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Wind Farm possibilities will be discussed at two local meetings

Area residents are invited to the Community Center in Roaring Springs on Wednesday, November 8 at 9:00 a.m. or to the Senior Citizen Building in Matador at 7:00 p.m. that day to learn about and discuss what citizens can do to help develop wind farms in the area.

Featured speakers at the meetings will be Kenneth Starcher, Director of the West Texas Alternative Energy Institute at West Texas A&M; Dora Ross of Floydada Economic Development; and Barbara B. Bogart, Cap Rock Telephone Membership Services Representative.

The wind in this area is con-

sidered to be Class 4, which is a higher rating than the Class 3 wind around Abilene and Sweetwater, where wind farms have already been developed.

The electrical transmission line that runs from Spur through Motley County to Turkey has been designated as a preliminary Competitive Renewable Energy Zone (CREZ).

There are 25 CREZ areas that have been identified in Texas. However, after December 1, 2006, the number will be culled down to only 10 zones. Therefore, any action taken by residents to indicate support for development must be done very soon, in order to increase the

chances of becoming one of the 10 accepted CREZ.

In order for the developers of wind farms to secure financing, transmission lines of sufficient capacity must be available or must be built within a set period of time. This is why the Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 20, which requires the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to designate the CREZ.

The CREZ are areas with renewable energy resources (in this case, wind) and suitable land areas to develop generating capacity from renewable energy technologies. Senate Bill 20 allows the PUC to issue a Certificate of Convenience and

Necessity, which would allow wind farm development companies to start developing their projects in anticipation of the line being built.

The November 8 meetings will focus on this information and ways to enhance the chances of becoming one of the 10 CREZ.

If the transmission line through Motley County were upgraded, it could be used by wind farms 50 miles on either side. Therefore, interested residents of Briscoe, Cottle, Dickens, Floyd, Hale, Hall and Motley counties are invited to participate.

ELECTION 2006

by U.S. Senator John Cornyn

Voters across Texas are currently taking advantage of our early balloting procedures and making their preferences known for those who will serve in federal, state and local offices.

If recent trends are any indication, fewer than half of all eligible voters will cast a ballot by the time polls close on election day, November 7. This is disturbing. The United States has been the world's leader in promoting democracy around the world, and we shouldn't take it for granted here at home.

Though it hasn't been widely noted, we've made steady progress in recent decades to help extend human rights and democracy to millions of people worldwide.

Freedom House, a non-profit, non-partisan organization working to promote democracy and economic freedom, does an annual survey of political conditions around the globe, evaluating countries based on their open political competition, respect for civil liberties, and independence of their news media among other factors. In 1972, only 42 countries - accounting for less than a quarter of the world's population - were rated as "free."

But by last year, that number increased significantly, with 89 countries advancing to the "free" category, representing 46 percent of the world's 6.5 billion people. The entire Western Hemisphere (except for Cuba) has moved to "free" or "partly free" during that time, thanks in large part to U.S. leadership.

Unfortunately, there remain large segments of the globe, including Russia, China and the entire Arab world, that remain in the third Freedom House category: "not free."

The United States has a vested interest promoting democracy. When human rights are respected, including equality for women and minorities, the discontent that breeds terrorism is removed. History teaches that democratic governments are far less aggressive toward their neighbors - and the peace freedom promotes is of value not only regionally, but also to the entire global community.

Although some critics claim that democracy is not possible in certain cultures, the fact is that all people yearn to be free. And all human beings yearn to escape from the yoke of repression.

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Do Gooders Club Fall Bazaar Nov. 11 will offer variety of merchandise

The Do Gooders' Club of Flomot annual Fall Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Flomot. Event chairman, Mary Jo Calvert invites you to come and "Make Your Wallet Smile!"

Vendors will provide clothing, arts of steel, woodwork, cosmetics, food, beverages, jewelry, novelty items, home and seasonal decorations you can't find anywhere else.

The club will have their Country Store and a concession stand. They are selling tickets for an old fashioned string quilt with two pillow shams for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The winner will be announced at the end of the Bazaar and does not have to be present to win.

Each individual vendor really cares about what they do. The Bazaar will offer unique gifts and fun for everyone. The profits from the Bazaar will be used for improvements at the Community Center in Flomot.



Is this supposed to be fun?

Little Jaci Taylor doesn't appear to be having much fun when she helped pick up trash along side the highways Sunday. Jaci was helping Motley County 4-H members as they participated in a club project to clean up 2 miles of highway on both sides of Hwy. 70 south of Matador.

MC ISD will host UIL Meet

Motley County I.S.D. will host the District Elementary and Junior High Academic U.I.L. Meet on Monday, November 6th. Motley County students will compete against students from Paducah, Patton Springs, Silverton and Valley. The first event is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and the last event is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

This will be an early release day for students not competing in the event. School will dismiss at 12:30 and buses will run at that time.

Matadors' six-man ranking climbs after win over McLean

The Motley County Matadors defeated the McLean Tigers 44-32 to earn a big Division II District 7 victory. The Tigers entered the game ranked sixth in the state and favored to win by 13 points over the twelfth ranked Matadors. Motley County is now ranked seventh in the latest Sixman Division II rankings as a result of the win.

"This was a huge win for us," said Head Coach Mike Bigham. "We had to win this game to keep our playoff and District Championship hopes alive. Our kids played their best game of the season so far and beat a very good team on the road."

The Matador defense rose

to the occasion, holding a very potent McLean spread offense to 32 points, their lowest point total of the season. "We were relentless on defense. The kids executed their assignments and reads and played with great heart. Eric Simpson started his

first varsity football game and really came through. Bradley Brown made several drive stopping tackles. We are very proud of our defense," said Coach Bigham. Isiah Archer led the defense with 18 tackles and an

80-yard interception return for a touchdown that was a turning point in the game. Other leading tacklers were Bradley Brown with 11, Eric Simpson

with 9, Jacob Blanco with 7, and Marc Henzler with 6.

The Motley County offense kept the ball for much of the game, grinding out the clock and keeping the ball away from the Tiger offense. Bradley Brown led the offense with 215 yards rushing on 28 carries, three cutblocks and one touchdown. Isiah Archer gained 152

yards on 22 carries, scored four rushing touchdowns and had six cutblocks. The offensive line dominated the McLean defense. Shane Newman led the way with five pancake blocks. Justin Newman and Gene

Salazar also blocked great all night. "Our blocking was excellent, and our backs ran extremely hard," said Coach Bigham. "McLean tried to give us some different defensive looks, but our kids adjusted and just physically whipped them all night."

"I must say that we have the best cheerleaders and fans in the state," said Coach Bigham. "Our fans outnumbered and also out cheered their fans. We fed off of their energy the entire ballgame, it was just great. It's awesome to have fans that believe in us and support us each and every week."

The Matadors will be open this week and will face the Groom Tigers at home on November 10th. "This will be another big district game for us," said Coach Bigham. "Our backs are still against the wall and we

must win this game to have a chance to win the district championship and make the playoffs," said Coach Bigham. The District 7 playoff picture will

clear up a bit after the ballgames this week. Look in next week's paper for a preview

of the Groom game and more information on the District Championship and Playoff race.

