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CITIZEN OF THE YEAR—Floyd County Judge Bill Hardin (left) was named Citizen of the Year during Saturday's Chamber of Commerce Banquet held at Duncan Elementary. The recipient is chosen by a committee who reviews nominations. The presentation was made by Hulon Carthel, who was last year's Citizen of the Year. —Staff photo



EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR—Miss Floydada Robin Galloway presented Kinder Farris with the plaque for being named Employer of the Year during Saturday's Floydada Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Farris was nominated by employees of the First National Bank. —Staff photo



EXTRA MILE AWARD—Julianne Cornelius was presented with this year's Extra Mile Award during Saturday evening's Floydada Chamber of Commerce Banquet. This is given to a person who puts forth an extra effort for the community. The plaque was presented by her husband, Eric, who was last year's recipient of the award. —Staff photo

Citizens bestowed awards at annual banquet

By Alice Gilroy

Emotions ran high at the 43rd annual Chamber Banquet Saturday night starting with the posting of the colors by Boy Scout Troop 357 and continuing with the recognition of veterans and the presentation of awards.

The variety of patriotic tunes played by the community band was also responsible for keeping tears close to the surface for most of the guests.

Unknown to the crowd that had gathered at Duncan Elementary, the posting of the colors, at 8:00 p.m., was taking place at the same time that a ground assault had begun in Kuwait, possibly involving many of their loved ones.

The top awards presented by the chamber to deserving Floydadians went to: Judge Bill Hardin, Citizen of the Year; Julianne Cornelius, Extra Mile Award; and Kinder Farris for Employer of the Year.

After the colors were posted, Spring Lipham and Tian Younger led the crowd in singing the National Anthem. Brother Howell Farnsworth gave the invocation.

Hulon Carthel, the recipient of last year's Citizen of the Year Award, presented Judge Hardin with his plaque.

"The person who will receive this award tonight certainly fulfills the definition of an 'Outstanding Citizen of the Year,'" said Carthel.

Hardin was born in McAdoo, in 1927. He was one of six children. "Since one of his chores was helping his mother in the kitchen," said Carthel, "he devel-

World Day of Prayer slated at Methodist Church

The annual observance of the World Day of Prayer will be held this year on Friday, March 1, at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada. The service will begin at 10:00 a.m. and all women of the community are invited to attend this very meaningful worship service.

This year, the Christian Women's Fellowship of the First Christian Church is responsible for the program planning, and they are being assisted with representatives of other churches in Floydada. Serving on the planning committee are Jo Wester, Evelyn Latta, Evelyn Sparks and Martha Farris.

World Day of Prayer is an international worship event that bonds Christian women of all major denominations and faiths into a simultaneous day of prayer for peace and justice. This global chain of informed prayer and prayerful action, which began in the United States 104 years ago, has spread to 170 countries and regions of the world.

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oped the skill of baking bread, pastries and cakes. He continues with this hobby to this day.

"A veteran of the army, Hardin served as mess sergeant in the officer's mess hall in Tokyo, Japan for about a year after the close of WWII.

"He is presently a member of the First Baptist Church, a Deacon, a Sunday School teacher and director of the Adult V Department.

"He is president of the Rotary Club, and also served as their secretary for 22 years.

"He came to the 110th Judicial District as court reporter in 1952 and served in that capacity for 25 years before retiring to farm. He is presently the Floyd County Judge."

Hardin is married to the former Roberta Garrett, who is the head of the Migrant Education in Floydada School District. They have one daughter and

son-in-law, Rosemary and Jim Finley.

Eric Cornelius, the winner of last year's Extra Mile Award, had the difficult task of introducing his surprised wife, Julianne, as this year's winner of the award.

"I was told I would have no part in selecting this year's winner," said Eric, "and eventually I found out why."

"One of the neatest things about the extra mile award," said Eric, "is that you win without knowing you have been in the race."

Julianne was born in Floydada, in 1963. While attending Floydada schools she was involved in basketball, track, speech, and annual staff. She was crowned Miss Floyd County in 1978 and graduated in 1981.

Julianne and Eric were married in 1981 and have one son, Skyler, who is five years old.

She joined the American Cancer

Society in 1981 and was named president in 1990. She is active in the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce and was president of that organization in 1989.

Julianne has also been active in the Punkin Days committee since 1989, and was chairman of that committee in 1990.

In describing her work as head of the Punkin Days committee, Eric said, "This word chairman does not mean you hold down a chair, it's more like you stand up the whole month of October...."

"She will not settle for just filling a chair as a member, an officer, or a chairman. She tries to make a difference and usually does. I think that is what the Extra Mile Award is all about, making a difference in our community, making Floydada a better place to live."

Robin Galloway, Miss Floydada 1991, presented the Employer of the

Year Award to Kinder Farris, chairman of the board of First National Bank of Floydada.

Outstanding qualities listed by Farris' employees included: a Christian love for family and friends; being farsighted, practical, compassionate, honest, fun and dedicated, having fortitude and stamina, being civic minded, proud, patriotic and One Heck Of A Guy!

Reading from the nomination form, written by Martha Lotspeich (a bank employee), Galloway said, "He has made me feel that Floydada has a future as long as we work together at our best, striving to make Floydada the best little, big town around and that Floyd County and its people are the greatest....Also in his favor, he has several employees that have been with him 17, 18, 20 and more years. He has loyalty."

Kinder is married to Martha Farris. They have one son, Tom, who is President of the First National Bank in Floydada; George Farris, of Houston, John of Dallas and Elizabeth Farris of Dallas.

The guest speaker, Major General Robert E. Dempsey was introduced by Chamber President Laura Farris.

Dempsey, who is vice commander of the Strategic Air Command's 8th Air Force, focused his speech on the role of the Strategic Air Command, but also spoke briefly on the Iraqi war.

"Our job in Strategic Air Command is deterrence," said Dempsey.

Dempsey said that he believed war came from a weakness. "Strength is the key," said Dempsey. Quoting President John F. Kennedy, Dempsey said, "The best way to ensure the peace is to be ready for war."

Dempsey warned the audience not to expect any radical changes by the Soviets. "They still spend 17% of their gross national product on defense, and the United States only spends 7%."

"When dealing with the Soviet Union, our motto is 'Trust But Verify.'"

Concerning the war in the gulf, Dempsey said that there is always a conflict between the media and the military. "We know Saddam watches CNN. The military acts on a need to know basis and the media acts on the public's right to know."

"If the media is going to show what is happening in Baghdad, why not show what is happening in Kuwait by the Iraqi's. Polls say that the media is getting enough information."

"The public support is fantastic. There is a tremendous difference now than in Vietnam."

"I have no predictions about the war. The ground forces have proven that they are also superior, just as the Air Force

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County votes to update 911 system

Floyd County Commissioners voted unanimously to apply for permission to update the 911 system to fully enhanced status during a special called session on Wednesday, February 20. The action was taken even though the original limited 911 system has not been installed at this time.

According to Mike Pedigo of South Plains Area Governments (SPAG), the limited system should be ready for testing in July and "up and running" in August. This system will provide the telephone number of the location from which an emergency call is made.

Pedigo suggested that the commissioners authorize SPAG, the organization in charge of implementing the 911 system throughout the region, to apply for permission to upgrade the system at this time in order to have a fully enhanced system in place by the end of the year. T

The court agreed and will provide a rural addressing method of pin-pointing the location of each residence, business and building in the county. Motion for the action came from Precinct 2 Commissioner Floyd Jackson with a second by Precinct 4 Commissioner Howard Bishop.

This will be done by assigning block and range numbers to every area of the county. The county and SPAG will work with the state Highway department, the utility companies, the postal service and the tax appraisal district to identify each site in the county needing a rural address as well as establishing addresses in city areas. Each city will provide the information for it's area.

A fully enhanced 911 system will provide a name, phone number and an

address for the site an emergency call is being made from. The system includes constant monitoring by tape recording, so all calls will be recorded. The system will automatically tell the dispatcher in the sheriff's office which authority needs to be notified and the touch of a button will transfer the information to that agency.

The fully enhanced system will enable emergency personnel to respond more rapidly and will alleviate the probability of errors in locating the person or emergency situation being handled.

COMPUTER BID AWARDED

The bid for the purchase of a complete computer system for the 110th Judicial District District Attorney was awarded pending approval by the state which is providing 50 percent of the funds for the purchase. The total cost of the computer items was \$14,511.15. Three firms will share the bid.

Integrated Concepts will provide the main computer and related accessories as well as a thermal FAX machine. Business Copying Products will supply a plain paper FAX machine and Connecting Point Computer Center will furnish a portable computer and a portable printer. The bid includes installation.

OTHER MATTERS

The court also voted to purchase law enforcement liability insurance for the coming 12 month period through the Texas Association of Counties in Austin. The expiring policy, handled by Sam Baker in Floydada, had a limit of \$1 million liability and covered only the

sheriff and paid full time or part time law enforcement personnel "only while making or attempting to make an arrest. This policy cost \$4550 last year.

The new policy carries a \$2 million liability and covers county jail personnel at all times when acting in the line of duty. The cost of this policy with a \$1000 deductible is \$6510 per year.

Also addressed at the session was the proposed application for grant money to purchase a computer for the district clerk's office and for the county judge's office. The grant is being sought from the Criminal Justice Division of the Texas state government through a SPAG program. Estimated cost of the equipment is \$2470.90. The court approved applying for the grants.

A request from Adrain Helms that he be allowed to cross a county road with an irrigation pipe was granted on a motion by Bishop, seconded by Precinct 3 Commissioner George Taylor and approved by unanimous vote. The motion stipulates that Helms will bear all costs involved and be responsible for any repairs necessary.

Six farm work contracts were authorized by the court. The contracts will see work done for Neil Dunavant, Nellie J. Dunavant, Drew Lloyd, Mack McCormick, Robert Delgado and Norman Caldwell.

Attending the session on Wednesday, February 20, were county judge Bill Hardin, commissioners Jackson, Bishop, Taylor and Connie Bearden, Margaret Herrera, Jane McAnally, Mike Pedigo and the Hesperian reporter.

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NEW BANK DIRECTOR—Gerald Wiles, the branch manager of the Floydada Branch of the First National Bank of Lockney, was elected on Thursday, February 21, to the board of directors of Lockney's First National Bank. Wiles has been branch manager since the branch opened on July 2, 1990. He is married to Debbie, a cotton buyer for Consolidated Cotton Company. They have three children: son Wade, 11 years old; daughter Holly, 6; and Tami Woods. —Staff Photo

By The Way

By Alice Gilroy

Every time I go to a chamber banquet in Floydada or Lockney I leave thinking that there is no way the next years banquet will be able to beat this one.

Last years chamber banquet in Floydada was full of spirit and good will. A lot of that spirit was centered around the very successful Punkin Days. I left the banquet thinking—Boy what are they going to do next year to top this?

Well—they topped it!
I know I was not the only one at the banquet that had a hard time keeping the tears from falling. Talking to people afterwards I found out that everyone had different parts of the banquet that moved them to tears.

My husband said that Spring Lipham's song, America The Beautiful, teared him up.

For me it was the community band playing the different anthem songs from the different branches of service, and the veterans of those branches standing when they heard their song.

I found myself thinking of my dad and wishing he was there so he could stand up and be recognized. I talked to others after the banquet who were thinking the same thing about their fathers. It sure made me proud to see the men and women who sacrificed for all of us there.

The band did a fantastic job. The anthems they played were great. When I saw the veterans stand and heard the people clap and cheer, it broke me up.

The award ceremony broke me up too. Not taking anything away from the other winners (who were all deserving), I liked the Extra Mile Award presentation the best.

Julianne and Eric Cornelius are friends of mine, so maybe that is why I was so moved, but I don't think that was the only reason.

Eric won the Extra Mile last year, so it became his duty to present the award to whoever was picked this year.

Eric did not have any say in who won and was surprised to learn that he was going to have to present the award to his wife. I don't know how he got through that speech. I was very impressed with his composure.

Julianne really deserved that award. When she gets involved in something for the community—she goes all out and gives completely of herself.

The really neat thing about these banquets is trying to guess who is going to win the awards.

On the way to the banquet Saturday night, I started telling my husband who I thought might win the Extra Mile Award. Julianne was on my mind of course, but there were others.

I thought about how neat it was that we lived in a community where more than one person could have won that award. Wouldn't it be depressing if there was only one obvious person it could have gone to, instead of being hard to pick between many deserving individuals!

I know the Lockney banquet is going to be the same way. I've already started thinking about winners!

The Lockney banquet, which is March 8, will also have a patriotic theme. I am really looking forward to it. Veterans will once again be honored and I'm sure the tears will flow again.

Their entertainment sounds like it is going to be a lot of fun. Their master of ceremonies will be Sam Fortenberry (which should be entertaining in itself), and local folks will sing and act out skits.

Singing will be done by a local group called, "Harmony", which consist of Amy & Travis Thornton, Phil Cotham, Zelda Ellison and Lisa Mosley.

