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Floyd County Friends Gala deemed a success



WHERE'S THAT WASCALLY WABBIT?--The Energizer Bunny (Clary Schacht on left) made an appearance at the Floyd County Friends Benefit Gala Saturday night to promote the arrival of his friend Bucks Bunny. Elmer Fudd (Gregg Taylor on left) tried to corral the Energizer Bunny, but as usual failed in his rabbit hunting attempts.

Floyd County Friends are very happy with the success of their 2nd Benefit Gala, which added a net profit of at least \$17,000 to the multi-purpose center fund raising efforts.

"We were overwhelmed with the support of the people who attended the gala," said Floyd County Friends President Nick Long.

"We now have \$120,000 in money in pledges raised for the multi-purpose center," said Long. "This will help us a great deal when we go in search of grants."

Two hundred and ninety people attended the gala at transformed Lockney Elementary Cafeteria. Bright blue paper lined newly erected walls covered with spring flowers.

Tables were adorned with tablecloths, goldware and fresh flowers. Eager young waiters and waitresses delivered hot food and kept tea glasses full.

Tom Farris, president of the First National Bank in Floydada, presented the \$1,000 bank donation to winner Laura Nutt.

While they ate, guests were entertained with the music of Lucy Dean Record, Brady Rasco, Marvin Goodall and Joe Roy.

After dinner the entertainment continued with the hysterical arrival of Clary Schacht disguised as the Energizer Bunny. In hot pursuit was shotgun toting Gregg Taylor, as "Elmer

Fudd". The Energizer Bunny stayed on stage to oversee an audience participation of the "bunny hop" and the auction of "Bucks Bunny".

"Bucks" was auctioned off to Nick Long for \$1,200. When Nick and his daughter Molly broke open the bank, they found the bunny full of \$1,054 in donations.

Harmony brought musical entertainment with the combined voices of Phil Cotham, Zelda Ellison, Amy Thornton and Travis Thornton.

Tim Assiter served as the auctioneer throughout the evening, helping to raise \$14,000 from the "live" and silent auctions.

"This was another example of Lockney and Floydada working side by side," said Long. "Every committee had an equal number of Floydada and Lockney volunteers working on this project and they have managed to stay together with no 'blow-ups' for two years. They even stayed without complaining until 1:00 a.m. Sunday morning to clean up."

"It is not by accident that the gala has been a success two years in a row. We foresee it growing bigger and better every year. Since we won't force funding on people in the form of taxes, the gala will be an annual fund raising event to maintain the multi-purpose center."

Archeologists back at Coronado digs

Dr. Donald Blakeslee and a team of archeologists returned to Blanco Canyon for more digs at the Coronado excavation site, March 24-29.

Blakeslee is the associate professor of archeology at Wichita State University. He, and archeologists from Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and Kansas, have been excavating in Blanco Canyon since 1995.

The archeologists are now convinced that Blanco Canyon was the campground for the 1541 expedition of Spanish explorer Francisco V. de Coronado.

"Every time they come they face

extreme weather of some kind or another," said Floyd County Museum Board Member Nancy Marble.

"They have endured heavy rains, freezing temperatures, snow and extremely hot temperatures. This time they experienced high winds and dust storms."

According to Marble a new experience for the archeologists was the wind that blew their sifting sand straight out sideways before it ever hit the sifter.

"Their tents were really flapping down in the canyon--but they hung in there," said Marble.

According to Marble archeologists continued to find more of the same type of Coronado evidence they have found in the past. "More pieces of horseshoes, nails and metal bridle pieces were found," said Marble. "They also found a fire hearth. They removed beads and bits of bones and charcoal from the site so they could try and date the hearth. They don't know yet what the time period was for this find."

"The archeologists are planning to come back at the end of May. They should be here for Old Settler's Day."

Volunteers fed approximately 30-35, including approximately 20 archeologists, every night at the Floyd County Museum while the digs were in progress.

"Henry and Myrtle Finley fed on Monday, Ray and Judy Macha fed on Tuesday, and Q.D. and Joyce Williams family fed on Wednesday," said Marble. "Thursday the Buffalo Grass Chapter fed, and Friday, museum volunteers served supper."

The Coronado site has also produced finds of a chain mail gauntlet and numerous crossbow projectile points dating back to the 1500's.



FLOYDADA LIBRARY RECEIVES GRANT MONEY--County Judge Bill Hardin (left) and Amy Hollums (right) present Floydada Librarian Sandra Crawford with \$3,000 to be used for library improvements.

Floyd County Libraries receive grants from Endowment Fund

The libraries in Lockney and Floydada have received \$3,000 each from the Inaugural Endowment Fund.

The fund from which the grants have been awarded was established by the Legislature with money raised in excess of expenses from the 1995 Inauguration of Governor George W. Bush and Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock.

The committee is composed of Mrs. Jan Bullock, Mrs. Nelda Laney, Mr. John Nau, chair of the Texas Historical Commission, and Mrs. Laura Bush.

The money from the fun must be used for grants in support of Texas

public libraries.

According to Amy Hollums, president of Friends of Floyd County Library, "I was contacted by Nelda Laney about this grant," said Hollums. "We are very grateful to her for notifying us about the grant and for her encouragement and guidance. She knew we have been trying to raise money for our libraries and she also knew this would be a very big help to us."

There are no restrictions on the use of the money. It can be used for office equipment or building improvements.



LOCKNEY LIBRARY RECEIVES GRANT MONEY--Amy Hollums, (left) and County Judge Bill Hardin (right) present Lockney Librarian Doyleene Dipprey with \$3,000 to be used for library improvements.



BUCKS BUNNY CASHES IN--After a successful bid of \$1,200, Nick Long bought the right to tear open Bucks Bunny and claim the money stuffed inside. Long's daughter, Molly, enjoyed helping her dad dump the Buck's contents onto the stage at the Benefit Gala Saturday night. Bucks had accumulated \$1,054.

Producers invited to Boll weevil informational meeting

Hale and Floyd County cotton producers are invited to attend an informational meeting hosted by Plains Cotton Growers Boll Weevil Steering Committee. The meeting will be held Monday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

According to Hale County Extension Agent Bob Benson, Ronnie Hopper of Petersburg will host the meeting, assisted by Steve Verett, Executive Vice-President of Plains Cotton

Growers effective July 1; Don Langston of Lubbock and Jackie Burris of Wellman.

The agenda will include a brief review of the 1995-96 Boll Weevil Program and status of litigation. The meeting will be open for producer comments for improving the operations and funding of the Boll Weevil Eradication Program.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this important meeting.

Ex-wife drops assault charges against former Floydada policeman

FLOYDADA--Monday, March 31st, Charlene Back, former wife of ex-Floydada policeman, Earnest Back, dropped the Assault charges she had filed against her husband September 15, 1996.

While working as a police officer for the City of Floydada, Back was arrested in September after his wife accused him of domestic violence.

According to the police reports, Mrs. Back told police that Officer Back had pushed her to the floor after she attempted to keep him from leaving.

The charges led to Officer Back's suspension and ultimate resignation effective September 30, 1996.

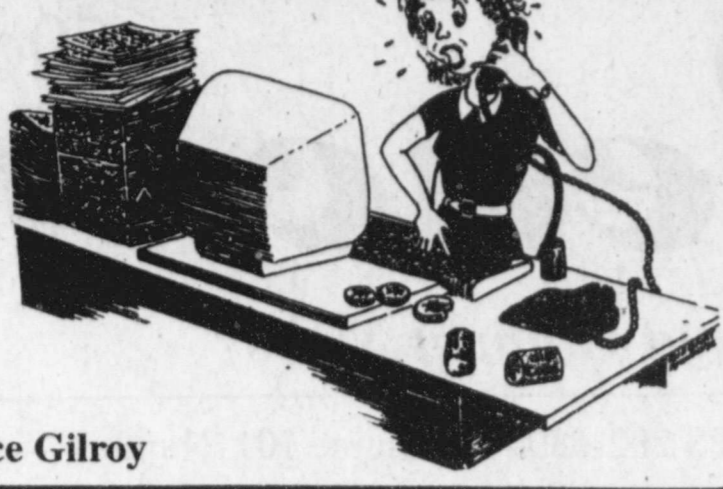
Last week, Mrs. Back signed an affidavit of non-prosecution. In the affidavit (which was filed at the request of Mrs. Back), she stated she did not wish to prosecute Earnest Back for the offense of assault and that she felt the charges should be dismissed against Earnest Back.

"I want to thank Chief James Hale and the city officers for their support during this difficult time," said Mr. Back. "I can now get on with my life."

Before Going To Bed
Saturday Night

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Sunday Morning 2:00 A.M.

BY THE WAY



By
Alice Gilroy

My family and I sure got our money's worth at the Floyd County Friends Gala on Saturday night.

We may not have won the \$1,000, and we may have gotten outbid on all our silent auction items--but we still had a wonderful time.

The food was wonderful (my steak was cooked just right), and the service was great. I've never had my ice tea glass filled so many times during one meal.

