



**This Week's Announcements**

**FLOYDADA SINGLES**  
Floydada Singles will meet at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Senior Citizens Building. Hostesses will be Glenna Miller, Edwina Hollums and Jewel Martin.

**STOCK SHOW DANCE**  
Floyd County 4-H will sponsor a Stock Show Dance Saturday, Jan. 21, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight at Duncan Elementary. Music will be by Paramount Productions of Plainview. Admission is \$5.00 per person and the dance is open to all ages.

**LAMAZE CLASSES**  
W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital will offer Lamaze Child Birth classes starting Thursday, Jan. 19. Classes will meet each Thursday for seven weeks from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. To register call Molly Stringer, R.N., at 983-5854.

**PICTURES**  
The Hesperian-Beacon has many pictures in their files that people have submitted for publication and then never returned to pick them up. Anyone who has submitted a wedding, engagement, anniversary, or birthday picture to the Hesperian-Beacon and would like to have it back, may pick it up at the office where you dropped it off.

**ADULT EDUCATION IN LOCKNEY**  
Lockney Adult Education Classes meet on Monday and Thursday evenings at Lockney High School. Classes start at 6:00 p.m. Interested persons can enroll at any Monday or Thursday class. You may come after 6:00 p.m. if necessary.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC**  
Free blood pressure clinic is held in the community room of the First National Bank in Floydada every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**  
Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anons meet each Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. Anyone wanting the loving fellowship of men and women who can share their experience, strength and hope are welcome. Meetings are held in the County Extension Building, at the north end of the building. Anyone interested may call 983-3635 or 652-3546.

**WEATHER**  
Courtesy of Energas

DATE	HIGH	LOW
Jan. 11	76	49
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**Varsity Longhorns drop to 4-2 in district play**

By Lisa Mosley

LOCKNEY--Friday the 13th proved to be anything but lucky for the Varsity Longhorns as they fought against the Wolverines of Springlake-Earth in a battle for the district lead.

Going into the game, the Longhorns hoped to maintain their unblemished record on their home court and place the

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Thursday, January 19: Philip Garza, R.W. Johnson, Luis R. Bolanos, Jr.  
Friday, January 20: Richard Guerrero  
Saturday, January 21: Alex Ball, Nicky Muniz, Edgar V. Bolanos  
Sunday, January 22: George Balsaldua, Anthony Santana Peralez  
Monday, January 23: Dede McCarty, Garry Burson  
Tuesday, January 24: Boyd Reay, Nato Salas, Jake Jones  
Wednesday, January 25: Camille Gonzales, Cameron Gonzales

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Thursday, January 19: Mr. and Mrs. Steve Garcia, Joe Neil and Margie Rexrode  
Friday, January 20: Troy and Rhonda Dane  
Saturday, January 21: Mr. and Mrs. Salvador Ascencio  
Sunday, January 22: Roel and Virginia Guerrero  
Monday, January 23: Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Guerrero  
Tuesday, January 24: James and Ruby Wigington

district race in a three-way tie with S-E and Abernathy.

But the end result wasn't what the team wanted as the Wolverines defeated the Horns 74-67.

"We played with more intensity and fire than I have ever seen at the beginning of the game," said head coach Rodney Dowell. "Once we got into foul trouble, that killed our momentum."

The Horns burst out to a 7 point lead in the first quarter, but found themselves on the long side of the foul count including three against freshman Devon Phillips.

"As we ran onto the court for warmups, Devon and I were talking about the goosebumps that the fans support was giving us," said senior captain Jared Mosley.

It gave us a big boost to start the game, but when Devon had to be pulled after getting his third foul, we had to back off on defense and Springlake-Earth's offense kicked in."

The district-leading Wolverines (5-0) appeared stunned by the Longhorns early run, but by halftime they had managed to gain a five-point lead going into the locker room.

Every member of the team contributed to the intense effort that the Horns showed on the court the entire game.

Mosley led the team with 34 points and 14 rebounds, followed by Phillips (17 pts., 9 reb., 6 steals), Charles Van Zandt (10 pts., 6 reb.) and Shannon Veal (6 pts., 6 reb., 5 assists).

The Horns now face the difficult task of winning the second round outright to have a chance at making it into the playoffs.

Second-round action begins Friday night at Hale Center.

**Lockney wins battle of the Longhorns**

By Lisa Mosley

LOCKNEY--Lockney defeated the Hart Longhorns 68-56 on January 10, 1995 at Hart in a crucial district contest.

I thought we might be looking ahead a little bit to Springlake-Earth but I knew we would play hard because it was Hart," said Coach Dowell.

The Longhorns came out strong, and held the lead throughout the game. In the second quarter, a big play was a blocked shot by Jared Mosley that he slapped off the backboard. It bounced back to a teammate at midcourt and really got the crowd involved in the game.

Our press places Jared in a lot of pressure situations, but he always comes



**WINDOW SHOPPING--**A long line of exhibits was available for viewing at the Caprock Cotton Conference, Tuesday and Wednesday, in the Baptist Encampment. Several left the conference amazed at the equipment that was brought down the steep narrow road that leads into the camp. Staff Photo

**Kirk speaks to El Progreso about Saudi Arabia**

By Alice Mitchell

LOCKNEY -- The El Progreso Study Club met January 11 in the home of Hazel Johnson. The meeting was opened by Doris Thacker with the roll call.

Each member answered the question, "What I do, when I do what I please". Some of the club members like gardening, others cooking, handwork, arts and crafts, reading, sewing, and traveling.

A nominating committee was ap-

pointed to work on getting the officers for 1995-96. The committee includes Bobbie Kellison, Arla Copeland and Doris Thacker.