Skits will be done by the El Penseroso Club, The Athena Study Club, the Lockney Fire Department and the Boys Scouts.

You save \$3.00 if you buy tickets to the Lockney Banquet early. Their tickets are \$7.00 early and \$10.00 at the door.

This may be the only time you will be able to support the Lockney Chamber of Commerce, so be sure and take advantage of the offer. Buy a ticket and attend the banquet! I guarantee that you won't be disappointed!

My little boy has discovered magic! I

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don't know how he does it, but all he has to do is wiggle his nose (like Samantha on Bewitched) and things get done.

We discovered this together—quite by accident.

Saturday morning (when I'm hoping he'll sleep late, but he won't), he woke me bright and early and starting begging for his "cereal" (he loves hot cream of wheat every morning).

I was only half awake and didn't want to wake up the rest of the way. I moaned and said, "You know Brandon, I wish I could just wiggle my nose and breakfast would appear on the table!"

His eyes lit up and you could see the wheels turning in his head. His finger went to the tip of his nose and he pushed it back and forth in a wiggle. With a big smile on his four year old face, he sped out of the room calling back over his shoulder, "I'm going to go see if it worked!"

I lay there praying that it did, but all I heard was a disappointed cry from the kitchen.

"Moommmmm—I'm hungry!"
So I got up and fixed the cereal.
See—all he had to do was wiggle his nose and breakfast was made.



1991 CHAMBER DIRECTORS—1991 Directors of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce were presented at the annual banquet Saturday night. These are (back row, l-r) Kyle Smith, Adolfo Garcia, Mitzi Nixon, Laura Farris, Bill Smith, Larry Ogden; (front row, l-r) James Hale, Edd Henderon Jr., Jeffrey Johnson, Mark Lee and Sheldon Sue.

—Staff photo

Floydada Police Report

Friday night, February 22, police received a report of a burglary of a coin operated machine at the Garza Laundry, in the 100 block of S. Wall.

According to Sgt. Snell, of the Floydada Police Department, "a Pac Man machine was broken into and approximately \$25.00 was taken."

A disturbance in the 500 block of E. California was reported to police shortly after 10:00 p.m. According to Snell, a fight broke out at the dance but it broke up when police arrived. There were no arrests.

Just down the street from this disturbance, three windows were broken on a Ford Pickup parked in the 400 block of E. Missouri (valued at \$500.00) and four windows were broken from a 76 Ford Truck parked in the 300 block of E. Missouri (valued at \$524.00). The windows on both these trucks were believed to have been broken between the hours of 9:30 p.m. and 10:20 p.m.

Sunday night, February 24, the windshield of a '77 Ford pickup was broken by rocks, as it was traveling north in the 300 block of N. 2nd. "We have had several reports of windows being broken by showers of rocks in this area," said Snell. "We believe that someone is throwing rocks from the alley."

Monday morning, at 9:30 a.m., police received a report of a theft of a large red toolbox, which occurred the night before. The tool box was in the back of a '80 model Chevrolet pickup, which was parked in the alley in the 300 block of W. Missouri.

The box and tools were valued at \$335.00.

Monday night, February 25, at approximately 9:00 p.m., police received a report of two dumpsters being set on fire, between California and Mississippi, in the 200 and 300 block.

There were no accidents reported to police this week.

Serving In the Middle East

(Editor's Note: The Hesperian will be publishing a list of Floyd County servicemen, who have been sent to the Middle East. If anyone in the county has a son or daughter there please let us know and we will add their name to the list, so that other residents may remember them in their prayers.)

- Cpl. Able Ballejo - son of Dora Ballejo of Lockney.
- Sgt. 1st Class Ken B. Bishop Jr. - son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bishop of Floydada.
- LCpl Anthony Brocato - of Floydada.
- Sgt. James C. Burns - son of Clara Vickers and John T. Burns, Floydada; husband of Teresa A. Burns.
- Jason Carthel - son of Robert Carthel and Nancy Carthel, Lockney.
- Staff Sgt. Derek Check - son of Carolyn Check, Floydada; husband of Lori Check, Orange, CA.
- Marine Cpl. Laron Cheek - son of Carolyn Cheek, Floydada.
- Israel Cuellar - son of Mrs. Petra Cuellar, Lockney; husband of Idalia Cuellar, Lockney.
- Cpl. James Fannon - son of Weldon and Gloria Fannon, Floydada.
- Pvt. Ronald Ferguson - son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ferguson of Graham, formerly of Floydada; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Ferguson, Floydada and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Starkey, Happy.
- Marine Lance Corporal Adolfo Garcia Jr. - son of Adolfo and Irma Garcia, Floydada.
- Russel Graves - husband of Lonna Graves of Post, formerly of Floydada.
- PFC Jeff Griffith - son of Donna and Jerry Griffith of Lubbock, formerly of Lockney.
- Capt. Clay Hamilton - son of Charles and Bobbie Hamilton of Floydada.
- Victor Hernandez - of Lockney.
- BM3 Jeffrey Todd Hodges - son of Phyllis Harris of Floydada and Rickie Hodges of Iraan, Texas; husband of Melissa Randolph Hodges of Lubbock.
- Henry P. Howard - son of Al Howard, Tenaha, Texas, and Lisa Howard, Lubbock.
- Lt. Jayme Jones - granddaughter of Dorothy Merrell.
- PFC Shawn P. Moore - grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bennett, Floydada.
- Airman 1st Class Joseph Cory Mulder - son of Nathan and Kathy Mulder, Floydada.
- 1st Lt. James G. Owens - husband of Wanda Owens of Oklahoma City; son-in-law of Ted and Linda Hollenback of Floydada.
- AIC Efrén Perez Jr. - son of Mr. and Mrs. Efrén Perez Sr. of Lockney.
- AIC Juan Jose (J.J.) Perez - son of Mr. and Mrs. Efrén Perez Sr. of Lockney.
- Kelly Reed - son of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Reed, Panhandle, formerly of Floydada.
- Rodolfo Rodriguez - son of Jose and Ramona Rodriguez, Lockney.
- Lance Cpl. Chuck B. Rowley - son of Rhonda Rowley of Lubbock, formerly of Floydada.
- Spc. Jenifer Kinslow Sheehan - daughter of Bary and Betty Kinslow of Coppell, Texas; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Kinslow of South Plains and Verlon Wright of Floydada.
- SPC John Paul Vergara - son of Juan and Emma Vergara of Clute, formerly of Floydada; grandson of Mrs. Pete Soliz of Floydada.
- LCpl Shannon Vinson - son of Roger and Doris Vinson of Lubbock, formerly of Floydada; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson of Flomot.
- PFC Tracey Warren - husband of Ludustria Leatherman Warren of Dolgesheim, Germany, formerly of Floydada; son of Jerry Warren of Floydada.
- Joe Widener - son of Ernie Widener and Phyllis Widener, Lockney.
- AT2 Kenneth Young - son of Travis and Margie Young of Floydada.

School plans Parents Life Management Skills Retreat March 2

There will be a parents' Life Management Skills Retreat held on Saturday, March 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Plains Baptist Encampment. This is for any R.C. Andrews parent.

The 6th grade students experienced this program in the fall. It is a very helpful workshop about helping our children to deal with the situations they are faced with in their daily lives.

If anyone is interested in attending this workshop they can register by calling R.C. Andrews at 983-2296. Lunch will be provided and there is no cost for the workshop.

Courtroom Activities

In county court on February 21, Travis Oakley, 18, of Floydada, pled guilty to his February 15 charge of DWI. He was fined \$500.00 plus court costs. He was sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for two years.

February 20, Paul Lyle filed a speeding appeal in county court. There was disposition on this case.

February 25, Israel Jose Garza, Jr., 44, of Lockney, was charged with DWI. There was no disposition on this case.

Also on February 25, Domingo Edward Reyna, 24, of Amarillo, was charged with DWI. There was no disposition on this case.

James Douglas Mitchell was charged on February 25 with fleeing arrest. There was no disposition on this case.

Aaron Hendricks filed a speeding appeal on February 25. There was no disposition on this case.

THE GREAT AMERICAN FOOD FIGHT AGAINST CANCER. AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

The American Cancer Society is involved in continual studies to try to reduce the risk of cancer. Such a study has indicated that diet alone may account for perhaps as many as 35 percent of all cancers, except for those of the skin. In order to help prevent some cancers, we should eat foods rich in vitamins A and C, low in fat, and high in fiber. Also green and yellow vegetables

are good to include in the menu often!

To encourage better eating habits, the American Cancer Society is gearing up for the "Great American Food Fight" in March... a month dedicated to helping you change your eating habits for the better! A good way to start is by GIVING UP JUNK FOOD FOR A DAY! How about that? Smart eating can lower the risk of cancer.

Whirlwinds Relays Saturday, March 2 -- High School Track

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CALL-IN ORDERS WELCOME CHECK OUR WEEKLY SPECIALS

Students continue writing to Soviets

By Bill Gray

Floydada's sixth grade Social Studies curriculum includes three chapters on the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union is the only country studied that is given more than one chapter in the Silver Burdett text, *The World Yesterday and Today*. The classroom textbook was written by Kenneth S. Cooper and Gary S. Elbow. Elbow is a professor of Geography at Texas Tech University.

The authors possibly gave more coverage to the Soviet Union because it is the largest country in the world and the changes occurring in that country affect not only the United States but the entire

world. The sixth graders feel that the Soviet Union is given prominence in the text because the country, and especially its people, are so interesting.

R.C. Andrews fourth, fifth and sixth grade students are writing to their counterparts in the Soviet Union. Students and most people may refer to the country as Russia. However, Russia is just one of the 15 republics that form the Soviet Union. Until 1922 the Soviet Union was called Russia. The Soviet Union is also referred to as the U.S.S.R. (Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics). In the Russian alphabet, the initials of these words are "C.C.C.P." When mailing letters or packages to Russia it is important that the Russian address be used, but also it is important to include "U.S.S.R." on the item.

Valentina Galubeva, a teacher in a town named Solnechnogorsk (approximately 35 miles from Moscow) is the one responsible for contact between her students and the youngsters in Floydada. She is a dedicated, caring teacher, and her students are fortunate to have her guide them in their studies.

Mrs. Galubeva stated in her letter "We start school at 8:30 and close at 4 o'clock. Our students cannot choose subjects; they study mathematics (algebra and geometry), Russian (five lessons a week), Russian and Soviet literature, physics, Geography, Botany, Zoology, English (four times a week in fifth grade; three times in the sixth; and twice weekly in grades 7-11). Additional curriculum includes: Labour training, two hours a week; Arts, once weekly; Music (only singing one time a week); physical training, two hours a week; History, two times a week."

The teacher added, "We hope that soon students will also choose subjects to study. It will be because of 'perestroika,' and we hope it will be better for all of us." Mrs. Galubeva continues by saying, "My students want to meet and to speak to your students, and I hope there will be time when we do this. It would be difficult to get visas and plane tickets... for us it's only a blue dream! We are for better relations between our countries. We also wish you and your students to live in peace and friendship all over the world."

If Mrs. Galubeva is an example of Soviet teachers, the country is most fortunate. She has presented, through

her letters and her students' letters, a great desire to learn more about our school, our students and our town. She wrote, "I had the badges framed (R.C. Andrews pins and Punkin' Day pins), and my students hang all letters and things from your students on the wall of our classroom and they have written 'Our Friends from Floydada, Texas.' Students and teachers from other schools come to see these things, and my students are proud of them."

Through the correspondence, Floydada students are gaining a deeper insight into the culture of the Russian people. The local youngsters feel that the Soviets are a friendly, caring people that have feelings, concerns and hopes for the future much like their own. Life is very difficult for them in many respects.

According to a letter received last week at R.C. Andrews, Valentina Galubeva stated, "In spite of our very, very difficult time in our country in all spheres (in food products and other fields), we try to be very brave; we want to be friends with you and your school."

It is the consensus opinion of students and teachers at R.C. Andrews that have had written communication with the Russians that they are a friendly, courageous people and will endure these hard times and will find a way to improve their economy. Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev has helped bring about great changes throughout Communist Russia. The transition from a Command Economy to a Market Economy has presented many difficulties according to the letters received from the Soviet students.

The sixth grade teachers who have been involved in this very worthwhile project are Margaret Jones, Melva Dorman, Francis Hambricht and Bettye Poole. Ruth Crump's fourth graders and Donna Baer's fifth graders have also participated in the letter writing project. There has also been some individual involvement by some junior high schoolers as well as several students at Floydada High School.

The brief contact between Soviet Union students and students of Floydada has been a rewarding experience for all involved. Further communication in the future will possibly enrich the lives of children from both countries.