No Friday Night Lights this week Lorenzo game cancelled

The November 3rd non-district football game between the Motley County Matadors and Lorenzo Hornets has been cancelled.

"We had originally scheduled Amarillo San Jacinto on Sept. 15 and they cancelled their season late and went 11 man," explained Superintendent Randy Brown. "San Jacinto had scheduled Lorenzo on Nov. 3. We scheduled a non-district game with Lorenzo on Nov. 3 because we both had the date open and we knew it would be the only way to schedule 10 ballgames. We are disappointed because this would have been a competitive ballgame between two very good teams."

"At this point we don't feel it is in the best interest of our team to play the game," said Mr.

Brown. "The risk of playing a non-district game this late in the season is too great. We need to do everything we can to be healthy for our last game of the season and hopefully the playoffs."

"I did contact the UIL to confirm that no rule or policy requires us to play the game. The decision will not impact the season or the team's eligibility for post-season play. This was a very difficult decision to make. Ultimately, we made a decision that we feel is in the best interest of our kids," said Mr. Brown.

The Mavericks football game has been re-scheduled. The game will be played this Thursday, November 2, at 5:30 p.m. at Lorenzo.



I'm not a Horoscope person. I don't believe in "signs" and make it a point not to read the horoscope predictions. But when a friend sent this 'horoscope' to me I couldn't resist sharing it. According to this I'm a Crawfish!

**What's Your
"Southern" Sign?**

OKRA (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20): Although you appear crude, you are actually very slick on the inside. Okras have tremendous influence. An older Okra can look back over his life and see the seeds of his influence everywhere. Stay away from Moon Pies.

CHITLIN (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19): Chitlins come from humble backgrounds. A chitlin, however, can make something of himself if he's motivated and has lots of seasoning. In dealing with Chitlins, be careful. They can erupt like Mount Vesuvius. Chitlins are best with Catfish and Okra.

BOLL WEEVIL (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20): You have an overwhelming curiosity. You're unsatisfied with the surface of things, and you feel the need to bore deep into the interior of everything. Needless to say, you are very intense and driven as if you had some inner hunger. Nobody in their right mind is going to marry you, so don't worry about it.

MOON PIE (Mar. 21 - Apr. 20): You're the type that spends a lot of time on the front porch. It's chinch to recognize the physical appearance of Moon Pies. Big and round are the key words here. You should marry anybody who you can get remotely interested in the idea. It's not going to be easy. This might be the year to think about aerobics. Or, maybe not.

POSSUM (Apr. 21 - May 21): When confronted with life's difficulties, possums have a marked tendency to withdraw and develop a don't-bother-me-about-it attitude. Sometimes you become so withdrawn, people actually think you're dead. This strategy is probably not psychologically healthy, but seems to work for you. One day, however, it won't work and you may find your problems actually running you over.

CRAWFISH (May 22 - June 21): Crawfish is a water sign. If you work in an office, you're always hanging around the water cooler. Crawfish prefer the beach to the mountains, the pool to the golf course, the bathtub to the living room. You tend to be not particularly attractive physically, but you have very, very good heads!

COLLARDS (June 22 - July 23): Collards have a genius for communication. They love to get in the "melting pot" of life and share their essence with the essence of those round them. Collards make good social workers, psychologists, and baseball managers. As far as your personal life goes, if you are Collards, stay away from Moon Pies. It just won't work. Save yourself a lot of heartache.

CATFISH (July 24 - Aug. 23): Catfish are traditionalists in matters of the heart, although one's whiskers may cause problems for loved ones. You catfish are never easy people to understand. You prefer the muddy bottoms to the clear surface of life. Above all else, Catfish should stay away from Moon Pies.

GRITS (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23): Your highest aim is to be with others like yourself. You like to huddle together with a big crowd of other Grits. You love to travel though, so maybe you should think about joining a club. Where do you like to go? Anywhere they have cheese or gravy or bacon or butter, or eggs. If you can go somewhere where they have all these things, that serves you well.

BOILED PEANUTS (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23): You have a passionate desire to help your fellow man. Unfortunately, those who know you best - your friends and loved ones - may find that your personality is much too salty, and their criticism will probably affect you deeply because you are really much softer than you appear. You should go right ahead and marry anybody you want to because in a certain way, yours is a charmed life. On the road of life, you can be sure that people will always pull over and stop for you.

BUTTER BEAN (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22): Always invite a Butter Bean because Butter Beans get along well with everybody. You, as a Butter Bean, should be proud. You've grown on the vine of life and you feel at home no matter what the setting. You can sit next to anybody. However, you, too, shouldn't have anything to do with Moon Pies.

ARMADILLO (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21): You have a tendency to develop a tough exterior, but you are actually quite gentle. A good evening for you? Old friends, a fire, some roots, fruit, worms and insects. You are a throwback. You're not concerned with today's fashions and trends. You're not concerned with anything about today. You're really almost prehistoric in your interests and behavior patterns. You probably want to marry another Armadillo, but Possum is another somewhat kinky, mating possibility.

**CHAMBER
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by Marie-Louise Liebe-Harkort

Consider:
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Banquet-goers and readers of the Tribune have already found out a lot about the Chamber of Commerce Banquet held on October 14th. They know Frances Hobbs received the Woman of the Year award, Seab Washington was chosen as Man of the Year and the EMS was recognized as the Business/Organization of the Year.

They also know that Gail Ream and Bobbie Brown won the Extra Mile awards.

And they know that there was a new award this year, the Angel Award, which of course had to be given to Billie Koon.

They enjoyed or have seen pictures of the local talent that entertained the banquet-goers, and made them laugh with delight.

But what only the attendees of the banquet know is the profusion of door prizes that the local businesses gave so generously and ever so quickly.

Everyone oohhed and aahhed about the blue Texas star ring and the horseshoe tie-tac pin given by Thacker Jewell, that went to Kayla Hollinsworth and Pat Smith respectively. And there was more jewelry, too, jewelry from Premier Jewelry that went to Mae Thomas and from 4R Trinkets & Treasures that went to Janice Martin and Deanie Edwards.

There were special books, too. A History of Motley County and a Texas cookbook from the Motley County Tribune went to Corky Marshall and D.A. McGuire. Calico Treasures donated a cowboy book that Ken Marshall went home with, and the Matador Cattle Company gave a cookbook that went to George Kline.

There were gift certificates galore, from Quality Discount to Joanie Stephens, from Petticoat Junction to Eli Marshall, from Alexander's Fuel to Billy Koon and Anna's Restaurant, to Genetta Ameijide. Stan Hanesworth will be going to Billie Dean's Restaurant, while Buzz Thacker will drop in at the Hitchin' Post, and Dianne Washington goes to the Main Street Cafe. Charley Johnson received a certificate from Motley Mill & Cube, while Stanley Levell will get to enjoy propane from Wylie LP Gas. Jo Crowder will have any computer problems she has resolved by MC Computer Consulting, while Dartha Westbrook goes by the Snocone Stand for her Cheeseburger Basket. Diana's Touch of Health awarded a reflexology treatment to Lena Davis, while Larry Hoyle will sit home while his savings bond grows thanks to Matador Branch, First National Bank of Seymour.