Edythe Clarke had made arrangements for the program and she introduced Martha Kirk from Crosbyton. Martha had spent 5 years in Saudi Arabia with her husband Terry. They were living on and managing a 7,000 acre wheat farm.

She told that the farming machinery was modern but that the living conditions were not.

Pivot sprinkler irrigation is used on the fields and it is not unusual for the wheat to yield 100 bushels per acre. The farmers receive an average of \$30.00 per bushel for the grain.

Camels are not used much as work animals just mostly for racing and trading. They are tied down in a kneeling position and transported in the back of modern day pickups. Falconry is also a big sport. Some of the birds sell for as

much as \$10,000.

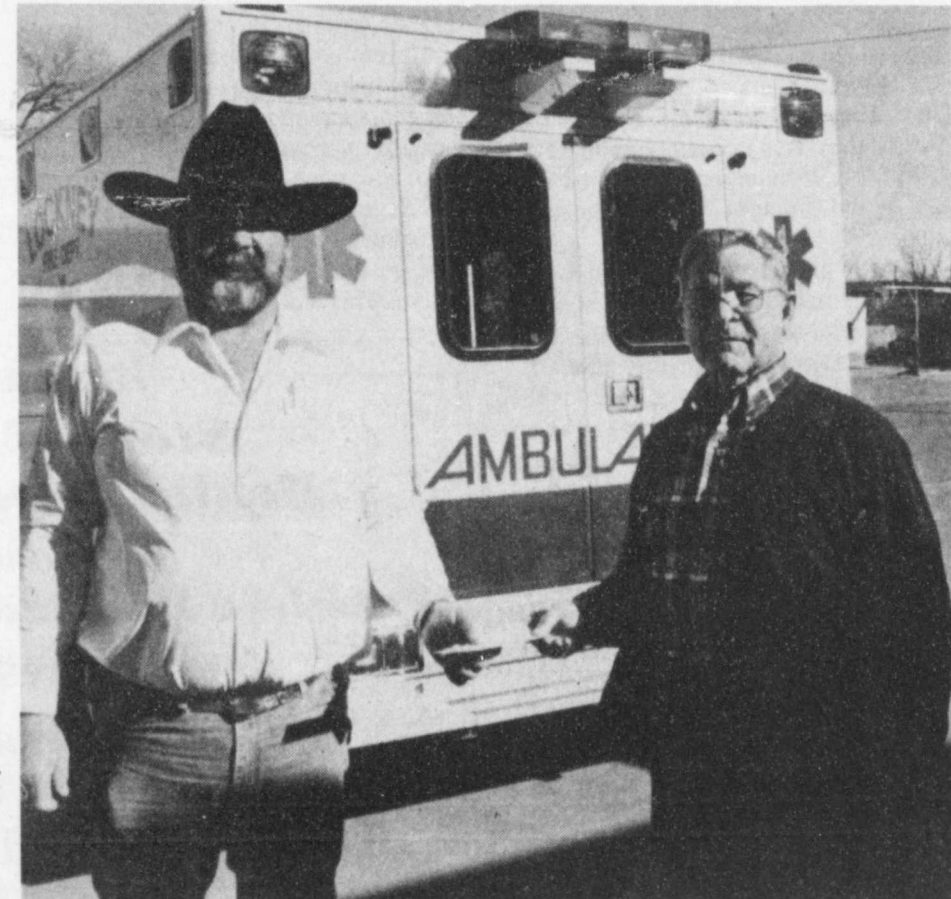
The women do most of the chores including herding the sheep. Women never show their faces in public. There is a strict gender separation. She told the group that their main foods are lamb, goat, chicken, rice and fruits.

She also explained that all the time that they were there that mail was closely censored.

Mrs. Kirk is the author of a book called "Green Sands" It discloses in detail their stay in Saudi Arabia. Several of the club members purchased the book.

Dessert was served by the hostess to the following: Merle Mooney, Faye Ferguson, Cornelia Johnson, Edythe Clark, Doris Thacker, and Mrs. Kirk. Several members were absent due to illness.

The meeting was closed with the reading of the "The Club Women's Collect". The February 8th meeting will be held in the home of Elaine Gibson.



**IN APPRECIATION--**Kelton Shaw (l) representing the First National Bank of Floydada, presented Jimmy Kemp, Fire Chief of the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department with a check for \$500.00 in recognition of their volunteer work throughout the year. Staff Photo

**Lone Star Santas brings joy to Floydada children**

FLOYDADA--This holiday season, more than 38,495 boys and girls in Texas enjoyed a brighter Christmas thanks to thousands of caring Texans across the state, Bank of America Texas customers and employees, and area businesses