SOVIET MATERIAL ARRIVES—R.C. Andrews 6th graders (l-r) Laci Christian, Christy Hale, Todd Conanougher, Chad Benjamin, Omar Eguia, Nicole Coronado, Chad Harmon, Kenny Holmes, Will Warren and Lydia Mendoza proudly display a portion of the material that arrived last week from the Soviet Union. Many Floydada youngsters are participating in the letter-exchange with their Russian counterparts. —Staff photo

This Week

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Plan ahead to attend the World Day of Prayer service at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada Friday, March 1, at 10 a.m. A covered dish luncheon will follow at noon. Child care will be available.

FLOYDADA JAYCEES

Floydada Jaycees have been started. The group's first meeting will be at 7 p.m. Feb. 28 at Nielson's Restaurant. Anyone who would like to come is encouraged to attend.

RIBBON CUTTING

The Women's Division of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a ribbon cutting Saturday, March 2, at 11:00 a.m. for the new member, the Pumpkin Patch Restaurant. The public is invited and encouraged to come show their support.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

A Defensive Driving Class will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. March 4 and 5 at the Chamber of Commerce office in Floydada. Call 983-3398 or 983-3434 to pre-register.

DWI CLASS

A D.W.I. Education Class will be held in the Floyd County Courthouse in the County Courtroom on March 4 and 5 from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. the first night and 6 p.m. until 10 p.m. the second night. The cost of the class is \$50.00 for both nights, which must be paid on the first night of the class. This class is a required probation condition for the first time conviction of Driving While Intoxicated. If not completed within 180 days of conviction, the person's drivers license will be automatically suspended.

R.C. ANDREWS PTA

R.C. Andrews PTA will meet on Monday, March 4, 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Program will be presented by Dan Gomez from Texas Tech's Drug Free School program. Open house will follow the meeting.

LIFE MANAGEMENT SKILLS RETREAT

Life Management Skills Retreat, sponsored by R.C. Andrews, is set for Saturday, March 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Plains Baptist Encampment. Register at the school office. There is no charge for this workshop. Lunch will be provided.

WOMENS CHAMBER

The Women's Division of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce will have their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 5, at 5:00 p.m. at the Chamber office. The annual Spring Style Show will be discussed and plans will be finalized for the March 11 event. Annual membership dues are due during the coming month. All members are encouraged to come to the meeting and make plans to help with decorating on the afternoon of March 11.

WEATHER

Courtesy of Energas

DATE	HIGH	LOW
Feb. 20	60	30
Feb. 21	70	32
Feb. 22	68	38
Feb. 23	71	45
Feb. 24	50	37
Feb. 25	51	35
Feb. 26	56	28

Citizens bestowed awards

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has. We are not messing around. We are having a war."

General Dempsey is a 1960 Floydada graduate and the son of Betsy Dempsey of Floydada, and the brother of Jan Thayer of Floydada.

At the close of Dempsey's speech, the community band played a medley of military anthems from each branch of the service. Veterans in the audience were asked to stand when their theme song was played.

Starting with The Caissons Go Rolling Along, groups of proud veterans rose throughout the crowd and were greeted with applause.

Spring Lipham then sang, "America The Beautiful," and was joined by the

Day of Prayer set at Methodist Church

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This year's service was written by women of Kenya, West Africa. Its theme, "On the Journey Together," inspired the authors to travel extensively throughout their country talking and listening to their Kenyan sisters share the stories of their lives. The global service of worship they created has woven the joys, pain, concerns, and sorrows of these women into an experience that reflects what Kenyans call "Harambee," or a spirit of togetherness.

Participating in the service will be Frances Puckett, Evelyn Sparks, Julianne Cornelius, Nancy Graham, Mae Daniels, Evelyn Latta, Judy Beedy, Jo Wester, Martha Farris. Organist, Dell Gray, will bring special music, as will Jane McCulley and Esther Parker. The congregation will have the opportunity to listen to and participate in the Hymn of Kenya and a Kiswahili prayer chant.

Following the program, a covered dish luncheon will be served in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Everyone will bring a dish for this. There will be child care available.

The Rev. Bill Wright is pastor of the First United Methodist Church, and the Rev. Robin Hoover is pastor of the First Christian Church.

audience at the last verse.

Three hundred people were served at the banquet, which was catered by Nielson's Restaurant.

The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce was responsible for the red-white and blue decorations throughout the cafeteria.

The 1991 president of the women's division, Sue Chessir, presented the past president's plaque to Anne Carthel. Activities of the women's division last year were outlined. They included: Little Miss and Miss Floydada Pageant, Spring Style Show and Holiday Happenings, Punkin Day Dance, grand openings and ribbon cuttings and the stock show concession stand. In 1990 the women's chamber had 52 members.

Laura Farris also presented a past president's plaque to retiring chamber president, Kyle Smith.

Smith highlighted the years activities for the regular chamber, which included: the banquet, wrestling match, Pioneer Reunion, construction of the Punkin Day sign, Christmas decoration contest, and sponsoring the stock show. In 1990, nine businesses and 11 individuals joined the chamber.

The 1991 directors of the Chamber of Commerce were also introduced. They are: newly elected James Hale, Mark Lee, Bill Smith and Sheldon Sue; hold overs Kyle Smith, Adolfo Garcia, Edd Henderson, Jr., Roger Emert, Larry Ogden, Glenda Wilson, Mitzi Nixon and Jeffrey Johnson. Gerald Wiles was appointed a director, and Jimmy Willson, Jr., serves as Floydada's representative to the Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The new directors for the women's division of the chamber of commerce were also introduced. They are: newly elected Anne Carthel, Deedie Covington, Julie Duke, Allison Robertson, Trena Simpson and Mitzi Nixon. Other directors are Erma Garcia, Sue Chessir, Melissa Long, and Vickie Norrell.

Remember to Shop Floyd County First!

Methodist Church plans dinner theater

The drama group from First United Methodist Church in Floydada will present *The Nerd*, a play in two acts by Larry Shue. The play is presented by special arrangements through Dramatists Play Services, Inc. The dates are March 14, 15, and 16 as a dinner theater with a matinee performance scheduled for Sunday afternoon, March 17, at 1:30.

Dinner will be served in Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the play presented on the stage upstairs beginning at 8:00. Risers for seating have been installed to provide a better view of the stage. Tickets may be purchased for both dinner and the play for \$12.50 each, or for the play alone for \$6.50. Dessert will be served to everybody during intermission.

The play was first presented by the Milwaukee Repertory Theater (John

Dillon, Artistic Director) in April, 1981. It was subsequently presented by the Royal Exchange Theatre Company in Manchester, England, in April, 1982 under the direction of Braham Murray.

The cast for the March performance at First United Methodist Church includes: Grant Hambricht as Willum Cubbert, Kay Brotherton as Tansy McGinnis, Deen Braly as Axel Hammond, Bobby Rainer as Warnock Waldgrave, Cindy Day as Clelia Waldgrave, Will Warren as Thor Waldgrave, and Don Warren as Rick Steadman.

The play is under the direction of Bobby Rainer. Stage manager is Trina Wilson. Assistant Director and property manager is Noma Lou Rainer. Lighting and sound are managed by Vikki Yeary, and the House Manager is Connie Bertrand.

Reviewed as "unquestionably one of the funniest plays ever written," the action centers on the hilarious dilemma of a young architect, Willum Cubbert, who is visited by a man he's never met but who saved his life in Vietnam, Rick Steadman.

The visitor turns out to be an incredibly inept, hopelessly stupid "nerd" who drags out his visit beyond the endurance of his host. Willum, in gratitude to Rick for saving his life, has written that for so long as he is alive, "you will have somebody on Earth who will do anything for you."

Rick chooses the occasion of Willum's 34th birthday party to show up and sets about creating so many uproarious incidents that the normally placid Willum considers violence of unprecedented proportions.

A twist ending prevents Willum from wasting himself or somebody else, maybe everybody else. It makes one wonder what friendship and indebtedness are really all about.

Reservations are necessary because of limited seating at each performance. Reservations can be made by calling Margie Fowler at 983-3597.

Young spends first Christmas away from home due to war

(Editor's Note: Research for this article, by Texas Tech journalism student Gilliane Carter, was made possible by a grant from the Reader's Digest Foundation. This article is part of a series planned on families of men and women in the Middle East.)

By Gilliane Carter

Navy 2nd Class Aviations Electronics Technician, Kenneth Young, spent his first Christmas away from home in the Gulf War.

Young, son of Travis and Margie Young of Floydada, was stationed in Brunswick, Maine, when he left for Sicily, near the end of November, 1990.

"He was here for Thanksgiving but he did spend his first Christmas away from home," Mrs. Young said.

Young, the youngest of four, has a brother, Kirk Young, 32, who lives in Lubbock. He also has two sisters, Lori King, 31, of Euless, and Shandra Simpson, 30, of Amarillo.

"The children seem to be handling it pretty good. They give lots of encouragement," his mother said.

County votes to update 911 system

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COURT APPROVES COUNTY DEPOSITORY CONTRACT

Meeting in a special called session on Tuesday, February 26, the court again addressed the issue of the county funds depository. Following the presentation of the securities being pledged by The Floydada Branch of the First National Bank in Lockney to protect the county funds to be deposited in that institution, the court voted unanimously to accept the pledge. Motion for the action was made by Jackson and seconded by Taylor.

The official order designating the banking institution as the county depository for the years of 1991 and 1992 was approved by the commissioners. The vote on the matter was unanimous following the motion by Bishop with a second by Bearden.

Farm contracts were approved during the afternoon session for Arnold Johnson, 4DG's Inc., Don Bean, Dorsey Baker (2 contracts), J.P. Taylor Partnership, Glen Wood and Raymond Reves.

Present for the session on Tuesday, February 26, were Judge Hardin, Commissioners Bearden, Jackson, Taylor and Bishop and Glenna Orman.

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Senior Citizens News

By Thelma Jones

There are still a lot of colds around. Some have been pretty sick and still are.

The senior citizens offer their sympathy to Grace Grundy in the loss of a sister in Dallas.

The folks who visited in the home of Nora and B Hatley Sunday afternoon to celebrate B's 91st birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Dud Curry of Tucumcari, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lotspeich, Robbie Hatley and Pat Bullock of Floydada.

The luncheon turned out a pretty good success.

Mary Wilson's daughter had surgery last week and is home now and "doing real good" reports Mary.

The seniors were happy to hear about Mrs. W.J. Wilks' son, Dennis Wilks being named Man of the Year at the Tullia Chamber of Commerce Banquet. His mother and his sister, Mary Day of Dallas attended the ceremony. Mary spent the weekend with her mother. Other guests Saturday evening were Ethel Carmack and Monola Ray Day.

Congratulations to all of the stock show winners; also Kenneth Holt, Mr. Lockney High School; to Major General Robert Dempsey who spoke at the Chamber banquet. He is the son of Mrs. Betsy Dempsey and brother of Mrs. Jan Thayer.

Mrs. Elizabeth Armstrong visited her sister, Mrs. Margaret Rodgers in Lubbock and they visited Mrs. Eula Parrack in the home in San Angelo. She was doing fine and sent a big hello to everyone.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rucker at Quitaque.

Sympathy to the Grigsby Milton family on the loss of their husband and father.

Senior Citizens Menu

March 4-8

Monday: Chicken and dumplings, peas and carrots, tossed salad/dressing, yeast roll, peaches, milk/beverage choice

Tuesday: Roast beef w/gravy, mashed potatoes/milk, broccoli, yeast roll, apricot crisp, milk/beverage choice

Wednesday: Barbecue chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans, yeast roll, margarine or butter, canned plums, milk/beverage choice

Thursday: Swiss steak, baked potato, fried okra, whole wheat bread, pumpkin pie, milk/beverage choice

Friday: Meatloaf w/gravy, cauliflower, carrots, yeast roll, chocolate pudding, milk/beverage choice

Recipe

Minty Cream-filled Cake

1 package Betty Crocker SuperMoist Light devil's food cake mix
1 container (8 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
10 hard peppermint candies, crushed
1 teaspoon peppermint extract
4-5 drops red food color, if desired
Heat oven to 350°. Grease and flour tube pan, 10x4 inches. Prepare cake mix as directed on package. Pour batter into pan. Bake 45 to 50 minutes or until top springs back when touched in center. Cool 10 minutes. Invert onto wire rack or heatproof serving plate; remove pan. Cool cake completely.

Slice off top of cake about 3/4 inch down; reserve top. Make cuts down into cake 3/4 inch from outer edge and 3/4 inch from edge of hole, leaving substantial "walls" on each side. Remove cake within cuts, using spoon or curved knife, being careful to leave a base of cake 1 inch thick. Mix remaining ingredients thoroughly. Spoon half of the mixture into cake cavity; press firmly. Replace top of cake; press gently. Frost side and top of cake with remaining peppermint mixture. Refrigerate any remaining cake. 12 to 16 servings.

High Altitude Directions (3500 to 6500 feet): Heat oven to 375°. Prepare cake mix as directed in high altitude directions on package. Bake 40 to 45 minutes.

