

## Local church schedules drug awareness seminar

Nothing in modern times has so drastically affected the total population morally and economically as the drug epidemic in America. Current estimates indicate that over one-third of the families in our country are adversely affected by drug abuse.

The First Baptist Church in Lockney

is hosting a Drug Awareness Emphasis on Sunday, July 30, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. to assist in better understanding of the personal and social impact on drug abuse in Texas.

This special Drug Awareness Emphasis will be conducted by Texas Alcohol Narcotics Education, the oldest prevention organization in the state. The pres-

entation will be made by Philip Kappler, who has been specifically trained to provide significant information and prevention alternatives for families.

Philip is also known by the air name of Bobby Brooke. He has been a radio disk jockey in Alabama, Kansas, Florida, and Texas. He has been at several radio stations in Amarillo. He was also a sports caster at KVII-TV and KFDA-TV in Amarillo.

Philip himself was involved with

drugs and alcohol abuse. At the height of this abuse, he was shot in the head bringing events together that led to his personal salvation. He has since been seen as a guest on the 700 Club TV show and has been active in making people aware of how dangerous drugs are through his involvement in churches and with TANE.

Texas Alcohol Narcotics Education (TANE) provides materials and programming for prevention strategies for

individuals, families, schools, churches, community organizations and businesses. It is their belief that prevention is the only answer to the widespread problem of substance abuse. While treatment is necessary to assist those affected by addiction, in the end it is seen to only accommodate the problem.

TANE believes the drug problem will only be solved when public awareness and understanding reaches the level required to invoke the needed response

from the whole community.

The First Baptist Church concern is that every effort be made to provide the community with the information necessary for each person to both understand the potential dangers of abuse to themselves and to ones they love and take the steps necessary to prevent the spread of drug abuse.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the First Baptist Church at 652-3361.

### Mangold retains AAFP membership

Dr. Gary Mangold of Lockney, has completed continuing medical education requirements to retain active membership in the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the national association of family doctors.

The requirements call for the members to complete a minimum of 150 hours of accredited continuing medical study every three years. The

Academy, the country's largest medical association with more than 60,000 members, was the first national medical group to require members to keep up with medical progress through continuing education.

The Academy, founded in 1947 and headquartered in Kansas City, MO., was instrumental in the establishment of new primary specialty in family practice in 1969.

## Lockney sales tax rebates continue to rise

Statewide sales tax rebates for the month of July, 1989 are up 12% over last years tax allocations for the same period.

May's check represents taxes collected by monthly filers in and reported to the Comptroller's office by June 20.

A recently issued report concerning sales and use tax analysis shows an increase of 14.93 percent for the City of Lockney.

Lockney received a rebate check in the amount of \$2,937.88 for the one

percent city sales tax levied on sales during the month of May, 1989. The amount received last year was \$2,556.13.

Total rebates to date in 1989 amount to \$41,927.72 a 53.98 percent increase over the \$27,228.98 collected last year.

Floydada's rebate for the period was \$6,459.91 for a decrease of 10.69 percent over the \$7,233.19 collected for the same time period last year. Floydada has received \$63,252.22 in 1989 as opposed to the \$57,381.79 received in 1988.

Rebates returned in the surrounding communities include:

Crosbyton (Crosby County) received a check in the amount of \$2,868.00 a 21.17 percent increase over the \$2,367.00 they received in 1988. To

cent over the \$29,356.11, an 0.88 percent increase over 1988.

Matador (Motley County) received a check in the amount of \$1,041, a 36.22 percent increase over the \$764.69 they received in 1988. To date they have received \$12,417.73, a decrease of 7.48 percent from the \$13,422.32 received in 1988.

Silverton (Briscoe County) received a check in the amount of \$977.86, a 0.24 percent decrease over the \$980.19 received in 1988. To date they have received \$10,451.29 a decrease of 12.82 percent from the \$11,988 they received in 1988.

Tulia (Swisher County) received a rebate check in the amount of \$12,952.54, an increase of 17.07 per-

cent over the \$11,063.68 received in 1988. To date they have received \$119,572.40, a 19.31 percent increase over the \$100,220.88 received in 1988.

Plainview (Hale County) received a rebate check in the amount of \$130,918.60, a 9.83 percent increase over the \$119,203.50 received in 1988. To date they have received \$1,102,727.11, a 21.74 percent increase over the \$905,779.19 they received in 1988.

Lubbock (Lubbock County) received a rebate check in the amount of \$995,130.94, a 10.17 percent increase over the \$903,304.21 they received in 1988. To date they have received \$8,593,006.81 a 10.24 percent increase over the \$7,794,972.32 they received in 1988.

## Country Magazine begins contest seeking America's top 'character'

COUNTRY magazine has launched a search for "America's No. 1 Country Character".

The national winner will receive a 30-day unlimited ticket on Greyhound or Amtrak, allowing him or her to travel anywhere in the U.S. for a full month to see rural America up close!

And the person who nominated that winner will receive the same, allowing unlimited free travel by train or bus throughout the U.S. for 30 days! Or, the winner or nominator can accept \$1,000.00 in cash instead.

"Every rural community has at least one 'real character' who can be counted on to brighten a dull day," says Roy Reiman, publisher of Country.

"He or she is the one who always comes up with a colorful remark, finds humor in what could be a depressing situation, is perhaps a practical joker, or

is someone who simply marches to a little different drummer to the delight of others in the area."

Sound like someone you know? Then nominate that colorful person — it may give him or her national exposure by being featured in Country magazine, which has attracted over 1 million subscribers in just 2 years. And both you and the winner could be traveling around the country by train or bus for a full month later this year!

#### Here's the How-To

To nominate one of the locals, Country simply requests some details on why you feel this person is "America's No. 1 Country Character", and asks you to enclose a photo of your candidate if at all possible.

Enclose a self-addressed, postage-paid return envelope so the editors can get back to you quickly to get more

details or to return your material later.

All entries and photos become property of Country magazine, which will feature many of the runners-up in future issues before announcing the national winner at the end of the year.

Send your nominations to the Lockney Beacon, Box 187, Lockney, Texas, 79241 and they will be forwarded to the "Country Character Contest".

### Love Fund started for Garza

Friends of Jesse Garza have started a love fund to help with medical expenses. Donations can be sent to the First National Bank in Lockney.

## 17 years of swimmers and sneakers

Violet Cooper came to work at the Lockney swimming pool in the summer of 1973. She has been behind the counter each summer since that time and many of the kids that filled the pool those first years now have children of their own coming to swim.

The swimming pool is a cool oasis on a hot summer day. Mrs. Cooper keeps up with the memberships, and with the numbered baskets that articles of clothing and shoes are kept. She has a concession stand filled with snacks and soft drinks.

Mrs. Cooper related that she used to keep up with the money that each person brought with them to spend on candy and soft drinks. She kept a record of how much money each person gave her and deducted from it each time they purchased candy, gum or soft drinks. Now they are set up to where they can leave their money in their baskets and call for it when they are ready to make their purchases at the concession stand.

She said that they had 134 come in and swim on Sunday July 16 while the temperature hovered at the one hundred degree mark. The largest number she has ever had at the pool at one time numbered 145 and she stated that it was too many for the pool.