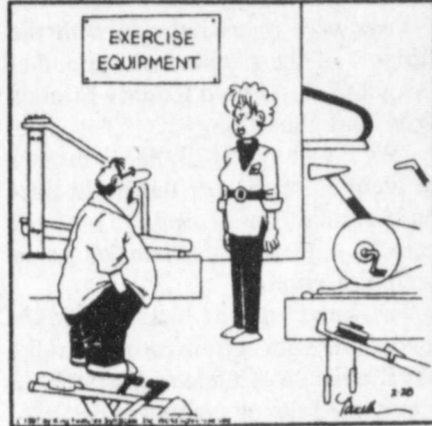
I can't ever pass up an opportunity to hear Harmony sing, and the dinner entertainment by Lucy Dean Record and Brady Rasco was a special treat.

I don't really want to take one part of the gala and hold it above the rest--but I have to admit--the Energizer Bunny (Clar Schacht) and Elmer Fudd (Gregg Taylor) were the funniest act I've seen in a long time. If you missed it--you just missed out. Words can't explain it. You haven't really lived until you've seen a couple of 6 foot men (one of them in a pink bunny suit carrying a drum) try to lead 200

people in the bunny-hop.

As I've said before--my favorite part about the gala is Floydada and Lockney folks working together on a project and enjoying each other's company.

Thanks to everyone who sweated blood over this gala and who will continue toward the goal of a multi-purpose center in the county.



"Do you have anything that doesn't require exercise on my part?"

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I'm writing this letter because I believe in fairness. It seems that certain people in this town (Lockney) are trying to destroy a wonderful asset that our school has. What is it? Our cheerleaders.

When our cheerleaders went to National competition last year, and won 6th in the nation, that should have been an honor and something the whole town and school was proud of. I personally have had people from Amarillo, Tulia, Plainview, Floydada, even as far away as Lamesa tell me how great and wonderful that was. But now, for whatever reasons, they can never go again. When I went to eat at their enchilada dinner, I understood that they were raising all their own money for the competition, which in itself shows the school's non-support of them. So the issue of the school not being able to afford sending them cannot be used.

I take no glory away from what our football team did this year, because I went to every game, no matter how far away it was. But I dare say that what our cheerleaders achieved was pretty darn close to that level of success. When the cheerleaders had their public performance before competition, I noticed no support or interest by school principals, board members, or coaches. Not even the superintendent showed up.

On to the next point, cheerleaders dancing. A bad word according to some people. This point has me confused. I have heard several stories ranging from sexually arousing to it's the work of the devil. Neither one of these make sense to me. We let twirlers wear suits and bend and dance and kick more revealingly than the cheerleaders and it's okay. What the dancing cheerleaders do is part of a routine. It can hardly be compared to clubbing. But if you want to condemn it, that's your right, as long as we're going to be fair about it. Can we tell our kids dancing is bad, you can't do it, but then permit them to dance on the streets til late night on Old Fashioned Saturday? And is it okay to dance at the prom, or the dance held when the fair comes? These of which are far less confined or controlled.

If half the people who look at this group of kids and think they're so bad, knew how their own kids acted when they're not around, they would be very, very surprised. Instead of destroying something that can give our kids a sense of pride and self worth, let's worry about the ones roaming the streets or failing their studies and find a way to reach them. This is where our potential problems are.

Come on people, think about it!
A concerned parent and citizen,
Juanita Martinez

City approves grant application

FLOYDADA -- City Council members approved the submission of a 1997-98 Texas Community Development Program application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs at a special called session on Thursday, March 27. The application is seeking grant funding for planned water line development and improvements in the city.

Motion for approving the resolution to submit the application came from Councilman Eric Cornelius and was seconded by Councilman Dale Lawson. All voted in favor of the motion.

April was proclaimed "Fair Housing Month" in the City. A motion by Councilman Jon Nielson called for approval of a Fair Housing Ordinance for the city. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albert Hill and passed with a unanimous vote.

J. Royce Bradshaw was reappointed to the board of directors for Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority. Hill made the motion to appoint and Cornelius seconded. All voted in favor.

Attending the 7:30 a.m. morning session were Mayor Hulon Carthel, Councilmen Eric Cornelius, Albert

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FEEDING ARCHEOLOGISTS--Judy Macha dished out tamales to archeologists who have been working at the Coronado dig site in Blanco Canyon. Every night, last week the Floyd County Museum volunteers, and other families in the community, fed the archeologists.

Lockney Police Report

LOCKNEY--Lockney Police were called to a one-car rollover on North Main on March 24. The accident resulted in minor injuries to a local Lockney man.

The police investigated a burglary of a vehicle on March 25. A nail gun and a door knob installer were taken from a pickup truck.

The Longhorn Inn was burglarized on March 26 and a telephone was taken. The telephone was recovered and Daniel Vasquez of Lockney was charged with the theft.

Courtroom Activities

In County Court, March 25, jury trials were held for Maricella Lucio and Amber Dawn Dumas, both charged with Assaults that occurred on May 23, 1996.

Lucio and Dumas were both found guilty by jury.

A March 2, 1995 charge of Theft over \$20 or more, but less than \$500.00, against Christopher Michael Aleman was dismissed on March 27, 1997.



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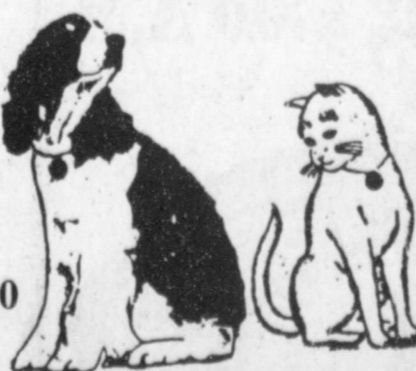
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DOG CLINIC

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Paul Glasson, DVM will administer shots at the back door of the Floydada Fire Hall. Call 983-2834 for more information. This community service event is sponsored by the City of Floydada

Memorial Scholarships now available

LOCKNEY - Lockney High School graduating seniors have until April 15 to make application for two memorial scholarships.

Both the Elaine Cooper Hardy and the Keith Jackson scholarship selection committees require a written application letter telling about the student's school, community and/or church activities. The letter should include information about the student's interests and ambitions.

The letter of application for either scholarship should be given by April 15 to LHS principal James Poole or LHS counselor Patsy Ulmer.

Winners of the two scholarships will be announced during the senior awards program on May 16.

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Floydada Whirlwind All-Sports Banquet

The Whirlwind All-Sports Banquet will be held Monday, April 28th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Floydada Junior High School Gym.

The event is open to the public for \$5 per person. Tickets are available at Script Printing, First National Bank, Payne Pharmacy, Williams Florist, Floydada Junior High and Floydada High School.

Tickets will not be available at the door.

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State of Texas out of the driveway business

The state of Texas could save \$9 million dollars this year since the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) got out of the driveway business.

As of last year, TxDOT no longer installs or maintains private or commercial driveways along state highways. The department changed its policy last year because of reduced funding and personnel. The change means that TxDOT will now have a

uniform policy throughout the state.

Previously, driveway installations in each of TxDOT's 25 districts were based on work load, which meant that in some areas of the state, driveways were built by department crews and in other areas, they were not.

Private or commercial property owners wanting driveway access to state highways must obtain a permit through TxDOT, but the cost of the materials, installation and maintenance is now the responsibility of the person requesting the driveway.

For driveway installations, TxDOT personnel will set the grade line in the ditch to establish proper drainage, determine the size of the pipe and inspect the installation to comply with regulations.

In 1995, the Lubbock District spent close to \$305,000 on driveway installation and maintenance.

To obtain a permit or for more information about driveways in Floyd County, call Michael Anderson at 806 983-3320.

The Texas Department of Transportation has redesigned the vehicle registration renewal notices. The new forms will be arriving in the mail.

The formats will be a standard 8 1/2 X 11 inches and color highlights will draw attention to key information.

The name, address, and telephone number of recipient's local tax-assessor-collector will be printed on the renewal.

The addresses are preprinted and a payment envelope will be supplied for renewal by mail. A space for address changes will also be provided.

A checklist on the back of the payment envelope will list the required materials which should be enclosed. The back of the renewal notice will give instructions for placing the windshield registration sticker and outlines proof of insurance requirements.

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ISSUE UPDATE

with **Mac Thornberry**

Mac

The False Choice Between Balancing the Budget and Reducing Taxes

There's been a lot of talk in recent weeks about some members of Congress wanting to put a tax cut on hold until an agreement is reached with the President to balance the budget. That's a false choice, and one I don't plan to go along with.

With April 15th just around the corner, no one needs to be reminded that tax relief is sorely needed. In America today, the average family pays nearly 40 percent of its annual budget in taxes. This is more than is paid on food, clothing and shelter combined. It's also something that's got to be stopped.

If balancing the budget is

something we owe to future generations, then reducing taxes is something we owe to those who are living today.

A \$500 dollar per-child tax credit, for example, would provide area families with over \$322 million dollars in relief over the next seven years. Likewise, repealing the inheritance tax would help families keep their farms and businesses in the family.