Nutrition Information (Per Serving): Calories: 240; Protein: 2 g; Carbohydrate: 43 g; Fat: 7 g; Cholesterol: 0 mg; Sodium: 330 mg.

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS--Celebrating their February birthdays at Floydada Nursing Home were: (left-right) Henry Willis, Edward Jameson, Icy Snow Weathers and Iva Wells. Not pictured is Weldon Hammonds. Staff Photo

News From Caprock Hospital

By Molly Stringer

The Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 7:00 a.m. All board members were present as were Terry Keltz, Molly Stringer and Steve Grappe. This was Terry's first meeting with the Board. May 4, 1991 was set as election day for election of board members. Terms of William Bertrand, Joy Assiter and Kenneth Pitts are up. Kenneth Pitts and Joy Assiter have stated that they will run again. William Bertrand will not seek reelection.

Medical staff met on Monday, Feb. 18, for the regular monthly medical staff meeting and lunch. We also celebrated the birthdays of Drs. Jordan and Hale who share February 18 as their birthday.

We are glad to have Dr. Jordan back from his trip to Central America. Dr. Hale has taken a few days off this past weekend.

Molly and Bill Stringer enjoyed having out of town visitors this past week. Molly's mom from Knox City and sister from Cortland, Ohio, visited several days. Bill's sister from Waldo, Arkansas, was also here.

Penny Womack and her family have been in Houston to the stock show. Her children, Kevin and Amber have been showing their animals.

Carol Scribner attended a Multiple Trauma Course in Lubbock this past weekend. This was a very intense course. Carol passed the exam and is certified now.

Ralph Jackson attended the pastor's and layman's conference at Wayland last week. He reported some very inspirational sermons.

All are reminded that diabetes class meets this week on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the hospital.

We will be offering mammograms again in April.

We have copies of living wills available at the hospital. Many have asked about these. Having a living will signed by yourself while you are in good physical and mental health is the only way that you have control over what happens

if you are injured, have an illness or disease which renders you unconscious, comatose or otherwise incapable of making decisions for yourself.

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fied to be terminal by at least two physicians, where the application of life-sustaining procedures would only serve to artificially prolong the moment of your death and where physicians have determined that death is imminent and there is no hope of recovery, you can make your wishes known through a living will.

You may revoke a living will at any time you desire. Living wills may be notarized if you desire or you may simply have two witnesses. These witnesses must be no relation or anyone who would benefit from your estate. The witness cannot be any member of the health team who would care for you.

Anytime we at the hospital can help

you please call on us. It is our pleasure to work and serve in this community.

Health Tip

Many skim-milk haters have been heartened to see the new 2% varieties of milk. All the benefit of skim milk but with the taste of whole milk. Unfortunately, you're not doing yourself any favors by choosing the 2% fat milk over whole milk, it's not really low fat. You are better off choosing 1% or 1/2%, or skim milk if you want real health benefits.

Thought For Today

Feed your faith and your fear will starve to death.



UP, UP, AND AWAY — Students at the Texas Migrant Council released red, white and blue balloons as part of a tribute to the troops serving in the Middle East during a Yellow Ribbon Rally on TMC grounds last Friday afternoon. The event included speeches by Mayor Wayne Russell and other local dignitaries, special poems and inspiring renditions of patriotic songs. The area was festooned with flags, flowers and yellow ribbons.

Staff Photo

Residents celebrate February birthdays at Nursing Home

By Lorilla Bradley

February is a month Of love and hearts and flowers. Let's celebrate some birthdays, too And spend some happy hours.

Mrs. Wells we honor ...Her years are 84... And may each day be better Than one's that went before.

Mr. Willis we salute He is boasting 86... And as the years went marching by He learned a lot of "tricks".

Mr. Jameson we now greet On this his special day... A birthday party is just the thing To cheer him on his way!

Mrs. Weathers we present ...Her name is Icy Snow... It had to be the weatherman Who named her...we just know!

We welcome Mr. Hammonds ...His years are 74... And may this birthday be as good As any gone before.

Let's do the birthday "ditty" To cheer these people on...

So join us in the singing And come out good and strong!

Thursday, February 21, was party time at the Rest Home. The Hesperian photographer came for the "picture taking" after which everyone was ushered into the dining room with the honorees being seated at the "honor" table.

Their places were marked with special cards and each wore a red carnation compliment of Williams Flower and Card Shop. The table was laid with a pink cloth and centered with a floral arrangement in shades of pink. Jo Bryant read a brief history of the life of each honoree. The poem was read and all joined in singing the Happy Birthday song.

Seated with Mr. Willis was Rene Turner. Visiting with Mr. Gage was his daughter, Pauline Hands. Mrs. Oda Birchfield entertained her niece, Sylvia Fogerson.

A delicious pound cake, angel food cake and a tangy fruit punch were served to the honorees, guests, home residents and employees.

We are always happy to have visitors and you are invited to be with us any time you can. The next party will be Thursday, March 21, 2:30 p.m.

Caprock Hospital Report

Willis Earl Edwards, Floydada, adm. 1-30, continues care, Hale
Lola Edwards, Floydada, adm. 1-17, continues care, Hale
Myrtice Rainer, Floydada, adm. 2-6, dis. 2-12, Hale
Charlie Warren, Floydada, adm. 2-2, continues care, Jordan
Maria B. Duran, Floydada, adm. 2-10, dis. 2-15, Hale
Cleo Goins, Floydada, adm. 2-11, dis. 2-19, Hale
Grigsby Milton, Floydada, adm. 2-8, continues care, Hale
Carl H. Ashley, Roaring Springs, adm. 2-4, dis. 2-5, Jordan
Valta Deaton, Matador, adm. 2-12, dis. 2-13, Hale
Pilar Juarez, Floydada, adm. 2-14, dis. 2-15, Hale
D.C. Harrison, Floydada, adm. 2-15, dis. 2-18, Hale
Marjorie McElyea, Floydada, adm. 2-17, dis. 2-21, Hale
Yvonne A. Ysasaga, Floydada, adm. 2-18, dis. 2-21, Hale
Opal Rosson, Floydada, adm. 2-12, dis. 2-19, Hale
Anabel Lopez, Dougherty, adm. 2-19, dis. 2-21, Jordan
Artie Muncy, Floydada, adm. 2-19, dis. 2-21, Hale

Ruth K. Dutton, Floydada, adm. 2-20, dis. 2-21, Jordan
Lenna Marile Lovell, Floydada, adm. 2-21, continues care, Jordan
Delma Ybarra, Floydada, adm. 2-20, dis. 2-21, Hale

Floyd Data

Benny H. Hahn of El Paso has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Malett of Floydada. Benny is an ordained minister of the Full Gospel Church in El Paso. His mother stated that, "He will be leaving for Kenya and Uganda for 30 days to preach God's word to these countries that need it so badly. Pray for him and his ministry."

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Clubs & Organizations

1934 Study Club

Members of the 1934 Study Club met February 19 at Lighthouse Electric for their Valentine and "Guest Night" program.

Evelyn Latta voiced the blessing followed by a bountiful salad supper served to the members and their guests as they enjoyed fellowship and food together.

The group was then treated to a night of music brought by musicians Harvey Allen and Kay Crabtree.

After several numbers the two men told how their music began before their school days. Harvey was given a harmonica while he was in the hospital and drove the nurses wild and Kay was blessed with a music talented mother that gave him access to the piano and showed him the notes.

Guests present were Gail Ramsey, Irene Irby, Dell Yandell, Dorothy Holland, Lella Pruitt, Joe Appling, John Key West, Mac McNeill, Jay Hale, Jim Word, Noma Lou Rainer, Gladys Widener, Ruby Lee Higginbotham, Jean Newberry of Wolfe City, and the musicians Harvey Allen and Kay Crabtree.

Members present were Jean Appling, Elizabeth Armstrong, Mamie Bunch, Betsy Dempsey, Effie Foster, Kay Hale, Evelyn Latta, Queen Annie Lawson, Nell McClung, Flora McNeill, Lorene Newberry, Eva Parker, Freida Simpson, Ruth Trapp, Wanda Turner, Madge West, Margarette Word, Peggy Wright and Jo Y'Blood.

Eva Parker and Margarette Word were hostesses for the night of food, fellowship and music.



1991 WOMEN'S CHAMBER DIRECTORS—1991 Directors of the Women's Division of the Floydada Chamber of Commerce were announced at the annual banquet Saturday night. These are (back row, l-r) Deedie Covington, Melissa Long, Irma Garcia, Sue Chesshir; (front row, l-r) Julianne Cornelius, Julie Duke, Mitzi Nixon, Vickie Norrell and Anne Carthel. Not pictured were Trena Simpson and Allison Robertson.

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Higginbotham honored with pre-nuptial coffee

Kelly Higginbotham, bride-elect of Gil Hays, was honored on Saturday morning, February 16, 1991, with a gift-coffee in the home of Mrs. Shirley Morton, 121 Mae Ave., Floydada. Guests calling between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. were greeted by Mrs. Morton, the honoree, her mother, Mrs. Alton Higginbotham of Jacksonville, Arkansas, and the mother of the groom-to-be, Mrs. Joe Hays of Rio Vista, Texas.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Scotty Battey of Floydada, sister of the bride-elect. Special guests attending were Mrs. Ruby Lee Higginbotham and Mrs. Nell McClung of Floydada, grandmothers of the bride-elect; Edith Guggenheim of Amarillo, great-aunt of the bride-elect; Samantha Anderson of Cleburne, sister of the groom; and Toya Davis of Lubbock.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with a white linen and Battenberg lace tablecloth and complimented with a fresh bouquet of white daisies in a crystal vase, accented with black and white satin ribbon. Mrs. Terry Roberts of Lockney presided at the silver coffee and tea service.

The hostesses presented the honoree with four serving pieces to her china. Many other lovely gifts were displayed in the party rooms.

Hostesses for the event were: Judy Allen of Lubbock and Msrs. Craig Ellison and Terry Roberts, Lockney; Msrs. Bill Hale, Eugene (Button) Beedy, Elmer Dean Williams, Jerry Cannon, L.T. (Pete) Hickerson, Louis Lloyd, Weldon Pruitt, James (Buck) Marricle, Jerrold Vinson, Kenneth Willis, Robert O. (Shorty) Turner, Louis Anderson, Bill Stringer, and Shirley Morton, all of Floydada.

Harmony Extension Club

Harmony Extension Homemakers met Feb. 25 in the club room with Bess Carr as hostess. Maye Williams, president, called the meeting to order at 2:00. She opened the meeting by reading a poem, "Definition of Success."

Roll call was answered with "Something I do to freshen my home." Minutes were read and approved and the treasurer's report was given. There was no new or old business.

Karen Miller reported on the T.E.H.A. meeting that she attended in Lubbock.

Anna Nobles, assistant agent from Plainview, presented the program on "Typical Home Water Use." She showed a video on "Water Contamination," and told about conserving water in homes.

Vivian Curtis led recreation. The hostess served refreshments to Karen Miller, Vivian Curtis, Ruth Scott, Imelda Murry, Anna Maude Hopper, Maye Williams and Blanche Williams.

There were a few members absent due to illness.

Floydada Nursing Home Happenings

By Jo Bryant

Hi, greetings once again from us here at the nursing home. Monday started the week with beauty shop day, Dolores came and did the ladies and men's hair. We appreciate her and all the time she puts in. Bro. Bill Wright came and shared the word, Jesus' Baptism.

Irene Wexler wasn't with us, as she was sick, we wish for her a speedy recovery. We sang some songs, Otis Johnson led the singing. In the afternoon the residents did a quiz on presidents to see how many presidents they could name and of the presidents being in office during their lifetime. Knox Jameson named the most and was given a candy bar.

Tuesday was manicure day, Ola Smith, Sue Walker and Selma Ortiz. Thanks Ruth McIntosh for the wheelchair pockets. Also in the afternoon, we read an article about button collections. It is the number three collection next to coins and stamps. One collector has 30,000 buttons that covers three walls of her home. William Penn gave 12 buttons from his coat to an Indian chief to purchase the state of Pennsylvania. They also enjoyed seeing a collection of different buttons. They also had some popcorn.

Wednesday morning, Irene Rodriguez came and played her flute with us and shared the word about, His name is wonderful and that there is power in the name of Jesus and that every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord. At 2 p.m. the residents played Bingo. Thelma Hoffman and Henry Willis had the first Bingo. Mary Alice Davis came and assisted the residents in playing.

Thursday was our monthly birthday party, we had five residents having birthdays, Iva Wells, Icy Snow Weathers, Henry Willis, Edward Jameson, Weldon Hammonds. The ladies from the City Park Church of Christ serving were Martha Botkin, Eunice Hardy, Ruth Walker and Lorilla Bradley.

Guests attending the party were Rene Turner, Pauline Hands and Sylvia Fogerson.

Friday, Freida Simpson came and played the piano for us and shared the word taken from Psalm 23, also we prayed the Our Father. Evelyn Latta closed with a prayer for us. Then on to Crosbyton on the bus ride, it was a lovely day. Our Place treated us to some

ice cream.