In the early years the swimming pool was surrounded with a cyclone fence and Mrs. Cooper and her children spent many hours weaving plastic strips through it to make the pool more private. Last year Caprock Industries put up a

new wooden fence and the City of Lockney installed a new rock surface around the pool.

Another improvement has been the Coke machine. When she owned the Longhorn Inn and had an ice making machine she brought it to the pool and

iced down the soft drinks.

Mrs. Cooper is the wife of Glen Cooper and her children are Teddy Bob, Terry, Tim and Glenda Jones.

She has a soft spot in her heart for the children of Lockney and enjoys being around them.



VIOLET COOPER

## State firemen and fire marshal's association warn of possible scam

The State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association of Texas, the State Fire Marshals' Office and the Texas State Association of Fire Fighters are joining forces to warn Texas' communities of telephone solicitors claiming to represent firefighters.

In an apparent state-wide telemarketing campaign, individuals claiming to represent the Firefighters of Texas have been calling on area businesses trying to sell ads in a fire service publication. It has been reported that when businesses decline the callers have become aggressive and unpleasant.

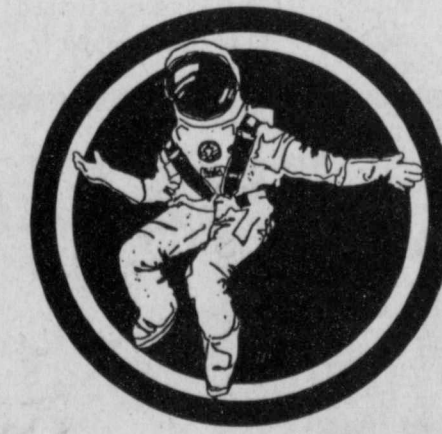
According to David Cox, executive director of the State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association, the two largest-circulation fire service publications in Texas are not involved. "Our magazine, Texas Firemen, is not involved and I know the firefighters' union publication, The Texas Fire Fighter, is not involved either. Fire departments are easy targets for this kind of fraud because so many of them depend heavily on fund-raising and donations."

Union Representative Mike Higgins said this problem is not new for the Texas fire service. "We've had this problem in the past. This current operation is not part of any of our 70 affiliated local unions, or any of the other state organizations we're aware of. Such practices destroy the public's confidence in the fire service."

State Fire Marshal Ernest Emerson said that he hopes anyone receiving these calls will check them out. "The sad truth is that the firefighters of this state

have spent years building a relationship with their communities based on confidence and trust. I only hope anyone receiving calls like this will check them out with their local fire department."

According to the State Attorney General's Office, although not uncommon, these practices are definitely illegal. Anyone receiving these calls who feel they have been misled in anyway can file a complaint with that office by writing: The State Attorney General of Texas, Consumer Protection Division, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, Texas 78711.



MAN ON THE MOON DAY

July 20

## The journey from Miss Floyd County Fair Queen to the title of Miss Texas

Leah Kay Lyle, of Plainview, went on from being named the 1983 Miss Floyd County Fair Queen to being named Miss Texas for 1989.

In 1983 the 16 year old entered the Miss Floyd Fair Queen contest and walked away the winner. At 22 she entered the Miss Texas contest and again walked away the winner.

Miss Lyle is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lyle of Plainview. Her father is attorney for the City of Lockney.

After being announced the winner of the Miss Texas pageant Miss Lyle stated "It was a dream I've had for many years; a dream that has come true."

A total of 69 women entered the pageant and ten contestants were selected for the final preliminary competition. In the talent section of the competition Miss Lyles performed "The Fourth Movement of Ginastera's Sonata No. 1" on the piano.

In the interview portion of the pag-

ant she was asked how she felt about education and she replied, "I am a very firm believer in education. I think that in Texas we need to concentrate more of our funds on our elementary and secondary areas of education."

Miss Lyle is a graduate of Plainview High School and Baylor University and has a degree in communications. She is now a research assistant with the Texas Legislative Council in Austin.

The following was taken from the 1983 Lockney Beacon:

The Floyd and surrounding Counties Fair closed Saturday night with the crowning of the Fair Queen and Little Miss Floyd County. Leah Kay Lyle, 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lyle of Plainview, was crowned the queen and Kaci Mathis, 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mathis of Lockney was crowned Little Miss Floyd County.

First runner-up in the queen contest was Danika Dudley, age 6 of Floydada, second runner-up was Joni Smith of Floydada, third runner-up was Chelsea Patridge age 5 of Lockney, and Tamarah Burson, age 5 of Lockney, was the fourth runner-up. Also named during the competition was Miss Personality Plus, Betty Rose Drummond, age 3 of Floydada. Miss Photogenic, Heather Lemons, age 3 of Plainview. Winner of the Little Miss sportswear competition was Misty Bertrand of Floydada and the formal wear winner was Nicole Logan of Hale Center.

First runner-up in the queen contest





**YARD LIVENS UP NEIGHBORHOOD**--The yard at 313 Poplar is a sea of color and brightens up the neighborhood. The trees make a cool backdrop to the splash of color in the front yard. **Staff Photo**

## Lockney Baseball Association ends season

The Lockney Baseball Association would like to thank everyone involved

### Lockney This Week

#### IRICK REUNION

The Irick Community Reunion will be held at the Lockney Community building on Sunday, August 6, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Anyone who has ever lived in the Irick Community is invited. Bring sandwiches and cookies as beverages will be provided.

Lockney Beacon Deadlines  
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for making this year's program a success. However, we must thank Lockney Coop for fertilizing the field; Walter Gloyna for electrical work he donated; Linda Griffith for running the concession stand; Steven Cates for umpiring and mowing the field; Donald Webster, Jarod Harrison, Dickie McCarty, Bill Anderson and others for umpiring.

New advertising signs were painted this year thanks to Dickie McCarty, Rodger Stapp, Andy Stapp, Ricky, Lisa, Jarod and Johnny Mosley and they were installed by Donald Webster and Gary Marr.

Our many thanks goes to the civic clubs, businesses and individuals that have donated money or bought advertising signs; without them we could not have had the needed extra equipment.

This year Lockney had 141 children involved in four different leagues of play. This was the most trouble free year we've seen in a long time, which is a great tribute to the quality and cooperation of the coaches. The teams and coaches of each league were as follows:

#### T-Ball

Royals, coached by Mike Dietrick, and Martin Stoerner

Panthers, coached by Danny and Lesca Durham and Glenn and Tina Graves

Astros, coached by Lisa Mosley and Amy Thornton

Cardinals, T-Ball 1st place winners, coached by Randy and Nancy Hender-son.

#### Little League

Astros, coached by Ricky Mosley and Marlon McDonald

Rangers, coached by Jerry Rodriguez

Pirates, coached by Cruz Perales and Johnny Reynaga

Yankees, 1st place winners, coached by Louie Bybee and Randall Stapp

#### Pony League

A's, coached by Buster Terrell and Jim Clark

Dodgers, coached by Robert Martinez

Cubs, 1st place winners, coached by Jim Martin and Mike Means

#### Girls Softball

The Red team was coached by Bill Hunter and David Sutterfield

The Blue team, 1st place winners, coached by Dickie McCarty

All coaches are asked to return equipment to Gary Marr for storage purposes.

Everyone is reminded that the field is available for rent for \$75.00 plus \$25.00 in deposit. The deposit is returnable upon clean-up of the field.

We should also thank all parents that helped coach anytime during the season. We would also apologize to the players for the rain shortened season.