Those who say we can't balance the budget and cut taxes are dead wrong. We can do both, and we must do both.

Speaking for myself, I don't plan on settling for anything less.

Better Business Bureau Report

A national alert has been issued to advise consumers about the Stimulator, a pain killing device allegedly made from gas grill igniters, that is being actively marketed and distributed despite actions by the federal government to prohibit further sales.

The Stimulator and related product, the Xtendor have NOT been approved by the Federal Drug Administration and further, federal marshals seized approximately 16,000 Stimulators from the marketing company, Universal Management Services of Akron, Ohio as a result of a complaint by the FDA alleging that the device required FDA approval prior to being sold.

The products are being sold through informercials featuring Evel Kneivel and actress Lee Merriweather as well as through advertisements in airline and other magazines. There have been numerous consumer complaints filed at the BBB/Akron alleging nondelivery, non-receipt of requested refunds and ineffectiveness of the product. Our best advice is exercise caution!

Are you a believer in the paranormal? Are you curious about what the future holds for you? Whether you are visiting a counselor calling a psychic on a 900 number or sending money to receive an eight to ten page fact-filled personal reading, the BBB suggests you exercise extreme caution. Question exorbitant payments. Fees are usually based on the counselor's reputation and the extent of the services rendered. Be wary of dependency efforts. Legitimate advisers don't want you to become dependent on them. Don't offer excess information. Practiced fakes are experts at feeding back to you information that you have already supplied.



"If he keeps doing this, I'm going to have to charge you an amusement tax."



"If I were to become the new Miss Universe, the first thing I'd do is visit all the planets."

Business Of The Week

FLOYDADA--Since January 4, 1988, when Laura Farris purchased the Ford dealership in Floydada, sales have increased by 2500%.

Her business savvy and tenacity have led to her success in her ventures and also recognition and respect among her peers.

Farris purchased the dealership from Ray Reed who had owned the business since June of 1962.

Reed bought the business from the founder, J.B. Bishop, who had operated the business under the name of Bishop Motor Company for approximately 35 years. The business was first located at 114 W. California, just west of the First National Bank.

It was moved to its present location, on the Ralls Highway, in 1964. In 1965 Reed obtained a franchise to include the Mercury car line and the company became known as Reed Ford and Mercury Sales.

The first thing Farris changed, when she took over the reins, was the name.

It was the first of many changes for Floydada Ford-Mercury.

One pickup was on the showroom floor when she took over. The car lot grew from zero to 75 and the staff grew from 3 to 15 employees.

Farris' management team consists of Debbie Lotz, office manager, Gary R. Platt, sales manager, Andy Anderson, parts manager, and Jim Stone, service manager.

The showroom floor now houses five offices and a separate conference room.

Farris is very proud of the new remodeled service department.

"When I came it was mess," said Farris. "We have cleaned it up, re-



(LEFT-RIGHT) DEBBIE LOTZ, GARY R. PLATT, ANDY ANDERSON, JIM STONE AND LAURA FARRIS

Painted, moved the tools and built a special tool room. We have remodeled to include a parts showroom and office in the service area. "We have made it user friendly," said Farris.

Twenty feet have been added to the end of the shop and new above ground lifts and a 4 wheel alignment machine have been purchased.

"We are the only service department open on Saturdays," said Farris.

Born and raised in Pampa, Farris is a Tech graduate with a BS degree in Advertising/Public Relations.

She was a top salesman at KRLB radio in Lubbock for 4 1/2 years before moving to Floydada and purchasing the dealership.

She is married to Tom Farris and has a 2 1/2 year old son, "T.K.". Even with home and family, Farris has managed to make such a success of

her business that she has been recognized with the 1994 Outstanding Woman in the Automobile Industry award. She was also featured in a story in the Automotive Executive magazine and the Tech Texan.

Farris is proud of her business and the service it provides to the community.

"We have three very successful dealerships in Floydada," said Farris. "We all serve a different niche and we serve them well. All the dealerships sell locally and also outside of town. I depend on my out of town customers. At least 50% of my business comes from Plainview."

Floydada Ford Mercury is open Monday-Friday, from 8-6, and on Saturdays from 9:00-2:00 p.m.

OUR DOCTORS



Kevin L. Stennett, MD; Gary B. Mangold, MD; Kevin T. Stewart, MD

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KEVIN T. STENNETT, M.D.

Graduate of Lockney High School in 1979.

Bachelor of Science, Texas Tech University in 1983. Graduate of Texas Tech University's Health Sciences Center School of Medicine in 1987.

Finished three years of residency at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth in 1990

Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice.

On staff at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney, Cogdell Clinic in Lockney.

Wife: Michealle; Children: Keenan, Kelsie



GARY B. MANGOLD, M.D.

Graduate of Lockney High School in 1970.

Bachelor of Science, Texas Tech University, 1973. Graduate of Tech Medical School, Texas Tech University, 1976.

Finished three years of residency at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth in 1979.

Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice. Fellow, American Academy of Family Physicians.

On staff at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney, Cogdell Clinic in Lockney.

Wife: Brenda; Children: Allison, Lauren, Erin.



KEVIN L. STEWART, M.D.

Graduate of Amarillo College in 1982 and received a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Texas in Austin in 1984.

Graduate of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in 1988. Finished three years of residency at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth in 1991. Did medical missionary work in Nigeria from September 1991 to November 1991.

Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice.

On staff at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney, Cogdell Clinic in Lockney.

Wife: Victory; Children: Lauren, Lindsey

W.J. MANGOLD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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Webb honored as bank artist

FLOYDADA -- The First National Bank of Floydada is pleased to present Gale Webb as the featured artist for the month of April. Her works will be on display throughout the month during regular business hours. The public is encouraged to take advantage of this chance to see the paintings of this talented artist.

Coming from a long lineage of artists, it is no surprise that Gale Webb has devoted her life to art. Although she is adept in oil and acrylic, it is her vivid, larger-than-life watercolors, gouache and mixed watermedia that enchant and energize the viewer, revealing her love for nature and art.

Webb has studied with many nationally known instructors, allowing each to influence her in small ways, blending with her natural creative abilities. The result has been a style that is uniquely her own.

"Color has become an important factor in my paintings as well as my consideration for design and content," says Webb. "Since I paint rather intuitively, I allow the painting to 'speak' to me."

Webb holds a degree from Texas Tech. She has also attended Southern Methodist University, Abilene Christian University and South Plains College.

A locally and nationally known painter, Webb enjoys all aspects of the art scene, including teaching, judging and giving demonstrations. She is the past-president of the West Texas Watercolor Society, and is a member of



GALE WEBB

the Watercolor Art Society-Houston, the Watercolor Society of South Texas and the San Antonio Watercolor Group. She is a signature member of the Southwestern Watercolor Society of Dallas.

Webb, who lives in Lubbock, enjoys painting predominantly in watercolor combining mixed media and collage. She has given numerous watercolor demonstrations and workshops throughout Texas. Her watercolors are exhibited in art shows across the nation and have received numerous awards both locally and nationwide. Her work can be seen at Estelle Stair Gallery in Rockport, Texas and at the Godbold Center for the Arts in Lubbock. Viewing appointments may also be made for her home studio.

Floyd County Lifestyles

Whirlwind Sams travel to Kerrville

By Don & Sue Chesshir
FLOYDADA -- The Whirlwind Sam's Travel Club held their monthly meeting on March 3, 1997 at Light-house Electric Community Room. The meeting was called to order by president Gordon Hambricht. The invocation was led by John Lyles.

Happy Birthday was led by Boone Adams for L. V. Assiter, Dartha Westbrook, Paul Westbrook, Blanton Hartzell, Sue Chesshir and Louis Pyle. Boone also led the Anniversary Song for M/M Boone Adams, M/M L. V. Assiter and M/M Paul Westbrook.

Refreshments were prepared and served by Marge McElyea, Sue Chesshir and Jo Payne. Trail Boss Darrell Mayo reported on plans for the March trip to Kerrville. Wayne Russell introduced his brother, Henry Russell, who with his wife, Dalia, presented the program in scripture, stories and song.

Twenty rigs were represented at the meeting. Attending were Eva Parker, M/M Keith Patzer, Boone Adams, Don Chesshir, J. W. Gilbreath, Gordon Hambricht, Randy Hollums, Jerry Livingston, John Lyles, Darrell Mayo, Mac McElyea, Harold Temple, Harold Norrell, Herb Wallace, Paul

Westbrook, Harold Reese, Wayne Russell, Louis Pyle, Hollis Payne, and Fred Thaxton.

Boone Adams led the group in Happy Trails at the conclusion of the meeting.

On Thursday, March 13, Trail Boss Darrell Mayo led a group to Kerrville, Texas to stay at the Guadalupe River Resort RV park. Traveling with this group were M/M Gordon Hambricht, Harold Norrell, and Paul Westbrook. They met other Whirlwind Sam's M/M John Lyles, George Miller, Bob McPherson, and Bob Kendrick who had arrived earlier. M/M Don Chesshir joined the group on Friday.