We have two residents in the hospital, they are Charley Warren and Ruby Holcomb. We wish them a speedy recovery and to be with us soon.

Thought: "The difference between 'He's Good Looking and He's Looking Good' is usually about 20 years and 30 pounds."

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Thursday, Feb. 28: Candy D. Emert, Amma Lisa Valadez, C.L. Robinson, Kim Cheek, Rodolfo Trevino, Spring Lipham, Marissa Maria Garza, Derek Martinez, Barbara Lutrick, Paige Cannon, Edwin Nutt, Joseph Cuevas

February 29: Sallinda Hart

Friday, March 1: Becky Emert, Lionso Cisneros Jr., Kerri Cates, Laverne McCarty, Melissa Long, Abel Bryan Cortinas, Chance Crossland

Saturday, March 2: Leonel Longoria, Sandy Bailey, Adam Aleman, Amber

Womack

Sunday, March 3: Gracie Gonzalez, Tobino Mathes

Monday, March 4: Sam Mercado, Monica Galvan, Joann Rangel, Molly Stringer, Brittney Davidson

Tuesday, March 5: Roger Emert, Crystal Campos, Tracie Stark, Rhonda Stovall, Cade Miller

Wednesday, March 6: Joel Szydloski, Fred Cardinal, Shylar Wilson, Pamalia Strickland, Arturo Delgado Jr., Jimmy McGaugh, Victor Herrera

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 29: Mr. and Mrs. Royce Gilmore

Friday, March 1: Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Miller

Saturday, March 2: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Daniels

Sunday, March 3: Mr. and Mrs. Ignacio Luna

Tuesday, March 5: Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Emert, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Casillas, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Edwards

Wednesday, March 6: Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Norrell

New Arrivals!

CHESSHIR

Tyler Austin Chesshir is very proud to announce the arrival of his new brother, Dillon Dwight. Dillon was born February 12 at 5:57 p.m. at Lockney General Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 20 inches in length.

The proud parents are Don and Christina Chesshir.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Chesshir of Floydada and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith of Brenham.

Great-grandparents are Veta Smith of Floydada and Mr. and Mrs. W.M. McFarland of Lubbock.

VELD

Angie and Scott Veld of Marshall, Minnesota, would like to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Jorde Clay, born Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 10:55 a.m. in Marshall.

He weighed 9 lbs., 1 oz. and was 21 inches long.

He has a five-year-old sister, Tosha Nicole.

Grandparents are Ted and Joyce Anderson of Floydada.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Leatherman, all of Floydada.



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BRIDGING THE GENERATION GAP -- Students in the Floydada High School FHA classes are working on a program to assist older residents and teens in bridging the generation gap. Among the local students participating in the program are (back row, left to right) Annette Garcia, Moraima Vasquez, Christy Benjamin, Spring Lipham; (front row) Brandi Ross, Brandi Coleman, Roxann Cavazos and Bertha Hernandez. Staff Photo

FHS youths are mapping Y.E.S. Program to bridge generation gap

By Deborah Lloyd

A new project to build bridges across the generation gap and improve the quality of life for both youth and rural senior citizens has come off the drawing board and gone into construction here in Floyd County. Fifteen Floydada High School students met Tuesday morning to kick off the Y.E.S. project.

The project is Youth Exchanging with Seniors (Y.E.S.). Its goal is to promote positive intergenerational relationships between youth and seniors by providing assisted-living services that enhance independent lifestyles of the elderly in rural communities.

Y.E.S. is a cooperative effort of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, the Texas Tech College of Home Economics and the South Plains District of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, an agency of Texas A&M University System.

It will link members of 4-H Club and Future Homemakers of America with senior citizens in Bailey, Borden, Briscoe, Castro, Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lynn, Lubbock, Parmer, Scurry, Swisher, Terry and Yoakum counties.

It is a model program, funded principally with a \$250,000 grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the nation's largest health care philanthropy. It is intended as a pilot effort which can be duplicated across the nation.

Co-directors of the project are Dr. Sheryl Boyd, assistant chairman for development in the Department of Internal Medicine and Associate Professor of Health Organization Management, TTUHSC; Dr. Betty Stout, Assistant Professor of Home Economics Education in Texas Tech University's College of Home Economics, and Dr. Kathy Volant, South Plains District Director for Home Economics with the extension service.

The program was initiated (July 18-20) with a summer institute at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center which provided two-and-a-half days of training for adults and a day-and-a-half for teens. Spring Lipham, Floydada High

School sophomore; Deborah Lloyd, Floydada High School Home Economics teacher, and Mary True, Floyd County Extension Agent attended the training.

Institute trainees will form the nucleus of county resource teams which will coordinate efforts in each county. Also on this team is Billie Jordan, nurse. In the next few weeks this team will enlist a variety of community volunteers from business, health care and civic organizations to teach the youth service providers and match them with seniors requesting services which might include routine housekeeping assistance.

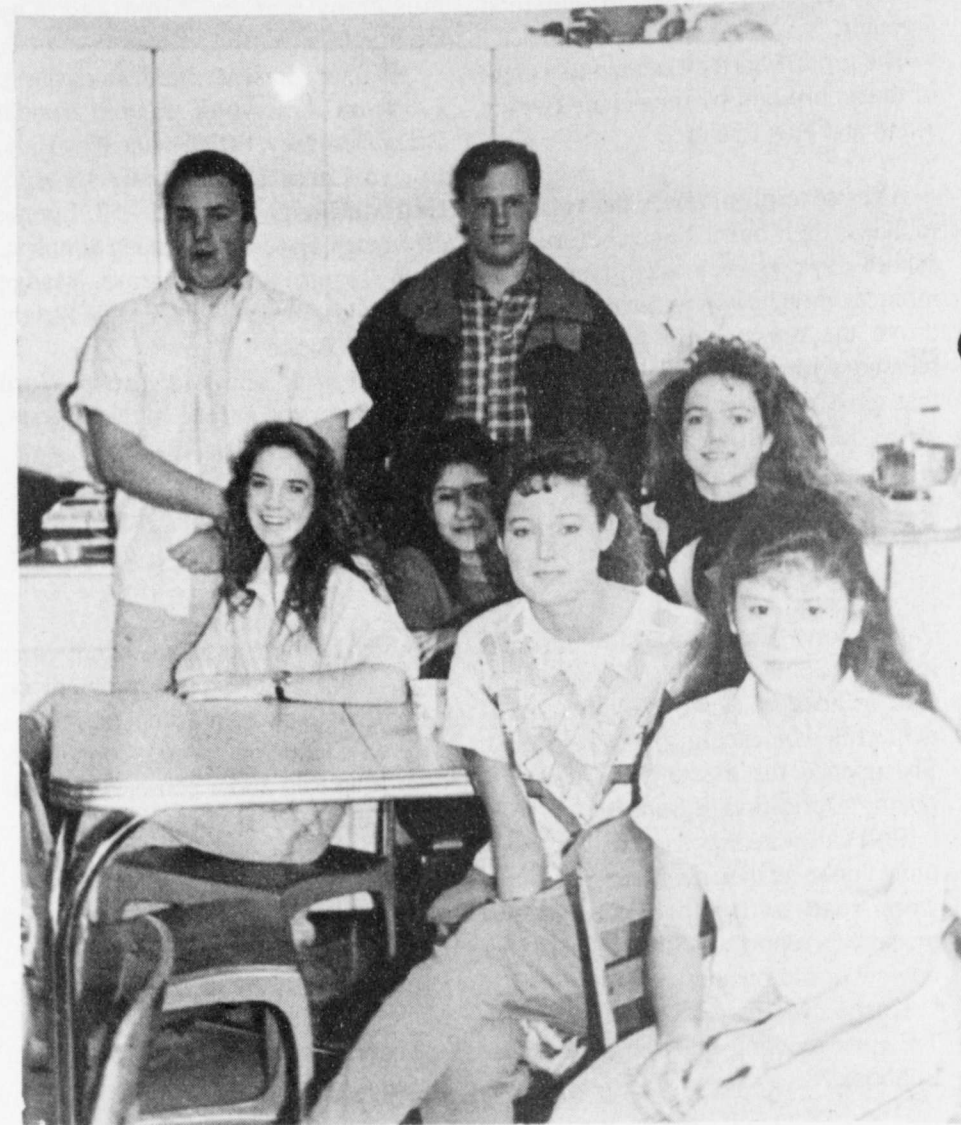
Seniors will also work with youth to carry out a joint activity that will benefit the community or county.

If you or your group would like to help with the Y.E.S. project or would like more information about receiving services from the youth, please call Deborah Lloyd at 983-2340.

Charter members include: Brandi Ross, Bertha Hernandez, Micheal Gilliland, Trish Pernel, Elisa Suarez, Melisa Garza, Scott Crader, Roxann Cavazos, Brandi Coleman, Moraima Vasquez, Tian Younger, Michael Doerschuk, Annett Garcia, Jayna Dunn, Christy Benjamin and Samantha Salazar.



DUNCAN STARS — Selected as the Duncan Stars this week were (front row, left to right) Tiffany Davis, Isreal Rodriguez, Kody Willis, Jenny Young, Shella Perry, Angela Porter, Danuta Torres, Johnny Joe Garcia; (middle row) Erika Delgado, Ashley Enriquez, Corey Hurt, Librado Palacios, Amber Williams, Lupe Delgado, Abelina Vasquez, Brenda Rendon; (back row) Juan Gomez, Gabriel Mendoza, Mandy Emert, Kelsy Pierce, Amanda Barnett, Bonnie Dunlap and Rick Garcia. Staff Photo



Y.E.S. PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS -- A group of Floydada High School students are part of a pilot program for an inter-generational exchange. Among those involved are (beginning with top left) Micheal Gilliland, Michael Doerschuk, Tian Younger, Melisa Garza, Jayna Dunn, Trish Pernel and Elisa Suarez. Staff Photo

Karate students compete in Lone Star championships

Aaction Kenpo Karate students participated in the Lone Star Open Karate Championships Saturday, February 23, in Lubbock at Reese Air Force Base gym. Participants were: Tye Stewart, Jeff Newsom, Rowdy Derryberry, Shane Derryberry, Keeley Adams, Dustin Hamilton, Larry Hamilton, Josh Carter and Sharkey LeCroy.

Forms award winners were: Tye Stewart, 2nd - 7 year old division all belts; Jeff Newsom, 3rd - 14-15-16 year old beginner; Shane Derryberry, 2nd - black belt division; Sharkey LeCroy, 2nd -

adult black belt.

Sparring award winners were: Josh Carter, 1st - 7 and 8 year old division all belts; Rowdy Derryberry, 2nd - 7 and 8 year old division all belts; Tye Stewart, 3rd - 7 and 8 year old division all belts; Melanie LeCroy, 2nd - 14-15-16 year old girls intermediate division; Keeley Adams, 2nd - 14-15-16 year old intermediate division; Shane Derryberry, 3rd - black belt division; Larry Hamilton, 3rd - men intermediate division; Sharkey Lecroy, 1st - adult black belt division.



EARNs DIVISION I — Aesa Mercado, 8 year old daughter of Sammy and Olivia Mercado, recently competed in the Miss Valentine Pageant/Baton Twirling meet held in O'Donnell on February 11. Mercado competed in the 7-9 age bracket and received a 1 Rating in Divisionals in Beginner Basic Strut and Beginner Solo. She placed 3rd in Novice Solo in the meet sponsored by the National Baton Twirling Association. Courtesy Photo

Future Homemakers plan to attend conference

The Floydada Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America will be attending the Region 1 Conference to be held in Midland on March 1 and 2. This year the theme for the regional conference is "Yippi Yi Yo-Success Is Yours

Through FHA/HERO."

Members will saddle up and gallop off to great general sessions and exciting teen workshops such as: volunteerism, family situations, peer pressure, teen pregnancy, protecting the environment

and other exciting topics.

Michelle Cabrera, Moraima Vasquez, Veronica Segura, Maria Segura and Nelda Enriquez will accompany sponsors Deborah Lloyd and Kathy Becker.

Recipe for a Military Wife

(Editor's Note: The following "recipe" for making a Military Wife was found by Ludustria Warren, who sent it to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Leatherman of Floydada. Ludustria's husband, Tracy is in the military.)

- 1-1/2 cup Patience
- 1 lb. Courage
- 2 T. Elbow Grease
- 1-3/4 C. Tolerance
- Dash of Adventure

Marinate frequently with salty tears. Pour off excess fat. Sprinkle ever so

lightly with money. Knead dough until payday. Season with international spices. Bake for 20 years or until done. Serve with pride.