Sincerely,

Gary Marr

Baseball Commissioner

### CARD OF THANKS

Our sincerest thanks to Robert Webb and the Southwestern Public Service crew from Plainview for relamping our softball field at no cost. We are enjoying the additional lights and our play has improved dramatically! Your support and help for our organization is appreciated throughout the community. Thank you for a job well done and for contributing to our summer fun.

Sincerely,

Susy Smith, President

D'Lynn Morris, Secretary/Treasurer

The entire Lockney Women's Softball Association

7-20p

## Heed the health hazards of hot weather

Summer traditionally is a time for fun in the sun. The Texas Medical Association warns that hot, humid weather may pose severe health problems, ranging from the less serious heat fatigue or heat exhaustion to the potentially fatal heat stroke.

To avoid heat-related illness, drink plenty of water and juices, bathe or shower frequently with cool water, and use fans and air conditioners liberally. When outside, wear light-weight, light-colored, loose-fitting clothing; cotton is best. Avoid vigorous activity during the hottest part of the day, noon to 4 p.m., and wear a hat or use an umbrella when in the sun.

In hot weather or during strenuous exercise, the body cools itself through perspiration. Cooling occurs when perspiration evaporates from the skin. However, when challenged by long periods of intense heat, the body may lose its ability to cool. Hyperthermia is the result. Poor ventilation, improper clothing, and the lack of fluids can contribute to this.

Heat fatigue, the least serious of heat-related illnesses, causes weakness. Symptoms include cool, moist skin and a weakened pulse. The person may feel faint or dizzy. Mild hyperthermia can cause heat cramps—muscle spasms in the abdomen, arms, or legs after strenuous activity. With both heat stress and heat cramps, body temperature usually remains normal.

Heat exhaustion, caused by the body's loss of water and salt, is a more serious warning that the body is overheating. Symptoms include thirst, giddiness, weakness, profuse sweating, loss of coordination and appetite, and nausea. Body temperature often is elevated, but usually no higher than 101 degrees.

Heat fatigue, cramps, and heat exhaustion may be treated in several ways. Victims should lie down in a cool place, preferably air-conditioned, and drink water or fruit and vegetable juices. Alcohol and caffeine should be avoided. Victims also should shower, bathe, or sponge off with cool water. If left untreated, heat exhaustion can progress to heat stroke.

Heat stroke can be life-threatening, and immediate medical attention is required. Heat stroke usually is preceded by headache, dizziness, nausea, confusion and even convulsions. The victim may be flushed, but may not be perspir-

ing. The pulse generally is strong and rapid, and the body temperature may reach 104 degrees Fahrenheit and keep rising. The person may lose consciousness. In this situation, keep the victim cool, but do not attempt to render aid. Expert emergency attention is required for suspected heat stroke.

Prevent serious heat-related illnesses by making sure the proper precautions are taken. With sound judgment and an ounce of prevention, the summer can remain a time of fun and leisure for everyone.

The Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 29,000 physician and medical student members. It is based in Austin and has 116 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 80 percent of the state's physicians, and its goal is to improve the health of Texans through the professional and personal development of members.

## Lockney Women's Softball Association game schedule

The schedule for the Lockney Women's Softball Association for 1989 is listed below. The home team is the first team listed on each game of the schedule.

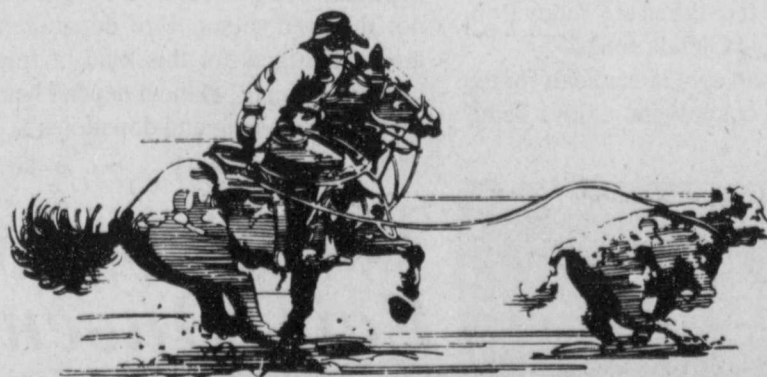
Thursday, July 20  
7:00 Cargill vs Providence  
8:00 California Coolers vs Thompson's  
9:00 GASOLINE GIVEAWAY

**STOCKHOLDERS**  
and your **FAMILIES**  
are cordially invited to attend your  
**32nd Annual**  
**Stockholders Meeting**  
of  
**Lockney Cooperatives**  
Lockney

**Thursday, July 20, 1989**  
at the **Elementary School Cafetorium**  
Dinner will be served at **7:30 p.m.**  
followed by a **Business Session**  
**Two Directors will be elected**  
**Door Prizes will be given away**

## THE MAIN EVENT OF THE SUMMER

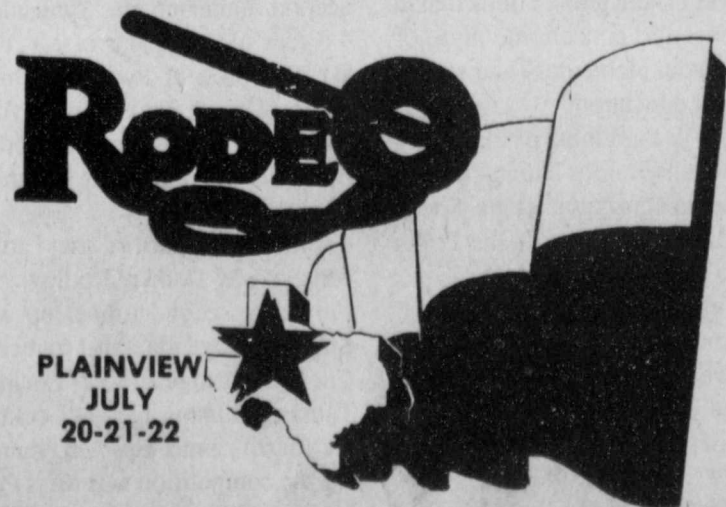
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**BAR NONE ARENA SOUTH DATE**  
**PERFORMANCES THIS THURS. - FRI. - SAT. 8:00 P.M.**  
**DANCE TO SLOW MOTION FRI. & SAT. NIGHTS**  
**PARADE DOWNTOWN SAT. AT 2:30 P.M.**  
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## Ribbons awarded to winners of Floyd County 4-H Dress Revue

Eleven girls participated in the Floyd County 4-H Dress Revue. Judging was held Thursday, July 13 in the home economics department at Lockney High School.

Cindy Belt and Kathy Becker were the judges for the local event. Each girl modeled the item of clothing she had made before the judges and they answered questions on what they had learned from the project. Each was asked about the construction of their garment, why they had chosen the particular pattern and fabric, where they planned to wear their item of clothing and how it was to be cared for.

Both judges commented on the excellent work that the girls had done and how pleased they were with the interest they had shown.

After the judges had tallied up the scores cookies and lemonade were served to those attending. Vicki Yeary introduced Amy Turner and she in turn gave the welcoming address.

Charla Yeary narrated the fashion show for the Junior I division of the revue. Participating were Mandy Yeary, Kaci Mathis and Stacy Lloyd. The outfit that Miss Lloyd wore was 100 percent

cotton, made in the USA from cotton grown in the USA.