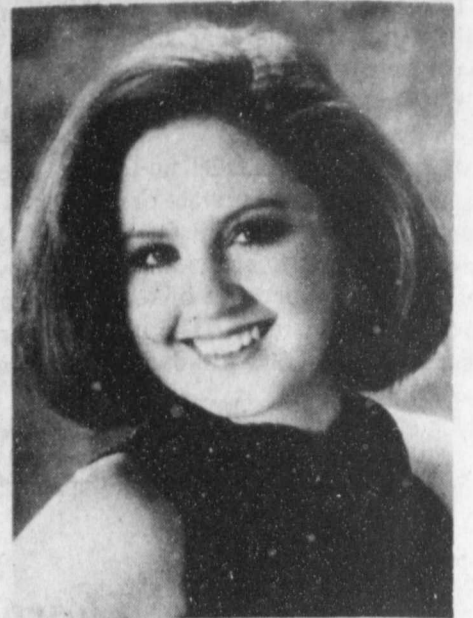
The group enjoyed meals at The Lakehouse Restaurant, Sunday House Restaurant and Luby's Cafeteria. They toured Comfort for shopping and the Mooney Aircraft factory on Friday. They went to the Schreiner Museum and drove to Fredericksburg on Friday. On Sunday some attended a chapel service at the campground and visited the Cowboy Artist Museum in the afternoon. Games were enjoyed nightly in the recreation room of the park. The group left Monday morning for the return trip to Floydada.

Amy Anderson competes in pageant

LOCKNEY—Amy Suzanne Anderson, 17 year old daughter of Bill and Ann Anderson of Lubbock, recently competed in the Miss Teen Lubbock Area USA Pageant held at the Lubbock Holiday Inn Civic Center.

Miss Anderson competed with 17 young ladies in interview, swimsuit, evening gown, and onstage interview. She placed first runner-up and earned the title of Miss Teen Levelland USA. She will represent Levelland and the surrounding counties, including Floyd County, at the Miss Teen USA Pageant to be held in November.

The Miss Teen Lubbock Area USA Pageant will air on Cox Cable, Saturday April 12 at 7:00 p.m.



AMY ANDERSON

Walser celebrates 109th birthday

Charles Richard Walser, the grandfather of Betty Hayes, of Floydada, celebrated his 109th birthday March 26.

Born in 1888 in Montague County, Walser, lives in Hereford, and still enjoys his visits to the local Dairy Queen to discuss the news with friends.

When he is asked what it feels like to be 109, he says, "Don't ask me—I've never been there but once. I guess it feels about like any other day."

Grover Cleveland was president when Walser was born and the Civil War had been over for a mere 20 years before Walser's birth.

Family members say Amarillo officials believe Walser is the area's oldest living recipient of Social Security.

Walser remembers March 27, 1917 as the day he moved his family's belongings from McLean to Deaf Smith

County. Two wagons were loaded up for the week-long trip across the panhandles. He took a train back to McLean and loaded the family on a Model T-Ford for the return trip.

For thirty-seven years, Walser lived on a farm outside of Hereford with his wife, Sarah Della Lance, and their four children.

On his first trip to Amarillo in 1912, Walser walked on board sidewalks. He was 26 when WWI broke out.

Walser says he doesn't know the secret to longevity. "You'd have to ask someone older than me to get that answer," said Walser.

He still chews tobacco and eats two scrambled eggs with his oatmeal every morning for breakfast—despite his doctor's advice.

Walser is also the great grandfather of Devra Arjona and Cody Hayes; and the great great grandfather of Holly and Ty Arjona, of Lockney.

Floydada Senior Citizens

By Margarette Word

FLOYDADA - The center is open Monday through Friday. If you plan to eat lunch, please call 983-2032 by 10 a.m. If you are 60 years or older this center is for you.

Nancy Bishop, Geraldine Callaway and their sister, Florene Teal of Lubbock and a sister-in-law Ethel Brown of Lubbock all went to Ruidoso, New Mexico for a few days last week. They came home on Wednesday, March 26. On Thursday they celebrated Ethel's birthday at the County Line Restaurant in Lubbock.

Kyle and Diana Glover spent Easter weekend in Arlington visiting daughter Pam Rimer and family.

Jim and Margarette Word's grandson, Jimmy Arnold and his wife Sally from Kansas City, Mo. was here over Easter weekend visiting relatives.

Madge West went to Lake Brownwood to be with relatives. Grandchildren Carla and Randy Davis from Slaton took her for the Easter weekend.

Pete and Frances Badgett's daughter, Anna Busick, of Cloudford, N.M. spent last week in Floydada.

Margaret and Dub Daniels went to Reba McIntire Rehab Center at Dennison, Texas for Dub's check-up. He got a good report.

Betsy Dempsey spent Easter weekend with her son, Jim Dempsey and

family at Keller, Texas.

Pete Hickerson is home after spending a few days in the hospital at Lockney.

Jewell Martin is home after spending the night in the Lockney hospital. Mattie Wester fell and broke a hip. She is at Methodist Hospital in Plainview.

Our sympathy to Dell Yandell on the loss of a sister-in-law.

"Thought for the Week" - The way to keep young is to keep your faith young. Keep your self-confidence young. Keep your hope young.

Luella F. Phelan

Menu

Monday, April 7: Chicken pot pie, tossed salad with Ranch dressing, cornbread or wheat roll, plums, vanilla wafers

Tuesday, April 8: Beef Stroganoff, noodles, broccoli, strawberry shortcake

Wednesday, April 9: Baked ham, blackeye peas, brussel sprouts, carrot raisin salad, wheat roll, cherry or plum cobbler

Thursday, April 10: Chicken fried steak, white gravy, baked potato, green beans, wheat roll, apricots

Friday, April 11: Green chili chicken, red beans, tossed salad/1000 Island or onion, pepper, and tomato slices, cornbread or tortilla, fruit salad

Floydada Care Center News

By Jo Wilbanks

FLOYDADA - Hi! Well, here it is first of April, did anyone fool you? We are looking forward in having some cookouts, picnic in our patio, and using the new furniture that we have.

Last week was busy and fun. The ladies from the Companion N Caring came Thursday to assist the residents in painting or coloring hen eggs. The ladies were Dolores Cannon, Shirley Varner, Leona Neff, and Dorothy Neff. Thanks ladies as you help keep the tradition and memories in the resident's lives.

I must say that the Easter reception was a good turnout and lots of fun. A beautiful spring decorated cake was served with punch to all present. The table was accented with an Easter theme cloth with an Easter lily as a centerpiece. The ladies from the Companion N Caring helped serve.

The residents were entertained by the "Happy Hatters" from Dumas, Texas. They were great and did great talents with their hat act and piano music. A musical game of hats was

played and Ethel Carmack won a straw hat pin. The ladies started out as a Sunday School class performing only in Dumas. Now they travel everywhere.

We welcome a new resident, Horace Hunter, from Quitaque. Mattie Wester is in the Lubbock hospital, we wish for her a speedy recovery.

On April 8th, Tuesday, at 7 p.m. we will be having an important community awareness planning meeting. Senior information services will be discussing such topics as trusts and estate planning. At sometime in our lives, we all will be faced with having to place a loved one in a nursing facility. This program will show us how to plan for the future.

Remember to set your clocks forward next Sunday, April 6th, as Daylight Savings Time begins. March went out like a lamb.

Thought -- Love can expedite a healing, and faith can light the way. When words begin to fail you, God taught us how to pray.



PUTTING ON OUR EASTER BONNETS -- Residents and staff members of the Floydada Care Center take time to pose for the camera in their Easter hats. Staff Photo

Chit Chat, This & That

By Wanda J. McLendon

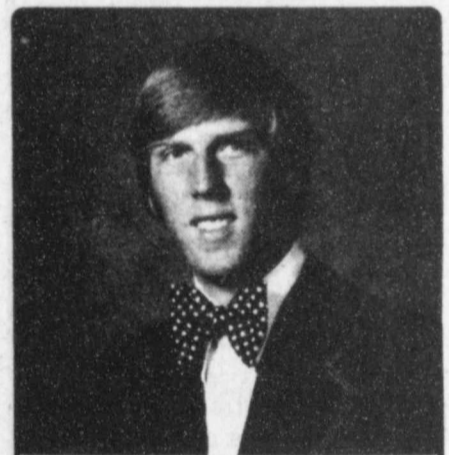
LOCKNEY - Hello. We hope everyone had a happy and safe Easter. Here's a little something that was sent to us at the facility.

The Legend of the Easter Egg

One day a poor peddler went to the marketplace to sell a basket of eggs. He came upon a crowd mocking a man who staggered with a heavy cross on which he was about to be crucified. The peddler ran to his aid, leaving the basket by the roadside. When he returned, he found the eggs transformed into exquisite designs of bright colors.

The man was Christ, the peddler, Simon, and the eggs were to become the symbol of rebirth for all mankind. Ukrainian Folk Tale

SHAKLEE
983-5246



You're not just getting better... You're getting older too! Happy 40th!