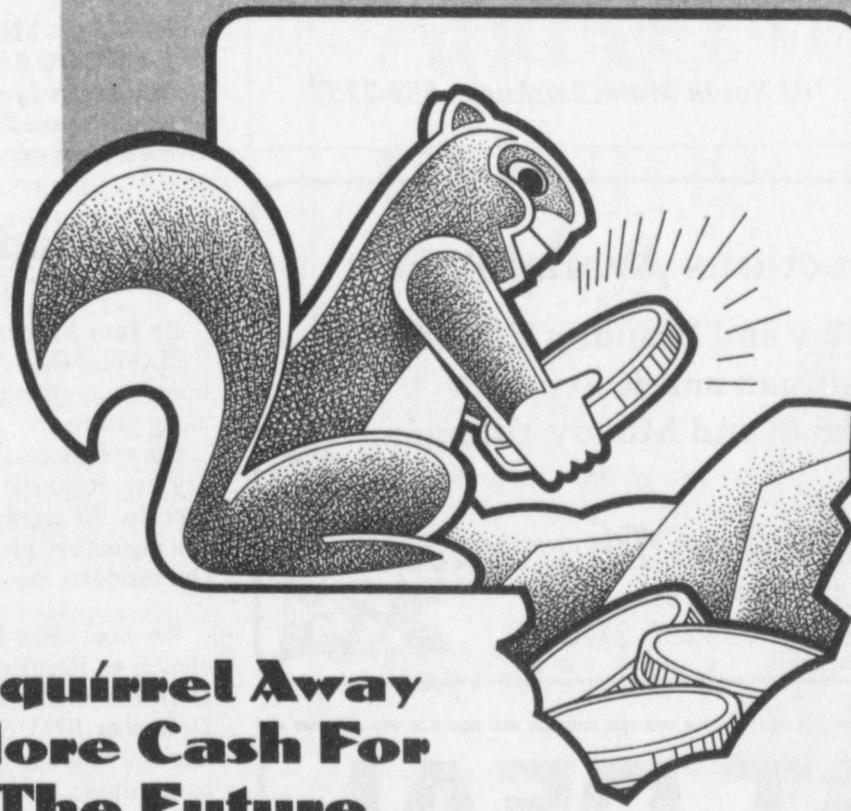
who became Lone Star Santas. The 38,495 toys and presents collected during the 1994 Christmas season at Bank of America's 241 branches across the state is one of the largest totals in the 11-year history of the program. Since 1984, more than 278,000 toys have been collected and distributed through more than 300 charitable organizations in Texas.

Bank of America Texas is the primary sponsor of Lone Star Santas. Lone Star Santas identifies community groups who serve children in need which then distributes the presents to the children and families they serve.

Lone Star Santas is one of the largest toy drives in Texas.

"It is such a warm feeling to see the way people respond to this program and get involved," said Wayne Parkman, manager of the Bank of America Texas Floydada Branch. "We couldn't do this without the generosity, kindness and spirit of caring from the people in this community. On behalf of the children, I want to say 'thank you' to everyone who helped us bring Christmas into the lives of these children."

Toys collected in Floydada were given to children served by Duncan and Andrews Elementary.



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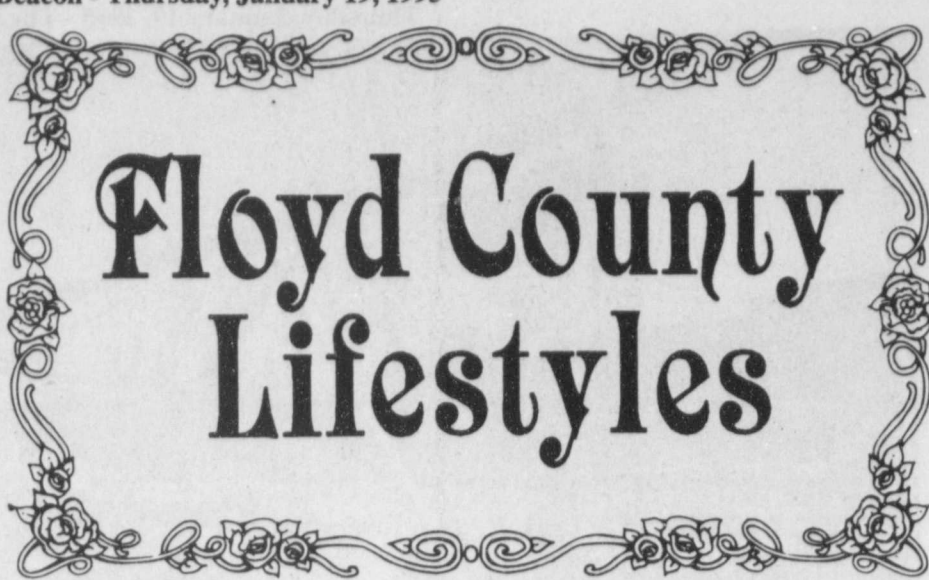
Alpha Sigma Upsilon and Bank of America would like to express our gratitude for the support the community provided during the Toys for Tots campaign. We are fortunate to have a kind and thoughtful community to make the holidays special for children.

## Miss Floydada applications are now available

FLOYDADA--Applications for the 1995 Miss Floydada Pageants are now available at the Floydada Chamber of Commerce office and at each school office.

The pageant is slated for February 11 at A.E. Baker Auditorium in Floydada High School. Entry is open to Floydada girls, ages 3-18.

There are four divisions in the pageant: Tiny Miss, Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Floydada.



## County Extension Council gathers

By Murl Mayfield

FLOYDADA--Floyd County Extension Council met at 2 p.m. Jan. 12. Council chairman Maye Williams called the meeting to order.

Opening the meeting, Maye read "A Letter From Jesus - My Precious Friend." It read as follows: "I am sending you this letter by way of one of my disciples. I just wanted to let you know how much I love and care about you and how I greatly desire to become a meaningful part of your life. . . etc." Everybody enjoyed it so much they all wanted a copy.

Recreation, by Ruth Scott, was a New Year's Watch.

Roll call was answered by six members and agent, Melissa Long.

Communication, not requiring action, was a letter from Sylvia Steen, Dist. 2 Director in 1994. She expressed her appreciation for a task well executed. There had been many notes from across the state by those who attended saying Lubbock TAFCE convention was one of the best.

Reading of the minutes was by Blanche Williams. They stood approved as read. The treasurer's report was also given.

Club reports were given by Jonelle Fawver for the Homebuilders.

On Nov. 15 we met at the Lamplighter Inn, at which time we entertained Harmony Club. After eating lunch, the group traveled to Jonelle Fawver's home, where Mr. Jack Fuqua presented a video of his trip to Scotland.