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APPLE OF OUR EYE — Chosen as the Duncan Apple of Our Eye this week was first grade teacher Sheri Collins Turnbow. She has been teaching for eight years following graduation from Floydada High School and Texas Tech. She and her husband Roy have two children, 11 year-old Shonda and 9 month-old Katie. Her hobbies include cross stitch and sewing. Staff Photo

School Menu


March 4-8

- Monday:**
Breakfast — Pineapple juice, scrambled eggs, toast, milk
Lunch — Hamburger pizza, corn, pickle spears, pineapple tidbits, milk
- Tuesday:**
Breakfast — Grape juice, sausage, toast, jelly, milk
Lunch — Vegetable beef soup, crackers, pimento cheese sandwich, sugar cookie, milk
- Wednesday:**
Breakfast — Orange juice, hot oatmeal cereal, toast, milk
Lunch — Pig in blanket, baked beans, spinach, peaches, milk
- Thursday:**
Breakfast — Apple juice, pancakes, syrup, milk
Lunch — Cheese enchiladas, pinto beans, tossed salad, applesauce, cornbread, milk
- Friday:**
Breakfast — Pineapple juice, dry cereal, toast, milk
Lunch — Hamburger w/mustard, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, apricot cobbler, milk



SEVENTH GRADE FOOTBALL TEAM — Members of the 1990 Floydada Junior High seventh grade football team included (back row, left to right) manager Jason Harrison, Rance Barnett, Anthony Emert, John Mendez, David Watson, Bill Miller, Alex Vallejo, Tim Rando, Richard Powell, manager Oggie Gonzales; (middle row)

Michael Molinar, Frankie Maldonado, Arnulfo Cervera, Bobby Luna, Joe Ysasaga, Eric Luna, Joe Sanchez, Frank Jasso, Michael Mercado; (front row) Coach Jim Burselon, Neil Nelson, Zack Abshier, Adam Muniz, Shane Derryberry, Chad Guthrie, Robert Cantrell, Jessie Sanchez and Coach Kyle Clark. Courtesy Photo



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'Winds open track season

By Bill Gray

The Floydada Whirlwinds participated in their first track meet of the year at the Canyon Relays on February 23. Although finishing in the middle of the pack at eighth place in team standings, the 'Winds served notice that they will be very competitive in the coming weeks.



STEPHANIE CARR

Floydada's 400 meter relay team, consisting of Brad Emert, Michael Henderson, Freddie Portee and Kenneth Collins, placed second behind favored Tulia. The 'Winds improved their time by almost a second over last year's clocking in the same event.

Brad Emert ran a strong 100 meters for Floydada, placing third with a time of 11.20. Emert registered a 11.07 in a preliminary heat, an indication that he will be a factor in that event in later meets. Michael Henderson finished a strong fourth place in the 200 meters, with Freddie Portee placing sixth in that event.

Jason Pyle placed sixth in the 110 hurdles, and Brian Teeple's 400 meter run also netted a sixth place finish. Per-

haps the most significant Floydada showing was by Jaime Suarez's third place finish in the 1600. Jaime ran third behind two Class 4A runners from Borger, and should be a strong contender in the 1600 throughout the track season.

Coach David Carr was happy with the overall efforts at Canyon and commented, "I was pleased with our youngsters. We had several missing due to injuries, U.I.L. music competition, and grade ineligibilities. We expect to get most of those people back soon, and will be in good shape for the remainder of the season."

The next meet for Floydada's thincads will be on March 2, when they play hosts for the annual Whirlwind Relays.

Senior Stars of '91

By Alice Vargas

Patti Vallejo, our first Senior Star this week, is the daughter of Pete and Molly Vallejo. She has two brothers and three sisters and has attended school in Floydada all 12 years.

Patti has been very active here at FHS. She was a student council representative her freshman and sophomore years. She was a member of the cross country team in track for two years and has played basketball for three years.

For four years, she has played with the Spirit of the Winds Band. Patti attends St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church and teaches the third grade CCD class.

In her spare time, Patti likes to collect shells and other mementos. Her favorite movie is "Pretty Woman" and she enjoys watching "The Cosby Show." On weekends her favorite activity is going to a movie with her boyfriend. If you ask Patti what makes her happy, she quickly answers "Eddie", of course.

Patti is still undecided about college. If she does attend college she wants to become a counselor for teens. She would also like to help young mentally ill or retarded children. She also plans to be married later in life.

To her fellow senior pals she will always be "Patti with a heart."

Our second senior star is Stephanie Carr, the daughter of Bill and Darlene Carr. Stephanie has one brother, Nathan, a freshman at FHS. She has attended Floydada schools for 11 years. Stephanie has also attended schools at Hale Center and Plainview. She attends Carr's Chapel Methodist Church.

For the past four years, Stephanie has been a very busy Whirlwind. She has been a member of the band for four years. She also made the flag corp this year. Stephanie has been on the student council her junior and senior years and is currently serving as the secretary/treasurer this year. She is the reporter of the National Honor Society and secretary of the Liason Leadership Committee. She is also on the speech and debate team.

In her spare time, Steph enjoys listening to Warrant, Poison and Garth Brooks. She also likes reading books by V.C. Andrews. This past summer Stephanie was employed at My-T-Burger.

In the future, Stephanie plans to attend Texas Tech University. There she plans to earn an undergraduate degree in speech communications. Afterwards, she wants to attend law school and become a criminal lawyer.



PATTI VALLEJO

Barbee named Distinguished Student at TSU

Shannon Barbee, a 1987 FHS graduate, has been selected as a Distinguished Student at Tarleton State University. The honor is reserved for academic achievers and is one of the highest honors the institution confers.

According to Robert C. Fain, vice president of academic affairs, "The honor recognizes your importance on the campus."

Barbee is the son of Larry and Val-donna Barbee of Tyler, Texas. He has a sister, Shayla and a brother Blake. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wayne Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Warren of Floydada. His great grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bennett of and Nealy Richardson of Floydada.



SHANNON BARBEE

Four on South Plains College fall Dean's List

Four people from Floydada have been named to the Dean's Honor Lists for the fall 1990 semester at South Plains College.

They are Chad Quisenberry, Choise Smith, Grant Stovall and Eric Stringer. Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain at least a 3.25 grade point average while carrying the same minimum load. "We would like to acknowledge the hard work and academic achievements of these students named to the President and Dean's Honor Lists at SPC," said Dr. Orlo Sundre, vice president for academic affairs. "They have proven themselves to be excellent students."

Iraqi missile attacks prove need for SDI

By Baker Spring

Decades of theoretical debate about anti-missile defenses came to an end Jan. 18, when a U.S. Patriot system shot down an Iraqi Scud ballistic missile aimed at the U.S. airbase at Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

It was the first time in the history of warfare that a ballistic missile was downed in combat. The Patriot's success, and those that have followed, demonstrate dramatically that the United States has the technical know-how to knock enemy missiles out of the air under combat conditions.

Thus, the verdict is in: Ronald Reagan's vision of a defense against nuclear-armed ballistic missiles was no pipe dream.

Ironically, the United States still cannot offer its own citizens the kind of localized protection from missile attack provided to the Israelis and Saudis. Patriots can shoot down Iraq's relatively short-range Scuds, which travel at about 3,000 miles per hour. But they would be useless against an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) travelling toward the United States at 15,000 miles per hour. Had the gulf war not broken out, Iraq may well have developed a nuclear-armed missile capable of attacking New York or Washington by the end of the decade.

Of course, Iraq is not the only country developing ballistic missiles. The CIA estimates that 15 Third-World countries will have ballistic missiles within 10 years.

Only a Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) program — designed to protect the United States and its allies against long-range missile attacks — can provide the security that most certainly will be needed. Such missile defenses also would reduce the threat of attack from renegade countries that refuse to sign or abide by arms control agreements.

To defend itself against the Third-World missile threat, the United States would need only a limited deployment of missile defenses. One SDI option, being considered by the Bush administration, is called Global Protection Against Limited Strikes (GPALS), which would deploy interceptors on the

ground and in space. Ground missiles would be advanced versions of the Patriot, able to cover a larger area. These would be backed up by space-based interceptors known as "brilliant pebbles," able to destroy ICBMs shortly after launch or in space.

What kind of a shield will these programs really buy us? The combined ground and space-based systems, deployed in the United States and elsewhere, could provide near-total defense against limited strikes.

Saddam Hussein has grimly proven that the threat of missile attacks against the United States and its allies must be taken seriously. Americans cannot afford to wait until hostile nations develop the nuclear capability to attack military targets or civilian populations. After watching Iraq, we already know that, given the chance, they will certainly do both.

Even Mikhail Aleksandrov of the Soviet Foreign Ministry admitted that anti-nuclear defenses "may, far from leading to destabilization, result in a better model of strategic stability than the one we have."

Ronald Reagan made the same point. Perhaps the skeptics, still waiting for hard evidence of the feasibility of anti-missile defenses, should walk the streets of Tel Aviv or Riyadh.

Note: Baker Spring is a strategic defense analyst with The Heritage Foundation, a Washington-based public policy research institute.

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RUSSIAN MEMENTOS AT R. C. ANDREWS -- The framed collage in the photo above is part of a collection of Soviet medals and pins which is being displayed in Bettye Poole's sixth grade classroom at R. C. Andrews Elementary School.

A group of Floydada students have sent Punkin' Day pins and other Floydada memorabilia to their Russian counterparts in an on-going letter writing project.



BLANCO CANYON WIND ENSEMBLE -- Members of the former Community Band, now titled the Blanco Canyon Wind Ensemble, performed for the appreciative crowd which filled the A. B. Duncan Elementary Cafeteria last Saturday evening for the annual Floydada Chamber of Commerce Banquet. The group played while dinner

was served and later returned to the stage to render an "Instant Concert" by playing a medley of songs old and new. They closed out the program with a patriotic salute to the armed forces in a musical piece representing the hymns and anthems of each branch of the service.

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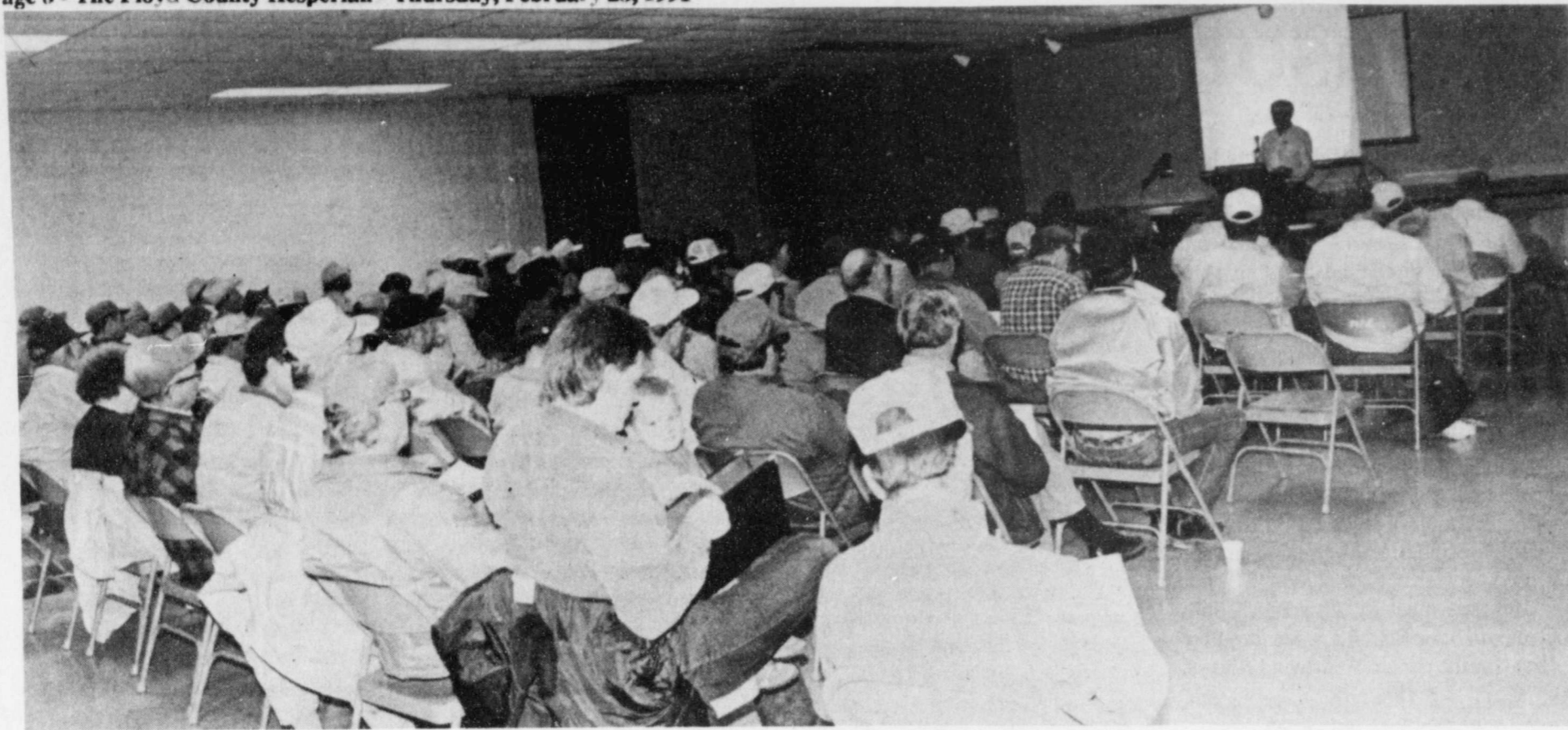
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FARMERS HEAR LOTSPEICH ON 1991 FARM PROGRAM--Bob Lotspeich, manager of the Floyd County ASCS office in Floydada, explained the 1991 Farm Program to a group of interested farmers. Those present joined in a question and answer period after the program. Staff Photo

Inspectors regulate pesticides for safety

(This is the fourth in a series of articles prepared by the Texas Farm Bureau to address consumer concerns about food safety.)