And there were lots of gift bags, too, 4 from CapRock Telephone to Geneva Martin, Clois Shorter, Lynn McGomery and Seven Alexander, and one from Graham Supply that went to Nell Berryman. Thanks to Covenant Home Health, Anna Ortiz received a gift bag, as did Dinah Young from Mary Kay Cosmetics.

My goodness, you think, that's a lot. Well, it is only about half of the many items given by the merchants of Motley County. And maybe there was a business or two in the list you didn't even know existed, one that you may bring your business to, now that you know it is here.



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**Library
Notes**

by Suzanne Abbott
Librarian



You are invited to the book discussion, tonight, Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. at the library. We will discuss *The Kite Runner*. You are welcome to come even if you have not read the book. We always have lively and interesting discussions.

Next Thursday, November 9, at 4:00 p.m., there will be a meeting of the Friends of the Library. Everyone is invited to attend.

We thank Dinah and Ken Young for their donation to the library in memory of Sonny Russell. We also thank the Roaring Springs Wesleyan Guild for their donation to the library in memory of Ray Zabelski.

New books in the library include *Collectors*, a Camel Club novel, by David Baldacci. We also have *Echo Park* by Michael Connelly and *Short Straw* by Stuart Woods. Other new books include *Act of Treason* by Vince Flynn, *Mission Song* by John Le Carre, and *Night Gardener* by George Pelecanos.

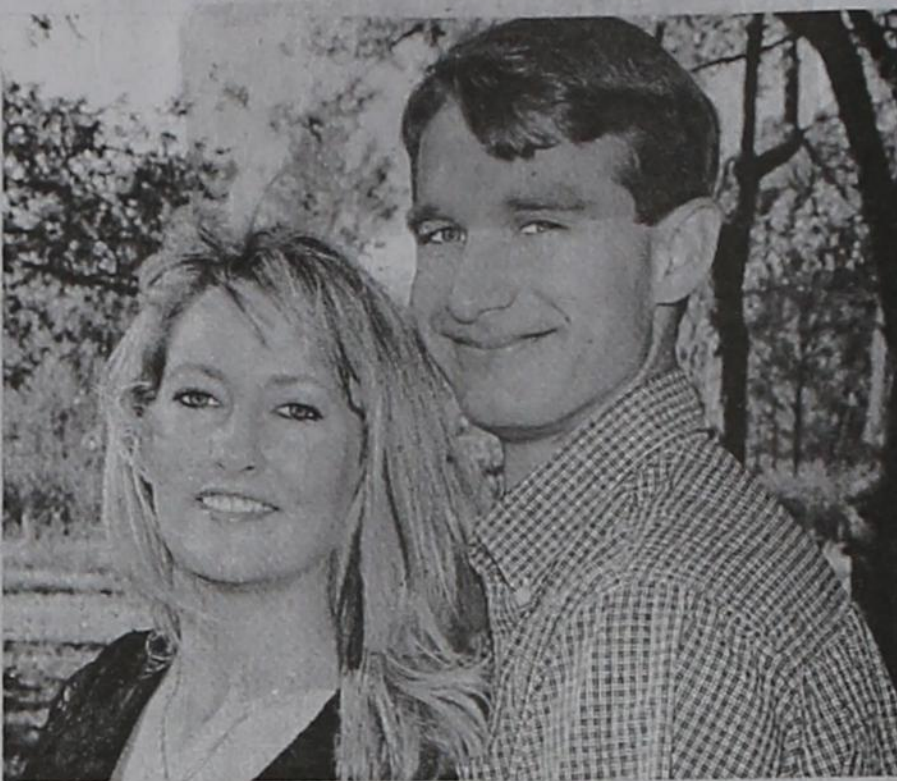
We hope to see everyone at the Book Discussion and at the Friends meeting.



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH — Kim Woolsey, HCA of Covenant Home Health Care, Spur, received the Employee of the Month award. This honor is awarded throughout the Covenant Systems.

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Amy Stephens & Si Causey

Engagement announced

Roy and Joanie Stephens of Matador are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Nicole, to Si Causey of Matador. Si is the son of Charlie and Connie Causey of Uvalde, Texas. Amy is a graduate of Motley County High School and attended West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She received a degree in Medical Transcription from American Commercial College in Lubbock. Amy is currently employed by Floydada Ready Mix. Si is a graduate of Uvalde High School and a 2005 graduate of Texas A&M University, Kingsville. He is currently employed by USDA/NRCS of Motley County. The couple plan to wed December 9 at the First Baptist Church in Matador.



Zachary Stengel & Coriander Milnes

Engagement Announced

Ken and Dinah Young wish to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their niece Coriander Milnes to Zachary Stengel. Cori grew up in Big Pine Key, Florida and graduated from Stetson University in DeLand, Florida with a degree in accounting. Zachary grew up in Rock Island, Illinois, and went to graduate school at William and Mary University and on to medical school in St. Martin in the Martinique Islands. He has just finished his residency in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he is a family practice physician. Cori works at Prudential Financial in Santa Fe. They will wed November 4th at The LaFonda Hotel in Santa Fe and will travel to the resort town of Ixtapa, Mexico for their honeymoon.

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**Precepts Upon Precept...
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While He was on this earth our Lord illuminated several precepts that would help all mankind have a better life. For example: "I have come that you may life and have it more abundantly." That is found in John 10:10. Now there is a precept. Do we find ourselves sometimes asking this question, "are we really living the life that Jesus describes? We know we are alive. But are we living abundant life? To help answer this here are some more precepts that might help all of us make a difference in our every day lives.

1. Let's begin by putting the Beatitudes to work in our lives. In Matthew 5: 1-12 we find successful living principles for all ages.

2. From God's Word learn about Him and His will for our lives. Romans 1:19-22 will teach of His power and John 4 and John 17 will help us learn His attributes (Powerful precepts are found in these passages).

3. We need to realize that we have created for a purpose. Our purpose is revealed to us in the Bible.

4. Let's admit that this life has its burdens. Job 14:1 tells us of shortage of days and filled with troubles.

5. Acknowledge that God is faithful when He has promised that "all things work together for the good of them who love the Lord." Romans 8:28.

6. Why not just accept what Jesus promised? The abundant life in John 10:10.

There are many precepts like these in the Bible. We have touched on six of them. Why not put these precepts to work in your life? They will make a difference. "Through the precepts I get understanding..." (Psalm 119:104).