Lockney Senior Citizens

By Gladys Ragle and Gene Newton

LOCKNEY—Hope you all had a Happy Easter! There was a small crowd at the Thursday, March 27th meeting, but some were out of town and others were probably expecting visitors. Anyway those who were there enjoyed a good meal and played games later.

There are several in the hospitals we need to remember and pray for.

Jody Bacuss had back surgery in Dallas on Thursday and is doing good.

Hazel Johnson fell at her home and is in a Lubbock Hospital.

Lucille Johnson was transferred to a Lubbock hospital for further treatments. Let us remember all of these and hope they improve.

Gladys Bobbitt, Gene Newton, and Theta Brotherton want to thank all who helped them in the kitchen. The members need to thank these three for being hostesses for the last two

months. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night or early Sunday morning for the beginning of Daylight Savings Time.

Georgia Ford has a new great-grandson. His name is Drew Ford Johnson.

"Weekly Words of Wisdom" By staying on your toes you learn how to stand on your own two feet.

MENU

APRIL 7-11
Monday: Lasagna, vegetables, salad, dessert

Tuesday: Ham, vegetables, salad, dessert

Wednesday: Chicken fried steak, vegetables, salad, dessert

Thursday: Chicken patties, vegetables, salad, dessert

Friday: Roast beef, vegetables, salad, dessert

Meals served with coffee, tea and bread

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The residents, family members of residents, and the staff of FLOYDADA REHAB AND NURSING would like to express our fondest appreciation to Dr. Salman Ahmed and to the work he does here at the facility and in the community. The commitment that he shows for the facility and its residents does not go unnoticed although we may not verbally express it with enough frequency. Please accept this as a small token of our appreciation to go with a wealth of "Thank You's" The staff of FLOYDADA REHAB AND NURSING is grateful to be associated with you and look forward to a continued long alliance with you in your work.

Marler honored as coach

Richard Marler will be inducted into the Texas High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor this year. Marler, the son of Lynn and Orville Marler of Floydada, is a 1961 graduate of FHS. He graduated from Texas Tech in 1966.

Marler will be recognized along with 178 others at a July 30 banquet in Fort Worth during the annual THSCA Coaching School. Coach Marler credits his achievement of the honor to the collective efforts of "an outstanding bunch of coaches and some great athletes."

In a 22-year term as head of the Stephen F. Austin High School Athletic Department, Marler has produced a 138-86-9 record and led nine teams into state playoffs, twice reaching the semifinals. Among the students he has coached over the years, three were All-America team members and 11 made All-State teams.

"When you have continuity at the upper level of your staff," states



RICHARD MARLER

Marler, "you tend to have success in the overall program. As long as the athletes are responding to us and working hard and as long as I'm having fun, I plan to stay in coaching."

Harmony Club holds meeting

By Doris Snodgrass

The Harmony FCE Club met March 24, at 2 p.m. in the club room in the Harmony Community Center.

The meeting was called to order by Vivian Curtis, president. Maye Williams read a health hint.

Roll call was answered by what you can do to prevent osteoporosis.

Karen Miller, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting. She also gave the treasurer's report.

FCE Association Extension meeting will be April 4, in Colorado City. May Williams gave the last council report.

Members of the 4-H Club are making wooden clocks. They are also working on a rifle project.

Vivian Curtis was elected R.S.V.P. Volunteer of the Month.

The program on osteoporosis was given by the FCE agent, Melissa Long.

The president thanked Melissa Long for the informative information and announced the meeting adjourned. Refreshments of finger sandwiches, dips, cookies and small Easter eggs were served by the hostess to the following club members: Arvie Schulz, Vivian Curtis, Juanita Poole, Ruth Scott, Anna Maude Hopper, Maye Williams, Bernice Dutton, Karen Miller and children, and guest, Melissa Long, and the hostess Doris Snodgrass.

PROCLAMATION OF FLOYDADA APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended, prohibits discrimination in housing and declares its a national policy to provide, within constitutional limits, for fair housing in the United States; and

WHEREAS the principle of Fair Housing is not only national law and national policy, but a fundamental human concept and entitlement for all Americans, and

WHEREAS the twenty-ninth anniversary of this National Fair Housing Law, during the month of April, provides an opportunity of all Americans to recognize that complete success in the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help and cooperation of all Americans.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE THE City Council of Floydada, do proclaim April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Floydada and do hereby urge all the citizens of this locality to become award of and support the Fair Housing Law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have affixed our signatures and seal on this 27th day of March, 1997.

Hulon Carthel, Mayor

Witness:
Karen Lawson, City Secretary

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Floyd County & Community Education Council

By Lillian Smith

FLOYDADA - The Family and Community Education Club met March 25, in the home of Jonelle Fawver.

The meeting was conducted by president Muri Mayfield, who turned the program over to county extension agent, Melissa Long. A very interesting and informative program was given on osteoporosis.

At the conclusion of the program, discussion was held on the District TAFCE meeting to be held in Colorado City on April 4. Jonelle Fawver will go as delegate and Lillian Smith as alternate along with extension agent, Melissa Long.

A refreshment plate was served to members Gladys Widener, Sue Lovell, Muri Mayfield, Lillian Smith, Melissa Long and Jonelle Fawver.

Have a great week!



MARLA REEVES, the 9 year old daughter of Mike and Stacy Reeves brought home a trophy from the Miss Texas National Pre-Teen Pageant held in Waco, March 14-16. Marla was one of the top 25 finalists from a field of 255 contestants, and one of only three 9-year olds that made the top 25.

dealers is a prime example of what must stop. The revelation two days before the certification that Mexico's drug czar was bought and paid for by the very drug cartels he was supposed to be policing dealt a death blow to the credibility of Mexico's drug enforcement agency.

However, because a flat refusal to certify Mexico would cause enormous harm to U.S. exports and other vital interests, I believe the only appropriate action for the U.S. government to take in this situation is to register our concerns and lay out what must be accomplished in the next year. Our national interest requires it.

What Mexico needs, in my opinion, is a wake-up call and some "tough love." We simply must insist that the Mexican government work with U.S. agents to take good-faith steps to stop this narco-corruption that infects and demoralizes both our countries. The goals include: taking effective action to destroy the major drug cartels and imprison their kingpins, implementation of laws to curtail money laundering, compliance with U.S. extradition requests, increased interdiction efforts and better cooperation with U.S. law enforcement agents, including allowing them to be armed when in Mexico.

The challenges of establishing a corruption-free law enforcement relationship with Mexico are formidable — but not insurmountable. The Mexican government must ensure the integrity of those involved in its efforts. It must give law enforcement agencies the resources and authority they need to get the job done. It must make sure that those who are caught and arrested receive meaningful punishment. On our side, we must curb the demand for drugs that drives this corruption.

Organized crime was contained in the United States, but only after decades of effort — and only after Americans came to understand the danger it poses to our way of life. That containment did not happen overnight. Mexico cannot be expected to remedy its current shortcomings tomorrow. But business as usual is not good enough — on either side of the border.

Child abuse on the rise

By Melissa Long, CEA-FCS

Advocates concerned over the treatment of children have campaigned vigorously over the years to get the message out about child abuse. Unfortunately, the number of cases are increasing instead of declining.

Reports of child victimization, abuse and neglect in the United States are growing. In 1994, almost 3 million children were reported to public welfare agencies as alleged victims of abuse or neglect. More than one million of those children were substantiated as victims.

While these statistics tell of the cases reported to and investigated by child protection service agencies, other studies suggest that the problem of child maltreatment is even greater.

Preliminary results from the Third National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect estimate that the incidence of child abuse and neglect has more than doubled over the seven-year period of 1986-1993. According to that study, the estimated number of abused and neglected children rose sharply from 1.4 million in 1986 to 2.9 million in 1993, an increase of 105 percent. The estimated number of children who were seriously injured nearly quadrupled over the period from 143,000 to more than 572,000.

In 1994, more than 1,100 children are known to have died as a result of child abuse and neglect. One study, however, estimates that as many as 2,000 children — most less than 4 years old — die each year at the hands of parents or caretakers. Moreover, four out of five children under age 12 murdered by a parent of caretaker had been previously abused by the person who killed them (Bureaus of Justice Statistics, National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect, 1995).

People become outraged when they hear the tragic news of a child's death. To deal successfully with child maltreatment, outrage must be translated into action. National Child Abuse Month ends on April 30, but the problem is one that should be addressed year round.

Every small effort by those in the community to prevent child abuse can help make a difference in the quality of life in the community. Here are

some ways to get involved:

1. Support activities that raise public awareness about child abuse.
2. Volunteer at a local child abuse program. Parent support groups, crisis centers and hotlines are typical programs that often welcome volunteers.
3. Reported suspected abuse or neglect. Keeping children safe means that each person has an obligation to inform authorities if there is a reasonable suspicion that children are being harmed.
4. Advocate for services to help families. Communities need comprehensive services that address issues that affect families. Parenting programs, health care and housing needs are all important to maintain healthy children and families.
5. Make a contribution to a child abuse prevention organization. Donations are put to good use in much-needed community programs.
6. Help a friend, neighbor or relative. Someone you know may be struggling with his or her parenting responsibilities. Offer to babysit or cook a meal to relieve someone under stress.
7. Help yourself. Recognize the signs that indicate outside help is needed. If you feel overwhelmed, constantly sad, angry and out of control, get some help.
8. Support and suggest programs on child abuse prevention sponsored by local organizations.
9. Promote programs in schools. Teaching children prevention strategies can help keep them safe from those who would perpetrate abuse on them.