On Dec. 29, we met in the council room. The program was given by the county agent and 4-H girls, who prepared an array of tasty dishes.

Dec. 13, we went back to the Lamplighter Inn for lunch and exchange of Christmas gifts. Then we went to the rest home and had a Christmas party for Ruth Trapp, one of our members.

The Harmony Club report was given by Karen Miller.

They reported meeting with us on Nov. 15. On Nov. 29, they went on a tour of Levelland, then traveled to Shallowater where they visited with Dana and Eline Woodward's sisters.

Some of them went to the cooking school by Christie Pare at Lighthouse. They also had a Christmas party at the home of Lucille Miller.

TAFCE Chairman, Karen Miller, told us the Dist. 2 meeting would be at Muleshoe April 6. Menu for lunch will be chicken and rice, green beans, fruit salad, rolls, tea or coffee and three kinds

of cake. Cost will be \$1.00 for registration, 25 cents for insurance and \$7.75 for meal and facilities. The meeting will be at the Muleshoe Civic Center and Coliseum.

Karen then read a thank you from the State meeting which was held in Lubbock last year. She also gave us a report on the expenses for the 1994 State meeting.

The agent's report noted that we were losing Kerry Siders. We sure didn't like hearing that.

The County Stock Show will be Jan. 20-22, with the premium sale on Jan. 23. Breakfast will be served Saturday morning and a concession stand will be set up by the 4-H.

New business was the District meeting, so we called a TAFCE meeting to elect a delegate and alternates. Selected from Harmony was Maye Williams as delegate and Vivian Curtis as alternate. Homebuilders delegate will be Jonelle Fawver and alternate will be Murl Mayfield. TAFCE chairman, Karen Miller is also a delegate.

Meeting was then adjourned.

## Companions 'n' Caring hold monthly meeting

By Jo Wilbanks

FLOYDADA--The ladies of the Companions 'n' Caring met Tuesday, Jan. 10, in the dining room of the Floydada Nursing Home for their monthly meeting. Shirley Varner called the meeting to order. Leona Neff read the minutes from the last meeting in December. Minutes were read and approved.

The ladies do manicures on the third Tuesday at 2 p.m. Also on Thursday, Jan. 26, they will serve the residents ice cream. The ladies usually stay after the meeting and do one to one visiting with residents.

The Companions 'n' Caring are volunteers who care and are in need of more volunteers. If you are interested in coming to help, give a call to the volunteers.

Members present were: Shirley Varner, Leona Neff, Dolores Cannon and Jo Bryant Wilbanks.

Nursing Homes are full of opportunities.

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DONATION TO SOS--Floydada High School Student Council this week donated a check to the Spirit of Sharing. Funds were raised at a Student Council sponsored assembly. Janice Lloyd and Anne Willson (left) accepted

the donation on behalf of the SOS. Making the presentation on behalf of the Student Council were Salina Shorter and Jan Willson (right).

—Staff photo

## Girl Scout cookies go on sale

Girl Scout cookies went on sale in the South Plains area on Friday, Jan. 13. Cookie income benefits over 3,000 girls in our 18 county area. The cookies sell for \$2.50 per package, (the same price for the past five years). You might wonder how can cookies make a difference? At Caprock Girl Scout Council, the total cost from each package is expended in the following way:

- 34% - Cost of cookies
- 22% - Troop profit and girl recognition

44% - Girl program  
The 22% Troop profit goes directly to troops for their use in completing program activities.

The 44% of the monies designated as girl program, provide council-wide training for nearly 1,000 volunteers; program development for 3,000 girls; program supplies, equipment and training materials; maintenance of one major campsite and three council properties; program scholarships for girls; and underwriting of other program costs to ensure the lowest fees possible for council sponsored programs. Activities focusing on improving science and math skills, developing values that will be called upon over and over again when facing those all-too-common tough decisions, and programs dealing with growing up in today's ever-changing world are among the most popular with Girl Scouts.

At Caprock Girl Scout Council, 87% of staff costs go directly into program and membership development. This money helps provide professional training and support to hundreds of volunteers, to improve the quantity and quality of programs for girls, and to expand Girl Scouting into areas where girls are not being served. Only 13% of staff costs fund positions that are purely administrative. This staffing structure helps to

rank Caprock among the most leanly operated of not for profit organizations. The 11 full time and the two part-time employed staff support the adult volunteer work force of 1,000 adults and serves 3,000 girls.

Order taking will be from Jan. 13 through Feb. 14. Cookies will be delivered Feb. 16-March 5.

## Hobby Club plans meeting

By Peggy Roberts

SOUTH PLAINS--The South Plains Hobby Club held its annual election of officers and planning meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 1995 in the home of Peggy Roberts. Many interesting meetings are planned for 1995.

Elected as officers for the coming year are Carolyn Marble, president; Dot Cummings, treasurer and Peggy Roberts, reporter.

The next meeting will be held February 8 in the home of Dot Cummings in Floydada. The program "Shoebbox to Showcase" will be presented by Janet Cunningham.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**  
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Friday, Jan. 20: Nathan Mulder, Jimmy Crader, Linda Crader  
Saturday, Jan. 21: Heather Carr, Robert Irlas, Mary Garcia, Adolfo Chavarria, Julie Duke  
Sunday, Jan. 22: Delmas McCormick, Nune Ovalle, Johnny Lee Rodriguez, Ray and Robert Perez  
Monday, Jan. 23: Gloria Ogle, Jr. Cuevas  
Tuesday, Jan. 24: Beth Eckert, Cindy White, Joyce Speer, Reynaldo Quilantan  
Wednesday, Jan. 25: Shonda Smith, Christina Chesshir, Fabian Torres Jr.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**  
Saturday, Jan. 21: Frankie and Dora Luna  
Wednesday, Jan. 25: Gary and Charlene Brown, Jimmy and Linda Crader

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**Floydada Nursing Home Happenings**

**By Jane Martinez**  
FLOYDADA--As for news here at the home, everything seems to be going along just fine.  
Our volunteers for the month of January are Roberta Hardin and Joyce Lipham. We appreciate these ladies for coming out and playing the piano for us. Our residents enjoy them very much.