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Mac

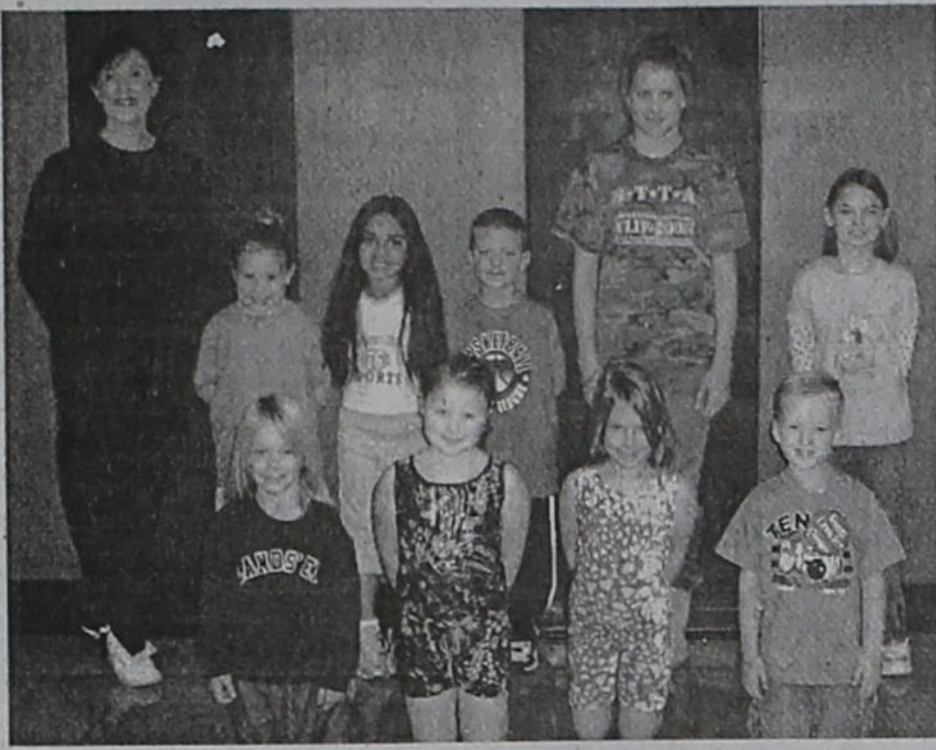
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Motley County Matador news



Motley County 4-Hers rest after cleaning trash from four miles of highway Sunday as part of a club project. Members participating were Lexie Osborn, Jacy Zingerman, Matthew Faulks, Bryant Taylor, Austin Taylor and little sister Jaci, Justin Newman, Kayla Hollinsworth, Courtney Alexander, Hance Davey, Shane Newman, Shane'a Russell, and Reagan Elliott (not pictured in order). Also helping with the clean up was County Extension Agent, Ryan Martin and wife Jamie, and parents Wendy and Shane Taylor, Sonda Elliott, J.D. and D'anna Russell, Lori Alexander, Jeff and Pam Newman, and Craig Turner.



GYMNASTICS MEET — These students of Mrs. Sherry Fogerson, left, participated in a Gymnastics Meet at Idalou, Saturday, October 21. Everyone received a medal. Pictured in the top photo are (left to right) Ms. Sherry, Carley Turner, Alicia Silva, Gage Baker, Shane'a Russell, Chloe Gleghorn, (front) Jaci Taylor, Mikenna Ford, Dode Gleghorn and Tucker Barton. In the bottom photo are (left to right) Catherine Ward, Cassidy Turner, Mattie Brooks, Ashley Jones, Katie Barton and Meagan Ford.

School Menu



MONDAY, NOV. 6

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Sack Lunch - PBJ, Baked Potato, Chips, Fruit Cup, Milk. UIL DAY.

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Vegetable Beef Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Carrot Sticks, Crackers, Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza, Salad, Pineapple Chunks, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

THURSDAY, NOV. 9

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Hamburger/Cheese, French Fries, Dessert, Milk.

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Turkey, Dressing, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Hot Roll, Pumpkin Dessert, Milk.



Student council members decorated the lobby at School for Halloween. Students participating are pictured left to right, Chicagra Brown, Karrie Valdez, Savannah Rose, Gene Salazar, Austin Taylor and Isiah Archer.



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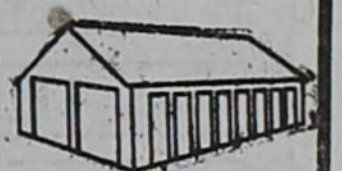
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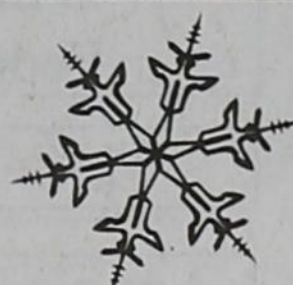
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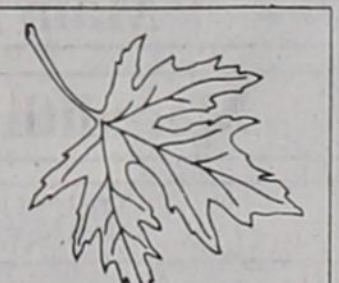
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MOTLEY COUNTY MATADORS — Pictured left to right (back) Bradley Brown, Casey Carnes, Shane Newman, Marc Henzler; (next row) Coach Mike Bigham, Gene Salazar, Justin Newman, Jacob Johannes, Jacob Blanco, Asst. Coach Randy Brown; (next row) Sam Fletcher, Eric Simpson, Stacey Perryman, Isiah Archer, Brendan Wiltshire, Mgr.; (in front) Cheerleaders - Savannah Rose, Chicagra Brown, Carrie Valdez (Mascot), Christy Smith, Courtney Alexander, Shane'a Russell and Mylissa Gilmore.



JR. HIGH MAVERICKS — Beginning at back (left to right) Austin Taylor, Chase Buckner, Augustine Chavez, Cody Martin, Paul Guiterrez, Ky Christopher, Jonathon Osborn, (middle) Coach Bigham, Britt Simpson, Schylar Tomlinson, Colby McCleskey, Christian Brooks, Keyan Kautz, Braden Mason, Asst. Coach Jim Cooper; (next row) Mark Quintero, Dominique Quillimaco, Payden Perryman, Ismael Torres, Reagan Elliott, Juan Flores; (in front) Cheerleaders - Leanne Jameson, Alyx Smith, Kyla Simpson, Lexi Osborn, and Sabra Pope.

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Proof of the Truth

by Tom Edwards

THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD (Part 8)

God is a simple Being. This does not mean that He is a simpleton - far from it! It means that as pure existence and pure actuality, with no potentiality to be anything else. He is simple, uncompounded, incomplex, and indivisible. Since God is not composed in His Being, but pure existence, it follows that He cannot be decomposed. One that has no parts cannot be torn apart or divided. He is literally indivisible. Further, God's indivisibility follows from His immutability (unchangeability), for if God could be divided, He could change, but He can't, therefore He must be absolutely simple in His nature. A being can be either simple (pure actuality) or complex (actuality and potentiality). A simple being must, however, differ from complex beings, since it has no potentiality and they do. This is the Creator/created-creature distinction. Only one IS Being; everything else HAS being.

God also is a unity, and one. This is classic orthodox Monotheism (one God). God is ONE Being, and there is only ONE Being that is God! As an absolutely simple Being, God cannot be more than one being. In logic, there cannot be more than one perfect being, nor can there be more than one necessary being!

If there were two, then one would be unnecessary! Likewise, there can only be one necessary cause of the world, not many!

This comports with the famous Jewish "Shema" of Deut. 6:4, "Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord," and Isaiah 44:6, "I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God." When we here refer to "Being," we are referring to the "WHAT" that God is, and He is a unique one-of-a-kind Being in existence, like no other!

That there is only one God (Monotheism), means that only those religions that profess monotheism have any chance of being correct! Three do: Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. All others are clearly false, as they follow some form of Polytheism (many Gods). There is and can be only One God! Mormon theology embraces a form of Polytheism. That God is one being sheds no light on certain statements of Jesus, such as "I and the Father are One," and "If you have seen me, you have seen the Father."