Remember, all children are at risk of abuse and neglect. The risk is especially high for kids whose families experience poverty, lack of jobs and education, substance abuse, domestic violence, disability and other stressors. Getting involved in community activities to better the welfare of children can help reduce the incidence of maltreatment of kids.

CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

We're Losing the War on Drugs

Mexico is one of America's two closest neighbors and Texas' largest trading partner.

This country has enjoyed a long-term partnership with Mexico that has grown closer and more cooperative over time. The North American Free Trade Agreement cemented and strengthened our relationship — and our interdependence.

But I am still concerned that we are not making as much progress as we'd like in stemming narcotics trafficking.

Partnership is a two-way exchange. In recent years we have drifted into tolerance of unacceptable conditions in the arena of drug trafficking and the endemic corruption it causes in communities on both sides of the border.

On February 28 President Clinton certified (as required by law to do each year) that Mexico is fully cooperating in the fight against drugs. This, at a time when, according to the State Department, Mexico is the source of 30 percent of the heroin, up to 70 percent of foreign-grown marijuana and the transit point for more than 50 percent of the cocaine shipped into the United States.

The terrorization of Texas border ranchers by drug

Alpha Sigma Upsilon News

By Maria Vasquez

FLOYDADA - During Easter, we involved our children in the festivities. First we had Jaime and Abelina hide the Easter eggs filled with goodies.

We kept the smaller children inside the residence of Maria L. Martinez, and they waited patiently for the hunt. They were children of Anna Rivera, Maria Martinez, Vickie Derryberry, Lori, and Maria Vasquez. They all enjoyed the Easter egg hunt.

After the excitement, we gathered for a wonderful supper. We enjoyed stuffed celery sticks, and other vegetables, sandwiches of chicken, pi-

mento cheese, and bologna, and chips and dips. To satisfy our thirsts we had chilled punch. Each child received a colorful Easter bag filled with different party favors and sweets.

We had election of officers for 97-98. Next years officers will be: President - Maria L. Martinez; Vice-President - Vickie Derryberry; Treasurer - Anna Rivera; Recording Secretary - Maria Vasquez; Sunshine - Dalia Arvizu.

Founder's Day is approaching, and we plan to celebrate in Lubbock with our husbands.

Our next meeting will be in April.

Mary Kay Cosmetics
Susan Simpson
Independent Beauty Consultant
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Pain may be eliminated for millions

(SPECIAL)-- A drug that is exciting researchers in the treatment of pain has been formulated into a new product known as "Arthur Itis," and is being called a "Medical Miracle" by some, in the treatment of debilitating conditions such as arthritis, bursitis, rheumatism, painful muscle aches, jointaches, simple backache, bruises, and more. Although the mechanism of action is unclear, experiments indicate that Arthur Itis, relieves pain by first selectively attracting, and then destroying the messenger chemical which carries pain sensations to the brain, thus eliminating pain in the affected area. Arthur Itis, is available immediately without a prescription in an odorless, greaseless, non-staining cream or new easy applicator liquid form. Arthur Itis, is guaranteed to work or your money back.

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is pleased to announce their new arrivals!

AUSTIN BLAKE, son of Damitra White of Silverton, was born March 4, 1997 at 1:42 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs. His grandmother is Angelia White of Silverton.

KAYLA REA JIMENEZ, Daughter of Aurelio and Sandra Jimenez of Lockney, was born March 5, 1997 at 4:57 a.m.. She weighed 7 lbs and 13 1/2 ozs. Grandparents are Joe Cavazos and Ray and Sylvia Jimenez, all of Lockney.

MARIA JUAREZ, daughter of Jose Luis and Victoria Juarez of Lockney, was born March 14, 1997 at 11:38 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs and 12 ozs. Grandparents are Matias Juarez and Guadalupe Cortez of Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico and Luis Hernandez and Florentina Gonzalez of Lockhart.

SETH PAUL MERCER, son of Joe and Tara Mercer of Lockney, was born March 14, 1997 at 8:35 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs, 6 1/2 ozs. Grandparents are Mary Lou Younger of Vega and Loy Mercer of Slaton. Lucille Watkins of Amarillo is a great-grandparent.

JORDAN GIOVANA GUERRERO, son of Junior and Kristi Guerrero of Lockney, was born March 22nd, 1997 at 12:01 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs. 8 ozs. Grandparents are Juan and Anna Reyes of Lockney; Floyd and Patricia Waldrop of Joy, Florida and Noge and Terry Guerrero of Baytown.

LA MAISHA DEIDRA, daughter of Monica Wickware of Floydada, was born MARCH 25, 1997 at 2:01 a.m. She weighed 6 lbs and 10 ozs. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Coleman of Floydada

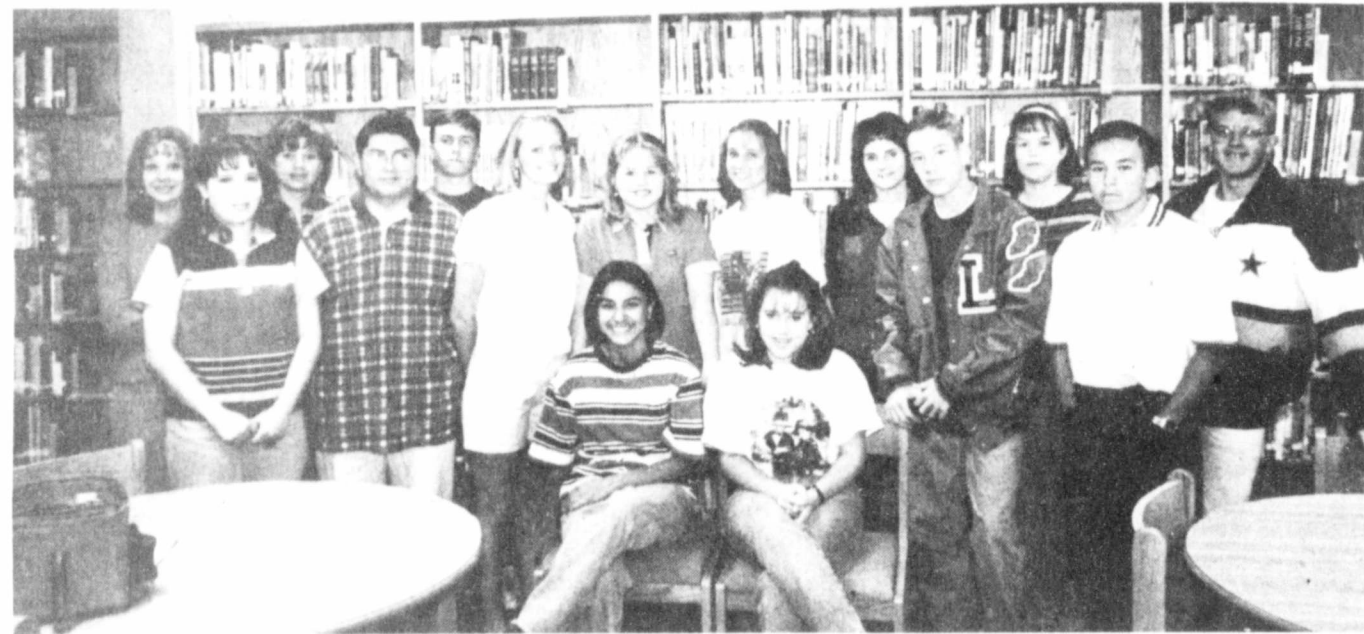
SHYANNE RAWLINSON, daughter of Robert & Lilly Rawlinson was born March 27, 1997 at 11:05. She weighed 6 lbs and 9 ozs. Tony Dora Longoria is Plainview is a grandparent.

W.J. MANGOLD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
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COLORING CONTEST WINNERS--Winners of Floydada's Cogdell Clinic Easter Coloring Contest were announced Friday, March 28 at A. B. Duncan Elementary School. They included: (front row, left to right) Pre-K winners; Jacque Barrientos (3rd), Jesse Ibarra (2nd) and James Espinoza (1st); (middle row) 1st Grade winners; Tanner Sue (3rd), Adam Rainwa-

ter (2nd) and Collin Campbell (1st); Kindergarten winners; A.J. Pitts (3rd), Nikki Nino (2nd) and Titus Miller (1st); (back row) 2nd grade winners; Brandon Rainwater (1st), Casey Campbell (2nd) and Luis Juarez (1st); and 3rd grade winners; Grace Solis (3rd), Joanna Garcia (2nd) and Chris Reyes (1st).
Staff Photo



1996-97 LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS

Noel recognized by Hale County FFA

From an article written by Tom Maynard, Plainview FFA adviser Jody Noel, of Petersburg has been recognized as an outstanding Hale County FFA member. She is the daughter of Joe Ed and Belinda Noel of Petersburg and grand-daughter of Jack and Tanya Covington of Lockney.