BACKGROUND

Pesticides are used on plants, vegetables, fruits and animals to control a host of pest problems, including weeds, insects, fungi, diseases, and rodents. Herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and rodenticides are all considered pesticides. Farmers apply pesticides to protect crops from pests and diseases and to increase yields.

The federal government strictly regulates the 200 pesticides that account for 98 percent of all agricultural applications made today. To make certain our fruits and vegetables meet these tough standards, federal and state inspectors regularly test samples of the produce we buy and eat.

Eight of the pesticides described below are ones that environmental groups have targeted in recent reports widely circulated to the media. (Government agencies, manufacturers, trade associations, scientific institutions, and others provided the following information on these pesticides.)

ACEPHATE

(Trade name: Orthene)

Acephate is an insecticide used on green peppers, lettuce, and peanuts. The EPA has classified acephate as a possible human carcinogen.

ALDICARB

(Trade name: Temik)

Aldicarb is an insecticide applied to about 40 percent of the U.S. potato crop and about 3 percent of the bananas imported into this country from Central America. Aldicarb is also applied to citrus, peanuts, and several other crops.

Although the EPA has no information showing that anyone has ever become sick from eating potatoes or bananas treated with aldicarb, new EPA methodology raises the theoretical possibility that a small number of children could experience flu-like symptoms from ingestion of aldicarb residues on food.

The EPA began a Special Review of aldicarb in 1984, focusing on dietary exposure. It is expected to be concluded in late 1990. During the EPA Special Review, an unusually high level of aldicarb residues were found on a test sample of potatoes. In response, the manufacturer temporarily suspended sales. Once the scientific review is complete, the EPA will consider whether regulatory action to reduce the dietary risk from aldicarb is appropriate.

BENOMYL

(Trade names: Benlate, Benex, and Benlate 50DF)

Benomyl is a fungicide used to control a number of fungal diseases and is used in the United States on 43 food crops including bananas, citrus fruit, and tomatoes. In 1982, the EPA concluded its Special Review of benomyl. The pesticide was returned to registration with the requirement that cloth or dust masks be used by agricultural workers exposed to aerial application of the chemical.

CAPTAN

(Trade names: Captanex, Orthocide, Drexel Captan)

Captan is a fungicide widely used for the prevention of diseases that can occur during the shipment and storage of food, seed, and ornamental crops.

Captan has received attention lately because of new federal and state legislation that requires older products (captan has been registered since 1951) to be reevaluated using current standards.

Residues of captan can occur on the surface of fruits and vegetables; govern-

ment data indicate that residue levels are well within EPA standards.

CHLOROTHALONIL

(Trade names: Cabobre, Daconil 2787, BRAVO, Bravocarb, Bravonil, Tuffide, Ole)

Chlorothalonil is widely used for the control of a broad spectrum of diseases on vegetables and fruit. The toxicology database for chlorothalonil is complete and up-to-date.

Studies support a conclusion that chlorothalonil is not a probable human carcinogen and that there is no dietary risk from chlorothalonil residues for any population subgroup, including infants and children, when the known health effects of chlorothalonil and the extremely low dietary exposure to it are considered.

On specific crops examined, residues of chlorothalonil were found to be well within EPA standards. Trace levels of HCB are present only as a manufacturing impurity.

ETHYLENE BISDITHIOCARBAMATE FUNGICIDES (EBDCs)

EBDCs are fungicides used to control over 400 fungal organisms known to cause disease in fruit, vegetable, field, and ornamental crops. The EBDC group consists of Mancozeb, Maneb, Metiram, and Zineb.

Until recently EBDCs were used on more than 70 crops; their major uses were for apples, tomatoes, potatoes, grapes, bananas, corn, and wheat. In December 1989, the EPA proposed the cancellation of most EBDC uses based on residues formed at the harvest or "farm gate" stage.

In September 1989, all the manufacturers of EBDCs also suspended sales of many EBDC uses. If market basket studies show that EBDC residues are at or below government tolerance levels, some uses may be reinstated.

PARATHION

Parathion is an insecticide registered with the EPA for use on a wide variety of fruits and vegetables, including bell peppers, broccoli, carrots, cherries, oranges, and peaches. Evidence of carcinogenicity is limited due to the absence of human data.

DAMINOZIDE

(Trade names: Alar, Dazide, B-Nine, Kylar)

Alar was registered for use on a variety of agricultural products, but it was primarily used on apples. Alar is a growth regulator (not a pesticide) used to prevent preharvest fruit drop, to delay fruit maturity and internal decay, and to maintain firmness. Studies have shown that, during processing, Alar can sometimes break down into UDMH, which is under review as a possible carcinogen.

The EPA has begun its cancellation process for Alar. After an extensive media blitz by activist groups, the apple industry, through the International Apple Institute, pledged to no longer use Alar. Uniroyal no longer sells Alar domestically.

Food Safety Concerns

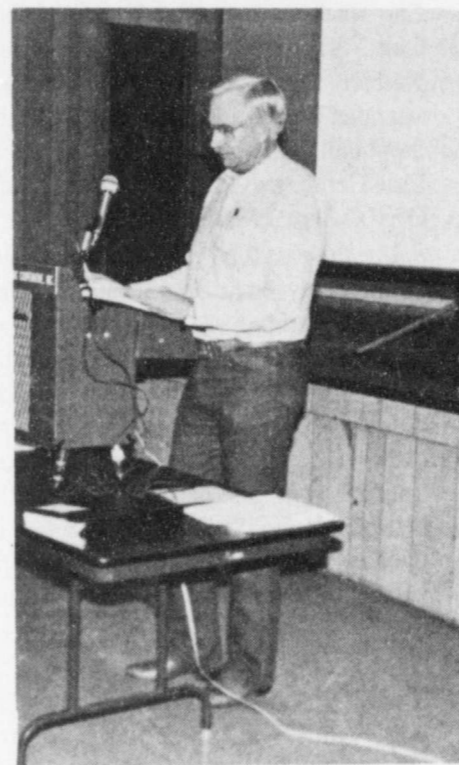
The public's concern about pesticide residues has been growing for at least the last five years. In early 1989, the Natural Resources Defense Council and actress Meryl Streep focused many people's attention on Alar (a little-used apple growth regulator and not a pesticide). Once Alar came under consumer scrutiny, so did many pesticides. Consumers began asking questions like, "Are fruits and vegetables safe to eat?" "Will I get cancer from pesticide residues?" "Why do growers need to use so many pesticides?"

Summary

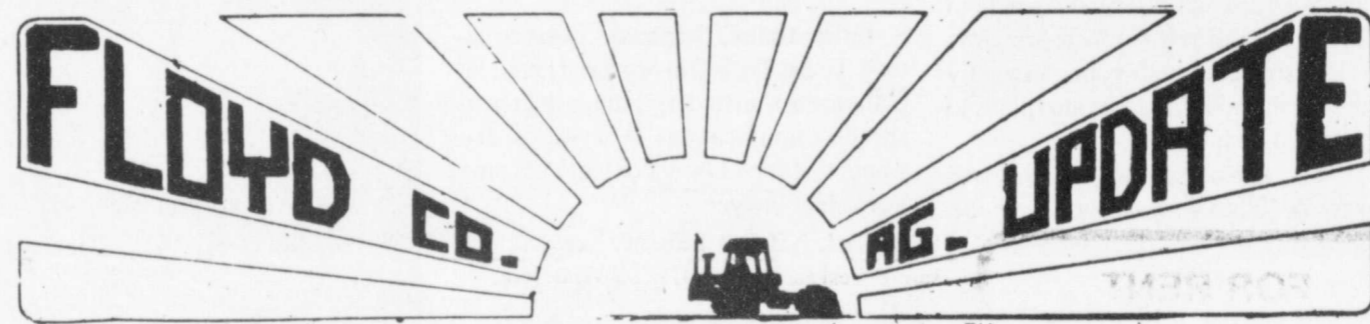
(1) Producers' foremost goals are to grow safe and nutritious food. Growers and marketers of fresh fruits and vegetables are especially concerned about produce safety and consumer health.

(2) Federal and state agencies closely monitor levels of pesticide residues in food. Allowable limits are set hundreds, even thousands, of times lower than levels that would pose any health risk. The FDA prosecutes violations of these standards.

(3) Farmers are responsible pesticide managers. Pesticides are expensive and farmers don't benefit from over-applying them or exceeding state and federal application guidelines. Farmers are also using IPM, a management practice that uses cultural practices and natural pest enemies to reduce the use of pesticides.



BOB LOTSPEICH



Nine Texans elected to council

Nine Texans have been elected to leadership positions in the National Cotton Council.

Renamed to the Council's 35 member board of directors were Sam T. Murff, North Plains Compress Co, Tulia; and C.L. Boggs, Plains Cotton Cooperative, Lubbock. Elected to the board were Ralls grower Steve Verett; M. D. Tucker, Chickasha Cotton Oil Co., Ft. Worth; and Chris Allen, Allen Farms, San Benito.

Albert S. Kyle, III, Plains Cotton Cooperative, Lubbock, was elected first vice president of Cotton Council International. CCI is the overseas arm of the National Cotton Council. Verett was named to CCI's board of directors. Elected to the board was Wayne Martin, Plains Cooperative Oil Mill, Lubbock.

Tornillo grower Bill Lovelady was elected vice chairman of the Council's Producer Steering Committee. Verett

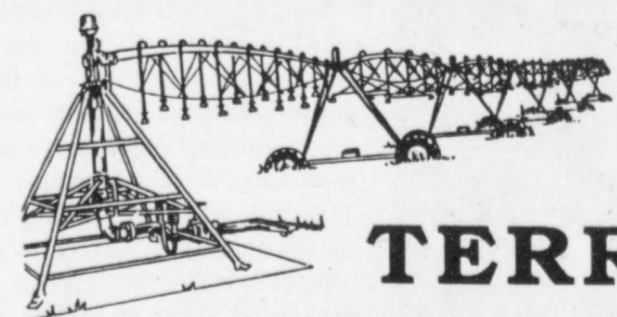
was chosen regional producer director and Corpus Christi grower Craig Shook was named state producer chairman and a member of the PSC.

Lovelady was named chairman of the Council's Texas unit. Allen is unit vice chairman and Martin is secretary.

The group was elected at the Council's 53rd annual meeting, Feb. 8-12, in Los Angeles.

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CARD OF THANKS

Dear Floydada Businessmen and Farmers, Thank you so much for buying our lambs this year at the stock show. We really do appreciate your support to the youth during the stock show each year. Thanks Again, Michael and Resa Mercado 2-28p

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and flowers during my recent surgery. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated. Quaid and Jan Richburg 2-28c

Dear Floydada Businessmen and Farmers, We want to thank you for purchasing our pigs. It takes everyone working together to make the local and county stock show a success. We appreciate your support of the youth in Floydada. Sincerely, Brad and Carrie Emert 2-28p

We would like to thank Rev. Hollis Payne and the people who brought food to the Calvary Baptist Church during the funeral of Marie Edwards. Also, all the people who sent flowers and Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home. We would also like to thank the pallbearers who assisted. Curtis Fowler, Floyd Fowler, L.D. Fowler, Dorcie Green, Ella McDonald 2-28p

To the Lockney Businessmen and Farmers, Thank you so much for the additional premiums on my Reserve Grand Champion Lamb. Your support is appreciated by many. Thanks so much, Rhanda Hickerson 2-28c

CARD OF THANKS

To the Lockney Businessmen and Farmers, Thank you for buying my lamb this year. I appreciate your support. You are all very kind to our Floyd County 4-H. Thanks Again, Leslieanne Hickerson 2-28c

I would like to thank all the people of Floyd County who bought stock show memberships from me this year. Thanks to you our stock show will be able to grow and expand. Thanks for your help, Rhanda Hickerson 2-28c

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Floyd County Central Appraisal District will be held on Monday, March 4, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. in the Appraisal Office Board Room, Room 107, County Courthouse. 2-28c

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Let's Support Our Troops!

Complaint statistic publication of all insurers now available

The State Board of Insurance has issued a new consumer publication comparing the 1990 complaint statistics of virtually all insurers doing business in Texas.