We would like for you to know that chosen as Resident of the Month was Doris Hillin. She has been with us since December 1993. She is alot of help to alot of us and she says she enjoys living here with us.  
Chosen as Employee of the Month was Donna Theibaud, R.N., and Director of Nursing. She says she loves the residents and believes that giving them lots of love is better than any medicine you can give. She has been with the home two years this April.

We would also like to welcome our new residents, Lane Decker and Lilly Jester. Thelma Jones is also back with us. We are hoping that they are enjoying their stay with us.  
We would like to once again say that we appreciate everyone that comes and volunteers their time with us. Also thanks to all of the ladies that bring us cookies for us to have with our morning coffee.  
As for other happenings, we went on our bus ride Friday. We went to Plainview and drove by the Hospice House, it's a pretty place. We also went by McDonald's and got a treat from them. We want to thank McDonald's for treating us. We also had two residents from the Lockney Care Center on the bus ride with us. We want them to know that we enjoyed their company.  
Well this is all the news I have for you this week. Until next time, take care!

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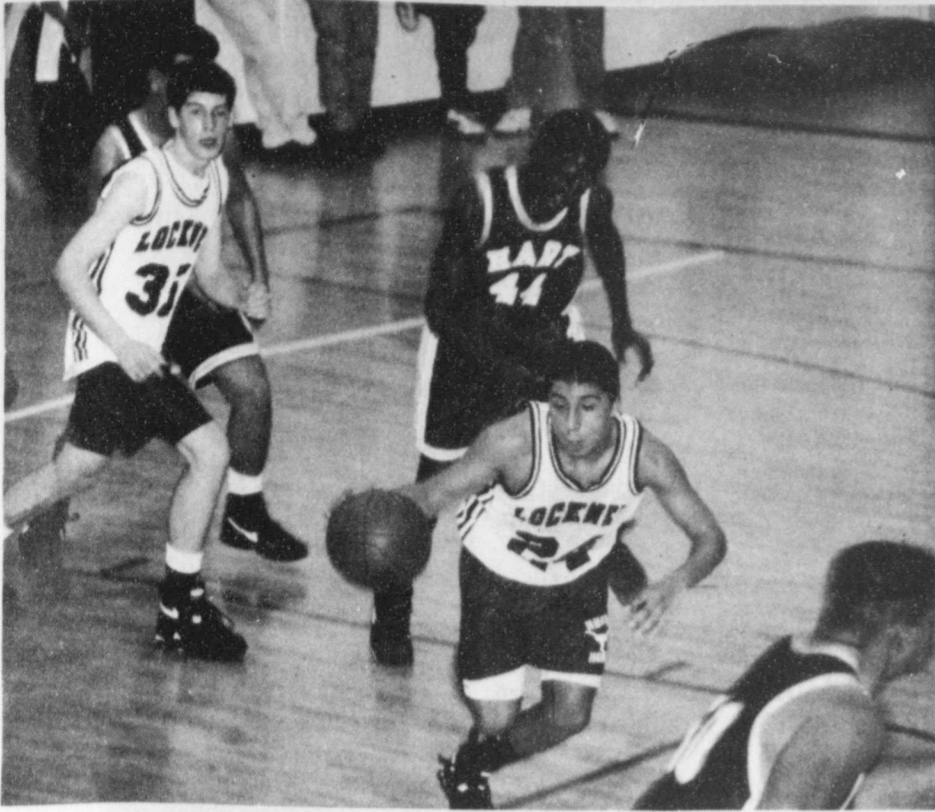
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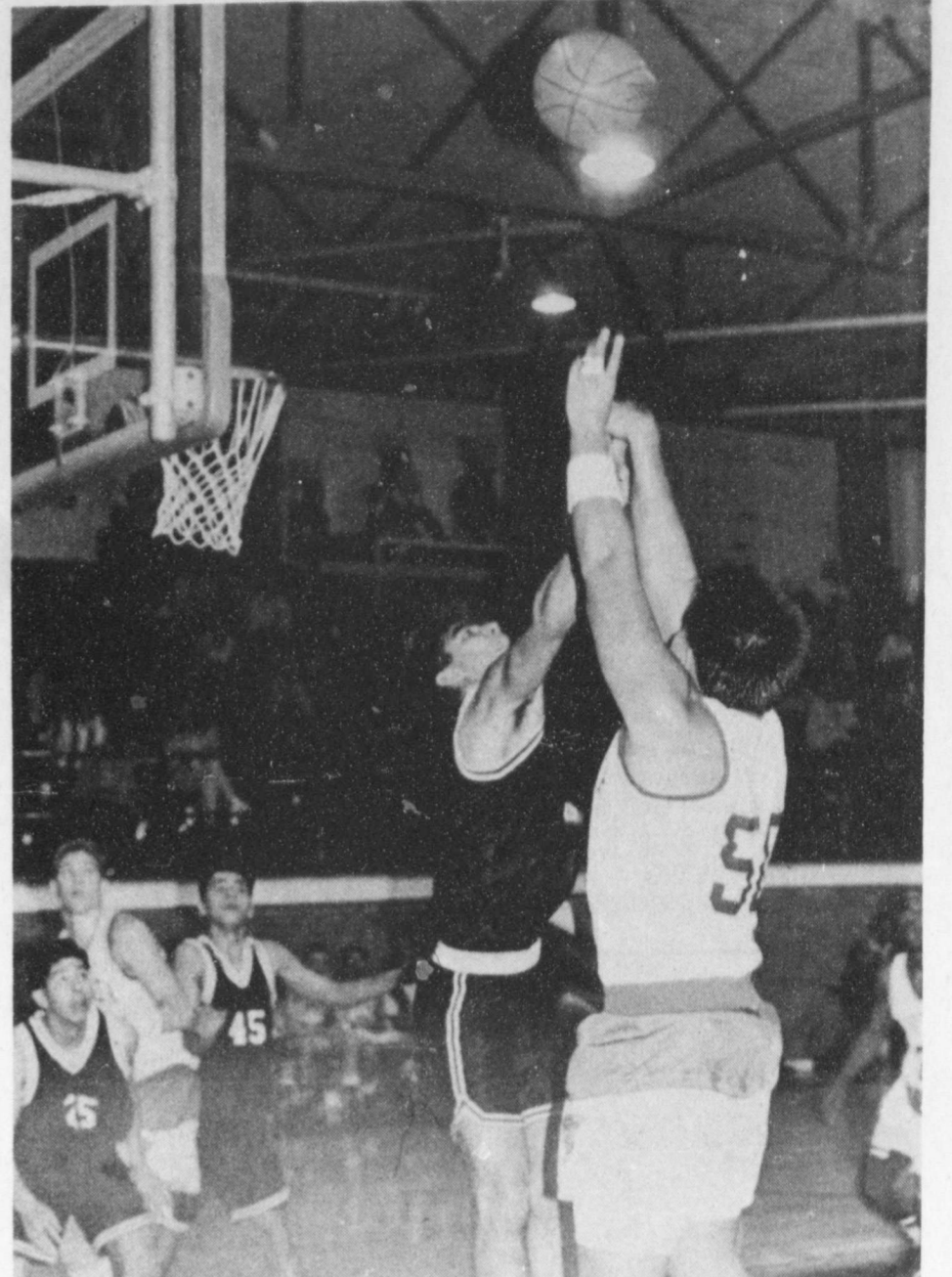