Omitted from last week: "Process Theology" holds that God is in the world in the process of "becoming" all He can be. Monism, Pantheism, Panentheism, Process Theology, and their progeny are thus false!

Next: The Holy Trinity

Elections 2006

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We've seen this most recently in Afghanistan and Iraq, where millions of people braved extremist threats to life and limb in order to cast ballots as real democracy was introduced for the first time.

We all remember the televised images of Afghans and Iraqis proudly displaying purple fingers after voting for the first time. Last year in Iraq, 58 percent of eligible voters cast votes in their first election. That was followed by a national referendum with 63-percent turnout, and then a parliamentary election with 77-percent turnout - all with the threat of violence and physical retaliation not far in the background. It is clear that these people appreciate the ability to make their voices heard, and that they understand the importance of participating in elections.

We in the United States are privileged to live in the greatest democracy in this history of mankind (or, 'that the world has ever known' ... either way.) Americans do not have to worry about the same threats faced by the Iraqi or Afghan people as we head to the polls. For most, the

question of whether to vote is merely a matter of interest or convenience.

Our blessings are often more noticeable to outsiders. In October, Mikhail Gorbachev, the last president of the Soviet Union, visited Midland. He spoke to a large crowd in his native language, and praised the U.S. devotion to democracy, and the uplifting freedoms inherent in our system. His remarks were a potent reminder to us all of the freedoms we enjoy.

I urge Texans to help keep our democracy strong this month by participating once again in our electoral process. Secretary of State Roger Williams, and our state lawmakers, have made voting - both early, and on election day - as easy as possible for citizens across the state.

We have made extraordinary efforts as a nation to extend the benefits of democracy and open governments to people around the world. It's up to each of us to stay informed, and to contribute to the strength of our democracy here at home.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Carla,

Enclosed is an article that was copied from a book about Dickens County that was in our Ector County Library.

This article is about C.W. Giesecke that apparently he wrote about himself and it was put in this book.

C.W. Giesecke was a very good School Administrator and teacher I had classes under him in Roaring Springs High School and graduated from there in 1946.

I send this as a memorial tribute to Mr. Giesecke, a past educator and business man in Motley County during past years.

Thank you,
Grady Glenn
Odessa Texas

C.W. GIESECKE

After two years in Elementary teaching in Central Texas, 1925 to 1926, I came to Dickens Elementary School. To move west was encouraged because of an asthmatic condition. This physical condition has been almost completely removed. My health has been near perfect with exception of one case of pneumonia while at Dickens in 1928, an appendectomy in 1959 - for this good health I'm deeply thankful.

Upon our move to Dickens my wife and I had pledged the wedding vows less than a year earlier.

My experience at Dickens were great and influential on my later life in school. I shall always esteem my relations with Frank Speer as supt. of school and Fred Arrington as high school principal. Too, I shall not ever forget the many students I had in the 4th and 5th grades. The Bersets, the Paynes, the Brummetts, the Bilberry's, Stanfords, the Taylors, the Streets and many others. Those were the happiest days. No, not all of this "gang" were angels but after "Beating the tar" out of twenty or more of the 47 pupils, they got their assignments in spelling, arithmetic, English, Geography et cetera.

Then in 1928 we moved to Midway with a sixty dollar per month raise and principal of four Teacher School. My stay at Midway was remunerative in making friends and the many fine pupils then in 1930. We came to Afton at the invitation of Supt. T.H. Bass; later I became teacher, principal and coach at Afton; as well as custodian. Six years in the Afton

School were impressive with much interest in Interscholastic League, out-door basketball and track. The faculty plays were a must and the community turned out in masses. People who are still living here went to school during this time. The Stokes, Bartons, Haney's, Blassingames, Hexts, Raglands, Hughes, Yeates, Williams, Bridge, Raspberry, McAllisters, Randolphs, Norris, Baxters, Tarrant's, with many others. These years were enjoyable and pleasant and the Patton Springs School was organized and operating. Then in 1936, I accepted the Superintendency of Roaring Springs School with twenty-three teachers and 497 students we had a profitable stay for nine years. In 1945 I launched into the business world, but always yearned for the school room. After about 10 years the call to teach was again ringing. After spending one year at Roosevelt, Lubbock county, I was invited to return to Patton Springs.

During these teaching years we raised two girls and three boys.

Two boys are doing college and graduate work in A&M and one boy is at Tech. Oldest daughter is at West Texas State University. The youngest daughter, Nixie never had higher education, but chose cosmetology and she is happy in her work. The oldest is doing some teaching, but I seem to fail with the others for a desire to teach. I have had some unpleasant things to occur during these years. In my first year in a one-teacher school, I used the belt on a young man of 15 years. His father invited me to a "fist fight", a "club fight", a "gun fight", or "you name it." Finally, after being called everything in the book, I came to my own. I stepped back and picked up an iron bar and said let's go. It seemed like hours then I realized he had weakened, so he began his apologies and I was glad. Our witness was the President of the Board of Trustees. This boy and the father were my friends after this incident. I encouraged the boy to continue his education, this he did and has made a fine man and citizen. Experiences like these and the fine boys and girls over this great state who have made some of the best farmers, businessmen, professional and public officials are most rewarding to me. I shall always be contentious in believing that school is for the boys and girls with training in how to live as well as how to live as well as learning books.

Human Sacrifice

As I read an Associated Press article this month it again was clear how ungodly our nation has become. The cover story, as reported by the AP, of October's "Ms." magazine is titled, "We Had Abortions." Over 5,000 women have proudly signed a petition, and many have shared their stories, with the feminist publication.

The main objective, it seems, is to show that these women are not ashamed of their decision, and so others should not be ashamed to make the same decision. "I wanted to do something bigger with myself, I didn't want to be stopped by anything," said one 27-year-old woman who was interviewed. We have no trouble believing that this was a true statement in light of the fact that she had already killed her baby in order to pursue her goals.

Another article this month on an internet based medical journal was titled "3D Fetal Scans Dangerously Misleading." It seems that some scientists and doctors have a problem with the lifelike images of the unborn that these scans produce. My wife and I were able to view our newest baby on one of these 3D scans, which may be replacing the old sonograms. We were amazed at how clearly we could see our little girl. But apparently these images are too clearly revealing things such as thumb sucking and other habits that reveal that these are in fact real babies. Also, mothers may clearly see the facial features of their babies, which makes it harder for them to convince themselves that these are not yet humans. This is indeed dangerous to those who make their livings convincing mothers that it is okay to do away with these babies.

In the Old Testament, we find the true God punishing many nations, including His chosen nation of Israel, for sacrificing their children to idols (Psalm 106:37). Today, most non believers have made an idol out of themselves, their careers, their hobbies, etc. When people kill their children because they want to "do something bigger" with themselves, they are sac-

rificing them to idols. This caused God to "Abhor his own inheritance," so why should he overlook the same evil in our country?

We must remember that all children belong to God. He tells us in Psalm 50:12, "The world is mine, and the fullness thereof." Children are given to parents for a short time; as parents we are only stewards of God's gift. We are to take this great responsibility seriously. Since the children never really belong to us, we certainly have no right to decide that they will not be born.