"We hope this barometer of customer satisfaction will be useful to Texans as they shop for the insurance coverage they need," said Commissioner Phil Barnes.

The publication compares complaints reviewed by the SBI's Market Conduct Division. In Fiscal Year 1990, the Division investigated more than 25,000 consumer complaints, resulting in \$20.5 million in additional recovery for policyholders.

Complaints for 1990 are weighted against premium volume for 1989, the most recent year for which financial information is available, to produce a complaint ratio for each company.

The complaint ratios of insurance

companies with at least \$1 million in premium and 12 complaints are listed in descending rank order to facilitate comparisons. Separate sections are provided for life-and-health and property-and-casualty companies.

In addition, companies that sell Medicare supplement and long-term-care insurance — coverages of special interest to older Texans — are identified in the report.

Texas' complaint ratio report is believed to be the most comprehensive in the nation because it lists all life-and-health and property-and-casualty insurance companies licensed to operate in the state.

Copies of the report may be obtained free of charge by writing to:
State Board of Insurance
ATTN: Information Service (000-3)
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DEMPSEY FAMILY GATHERS—The guest speaker at Floydada's chamber banquet, General Robert Dempsey, was supported by his local family members during his speech Saturday night. Dempsey, who is a 1960 Floydada graduate, was accompanied by: (left-right) his wife, Lynn

Dempsey, General Dempsey, mother Betsy Dempsey, sister Jan Thayer, neice Jamie Thayer Thompson and her husband Greg Thompson; brother Jim Dempsey and his wife Gail.

Staff Photo

Red Cross to hold local fund raising effort

Local volunteers will be undertaking a major county wide fund raising campaign during the month of March.

Money collected will be used to support members of the armed forces, their families, refugees, and other victims of war as well as providing local services such as aid to disaster victims, health and safety classes, AIDS, education and youth classes.

Donation envelopes will be mailed in local bank statements. Donations can be mailed to the Floyd County Chapter, Rt. 4 Box 123, Floydada or to the First National Bank of Floydada.

Dennis Wilks receives Tulia chamber honors

Dennis Wilks, a 1952 FHS graduate was recently honored by the Chamber of Commerce in Tulia. He was named the 1991 Man of the Year at the annual banquet on Thursday, February 21.

Wilks retired after 23 years as the Tulia ag instructor who was cited for his work with Swisher County 4-H youth and others needing help within the community.

Swisher County Judge Jay Johnson presented the award, noting that "Wilks unselfishly gives of his time and talents to all those around him."

Wilks is a lifetime member of the Agricultural Teachers Association. He is also active in community affairs, being involved in the Swisher County Activities Association. He is the son of Mrs. W. J. Wilks of Floydada.

Masonic Lodge holding open house

Floydada Masonic Lodge No. 712 has joined 940 other Masonic Lodges across Texas in scheduling a simultaneous statewide Public Open House between 2 and 5 p.m. Sunday, March 10. The Lodge is located at 130 West Mississippi, Floydada.

Delmas McCormick, Master of the local lodge, said an open invitation is extended to anyone interested in learning more about Masonry and what Masons do. He noted that Fred E. Allen of Mt. Pleasant, Grand Master of the 180,000-member Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas, has defined the intent of the "showcase" open house event as being "to put Masonry on display so anyone interested can see for themselves what Masons do and have a better understanding of what Masonry is all about."

Printed cards will give brief explanations of more significant points of interest about the lodge room, including some of the more prominent symbols utilized in Masonry to teach Masonic philosophy. Best known of these symbols are the square and compasses, which identify members of the craft, together with other tools of the medieval stonemasons... builders of the great Gothic Cathedrals.

Allen explained, that to the three and one half million Masons in the U.S., these symbols are reminders of a Mason's duty to live by highest moral standards, to practice brotherly love, and to affirm loyalty to his country. He said Masons believe that the quality of a man's life should reflect his faith in God and his ethical ideals.

Other Masonic-related organizations are also being invited to participate in the open house program to provide insight into their particular organizations. Although not always active in communities, these affiliated Masonic groups include the York Rite, Scottish Rite, the Shrine, the Grotto, the Beauscant, Order of the Eastern Star, Daughters of the Nile, Daughters of Mokanna, Order of DeMolay for Boys, Order of Rainbow for Girls, and Job's Daughters — the newest entry into Texas.

Allen cited the showcase event as a

first in Texas in which various Masonic and Masonic-related groups join in public display of their respective regalia

and symbols in a blend of colorful pageantry open to all. He declared an overall objective is to help dispel the misconception many people have that Masonry is a secret society. He pointed out Masonry does not conceal its existence, principles or aims. Members proudly wear the square and compasses and other Masonic insignia, and Lodge buildings are well identified and often made available for appropriate community activities.

Masons collectively provide over \$2

million a day and thousands of hours of service donated to worthy causes, including over \$750 million every year for charitable activities. It was further pointed out, that while Masons do not solicit members, men of good character may ask to become members.

Floydada Masonic Lodge is celebrating its Centennial in 1991. It is hoped that the open house will afford local citizens the opportunity to discover how the Lodge has been a factor in the development of Floydada and Floyd County. Members of the Floydada Masonic Lodge and other associated Masonic bodies will be on hand to answer questions during the public open house.

Obituaries

JODIE JAMESON

Funeral services for Jodie Malcolm Jameson, 68, were at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 23, 1991, in the Ninth and Columbia Church of Christ with Dean Brookshire, associate minister, and John Peck, an elder at Garland Street Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial was at 2 p.m. in the Garden of Memories Cemetery at Paducah. Arrangements are by Wood-Dunning Funeral Home.

Mr. Jameson died at 2 a.m. Thursday, February 21, 1991, in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

He was born May 1, 1922, in Whiteflat in Motley County. He graduated from high school and began farming. He joined the U.S. Navy and served aboard the aircraft carrier Wake Island during World War II. He worked for the Ford dealership in Paducah from 1950-1952, Oden Chevrolet in Floydada from 1952-74 in the parts department, Bratcher Lincoln-Mercury from 1974-84, and Jack Morris Ford from 1974 until semi-retiring in 1986. He worked as shop supervisor for Central Plains MHMR. He was a member of the Ninth and Columbia Church of Christ.

He married Ruth Stinson in 1944. She died in 1967. He married Vernie Martin in 1968.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Judy Struve of Lubbock and Joann Pennock of Midland; a stepdaughter, Donna Patton of Abernathy; two stepsons, Danny Martin of Farwell and Dale Martin of Plainview; his father, Robert L. "Bob" Jameson of Matador; two brothers, H.R. "Skeet" and Clay, both of Matador; and seven grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to the American Cancer Society and Central Plains MHMR.

BALDO MARTINEZ

Funeral Mass for Baldo L. Martinez, 82, were at 2 p.m. Friday, February 22, 1991, in St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Elbert Fadallan, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery by Ellis Funeral Home.

Rosary was recited at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 21, 1991, in Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Martinez died at 8:55 a.m. Wednesday, February 20, 1991, in Cochran Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born in Dripping Springs and moved to Morton from Cotulla in 1940. He retired from the Santa Fe Railroad in 1976.

He and Antonia Hernandez were married in 1929 in Bastrop County. She

died in 1990. He was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Estella Flores of Morton; a son, Baldo Martinez Jr. of Olton; two sisters, Josefina Barron of Austin and Juanita Saliseda of California; a brother, Simona Maldonado of Floydada; 25 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

NANNIE MASEY

Graveside services for Nannie E. Masey, 85, were at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 21, 1991, in Roaring Springs Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Fisk, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial arrangements are by Seigler Funeral home of Matador.

Mrs. Masey died at 4:06 a.m. Wednesday, February 20, 1991, in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

She was born in Uvalde County and married Charley Ben Masey in 1923 in Roaring Springs. He died in 1982. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Walter T. of Lubbock; a daughter, Louise Hollingsworth of Pueblo, Colo.; a sister Ruby Holcomb of Floydada; three grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

GRIGSBY MILTON JR.

Funeral services for Grigsby "Doodle" Milton, Jr., 75, were at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 27, 1991, in South Plains Baptist Church with the Rev. Ernest Stewart, pastor, and the Rev. Nathan Mulder, officiating. Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Cemetery by Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home.

Mr. Milton died Monday, February 25, 1991, in Caprock Hospital after an illness.

He was born March 24, 1915 in Waxahachie. He moved to Floyd County in 1917 and was a retired farmer, cowboy and pilot.

He was a member of the Flying Farmers and Ranchers Association and South Plains Baptist Church.

He married Lillie Mae Williford on November 24, 1938 in Plainview.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Donita Daniels of Olathe, Kan., and Barbara Edwards and Darla Chappell, both of Floydada; one brother, Otto of Albuquerque, N.M.; one sister, Lillian Whiting of Crescent City, Fla.; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Chisum's Capital Comments

News from Rep. Warren Chisum
84th District
Texas House of Representatives

The Texas State Government took a giant step toward becoming more efficient and business-like last week with the passage of one bill, but is still stumbling over the road block of funding for the state's schools.

The positive note came with the agreement between the House, the Senate, and the Governor on a bill which will cut \$139.5 million from state spending. This will help avoid a tax increase to provide emergency funding of welfare and mental health programs. And, just as important, the bill provides for detailed "performance audits" of state agencies. This audit will be a thorough review of each agency's programs and SPENDING. It could lead to recommendations to abolish or consolidate some agencies. That is an idea that is long overdue in state government. Businessmen are painfully aware that they must keep a constant eye on spending in their own business to survive. It certainly is appropriate that the government do no less.

Stamp Increase: Paying More For Less

By Wayne Gable

The Postal Service is ringing in the new year by raising its prices—again. This year, they are raising the price of stamps from 25 cents to 29 cents, and hiking overall rates by 18 percent.

This increase, like the ones that preceded it, is higher than the rate of inflation. Moreover, had rates simply matched inflation since 1957, a first class stamp would cost only 14 cents today, according to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

These rate increases have forced Americans to pay more, while getting less in return. Indeed, while prices have kept ahead of inflation, the quality of mail service has declined. According to the Postal Service's own estimates, mail is now moving 15 percent slower than it did 15 years ago, even though much of the process has been computerized. In the summer of 1989, complaints about late mail grew by 35 percent. Moreover, the Postal Inspection Service has found properly addressed mail in the trash at 76 percent of the post offices that they inspected.

Americans are forced to swallow higher prices and poor service because the United States Postal Service has a virtual monopoly on regular mail service. In fact, it is illegal for anyone other than a Postal Service employee to place letters in personal mailboxes. That includes everyone from your next-door neighbor to Cub Scouts delivering mail for your local charity.

Something needs to be done. The best solution would be to address the problem head-on by introducing competition. If the postal monopoly was broken, the Postal Service would have to start pleasing their customers or face losing them altogether. That would provide the incentive to offer quality service and keep prices down.

That's just what happened when New Zealand privatized its postal service. Since then, prices have remained steady after years where rates grew out of control. Between 1985 and 1987, for example, rates there grew by a whopping 40 percent. At the same time, all first-

The House Appropriations Committee on which I serve rejected a proposed state hiring and spending freeze and substituted a 1 percent across-the-board cut in state spending to achieve \$139.5 million cut. I feel that this will give each agency more freedom to manage their business effectively than a freeze would have.

Although this was a positive step, funding for the state's schools remains a tough problem. It am totally opposed to the proposed state-wide property tax which would create a statewide tax base and a uniform tax rate across the state. Something needs to be done to equalize spending, but this is not the way. This proposal would require a constitutional amendment, and, in my opinion, would just open the way for a wholesale loss of local control over the schools.

The legislature has its work cut out to come up with a good solution by April 1. We sure don't want this issue to wind up in the courts for a final decision. If you have any good ideas, let us know. This is one issue that eventually will touch every citizen of the state of Texas, so we need you to help us come up with workable ideas.

class mail is now delivered on schedule 99 percent of the time, compared to 84 percent before privatization. Postal service is also more convenient, as the number of postal outlets has increased by 17 percent.

Americans have also benefited from competitive mail service in the limited areas it is allowed in the United States. In 1970, competition was introduced to parcel mail. As a result, private businesses, such as the United Parcel Service, have been able to attract 96 percent of the market by providing better service. Likewise, 87 percent of people sending express mail choose private mail companies.

Americans would reap similar benefits if competition was introduced to all types of mail. The President's Commission on Privatization reported in 1988 that if competition was introduced, Americans could save \$4 billion to \$12 billion annually. These savings could be accomplished without giving up service to rural areas, which is what opponents usually claim is the flaw of postal competition.

Once again Americans will be forced to bear another unfair price hike. Meanwhile, service probably won't be any better. That's business as usual for the Postal Service. Unfortunately, that continues to leave the American consumer paying more for less.

Wayne Gable is president of Citizens for a Sound Economy Foundation, a 250,000-member research and education organization in Washington, D.C.

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