**LUNA HEADS FOR BASKET**--Willie Luna (24) brings the ball down center court heading for the basket. Eric Bartlett and Adrain Rosales move in to assist. The JV boys played Hart on Tuesday, January 10. Photo by Lisa Mosley



**BOX HER IN**--Dede McCarty (33) tries to defend Hart's Shea Bennett along with Lady Horns Tikka Smith (35) and Chelsea Patridge (43). The Lady Horns played Hart on Tuesday. Photo by Lisa Mosley



**WINDS VS. MULES**--Floydada basketball teams played against Muleshoe opponents early last week. This game action was captured at Graves Gymnasium on January 10. Staff Photo

## Lockney Shorthorn Shootout

By Lisa Mosley  
 LOCKNEY--In tournament action at Longhorn Gym this past weekend, five Shorthorn and Lady Shorthorn teams found themselves vying for the championship trophies, including one game that found two Lockney teams facing each other.  
 To round out the tournament bracket, Lockney fielded two teams in both the seventh grade boys division and the eighth grade girls division.

In first round action the seventh grade girls defeated the Silverton Owlettes, 40-4.  
 This placed the Lady Shorthorns against the Nazareth Swiftettes in the championship game. Lockney trailed until the fourth quarter when they scored 11 points to tie the game at 30 each.  
 A foul by the Swiftettes at the final buzzer put Tessa Davis on the line with the chance to win the game. Davis missed the first freethrow, but sank the

## produces three local champions


second to give the Lady Shorthorns the championship win, 31-30.  
 In other girls action, the 8th grade fielded two teams with one team losing to Silverton in the opening round and Nazareth in the consolation bracket.  
 The other 8th grade Lady Shorthorns advanced to the championship game by defeating Petersburg 40-36.  
 In the final game against Silverton, Lockney claimed the trophy by besting Silverton, 35-29.  
 In the boys bracket, the two seventh

grade Shorthorn teams defeated Silverton and Petersburg in the first round to face each other in the championship game. The Lockney White team defeated the Lockney Black to take the first place trophy.  
 In the 8th grade boys bracket, the Shorthorns defeated Silverton in an exciting game that went down to the wire.  
 Closing out tournament action, the Shorthorns were defeated by Petersburg to take second place in the Shorthorn Shootout.

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**Johnson to discuss CAT Insurance and Disaster Programs**  
 Trent Johnson, County Executive Director, Floyd County Farm Service Agency (CFSA), formerly ASCS will conduct a meeting for farm owners and operators in Floyd County for the purpose of discussing the Catastrophic Crop (CAT) Insurance Program and the 1994 Disaster Program.  
 The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 1995 at the Lighthouse Electric meeting room from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Johnson encourages all farm owners and operators to attend this important meeting.