Miss Noel has been involved in nearly every facet in the agricultural science program and the FFA organization in addition to splitting time with numerous other school activities and the families candlemaking and marketing shop.

"She is creative, highly motivated, responsible and works well with oth-

ers," stated Petersburg FFA Adviser Fud Robertson.

Miss Noel currently serves as president of the local FFA Chapter and has been an FFA officer each of the four years she has been in FFA.

She has authored much of the script used by the chapter's radio team that placed second in the area and advanced to district, competed in parliamentary procedure, creed speaking and dairy cattle judging.

Miss Noel has shown lambs, pigs and steers over the past four years and has made the premium sale each of those years. She has shown two grand champion lambs and one grand champion pig.

This past July she received the Lonestar FFA degree, the highest degree of membership bestowed on an FFA member.

Also at Petersburg High School she has held offices the last three years and is presently the senior class treasurer. She is a member of the National Honor Society and plays basketball for the Lady Buffaloes. She has competed in UIL Math and feature writing events.

After graduation she plans to attend West Texas University and study agriculture business, agriculture communications and journalism.

FHS Seniors All That & Then Some

By Lydia Mendoza
FLOYDADA — Five 1997 graduating seniors are being highlighted this week.

Adrienne Gomez, 18; Parents: Santiago & Gloria Gomez; Favorite book: *Sybil*; Favorite subject in school: Government; Favorite musical group: *Metallica*; Favorite TV show: *Party of Five*; Pet Peeve: People who smack their food or chew with their mouth open; Who do you admire: My parents because without their love and support, I couldn't have made it this far; Motto: "Don't try to be someone you're not."



Vickie Ochoa, 18; Parent: Eva Ochoa; Favorite TV program: *Friends*; Favorite book: *Of Mice and Men*; Favorite color: purple; Best memories of high school: Having a good time with my friends; Who do you admire: My mother because she has raised me by herself and has done a pretty good job of it; Plans after graduation: South Plains College; Motto: Don't ever change for anyone but yourself.



Dustin Owens, 18; Parents: Jimmy and Joyce Owens; Most significant accomplishment: To have made it this far; Favorite movie: *Independence Day*; Favorite



color: black; Favorite hobbies: playing a guitar; Who do you admire: My grandpa because he is very strong; Plans after graduation: Go to college and major in music; Motto: "Life is a highway, you have your turn offs and turn ons. Turn on as much as you can."

Lori Ann Rodriguez, 198; Parents: Ruben and Elinor Barrientoz; Favorite TV show: *Sister, Sister*; Favorite food: enchiladas; Favorite musical group: *Boys II Men*; Pet Peeve: When people scratch the chalk board; Who do you admire: My friends, parents and family members; Plans after graduation: Go to college; Motto: "Never let anyone tell you that you are not good enough to do something in life. Do what your heart desires and not what other people tell you."



Mary Romero, 18; Parents: Luis and Margarita Romero; Favorite color: purple; Favorite subject in school: Math; Favorite foods: Pizza; Favorite musical group: *Boys II Men* and *FAMA*; Favorite Book: *Message From Nam*; Best memories of high school: Hanging out with friends, going to football games and being in band; Who do you admire: Mac Wilson because he always helped me on everything I did; Plans after graduation: Go to college and study criminal justice.



Photos Courtesy of R Photography

Floydada School Menu

April 7-11

- Monday:**
Breakfast - Juice, cinnamon toast, milk
Lunch - Corn dog, tater tots, pickle spears, peaches, milk
- Tuesday:**
Breakfast - Juice, scrambled eggs, toast, milk
Lunch - Beef patty, mashed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, hot roll, milk
- Wednesday:**
Breakfast - Juice, sausage, toast, milk
Lunch - Spaghetti with meatsauce, carrots sticks, English peas, orange, hot roll, milk
- Thursday:**
Breakfast - Juice, pancakes, syrup, milk
Lunch - Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, salad dressing, corn, pineapple, milk
- Friday:**
Breakfast - Juice, dry cereal, graham crackers, milk
Lunch - Hamburger, french fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, juice bar, milk

Lockney School Menu

APRIL 7-11

- MONDAY**
Breakfast - Oatmeal, toast or cereal, juice, milk
Lunch - Macaroni & cheese or corn dog, spinach, fried okra, peaches, hot rolls, milk
- TUESDAY**
Breakfast - Rice, toast, cereal, juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken noodle soup or ham & cheese on bun, salad, fruit cocktail with topping, crackers, cinnamon roll, milk
- WEDNESDAY**
Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, graham cracker, juice, milk
Lunch - Oven fried patty or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, applesauce, milk, hot rolls
- THURSDAY**
Breakfast - Muffin, cereal, graham cracker, juice, milk
Lunch - Baked chicken or chili dog, broccoli, corn, pear, hot rolls, milk
- FRIDAY**
Ham, toast and jelly or cereal, milk, juice
Lunch - Hamburger, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, french fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles, milk, oatmeal cookies.

Have a good week!

THROUGH THE HALLS

Lockney High School students come within one point of district UIL title

LOCKNEY—The Lockney High School U.I.L. participants traveled to Highland Park in Lubbock for the District U.I.L. competition and came up one point short of tying for first place or two points for winning outright. Placing first in the competition was Highland Park with 341 points; 2nd place went to Lockney with 340 points.

The Mathematics, Calculator Applications, Computer Science and Number Sense teams received first place ratings and will advance to the regional competition. Teams placing second were Current Issues and Events, Literary Criticism, and Science. Individual students placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will also advance. The regional competition will be held in Abilene on April 18-19.

Students participating in the district meet and their places are:

- Prose Interpretation: Mandy Galloway, 3rd, Sarah Martin, 6th.
- JOURNALISM EVENTS**
Feature Writing: Kaci Mathis, 1st; Mandy Galloway, 2nd.
Editorial Writing: Kaci Mathis, 2nd.
- CURRENT ISSUES & EVENTS** - 2nd Place Team
Kimberlee Widener, 4th; Dana Martinez, 6th
- READY WRITING**
Stacy Bigham, 3rd; Kaci Mathis, 5th.
- LITERARY CRITICISM** - 2nd Place Team
Johnnie Mosley, 3rd; Allison Mangold, 5th.
- COMPUTER APPLICATIONS**
Courtney Cummings, 5th; Nicole Mosley, 6th.
- MATHEMATICS** - 1st Place Team
Dewayne Jones, 1st; Tim Mitchell, 2nd; Rodolfo Cervantes 4th; Danny Huggins, 6th.

- CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS** - 1st Place Team
Dewayne Jones, 1st; Rodolfo Cervantes, 2nd; Lindi Miller, 4th; Tim Mitchell, 5th.
- COMPUTER SCIENCE** - 1st Place Team
Tim Mitchell, 1st; Dewayne Jones, 2nd; Lindi Miller, 5th.
- NUMBER SENSE** - 1st Place Team
Dewayne Jones, 1st; Rodolfo Cervantes, 2nd; David Martinez, 5th; Lindi Miller, 6th.
- SCIENCE** - 2nd Place Team
Brett McQuhae, 4th; Jennifer Lynn, 5th.

Other students participating were April Ochoa, Michelle Smith, Mike Vargas, Lauren Mangold, Adam Cummings, Callie Wilson, Jeremy Stapp, and Wesley Hunter.

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1996-97 LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR AND SENIOR U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS

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LJHS earns UIL 1st for fourth time

LOCKNEY—The sixth, seventh and eighth grades at Lockney Junior High captured the U.I.L. District Championship with a score of 681 points. This is the fourth consecutive year that the junior high students have won first place.

Second place went to Olton with 602 points, third place to Highland Park with 233 points, fourth place to Hale Center with 227 points, fifth place to Hart with 177 points and 6th place to Bovina with 84 points.

"We are so proud of the kids, they worked so hard to get ready and did a really good job," stated Terry Ellison, Principal and UIL Coordinator.

The students and their teachers traveled to Highland Park in Lubbock on Thursday, March 27 for the competition.

READY WRITING

8th Grade: 1st, Jeffrey Hunter; also competing Holli Carthel, Traci McQuhae, and Brandon Hennagan
7th Grade: 4th, Melanie Huggins; Wade Miller, Chad Johnson, Dusty Thompson.

6th Grade: 1st, Todd Cotham; 2nd, Garrett Mathis; Ben Sherman, Galen Smith.

MATH

8th Grade: 1st, Holli Carthel; Promo Salazar, Valentina Salazar, Chase Graves.

7th Grade: 2nd, Amber Wood; 4th, Lindsay Mayo; 5th, Jenna Ford; Alana Gallaway.

6th Grade: 3rd, Will O'Connell; 5th, Cody Bayley; 6th, Leslie Cuellar; Leticia Morales.

MODERN ORATORY

8th Grade: 1st, Tyler Phillips; 3rd, Brandon Hennagan; Jarrett Thornton Lindsey Mathis.