Modeling in the the Junior II division of the style show were Zacha Harris, Mandy Hunter; Charla Yeary, and Joni Smith.

Mandy Hunter read the senior commentary and introduced Amy Turner. Turner modeled the jumpsuit she had made.

Ribbons were presented by 4-H leader Vicki Yeary to those who placed in the judging.

Placing first in the various Junior I divisions were Kaci Mathis, casual construction; Mandy Yeary, pee wee construction; Stacy Lloyd, casual ready-to-wear; Misty Rowan, special construction.

In the Junior II division of the revue Mandy Hunter placed first in casual construction and placing second was Zacha Harris. Missy Bertrand placed first in dressy ready-to-wear and in sportswear Charla Yeary garnered the first place ribbon. In specialty wear construction Joni Smith placed first.

In the non-tailored section of the senior division Amy Turner placed first and Christy Rowan second.

Special awards were presented to Kaci Mathis as the best Rookie, Stacy Lloyd as the best garment made of 100 percent cotton, and best model honors went to Mandy Hunter.



**4-H DRESS REVUE WINNER--** Amy Turner was a first place winner in the Senior Division of the judging competition held in the home economics department at Lockney High School on Thursday. She will advance to the district competition to be held in Lubbock later in the summer. Staff Photo

### Bridal courtesy fetes Hallmark bride-elect

A bridal courtesy in the home of Mrs. David Frizzell in Lockney honored Tammi Thomas from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Miss Thomas, of Wichita, Kansas, is the bride-elect of Brent Hallmark of Lockney.

The serving table was laid with a white floor length cloth and pink overlay. Mauve and pink silk flowers in a white basket accentuated the setting. Shelley Hall and Shana Stapp served finger foods, fruit and punch.

A vacuum cleaner was presented to the honoree by hostesses, Mmes. Bob Moats, Malcolm Moerbe, Phil Cotham, Kenneth Holt, Eddie Teeter, Jack Frizzell, Travis Hulce, G.B. Johnston, Jerry Williams, Johnny Belt, Ruth Noland, Rusty Baccus, Kelton Shaw, Ronnie Thornton, Johnny Dorman, Terry Ellison, Joe Cunnyus, Don Aufill, Gene Collins, Carl Lee Jr., Ricky Mosley and David Frizzell.

### Lockney Care Center Capers

By Inez Gibson

On the bus trip Monday we stopped at Larry Golden's farm and saw the llamas and miniature donkeys, then we went on to the Providence community. I enjoyed the ride probably as much as the residents. We tried to remember who lived in which house and where some of them lived before coming to the Nursing Home.

Wednesday, we had a popcorn party and the residents have gone outside and enjoyed the flowers several days this week. Also, this week the staff and residents have enjoyed another beautiful flower arrangement courtesy of Chuck and Joyce Wilson. We send our many thanks to them for honor of the beautiful flower. Come see us and our flower anytime you can.



**4-H DRESS REVUE JUNIOR II WINNERS-(L-R)** Mandy Hunter placed first in casual construction and was named best model; Joni Smith garnered first in specialty wear construction; Zacha Harris second in casual

construction; and Charla Yeary first in sportswear at the judging competition held Thursday in the home economic department in Lockney. Winners will participate at the district dress revue later in the year. Staff Photo

## "God's Country" kicks off fourth season with August performances

Music, drama, dance and fun fill the night air when "God's Country" bursts into its fourth year of telling stories about early Crosby county history.

The original outdoor musical will be performed at 8:30 p.m. August 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12 in Blanco Canyon amphitheater, 10-1/2 miles north of Crosbyton. Crosbyton is 36 miles east of Lubbock on U.S. 82 and Texas 114.

Many sell-out performances have marked the success of the community-based show.

New episodes and new treatment of scenes entice new patrons and repeat viewers to come again.

A delightful first-time scene, appropriately named, "The Lavender Cowboy", involves quite a few local young people. A charming group of lasses serenades a forlorn cowboy who despite the fact that he has used ample amount of hair tonic, still has only two hairs on his chest!

Another new scene contains a circuit rider preacher holding an old-fashioned camp meeting. A young man finds it difficult to pay close attention to the preaching when surrounded by several pretty young women in "The Revival".

The complete show of six episodes depicts Crosby county life between 1872 and 1886, the first 16 years of pioneer activity on the South Plains.

The format of music and script bring out the human element of history, and the outdoor theater draws the audience into the natural surroundings where much of the story actually occurred. Recent rains have further enhanced Blanco Canyon's wild flower beauty. The stories about the real activities of real people have many humorous, exciting and significant moments.

Blanco Canyon amphitheater is an outdoor auditorium designed and built in 1986 by volunteer labor with professional advice. Situated on an 11-acre site, the theater was constructed on the northwest side of a natural berm. The 720 seats are permanent benches without backs. Tickets holders should bring stadium seats for maximum viewing pleasure. A special section has been set aside for wheelchair/handicapped. Portable restrooms are on the premises.

Crosbyton, Floydada and Dickens have limited motel facilities. A camping area is a White River Lake, 24 miles southeast of Crosbyton.

The Lubbock area is served by major motel chains and are rental agencies and may be reached by American, Delta,

America West and Southwest Airlines.

Reserved seat tickets may be purchased for \$6.42 by mail or telephone. Mail checks to "God's Country," P.O. Box 386, Crosbyton, TX 79322. Call

806-675-2331 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays and Saturday mornings.

A concession stand including sandwiches, fajitas and soft drinks is available.

## Senior Citizen Rockins'

Congratulations to Maxine Hill on the birth of a great-grandson. Samuel Delton Jack Walters born July 7 in San Antonio Texas, his parents are Dan and Regina K. Walters.

Visiting Jewel Thompson were two neices, Lena Allison of San Diego, California and Lorraine Davis of Lubbock, Texas.

### MENU

#### July 24 - 28

Monday - Pork chops, candied yams, buttered spinach, green salad, peanut butter bars, rolls, tea, coffee

Tuesday - Frosted meatloaf, pinto beans, pickles, onions, green salad, cornbread muffins, pudding, tea, coffee

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak, lettuce salad, graham crackers, rolls, tea, coffee

Thursday - Roast (carrots, potatoes, onions), english peas, green salad, pineapple cake, rolls, tea, coffee

Friday - Fish, tartar sauce, potato salad, coleslaw, beet pickles, cobbler, rolls, tea, coffee

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 21 - Mary Ruth Fewell, Ray Dillard

July 22 - C.L. (Mike) Mooney

July 23 - Bonnie Pigg

July 24 - Myrtle Taylor

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

July 23 - Ray and Virginia Sissney

July 24 - Clyde and Alma Baxter

July 25 - John and Margie Turner, Dowell and Ledell Brewer

**NOT UP TO PAR:** Mildred Hilton, Olsen Manor 3350 Olsen St., Amarillo, Texas 79109, Jewel Fortenberry, Katherine Ball

### NEWS

Thursday night the 20th will be potluck supper, so cook something and come on to the center.

Thursday night the 13th was salad supper, sure alot of good salads and desserts, 104 participants and guest attended.

Everyone that ate lunch at the center Friday enjoyed the fresh corn on the cob. Thanks to Elmer Swaffer, Dale Gallaway, they picked it from Max Howard's field. Thanks alot!