**Cottonseed production up 18.2%**  
 From Cotton Incorporated, Inc.  
 The U.S. Department of Agriculture said recently that this year's cottonseed crop is likely to be the largest in 50 years. Based on the size of the crop and predicted dairy feed use, Tom Wedegaertner, associate director of cottonseed research at Cotton Incorporated, Raleigh, North Carolina, says, "Whole cottonseed feeding in dairy cow rations is likely to approach the 3-million ton level this year."  
 According to Wedegaertner, U.S. cottonseed production is estimated at 7.568 million short tons, 18.2% greater than the totals last year and the most since 1934. Cottonseed crushing and exports are expected to increase, so there may not be as much cottonseed for use in dairy rations as would be expected.  
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**Size of deficiency payment uncertain**  
 By Shawn Wade  
 Preliminary marketing and price figures through the month of November show the size of the 1994-crop Upland Cotton Deficiency Payment is still uncertain.  
 The size of the Upland Cotton Deficiency Payment is of particular concern to producers who will want to know if the final payment rate will fall below the 6.45 cent advance payment rate many received at program sign-up time. A final payment rate below the 6.45 cent advance rate means producers would have to repay at least a small part of the advance payment.  
 PCG officials note that efforts are underway to develop alternate ways for producers to make such payments, if it become necessary to do so, that will not create an undue financial burden for the producer.  
 The November figures, released by USDA December 30, indicate that the U.S. cotton producers marketed over 4.3 million bales and received an average price of 69.3 cents per pound. The cumulative volume of cotton marketed through November climbed to 13.569 million bales and the weighted average price received by growers also increased to 66.48 cents per pound. The new figures produce a calculated total Deficiency Payment rate of 6.42 cents through November, 0.03 cents below the advance payment rate.  
 The 66.48 cent weighted average price means that the deficiency payment could still go either way depending on the December figures and any revisions to previous monthly figures. Because of the possibility of revised monthly figures there is no sure way to estimate what combination of marketing's and price would keep the payment rate equal to or above 6.45 cents.

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## Whirlwind Basketball Report

**By Bill Gray**  
**FLOYDADA--**The Muleshoe Mules, behind a 24-point outing by Edward Rodriguez and 22 points from Daniel Garbarino, held on to edge Floydada 76-72 at Graves Gymnasium on January 10. The Whirlwinds dropped to 10-11 for the year (0-2 in district play), while the Mules improved to 7-11 (1-1 in district action).  
 The Whirlwinds held a 38-35 lead at halftime and were in front by 5 points with less than two minutes remaining in the game. However, a 9-2 run by the visitors in the final moments propelled the Mules to the District 2-3A victory.  
 Floydada was down by a single point after the first 8 minutes, but good defense and control of the boards by Zach Abshier enabled the 'Winds to outscore the Mules 24-20 in the second quarter. Abshier paced all scorers with 28 points. Other Whirlwinds scoring in double figures were Vernon Cooper with 13 and Rance Barnett's 12.  
 Also contributing to Floydada's scoring were Pete Cooper with 9 and Peter Luna with 4. Scoring two points each were Omar Eguia, Michael Molinar and Sammy Rodriguez.  
 According to Coach Hayden Merket, "We made entirely too many mistakes to win the ball game. Toward the end, when we were up by a point and had possession, they ended up with the ball and pulled ahead of us."  
 The coach added, "Zach played another good game, in spite of sitting out much of the third quarter (due to foul trouble). We probably didn't get it to him (Abshier) enough down the stretch. Coupled with our sloppy play and ball handling, their full-court press really bothered us there at the end."  
 "Muleshoe had two quality post players (Garbarino and Rodriguez), and it was difficult to match up to them," said Merket. "We scrapped our 2-3 zone and went man-to-man, which I thought would get us going. But, there at the end they just out-hustled us. We just weren't mentally ready to play tonight."

**Friona 67, Floydada 58**  
 The Whirlwinds traveled to Friona on January 13, and came out on the short end of a 67-58 District 2-3A contest. The 'Winds had one of their worst offensive games of the year as they managed to hit only 39% of their field goal attempts and were 12 points under their game

average for the season.  
 Friona's Roy Hendley led all scoring with 22 points and teammate Cory Hamilton added 16 for the Chieftains. Kip Preston came off the Friona bench to score 14 second-half points. Zach Abshier's 18 points, 9 rebounds and 4 blocked shots paced the Whirlwinds, who trailed the Chieftains 32-30 at intermission. Other Whirlwinds in double figures were Pete Cooper (14) and Peter Luna (12). Cooper also had 6 rebounds to go along with 3 steals on defense.  
 Other Whirlwinds scoring were Vernon Cooper 6, Rance Barnett 6, and Sammy Rodriguez 2. Vernon and Sammy each had 5 assists to lead the 'Winds in that category (right at each's season average.)  
 In a virtual repeat of the Muleshoe loss a few days earlier, the Whirlwinds allowed a possible victory to slip away from them in the first three minutes of the final quarter. The Chieftains outscored the Whirlwinds 20-14 in the final eight minutes.  
 Coach Merket commented, "At a point in the 3rd quarter, we had a 40-36 lead and had possession of the ball. A couple of breakdowns in our transition game led to our downfall. Instead of stretching our lead by 8, we allowed them to pull into a tie and then take the lead. We were never again able to regain the lead or the momentum."  
 According to Merket, "Friona's bench strength ended up being the deciding factor in the outcome. We shut down Hendley and Hamilton, but Kip Preston came on strong with 14 second-half points."  
 The coach added, "Zach (Abshier) had another good game, but shot well below his game average. He received a blow on his hand early on, and was not up to his usual offensive strength. As a team we missed some easy, early shots from 3-5 feet and were never able to gain any confidence."

## Lady 'Winds Basketball Report

**By Edd Henderson Jr.**  
**FLOYDADA--**Games played from January 10 through January 16.

**VARSITY MULESHOE 69, FLOYDADA 47**  
**January 10:** Muleshoe rode the inside scoring of Mandy Cleavinger with 23 points and the outside scoring of Allyson Field with 27 points to defeat the Lady Winds by a score of 69 to 47. Floydada trailed at halftime by 19 points and could never overcome that deficit throughout the second half.  
 Leading scorers for the Lady Winds were Dana McCandless with 17 points and Christy Hale with 8 points.  
 The loss drops the Lady Winds record to 6-13 for the year and 0-2 in district play.

