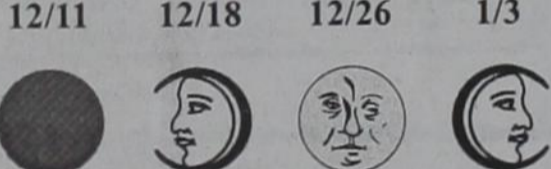
— incentives for business growth and job creation in rural and urban areas of Nebraska and an emphasis on value-added agriculture, especially ethanol;

— tougher penalties for drug dealers, fourteen additional state troopers, increased technology for law enforcement, and settlement of a long-running labor disagreement between the state troopers' union and the State; in the area of health care, boosted the state's investment in mental health services, extended Medicaid coverage to the treatment of breast and cervical cancer for low income women, and directed the state's share of the national tobacco settlement to health care needs including development disabilities, public health, mental health and biomedical research; and

— promoted adoption of foster children, a record number of children covered by health insurance, dramatically increased investment in early childhood education, increased state funding for K-through-12 and special education costs, and criminalized the offense of child enticement.

Mike Johanns has two children is married to Stephanie Johanns, a former Lancaster County Commissioner and former State Senator. Stephanie Johanns is currently Vice President of External Relations for Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, for ALLTEL, a communications company.

**LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST**  
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