## New Arrivals!

### WALTHERS

Delton and Clydell Jack are proud to announce the birth of a grandson, Samuel Delton Jack Walters. He was born Friday, July 7, 1989 in San Antonio, Texas. He was 21 inches long and weighed 8 lbs and 1 oz. His parents are Dan and Regina Kay Walters and he has a sister Adrian DeAnn.

*The Big City  
is a nice place to shop.  
But shopping here is nicer.  
Money spent here  
creates jobs and  
builds the community.*



**4-H DRESS REVUE JUNIOR I WINNERS--**Participating in the Junior I division of the judging competition were (L-R) Kaci Mathis, first place in casual construction, Mandy Yeary first place in pee wee construction, and Stacy Lloyd, first place in casual ready-to-wear. Staff Photo

## Hrbacek hosts Athena members

Athena Study Club met July 11 at the home of Vida Hrbacek. The co-hostesses for the meeting were Kathy Allen and Laura Smith. Theme for the meeting was Hawaiian and a buffet style dinner was served.

Present for the July meeting were Kathy Allen, Jane Archer, Vida Hrbacek, Barbara Mathis, Dinnie Meriwether, Laura Smith, Tanya Covington, Barbara Cawley, Shirley Hardin, Vera Jo Bybee, Lanell Stone, Gayle Reay, Leslie Patterson and Gayle Jackson.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Gayle Reay on August 8 at 6:00 p.m.

## Americans' love affair with hamburgers is unquestionable

Whether grilled, char-broiled or barbequed, there is no question about Americans' love affair with hamburgers, especially during the summer. They taste great, they are easy to make and they seem somehow evocative of the independent American spirit — for every hamburger can be as imaginative and distinctive as its creator.

The clearest measure of the hamburger's nearly universal popularity is the fact that of all the sandwiches

consumed in the United States, 59 percent of them — some \$25 billion worth — are hamburgers, according to a 1987 Gallup poll. The fast food restaurants that serve many of these hamburgers are American institutions that are an integral part of daily American life.

Although the hamburger has been the centerpiece of American cuisine for 100 years, the popularity of this all-American sandwich remains unrivaled. As American tastes have evolved, so too has the hamburger, which now sports a diversity unheard of even a decade ago.

Americans down an average of nearly 30 pounds of hamburger each year, a figure that has actually increased by more than 17 percent since 1980. Cheese is the most popular burger topping, with one in four burger eaters claiming a preference for cheeseburgers.

The popularity of diners and drive-ins in the 1950s actually spawned the fast food hamburger restaurants as Americans took to their cars in droves and invented take-out meals - basically the hamburger.

As the summertime barbeque season gets underway, backyards everywhere will be filled with the smell of hamburgers on the grill.

### Dog Days of Summer

The "dog days", the hottest period of the Northern Hemisphere's summer usually lasts about 40 days. Generally considered the period between July 3 and August 15, the dog days get their name from Sirius, the dog star.

Sirius rises simultaneously with the sun during this period, and the ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Romans believed that the star added to the sun's heat and caused hot weather.

The ancients also believed that dogs were driven to madness during this time and that the dog days were detrimental to human's well-being.

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THURSDAY JULY 20

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MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Thursday, including 'For The Love Of Benji' and 'Brewster's Millions'.

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MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Friday, including 'Flipper' and 'Friday the 13th'.

SATURDAY JULY 22

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SUNDAY JULY 23

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MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Sunday, including 'Sergeant York' and 'The Naked Spur'.

MONDAY JULY 24

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MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Monday, including 'If A Man Answers' and 'Doctor Detroit'.

TUESDAY JULY 25

Table with columns for Time, Channel, Program Name, and Description for Tuesday.

MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Tuesday, including 'Long Journey Back' and 'Somewhere in Time'.

WEDNESDAY JULY 26

Table with columns for Time, Channel, Program Name, and Description for Wednesday.

MORNING and EVENING program highlights for Wednesday, including 'Paper Dolls' and 'Nevada Smith'.



## Directory features tourism

A native Texan's friendly face smiles from the cover of the 1989 Southwestern Bell Telephone (SWBT) directory which will be delivered in Lockney starting July 3, 1989, said Jim West, Area Manager.

There is a reason why Joe Dobkins of Red Oak is featured on the cover. He's also featured in the Texas Department of Commerce's tourism advertising campaign bearing the theme "Texas. It's Like A Whole Other Country". The campaign is targeted at potential tourists from all over the United States.

"Research from the campaign shows that tourists mention friendliness as the biggest drawing card to Texas, more than the Alamo or any other attraction," said Jim West. "All Texans can have a major impact on tourism by being 'Texas Friendly'."

The photo of Dobkins will appear on more than 175 Southwestern Bell Telephone directories distributed across the state in 1989.

"Travel and tourism directly benefits the Texas economy. It's a \$17 billion industry which helps support over 300,000 jobs in Texas," West said. "Obviously, tourism plays a major role in Texas' economic development effort. Using our directory cover to promote tourism and our 'Texas Friendly' hospitality is one more way we can help boost the state's economy."

West said about 1,134 directories will be delivered to area residences and businesses. Delivery should be completed by July 17, 1989.

The Lockney directory will also feature a slightly larger typeface for the residential and business listings. "We made this change after asking our customers how we could improve our directory," said West.

Each residential customer will receive one directory. For additional copies, customers should call their Southwestern Bell Telephone business office. However, West requests that customers not call right away.

"If your friend across town got his directory before you received yours, you'll probably get one within a few days," he said.

This year, 11 white pages and 17 yellow pages make up the Lockney directory. There are 1,224 white page listings.

Local emergency numbers are listed on the inside of the front cover of the new directory.

Hearing or speech impaired customers using TTD/TTY may contact the Customer Assistance Bureau to communicate their telephone needs. They may call toll-free 1-951-7088 during business hours for an immediate response. Calls will be answered after hours and directed to the bureau during the next business day.

In Customer Guide at the front of the directory, customers will find tips on how to save money on their phone service. Also included is a toll free number Texas customers may call if they have a complaint about their telephone service (1-800-422-0499).

## Container plants create instant color in landscape

Container plants continue to gain popularity because of their versatility, portability and limited space needs.

Colorful flowering plants, as well as vegetable and fruit producing plants, can be grown in containers, said Brent Crossland, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Container plants have been used for landscape enrichment throughout history. They can be highlighted in a prominent spot when at their peak and hidden from view when not needed or when in less than attractive condition, Crossland said.

In addition, a wide variety of plant species have different cultural requirements may be grown on the same premises since individual soil, watering, pH, fertility, light and other environmental requirements can be provided for each container.

Almost any plant can be used as a container specimen as long as its cultural requirements are met, Crossland said.

Placing a plant in a container tends to dramatize it and make it more important visually. Deciduous or evergreen trees, shrubs and vines, annual and perennial flowers may be used.

## Grass clippings are good source of organic matter

Summer rains in many areas should make lawn grasses grow rapidly. That means lawn mowing and more grass clippings.

Save those clippings and put them to use in a compost pile, said Brent Crossland, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Besides being a good source of organic matter for gardens and flower beds, composting is an excellent way to dispose of garden debris, leaves and similar plant material and reduce the amount of land-fill space needed.