Larry King lately commented that the religious right is inconsistent in the fact that they are opposed to abortion yet support capital punishment. It is obvious that they miss the big picture of what the scriptures teach when they try to use "thou shalt not kill," etc.... The same law that gave man the commandment to not kill, also established that death is the punishment for those who do kill. The sixth commandment teaches us that human life is sacred. Therefore, those that violate that sanctity were no longer to be permitted to live. The real irony, therefore, would be those that believe like Larry King. While he wants to have compassion on murderers and rapists, he is not so concerned with innocent babies.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." (Proverbs 14:34). As the Proverb tells us, so this sin is a great reproach to our entire nation. It is a dark blot on the once Godly country. It may also be the sin that brings God's wrath down on us if we don't repent and change our ways.

Believers are still staying too quiet on this matter. While we don't want to associate with those that go to extremes (such as breaking the law or harming others), we must do what we can. Vote. Speak out. Support organizations that oppose abortions. The congregations need to hear more about this from the pulpits. And we need to pray. Pray for the laws to change, and for the hearts of our countrymen to change. We also need to pray for forgiveness for our nation.

John Bird

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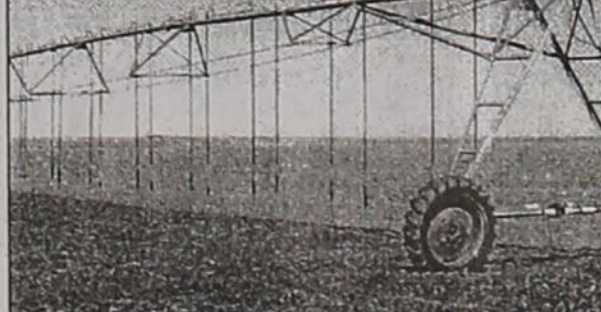
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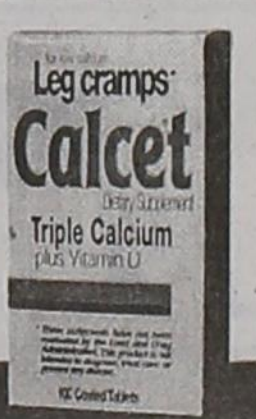


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OBITUARIES

Darnelle Ray Morrison Swim

Darnelle Rae Morrison Swim, 78, of Bella Vista, Ark., died Tuesday, October 17, in Bentonville, Ark.

Private services were under the direction of Bella Vista Funeral Home and Crematory, Bella Vista, Ark.

Darnelle was born July 8, 1928, in Archer City to Claude Morrison and D. Morrison. She was raised and educated in Texas. She graduated from Wesleyan University and received a master's degree from the University of Texas. She married Samuel A. Swim on November 13, 1945, in Roaring Springs. She taught in the Birdville school district in the Fort Worth area for over 30 years. She moved to Bella Vista in 1984. She enjoyed pottery, reading and travel.

She was predeceased by her parents; and husband, Samuel A. Swim, in 2002.

Survivors include a son, James K. Swim and wife, Marsha of Bella Vista, Ark.; a daughter, Cindy Swim of Bella Vista; brother, Claude Morrison of Georgetown; grandson, Jason Swim and wife, Carla; and great-grandchild, Elyas.

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News Around the County

Roaring Springs News

By Monta Marshall

There's getting to be lots of color around Roaring Springs. Outside town in the little arroyos and along little dry creeks the yellow of the cottonwoods brighten up the landscape. The purple grasses and rusty tint of shinnery add more fall tones. I wish I could capture the beauty on canvas to enjoy all year. Corky is the photographer in the family and he makes many nice pictures. I just try to soak up enough color to last through the winter until spring. Which season is the prettiest is hard to say.

HP Feeds had two sales representatives from Nutrena Feeds, Scott Showers and Bobby Deed come to give a talk to the area ranchers about minerals and nutrition for beef cattle. Hamburgers were served to everyone present at noon. The hamburgers were cooked by David Stafford and Ryan Rankin. Several ranchers and local people attended.

Justin and Stacy Peacock of Lubbock were recent visitors of grandparents, Lea and Bill Peacock. This past weekend, Pat and Sharon Peacock were here visiting his parents.

Barbara Alexander was a patient in the Lubbock Heart Hospital several days last week. She is now back home and recuperating.

Johnny and Connie Morris attended the funeral of Johnny's uncle, Alex Wickham of Dimmit County, TX. His funeral was held in Barksdale, Texas on Friday, October

27th. They returned home Sunday afternoon. Mr. Wickham had been in the hospital in San Antonio for some time following a stroke.

Don Kennedy filled the pulpit at First Baptist Church on Sunday.

I visited with Carolyn Fletcher at the grocery store on Saturday. She said that her badly burned arm had finally healed following the grease fire in her kitchen shortly after Bobby came home from his surgery. She hoped that they were getting back to normal except for needing a coat of paint in her kitchen.

Jeannie Adams was able to attend church services Sunday with her daughter, Vickie. Jeannie had an appointment Monday for another chemo treatment.

Bill and Margaret Leonard had been on an extended trip to California, Oregon and back to Phoenix, Arizona. They visited Bob's brother in California, toured San Francisco and then traveled up Highway 101 along the coast of northern California. They visited with Bob's mother and sister in Gold Beach, Oregon. While there, they gave Bob's sister time off for a much needed vacation. She takes care of their mother. They visited the Redwood Forest and spent some time in Arizona visited the Apache Indian Reservation.

Even though the Leonards have been truck drivers they had never had a chance to sight see and they enjoyed it immensely.

Senior Citizens
Notes

By Tommye Keith, Director

The Center has received memorials in memory of Opal Pipkin from Geneva Wilson, Leo and Joyce Archer, Hal and Kellie Martin, Stanley and June Levell, Dick and Marlene Hamm, Ronald and Kay Bailey, Billy Paul and Betty Simpson and Grace Campbell.

Memorials for Sonny Russell have been made by Ellis and Leona Terry, Hal and Kellie Martin, Garland and Judy

Cartwright, Ellis and Geraldine Key, Barbara and Jimmy West, Joyce Campbell, Janna L. Turner, Craig and Christi Blackwell, Stanley and June Levell, Bob and Wanda Kilmer, Ronald and Kay Bailey, Mary Jones, Billy Paul and Betty Simpson and Grace Campbell.

Kellie and Hal Martin and Stanley and June Levell gave memorials in memory of Billy Ray Slover.

Jana L. Turner also gave a memorial in memory of Art Green and Miriam Jameson Bell.

Hal and Kellie Martin gave a memorial in memory of Sis Davis.

Dick and Marlene Hamm gave a memorial in memory of Charlotte Campbell Richardson.

Ronald and Kay Bailey also gave a memorial in memory of Mary Meason.

Thank you all so very much. The donations and memorial help out with feeding home bound and paying the bills.

As usual I'm running an hour late and a couple of bucks short, but our catering fundraiser for the Chamber Banquet turned out really great. Thanks to the site committee and their spouses that pulled this off. Kinda afraid to start calling names at this late date afraid I might miss someone.

The menu for November 6-10 is as follows:

Monday, Nov. 6 - Salisbury Steak, Green Peas, Cauliflower/Cheese Sauce, Wheat Rolls, Pears and Gingersnaps.

Tuesday, Nov. 7 - Pizza, Italian Veggies, Tossed Salad, Banana Pudding.