**FRIONA 60, FLOYDADA 23**  
**January 13:** Friona used a pressing full-court defense to limit Floydada to single digit scoring in all four quarters and went on to defeat the Lady Winds by a score of 60 to 23.  
 Leading scorers for the Lady Winds were Dana McCandless with 10 points and Lyndi Probasco with 7 points. The loss drops their record to 6-14 for the year and 0-3 in district play.  
 The next action for the Lady Winds will be in Littlefield on January 20 as they take on the Littlefield Lady Wildcats.

**JUNIOR VARSITY MULESHOE 46, FLOYDADA 34**  
**January 10:** Floydada was limited to 2 third quarter points and could not overcome a 13 point run in that same quarter as Muleshoe defeated Floydada by a score of 46 to 34.  
 Tara McCandless led the Junior Varsity Lady Winds in scoring with 10 points.  
 The loss drops their season record to 7-7 for the year and 0-2 in district play.

**FRIONA 57, FLOYDADA 29**  
**January 13:** Floydada was limited to

single digit scoring in each of the first three quarters as Friona defeated the Lady Winds Junior Varsity by a score of 57 to 29.  
 Jamie McGuire was the leading scorer for the Lady Winds with 10 points.  
 The loss drops their season record to 7-8 for the year and 0-3 in district play.  
 The next action for the Floydada Lady Winds Junior Varsity will be in Littlefield on January 20 against the Littlefield Lady Wildcats.

**8TH GRADE IDALOU TOURNAMENT**  
**January 12-14:** The Floydada Lady Breezers captured the championship of the Idalou Tournament by defeating three strong opponents in three straight games. Game 1 was against Abernathy, a perennially strong girls basketball program, and saw the Lady Breezers defeat the Lady Antelopes by a score of 30 to 20.

Amanda Green led the scoring for Floydada with 15 points. Also making important contributions were Tamisha Burks with 8 rebounds and Victoria Cummings with her strong defense and 6 points.

Game 2 pitted the Lady Breezers against New Deal. The game was a close, hard fought contest as Floydada rallied from a 1 point deficit at the end of three quarters to defeat the Lady Lions by a score of 35 to 32.

Leading scorers for the Lady Winds were Victoria Cummings with 12 points and Amanda Green with 12 points and 8 rebounds. Others making important contributions were Tamisha Burks with 8 rebounds and Carissa Coursey and Katie Sanders with strong defense and key assists.

Game 3 was for the championship trophy as Floydada took on Ralls. The Lady Breezers jumped out to a 7-point halftime lead and went on to defeat the Lady Jackrabbits by a score of 27 to 17.

Leading scorers for Floydada were Amanda Green with 9 points and Carissa

Coursey with 6 points. Shonda Smith also made a major contribution with her rebounding and defense. The three game sweep improves the Lady Breezers record to 7-5 for the year and 1-4 in district play.

**DIMMITT 39, FLOYDADA 26**  
**January 16:** Dimmitt jumped out to an 11-point halftime lead and went on to defeat the Lady Breezers by a score of 39 to 26.

Leading scorers for Floydada were Victoria Cummings and Amanda Green with 9 points each. The loss drops the Lady Breezer record to 7-6 for the year and 1-5 in district play.

Next action for the Floydada Lady Breezers will be at home on January 23 against the Lady Mules from Muleshoe.

**7TH GRADE IDALOU TOURNAMENT**  
**January 12-14:** The seventh grade Floydada Lady Breezers captured the consolation bracket championship of the Idalou Tournament by winning two of three games.

Game 1 against Abernathy was a physical, hard fought contest that saw the lead change hands many times before the Lady Breezers were defeated by a score of 31 to 28.

Nichole Hartline led Floydada with 8 points, 7 steals and 5 rebounds. Kylan Sanders also made a major contribution with 4 points and 3 steals.

Game 2 against Idalou saw the Lady Breezers jump out to a quick 18 point lead at halftime by limiting Idalou to only 3 points in the first half and cruise to a final victory by a score of 37 to 8.

Mandy Emert led Floydada in scoring with 10 points. Tiffany Henderson and Amanda Williams also made impor-

tant contributions on defense and under the boards with strong rebounding.

Game 3 was almost a carbon copy of game 2 as Floydada defeated Tahoka by a score of 38 to 8. Tahoka scored only 2 points in the first half as the Lady Breezers jumped out to a 12-point halftime lead and used everyone on the team to seal the victory.

Heather Carr led the Lady Breezers in scoring with 9 points. Also making important contributions were Lindsey Reddy with 5 steals and tough defense and Cynthia Chavez with 5 rebounds. The tournament action ends the Lady Breezer season record at 6-6 and 3-2 in district play.

**FLOYDADA 27, DIMMITT 17**

**January 16:** The seventh grade Floydada Lady Breezers traveled to Dimmitt and defeated a previously undefeated Lady Bobcat team by a score of 27 to 17. Nichole Hartline scored the first points of the game on a breakaway layup and then stole the inbound pass and scored again to give the Lady Breezers a quick 4 point lead that they would never relinquish.

Floydada outscored Dimmitt in every quarter and never allowed their lead over the Lady Bobcats to drop below 6 points.

Nichole Hartline led the Lady Breezers with 10 points and 8 steals. Also making major contributions were Lindsey Reddy with 6 points and 6 rebounds, Heather Carr with 7 points and Mandy Emert with 5 rebounds.

The win improves the seventh grade Lady Breezer record to 7-6 for the year and 4-2 in district play.

Next action for the seventh grade Lady Breezers will be at home on January 23 against the Lady Mules from Muleshoe.

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