The compost pile should be 4 to 6 feet wide and any length, depending on material and space available, said Crossland.

A simple composting method is to alternate 4- to 6-inch layers of plant matter, such as leaves or grass, with 2 to 4 inches of good garden soil. Add manure to the soil layer if it's available, and sprinkle commercial fertilizer on each layer of plant matter to hasten decomposition. Use a cupful of fertilizer with a 1-1-1 ratio per 100 square feet, Crossland recommended.

The compost pile's top layer should be soil and should form a basin to hold water. Then water each layer of organic matter before adding the soil layer, said Crossland.

"Water the pile thoroughly when completed. Add water as needed to keep the material moist but not soggy, since leaves decompose slowly if too dry," said Crossland.

Turn compost every three to four months to aerate the material and speed

"The key is to determine where the plant will usually be located and the availability of sunlight, moisture and protection. Annual flowers usually prefer at least a half day's full sun, but most tropicals and evergreens do well with less," the agent said.

Design of the overall area should be considered. When selecting from the wide variety of containers on the market today, choose those of simple design that do not compete with the plant but tend to feature it, said Crossland. For instance, plants in plain terra cotta clay pots often are featured on beautifully designed terraces, patios and entrances. Fortunately, some of the most appropriate containers such as clay products are often moderately priced.

Care of the plant is quite important. Container plants usually require more care than those grown in the ground. Frequent watering, often on a daily basis, is necessary for most species, especially during hot weather said Crossland. Arrangements should be made for their care during vacations, or they can be partially sunk into the ground in a shady, moist area.

Once the plant is well established, add small amounts of a complete fertilizer, periodically, said Crossland.

year, it will be ready to use, and you'll be glad you saved those grass clippings, Crossland said.

## Drug conference is set for August 24 - 27 by Texas DPS

The Texas Department of Public Safety Officers Association will host the "Join the Move!" Summer Conference, a special gathering of drug education experts, August 24-27 in New Braunfels.

The conference will be a rare opportunity for drug education experts from Texas and Washington D.C., as well as leaders from the Texas business community, to get together and study the drug educational landscape as it now exists in the state.

The conference is a part of the DPSOA's drug education project, "Join the move!" which was introduced into Texas' schools this spring. The Honorary Chair of the project is Mrs. Alice Sessions, wife of FBI Director William Sessions.

"Join the Move!" corporate sponsors include United Parcel Service and Whataburger restaurants. The Summer Conference is sponsored by First City, Texas.

The New Braunfels' conference is committed to finding the best way to educate students about drugs abuse. If you would like more information about the project, write the DPSOA at P.O. Box 4998, Austin, TX 78765.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evangelistic Service 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

**LOCKNEY LATIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Corner of Washington and 1st Street  
652-2181  
Rev. Juan Herrera  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.  
Prayer Service - Friday 7:30 p.m.

**SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD TEMPLO GETSEMANI**  
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Samuel Rodriguez, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Evangelistic Service 6:00 p.m.  
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Service Every Sunday  
Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
No Evening Services

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Dale M. Harter, Minister  
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

**"ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP" FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**  
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Ron Dysart, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Evangelistic 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

**SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Pastor: Fr. Jack Gist  
Wednesday Evening Communion Service 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday Vigil Mass of Sunday 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday Mass 12:30 p.m.

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Floydada  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

**LATIN AMERICAN CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 8:00 p.m.

**CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Floydada  
Randall Morris, Preacher  
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.  
Spanish Assemblé, Sunday 3:00 p.m.

**MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Lockney  
Perry Zumwalt, Pastor  
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.  
Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

**WEST COLLEGE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
West College & Third, Lockney  
Frank Duckworth, Evangelist  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 8:00 p.m.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Providence Community  
Rev. Bruce Adamson  
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 10:00 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Rev. Robert Kirk  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
UMY 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
United Methodist Women. First Tuesday of Month Circles, Monday (2nd & 4th Monday nights) Tuesday & Wednesday Mornings.

**GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
John Williams, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Monday Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.  
Prayer Service - Tuesday 8:00 p.m.  
Service Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM**  
Lockney  
Israel Tapia  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Christian Training Time 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

**BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Bob Chapman  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Services 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening Services 7:30 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Gary D. Higgs, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
R.A.'s 5:00 p.m.  
Church Training 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Bible Study 7:00 p.m. (Jr. High & High School)  
Kids of The King... Children's Choir 7:00 p.m.  
Pre-school Choir & Mission Friends 7:00 p.m.  
Adult Choir 8:00 p.m.  
Baptist Women 1st and 3rd Mondays  
Saturday: Men's Prayer Meeting 7:30 a.m.

**CALVARY BAPTIST**  
Floydada  
Pastor Larry Perkins  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

**SPANISH BAPTIST MISSION**  
Floydada  
Rev. Lupe Rando  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Church Training 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY CHURCH**  
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G.A. Van Hoose, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Night Prayer 7:30 p.m.

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Floydada  
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BTU 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Mid-Week Prayer Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
Bible Study Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. V.L. "Buster" Huggins  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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**SUNDAY:**  
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Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Adult Church Training 6:00 p.m.  
R.A.'s, G.A.'s, Mission Friends 6:00 p.m.  
Evening Worship Service 7:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY:**  
Evening Meal 6:00 p.m.  
Acteans 6:00 p.m.  
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

**VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Travis Curry, Pastor  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Services 7:00 p.m.

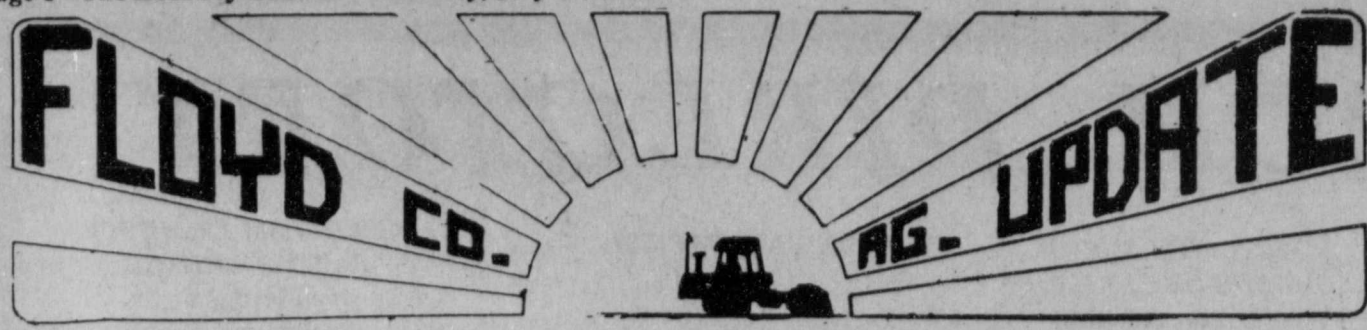
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Floydada  
Rev. James Jenkins, Pastor  
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Wed. Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

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## Marketing seminars offer options

With the Drought of 1988 still fresh in the minds of farmers, grain market prices, cash and futures, remain strong due to the depletion in reserves that resulted.

Because subsoil moisture is just as depleted in many areas, there is potentially greater risk in the market place during the year after a severe drought. Producers are becoming more sophisticated in reducing production and price risks by using forward contracts, minimum price contracts, crop insurance, government price supports and, in some cases, futures and options.