Wednesday, Nov. 8 - Meatloaf, Macaroni & Cheese, Mixed Veggies, Fresh Fruit, Wheat Rolls, Pie.

Thursday, Nov. 9 - Tuna Salad Sandwich, Tater Tots, Broccoli & Cheese, Lettuce & Tomatoes, Carrot Cake.

Friday, Nov. 10 - Roast Beef, Roasted Potatoes, Carrots, Tossed Salad, Cake.

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

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OVERHEARD

A diplomat is one who thinks twice before saying nothing. Exercise your freedom to vote at the election, November 7.

LYLES FAMILY REUNION

Descendants of W.E. and Nettie Lyles held a family reunion Saturday, October 28, at the Hotel in Turkey. They attended from throughout Texas and enjoyed reminiscing and an abundant table of delicious food.

All six of the surviving children of the Lyles family attended. They were Mrs. Boyd (Iona) Lane, and Mrs. Clyde (Leota) Johnson and Billy Lyles of Turkey, Travis Lyles of Lubbock, Eldon Lyles of Childress and Mrs. Doyle (Mary Jo) Calvert and son, Glen of Flomot. Approximately 35 registered at the enjoyable occasion.

WIND STORM

Winds 55 miles per hour caused a hectic day Thursday, October 26 in the area. Mrs. Jane King, northeast of Whiteflat had a structure blown over at her rural location. Tree limbs and leaves were scattered everywhere and outdoor furniture and decorations were toppled over.

Visiting from Wednesday until Friday with Johnie Starkey and attending the funeral services of Mrs. Alma Shorter were Mrs. Nola Long of Winnewood, Okla., Mrs. Bobbie Hanna of Warner, Okla., L.T. Starkey of Ralls and Margie and Homer Cypert of Lockney.

Jack and Nada Starkey were in Amarillo Thursday and Friday for Nada extensive cardiac exams. With her during her hospitalization were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moon of Fritch, Michael Starkey of Canyon and

Bessie and Clifton Reid of Amarillo.

Mrs. B. Rogers and son, Donnie Rogers were luncheon guests Tuesday of Mrs. Sherry McKay in Quitaque, Tuesday. Donnie accompanied B. to Lubbock, Thursday for a medical appointment. They visited Mrs. Ronnie Rogers and Mrs. Paul Roberts before returning home.

Tim and Gwen Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock visited Saturday night and Sunday with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert.

Luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse were Tim Lane of Plainview, fifth Sunday minister at the Flomot Church of Christ and their son and family, Lacy and Keane Cruse and daughter, Reese of Turkey.

Bobby and Kay Clay of Whitesboro are visiting in Turkey with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tink Lane. They are also visiting his brother and wife, Anna Beth and Joe Ike Clay.

Mrs. Dinah Young of Roaring Springs and Mrs. Eugenia Barton of Matador visited Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton, Thursday.

Cindy and Chad Calvert and son, Cade of Colombia flew in to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Alma Shorter. Chad explained on return to Colombia Sunday and Cindy and Cade remained to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn visited in Lubbock Saturday and Sunday with his sister, Aly Gwinn. They attended the performance of "Father Knows Best" at the Cactus Theater Saturday night. Darla and James visited at the Gwinn home in Matador, Sunday and Monday with Aly Gwinn of Lubbock and Shirley Winters of Lancaster County, PA.

NOTE OF THANKS

I want to thank every single person who had any part in the presentation of the Angel Award at the Motley County Chamber of Commerce Banquet, October 14th. The entire Banquet was super special - excellent food, great program, lots of prizes, nice people. The Chamber is one of the best assets Motley County has. Circle by and I will show you where I hung "my plaque."

My love,
Billie Koon
"2006"

Thank you to the people of this area for your expressions of concern during the loss of our loved one. Thank you for the food, cards, kind words and for your many prayers. May God bless each one of you.

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Perennial Forages look promising on the Plains

by Tim W. McAlavy
Texas Cooperative Extension

Lockney -- More and more South Plains producers are taking a look at how perennial forages may fit in their future production plans. A recent turnrow meeting on the Eddie Teeter farm near here provided an opportunity to see how several perennial grasses are initially faring on the Plains.

Teeter is one of about 20 South Plains producers who volunteer their management expertise and some of their land to test production systems currently under review by the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation.

The 13 forages in this perennial grass trial include buffalo grass, sideoats grama, blue grama, switch grass, Klein grass, Indian grass, three types of old world bluestem, a blend of native grasses, and three types of Bermuda grass.

"We planted this trial in April and May," said Calvin Trostle, Texas Cooperative Extension agronomist based at Lubbock. "We used sprigs to establish the Ozark Bermuda grass plots. The remaining 12 forages were seeded at appropriate agronomic rates - 2 to 7 pounds of pure live seed per acre.

"These grasses received about 5 inches of irrigation to ensure we could get the research plots established," he said. "Each forage is planted in strips that are 10 feet wide and 75 feet long. This is your chance to walk the plots, examine the grasses up close and ask questions about what you see.

"Each grass strip will be subdivided in 2007 and managed under varying levels of water, ranging from only rainfall to moderate irrigation of about 1 inch per week from late April to early October," he said.

Each forage stand was rated from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent) in mid-May, early June and mid-September by Trostle, Dr. Vivien Allen, Texas Tech University forage scientist, and Rick Kellison, alliance project manager.

"These ratings record the establishment of each grass under 2006 weather and seeding conditions, with emphasis on quick establishment," Trostle said.

Klein grass (selection 75) posted an excellent rating in all three evaluations. Sideoats grama, blue grama, a blend of three native grasses, and Ozark Bermuda grass also scored well - posting May ratings above 2 and September ratings above 4.

Two other types of old world bluestem, two types of seeded Bermuda grass, Indian grass, switch grass and buffalo grass

posted fair September ratings.

"Patience is key when evaluating newly established perennial grasses," Trostle said. "Given time, what looks like a thin stand can fill in quite well and produce a good stand. Changes in seasonal temperature and rainfall can help."

Based on their experience with this trial, Trostle, Allen and Kellison offered this advice for producers considering perennial forages:

— Use planting equipment designed to handle fluffy perennial grass seed.

— Don't seed too deep - one-quarter inch or less is adequate for many grasses.

— Know the herbicide history of your ground.

— Seedbed moisture is crucial to establishing a good stand. Surface irrigation systems appear better suited to grass establishment than subsurface drip systems.

— When shopping for seed, know the percentage of pure live seed, the germination rating and the state of dormancy. It's wise to have a sample tested for purity and germination before buying.

— Perennial grasses won't germinate or produce a uniform stand as quickly as traditional row crops.

— Fertilizer needs may be higher than you anticipate, especially for Bermuda grass.

— Weed control is crucial for stand establishment and longevity.

— Protect the stand after the grass is well established. Don't overgraze.

"Adding a legume to the mix can be a good way to supplement nitrogen needs," Allen said. "One of our graduate students is now searching for adaptable legumes that we can include in these field trials."

"Legumes require the right kind of soil microbes to form root modules and fix nitrogen," Trostle said. "That's key in getting any nitrogen benefit from legumes."

Information on the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation and its cropping projects is available online at <http://www.orgs.ttu.edu/forageresearch/TAWC.htm>.