One of these tools is sure to fade in importance. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) plans to reduce farm price support expenditures, which reached \$25.8 billion in 1986, to between \$2 billion and \$3 billion by 1994.

Perhaps for this reason, more farmers are attending educational seminars on the uses of options in marketing their crops. They are becoming aware that there is a limit to government assistance and that free-market alternatives should be investigated.

Gene Mueller, education and marketing manager at the Chicago Board of Trade, notes that, ironically, some farmers have even used options to protect their government deficiency payments. "Since payments are tied to national average prices, a farmer has considerable risk of having his payments reduced should national prices trend higher," he said.

Even though many people still furrow their brows and scratch their heads when options are discussed, options have become a bigger part of farmers' marketing strategies. "Elevators have to compete for farmers' crops," Mueller said. "Options have enabled them to offer farmers a minimum price contract just as futures allow them to offer cash forward contracts. The elevator operator covers his forward purchase by selling futures and covers the minimum price contract by buying put options."

A call option gives the option purchaser the right to buy a futures contract within a certain time for a specified price. A put option gives the option

purchaser the right to sell a futures contract under the same circumstances. The fee the option buyer pays the seller is called the premium. Premiums are determined in open outcry trading just as futures prices are discovered. Unlike futures, options require only the premium to be paid - no margins that may require additional money if markets move against you. The option buyer may take advantage of better prices if available by choosing to let an option expire unexercised.

Options sellers consider a number of variables to determine what premiums they will seek in the pit. One is the volatility of the futures market. Another is the time left until the option expires. A third is whether the strike price of the option would earn the buyer profit if exercised immediately ("in-the-money").

As the futures markets are subject to greater volatility in summer months, premiums rise. Mueller said that farmers may use a variety of strategies that include selling as well as buying options to reduce marketing expenses. The Board of Trade's Education and Marketing Department has a number of home study courses on options available. To receive a complete listing of available literature, call for a publication catalog at 1-800-THE-CBOT, ext. 30.

## Ninth CRP signup underway

Farmers in Floyd County can once again bid their highly erodible land into the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). The ninth sign-up started on July 17 and will last until August 4. This program comes under the Food Security Act of 1985.

Of the 447,968 crop base acres in Floyd County there are now a total of 79,228 acres enrolled in the CRP program and of the 245,851 acres of cotton bases in the county there are 33,057 cotton acres enrolled in the CRP.

In order to receive USDA farm program benefits, farmers with erodible land need to have an approved conservation plan in place by December 31, 1989. Farmers who file a CRP bid and who have a plan in effect by December 31 will have until 1995 to complete the plan. If they wait until 1990 to get their plan approved they cannot receive USDA program benefits until the plan is installed.

Land planted to permanent cover reduces erosion, improves water quality and reduces sedimentation to streams, lakes and estuaries.

Farmers in the 25 counties represented by Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. have contracted to take 1.412 million acres of program crop bases out of production under the 10 year conservation reserve program (CRP).

That is 17.5 percent of the 8.07 million acres that would otherwise be allocated to production and/or other acreage reduction programs for cotton, corn, grain sorghum, wheat, barley, and oats. These figures were compiled from county figures supplied by the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS). Covered is the acreage enrolled in the CRP through eight completed sign-up periods. These sign-up

periods have been held from early 1986 through 1989.

Cotton accounts for 723,017 acres and over one half the CRP acreage on the Plains, which is equal to 15.4 percent of the area's 4.685 million total base cotton acres. Farmers are obligated for ten years to devote the idled acreage to conservation uses such as permanent grasses. The USDA agrees to pay one half the cost of establishing grass or other approved conservation measures, and pays an annual fee to compensate producers for loss of crop production

income. The maximum bid accepted by the USDA in the High Plains area has been \$40.00 per acre.

To avoid excessive damage to the economy in any given area, except under special circumstances the law prohibits enrollment of over 25 percent of the available cropland in a county.

Chart below shows county total base acreages of the six program crops. CRP acreage from all bases, total cotton acreage bases and cotton bases bid into the CRP.

County	Total Acreage, All Crop Bases	Acreage, All Bases in CRP	Total Acreage, Cotton Bases	Acreage, Cotton Bases in CRP
BAILEY	352,451	86,521	156,963	34,807
BORDEN	46,040	4,417	34,708	2,814
BRISCOE	154,177	39,702	67,461	16,186
CASTRO	402,933	35,473	98,776	6,269
COCHRAN	328,333	82,074	180,573	34,515
CROSBY	306,081	20,982	234,414	12,976
DAWSON	363,651	55,275	324,329	46,769
DEAF SMITH	521,688	123,442	15,477	5,771
DICKENS	113,661	30,790	71,142	18,055
FLOYD	447,968	79,228	245,851	33,057
GAINES	591,800	132,861	463,211	104,707
GARZA	62,281	12,347	54,828	10,331
HALE	553,299	85,180	295,986	41,043
HOCKLEY	450,972	66,456	341,169	41,457
HOWARD	140,045	13,691	115,287	9,939
LAMB	493,448	102,537	279,780	59,194
LUBBOCK	417,605	24,919	350,063	18,939
LYNN	379,009	37,705	310,862	26,708
MARTIN	197,775	42,381	171,337	35,103
MIDLAND	51,005	7,463	43,384	6,174
MOTLEY	84,416	23,133	65,453	16,604
PARMER	453,422	42,351	89,587	7,597
SWISHER	417,571	99,530	123,233	29,156
TERRY	462,644	92,701	358,520	66,667
YOAKUM	278,179	70,970	183,148	38,179
TOTALS	8,070,454	1,412,129	4,684,542	723,014

## Lint contamination can reduce cotton fiber value

Remembering a few important principles concerning cover crops planted in conjunction with cotton can save producers, especially those on the High and Rolling Plains, a lot of money when the cotton is sold. Additionally, it can save buyers and mills a lot of headaches.

According to Dr. Bill Lalor, senior director of agricultural research for Cotton Incorporated, producers need to keep lint contamination in mind and plan carefully as they begin to plant Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) approved cover crops to minimize wind and water erosion on acreage conservation reserves (ACR).

Approved cover crops such as annual, biennial or perennial grasses and legumes, or the residue from previous high residue crops, are important in reducing erosion and maintaining desirable soil structure. But unless they are managed properly, Lalor says, they can seriously contaminate cotton lint.

"To get the most from green manure crops such as peas, they should be destroyed - disked under - about the time they begin to bloom. That provides the

maximum benefit to the soil and eliminates the possibility of later lint contamination.

"If the cover crop is planted next to cotton, the producer should make sure the stripper does not turn on or run through the cover crop during cotton harvest. Once the cover crops mature, the fibrous portion of the stem could become a serious source of lint contamination during stripper harvest."

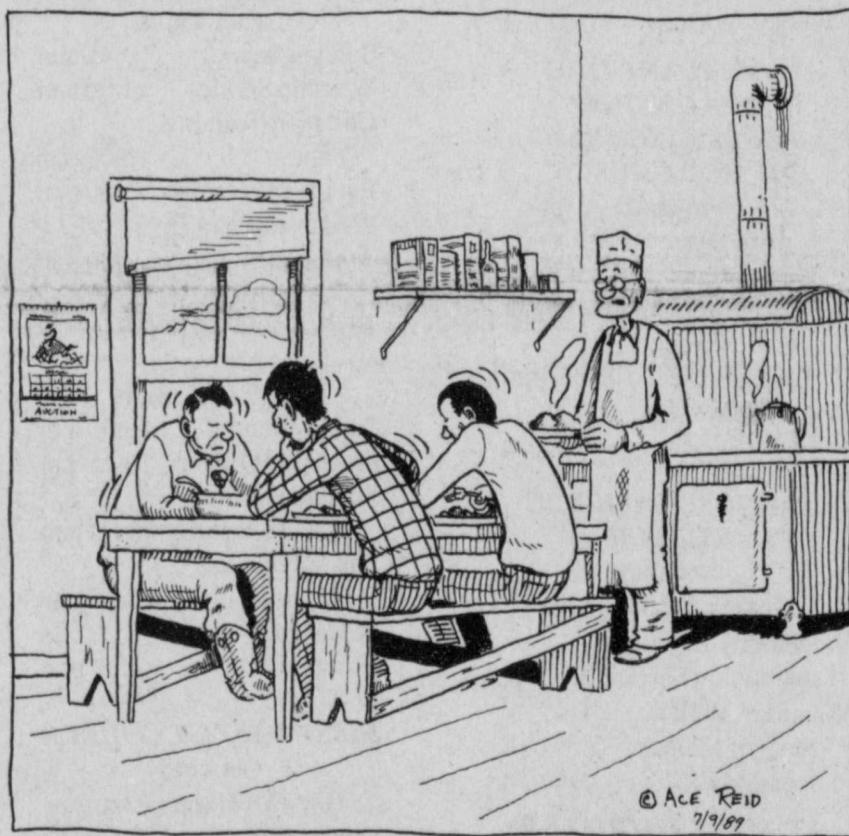
Lalor adds that this situation is most likely to occur when cover crops are planted on turn rows or in skip rows between cotton. And he cautions against situations in which part of the stripper header is forced to operate over cover crop.

"Once lint contamination has occurred, the potential end-use value of the cotton fiber may be greatly reduced especially if the crop residue parts cannot be removed or if costly cleaning is required to remove the contaminant from the lint," says Lalor.

"Producers should use these cover crops to their advantage and through proper stripper management eliminate the residue as a potential source of lint contaminant."

## COWPOKES

By Ace Reid



"Say fellows, them hawks the boss got to clean up the garbage are starvin' to death so he says let the four legged hawks eat first!"

## Evaluation can increase productivity and reliability

Your planting is done for another year so it's time to put the planter in the shed and forget it until 1990, right?

Not necessarily. This may be the year to evaluate your planter's performance against what will be expected of it in the future, in view of changing farming regulations and practices.

Implementing conservation compliance practices should include not only tillage equipment but also planting equipment, said Richard Johnson, senior scientist at an implement manufacturer.

"Planting equipment has been refined during the last few years, making it very easy to adopt conservation farming practices. Planters working in these programs must handle higher crop-residue levels and the hard soil which may result, at the same time maintaining precise seed placement," according to Johnson.

What's the best planter configuration under these circumstances? "Your local implement dealer has the best answer to that question, since crop and tillage practices vary widely, sometimes on the same farm," said Johnson. "In general, the planter should be robust and strong, with additional emphasis on such items as the planter's ability to properly place starter fertilizer, cut or penetrate crop residue, and ensure proper seed/soil contact when closing the seed furrow."

Several new features have been developed during the last few years to meet the conservation program requirements, increase productivity and reliability,

and make the machine easier to service and operate.

Glenn Olson, manager of cultivation, planting, and cotton equipment market planning at an implement manufacturer feature that farmers appreciate for conservation or no-till farming is the single-disk fertilizer opener. This opener has the strength to penetrate hard ground and depth-gauging wheel allows the farmer to control fertilizer depth.

Three planter adjustments - unit operating depth, closing wheel down force, and seed transmission - can now be made without wrenches. "The design on our new planters makes it very simple to change populations to any of 50 different seeding rates, to change closing-wheel force to any of five different settings or to change planting depth to settings between 5/8 in. and four inches," Olson said.

One of the latest planter innovations is the vacuum meter. A hydraulically-driven pump creates a vacuum at each metering unit; the vacuum holds individual seeds on a rotating disk until the vacuum is cut off, allowing the seed to drop into the trench.

Seed spacing in soybean, sorghum and cotton crops is improved dramatically with the vacuum meter. "We have seen seed spacing improved by 21 percent over older planters in soybeans, 26 percent better in cotton, and 48 percent better in sorghum," said Olson. "This uniform spacing helps assure maximum yields and reduce in-row weed problems. And for convenience, changing from corn to beans or from corn to

sorghum with a vacuum meter is a much simpler operation than with previous models."

As farm size increases, the problems with transporting equipment has become an important factor in a planter purchase decision. Larger farms require larger equipment. New wingfold planter, in eight and 12-row sizes, allow narrow transport while giving the farmer the capability to plant eight or 12 rows with a rigid planter. When the farmer transports from field to field, a simple cam-action clutch which is movable by hand - disengages the drive chain, thus eliminating the need to take drive chains apart manually, and also halting drive-chain wear during transport.



During the era of the Texas Republic, land promoters advertised it was cheaper to raise a cow in Texas than a chicken. It was . . . because of the hardy characteristics of the Texas Longhorn. She needed no government trapper to guard her calf from wolves. In times of drought, she could walk many miles from water to grass. If there was no grass, she could eat brush and prickly pear. The Texas Longhorn became the foundation of the American cattle industry and there may never be another animal which has had a greater influence on the culture and economy of a people.

## Ag computer classes set

Three computer short courses are being offered this summer at South Plains College in Levelland, according to Brent Crossland, Floyd County Extension Agent. These courses are aimed at agricultural producers that are using micro-computers in their operations and already have a working knowledge of their use, states Crossland.

The first short course is entitled **Advanced Electronic Spreadsheets**. This course will be offered on July 24-26. It is for previous short course participants or anyone with considerable experience in Lotus 1-2-3 spreadsheet development. Advanced topics such as database graphics and macros will be discussed. The \$125.00 registration fee includes a course notebook, example disks and four meals. The course will be limited to 15 participants.

A second course, according to the agent, will be a course on **Checkbook Record Keeping**. The participants will be introduced to checkbook register-based cash record keeping. The software to be used in this short course will be Quicken. Quicken is a commercially available program that has gained widespread acceptance in the last few months in the South Plains area. The participants will learn how to enter transactions, set up expense categories, as well as enterprises and develop various expense and/or enterprise reports. The \$125.00 registration fee includes a copy of Quicken with disks and manual, a course notebook and two meals. The course will be limited to 20 participants. This course will be offered August 8 and 9.

On August 15-17, there will be a **Whole Farm/Ranch Planning Finan-**

**cial Management and Record Keeping** course. This session will teach participants to add a financial management perspective to a physical production plan. The TAMWFARM software will be used to prepare enterprise budgets that will be posted to a master working cash flow, along with other supporting budgets to create financial statements. A case study approach will be used to prepare budgets, create financial statements and analyze the results. The \$125.00 registration fee includes a copy of the TAMWFARM templates, a course notebook and four meals. The course will be limited to 15 participants. This program is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The instructor will be Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension Economist at Lubbock. Crossland states that registration and other information may be found at the Floyd County Extension Office for producers that are interested.

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