Funded by the Texas Water Development Board, the alliance is a joint effort of Texas Tech University, Extension, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Agricultural Research Service Cropping Systems Research Laboratory, and several producers in Hale and Floyd counties.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY NEWS

BY JOHN BIRD, CED

NOVEMBER OFFICE CLOSINGS

The USDA Offices will be closed on Friday, November 10 for Veterans Day, and Thursday, November 23 for Thanksgiving Day.

1006 FSA County Committee Elections

The ballots for the 2006 FSA County Committee elections were to be mailed out on Friday, Nov. 3. All ballots must be returned to the office either in person or by mail on or before December 4 to be counted. Counting of the ballots will take place on December 6th.

This year's election is to be held in local administrative area 2, which is the central part (Matador area), of the county. The nominees for filling the position currently held by Bill Luckett are Rob Francis and Kendra Luckett.

Please be sure to vote; we appreciate your participation.

1007 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program Signup

You may now make an ap-

pointment to sign up for the 2007 DCP program. This program is available to those farms that have "base" acres on cropland. You must sign up each year to participate.

The following are the responsibilities of the producer that wants to participate:

— Ensure that you have signed up each of your farms by the deadline.

— Ensure that you have certified all cropland by the final reporting dates.

— Ensure that you control weeds and erosion, and follow your conservation plan.

— Ensure that fruits and vegetables are not planted on DCP base acres.

Please call with any DCP question, or to make an appointment.

Deadlines Approaching

The final date to remove cattle of CRP being grazed under emergency grazing is November 30th.

The final date to purchase a 2007 NAP policy for grass is December 1.

NRCS sets sign-up deadline for 2007 environmental quality incentives program

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has set a Dec. 15, 2006, sign-up deadline for the 2007 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

"The funds allocated for EQIP will help farmers and ranchers improve natural resources on private working lands in Texas," said Dr. Larry Butler, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "The program provides cost-share and incentives payments to producers applying approved conservation measures that help solve natural resource problems."

Natural resource concerns are established in each county by local work groups, who identify the most important natural resource issues in the area. Through EQIP, NRCS also funds projects that address special statewide resource concerns recommended by the

Texas State Technical Committee. The 2007 statewide resource concerns are animal waste, invasive species, plant condition, water quantity and wildlife emphasis areas.

Immediately following the end of the sign-up period, all applications will be ranked. Producers with an approved application will work with an NRCS conservation planner to develop a contract and a plan and will begin implementing conservation practices next spring.

Local NRCS field offices have complete details for their county and the applicable state concerns. Additional information, including ranking criteria, eligible practices, and cost-share rates for all programs, can also be found on the Texas NRCS Web Site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/.

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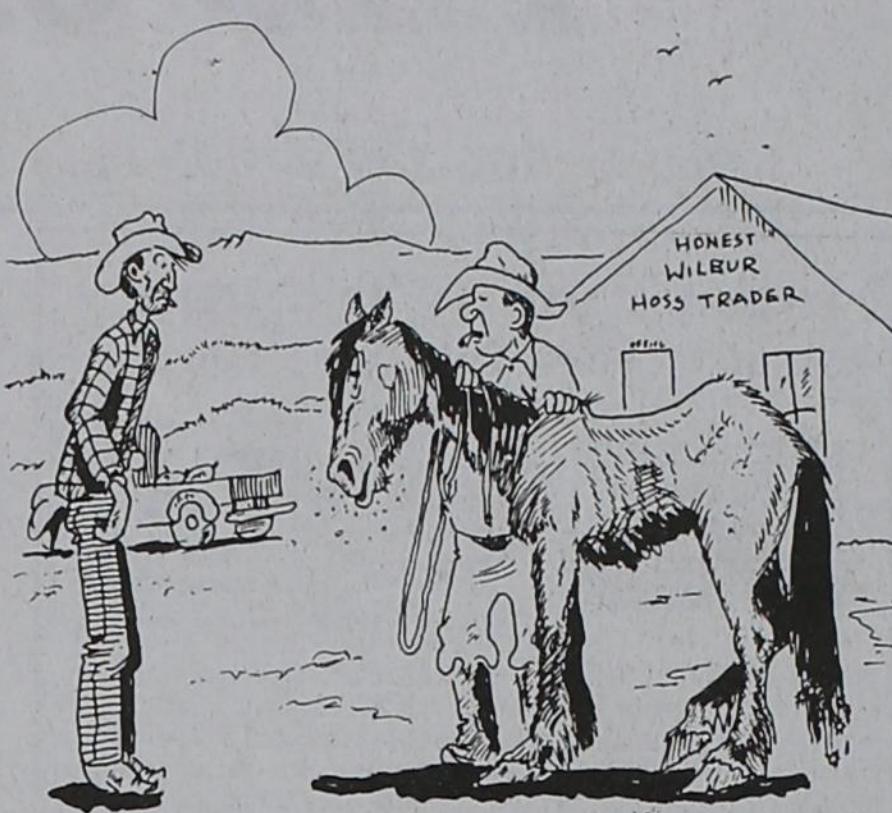
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OIL & GAS UPDATE

by Thomas Musser



SWISHER COUNTY:

The PetroGlobe Energy USA Ltd. Young Lease Well #1032 was spudded on October 24, 2006. Surface casing and intermediate casing has been set and Norton Energy Drilling Company Rig #2 is currently drilling ahead.

There is no significant change since last week's update in the status of any of the other

fifteen wellbores and fifteen permitted locations within the six counties of Briscoe, Floyd, Hale, Hall, Motley and Swisher Counties of the Palo Duro Basin.

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7-Day Forecast

	Thursday Isolated Rain High: 54 Low: 39
	Friday Cloudy High: 58 Low: 46
	Saturday Mostly Cloudy High: 64 Low: 45
	Sunday Partly Cloudy High: 67 Low: 50
	Monday Partly Cloudy High: 68 Low: 52
	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 65 Low: 48
	Wednesday Mostly Cloudy High: 64 Low: 44

In-Depth Forecast

Today we will see cloudy skies with a 30% chance of rain, high temperature of 54°, humidity of 50% and an overnight low of 39°. The record high temperature for today is 88° set in 1973. Friday, skies will remain cloudy with a slight chance of rain, high temperature of 58°.

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
11/5	11/12	11/20	11/28

Last Week's Local Almanac

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Sunday	59	34	74/48	0.00"	Normal precipitation0.40"
Monday	71	38	73/47	0.00"	Departure from normal-0.39"
Tuesday	72	42	73/47	0.00"	
Wednesday	84	57	72/47	0.01"	Average temperature58.6°
Thursday	76	51	72/46	0.00"	Average normal temperature . .59.4°
Friday	68	48	71/46	0.00"	Departure from normal-0.8°
Saturday	79	42	71/45	0.00"	Data as reported from Childress, Texas

Weather History

Nov. 2, 1989 - Squalls in the Upper Great Lakes region the first three days of the month buried Ironwood, Mich. under 46 inches of snow and produced 40 inches at Hurley, Wis. Arctic cold invaded the Southern Plains region. Midland, Texas reported a record low of 22 degrees.

Sun & Moon Times

Sunrise today7:03 a.m.
Sunset tonight5:50 p.m.
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