7th Grade: 3rd, Mary Lou Zavala; 5th, Kaci Young; Dusty Thompson.

ORAL READING

8th Grade: 2nd, Jarrett Thornton; 4th, Brittany Aston; Tyler Bybee and Desha Smith.

7th Grade: 2nd, Alana Gallaway; 3rd, Mary Lou Zavala; Chris Summers, Lindsay Mayo.

6th Grade: 1st, Matt McPherson; 4th, Brady Rasco; 6th, Nathan Burson; Jalee Dietrich.

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

8th Grade: 1st, Traci McQuhae; 2nd, Melissa Schaeffer; 5th, Heath Stoerner; Kelsey Schumacher.

7th Grade: 1st, Jared Lambert; Kaci Young, Velvet Johnson, Dusty Thompson.

6th Grade: 1st, Janee Hrbacek; 2nd, Laci Schumacher; 3rd, Matt McPherson; 4th April Dorman.

MUSIC MEMORY

6th Grade: Jalee Dietrich, Brady Rasco, Landon Schumacher.

NUMBER SENSE

8th Grade: 2nd, Melissa Schaeffer; 3rd, Valentina Salazar; 6th, Elizabeth Salazar; Brandi Shuping.

7th Grade: 2nd, Wade Miller; 3rd, Amber Wood; Jenna Ford, Emmanuel Ramirez.

6th Grade: 3rd, Ben Sherman; 5th, Cody Bayley; Todd Cotham, Matt McPherson.

CALCULATOR

8th Grade: 1st, Holli Carthel; 3rd, Melissa Schaeffer; 4th, Gabriel Gonzales; 5th, Michelle Gross.

7th Grade: 1st, Brandon Alvis; 2nd, Sara Davis; 3rd, Alana Gallaway; 5th Kaci Young.

6th Grade: 1st, Garrett Mathis; 2nd, Ben Sherman; 3rd Katie Kelly.

SCIENCE

8th Grade: Kendra Mason, Elida Balderas, Frances Fernandez, Valentina Salazar.

7th Grade: Melinda Luna, Lisa Garcia, Claudia Rosales.

SPELLING

8th Grade: 6th, Elizabeth Duran; Frances Fernandez, Michelle Gross, Lolly Luna.

7th Grade: 1st, Elizabeth O'Connell; 2nd, Amber Wood; Chelsea Brown, Melinda Luna.

6th Grade: Andrea Bloss, Cody Lass, Yesenia Guerrero, Sabrina Gross.

LISTENING SKILLS

8th Grade: 1st, Lexi Jones; 2nd, Jeffrey Hunter; 6th, Kendra Mason; Brandi Collins.

7th Grade: Lindi Jones, Jenna Ford, Becky Gonzales, Sara Davis.

6th Grade: 3rd, Will O'Connell; Sabrina Gross, Tasha Powell, Nicole Hernandez.

MAPS, CHARTS, GRAPHS

8th Grade: 2nd, Jeffrey Hunter; 4th, Tyler Bybee; 6th, Heath Stoerner; Chase Graves.

7th Grade: 1st, Brandon Alvis; 2nd, Melanie Huggins; 3rd, Wade Miller; Lisa Garcia.

6th Grade: 1st, Brady Rasco; 2nd, Garrett Mathis; 3rd, Cody Lass; Cody Bayley.

DICTIONARY SKILLS

8th Grade: Elizabeth Duran, Karlon Hooten, Holly Arjona.

7th Grade: 4th, Elizabeth O'Connell; 6th, Melanie Huggins; Leticia Guerrero, Lindsay Mayo.

6th Grade: 4th, Jalee Dietrich; Laci Schumacher, Katie Kelly, Crystal Brown.



LHS ONE-ACT PLAY CAST AND CREW—Members of the Lockney High School One-Act Play cast and crew are (l-r, back row) Erin Schaeffer, Jennifer Lynn, Rodolfo Cervantez, Rita Mann, Mandy Gallaway, Kelli Clark, Tim Mitchell; (l-r, front) Anna

Zavala, Erminia Duenas, April Ochoa, Callie Wilson, Allison Mangold, Jeremy Rodriguez. Not pictured are Jennifer Labello and Johnnie Mosley. The troupe won the District competition and will advance to Area.

Staff Photo

LHS has district winning one-act play

LOCKNEY—The One-Act Play cast and crew at Lockney High School brought home first place from District competition with the play, "The Rise and Fall of Little Voice". Mandy Gallaway was named Best

Actress; Kelli Clark and Rita Mann were named to the All Star Cast.

Cast and crew members are Erin Schaeffer, Jennifer Lynn, Rodolfo Cervantez, Rita Mann, Mandy Gallaway, Kelli Clark, Tim Mitchell,

Anna Zavala, Erminia Duenas, April Ochoa, Callie Wilson, Allison Mangold, Jeremy Rodriguez, Jennifer Labello and Johnnie Mosley.

The play is directed by Tonda Jolley.



1996-97 LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH EIGHTH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS



LITTLE LONGHORNS NAMED—Chosen as Little Longhorns for the week of March 31-April 4 at Lockney Elementary School are (l-r, back row) Marty Nolan, Amanda Hancock, Justin Stoerner, Oscar Delgado, Denice Muniz, Cagan Cummings, Trevor Morris; (l-r, middle row) Yadira Guerrero, Amanda

Garcia, Shae Mercer, Leah Ford, J.W. McPherson, Dru Carthel, Gabriel Pinales; (l-r, front row) LaTasha Peralez, Raul Cruz, Daryn McCarter, Cancy Cabler, Ethan Gonzales, Kayla Pesina, Savannah Ascencio and Valarie Gonzales.

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CEI LAB HOLDS COOKIE CONTEST—The CEI Lab at Lockney Elementary School started a "Fill the Cookie Jar Computer Lesson Contest" at the first of school and the 42 students in the classes have filled the jar with computer lessons. According to their teacher,

Virginia Stapp, they have worked very hard and with lots of determination. She stated that it took 706 lessons to fill the jar. The students will be treated to a cookie party.

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CEI LAB PALS NAMED—Selected as Lab Pals for the week of March 24-28 at Lockney Elementary School are Melissa Hernandez and Amanda Gonzales.

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1996-97 LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH SEVENTH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS



1996-97 LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH SIXTH GRADE U.I.L. PARTICIPANTS

Lockney 4-H Club meets at Lockney Community Center

By Kaci Mathis, Reporter

LOCKNEY - The March meeting of the Lockney 4-H Club was held on March 24, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lockney Community Center. The meeting was called to order by vice president, Sarah Martin. Katie Kelley led the Pledge of Allegiance and Tyler Phillips led the 4-H Motto and Pledge.

The inspiration was given by Melanie Huggins. Secretary Leslieanne Hickerson read the minutes of the February meeting and took the roll. Tyler Phillips presented a mini demonstration on Horse Judging. Sarah Martin gave a report on the clothing project and upcoming fashion show. Kay Martin passed out plaques to the Senior Share-the-Fun members who won second at State 4-H Round-up last summer.

New business discussed was County Round-up which will be held April 22 at the Floydada High School auditorium beginning at 6 p.m. District Round-up will be May 3 in Levelland.

Sign-up sheets for Leadership camp and Electric camp were discussed.

Sarah Martin organized the program, a canned food scavenger hunt. Members would like to thank those in the community who helped by donating canned food items.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served.

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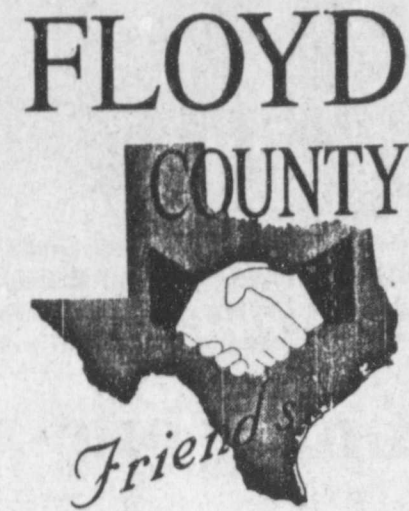
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- Raymond Lusk, Phil Cotham & Lockney ISD-Use of school facility
- Script Printing, Floydada-Assistance in printing
- Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, KFLP, & Plainview Daily Herald-Publicity
- Tim Assiter-Auctioneer
- Floyd County 4-H members-Serving
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- Harmony, Lucy Dean Record, & Brady Rasco-Entertainment & Music
- Clar Schacht, Floydada-Special presentation
- Anne Jones, Floydada, & Laurie Hall, Lockney-Assistance with auction
- Brenda Heflin -Assistance with name tags
- El Rancho, Floydada-Donation for auction expenses
- 4-H Food Project Group -- Tasha Powell, Ashley Brock, Jalee Dietrich, Leah Schumacher, Holly Arjona, Lindsey Mathis, & Kaci Mathis-baking the blueberry muffins
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- Gregg Taylor-Cooked steaks

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GOING, GOING, GONE was the cry of the auctioneer when bidding ended on the various items offered during the fund raising event.

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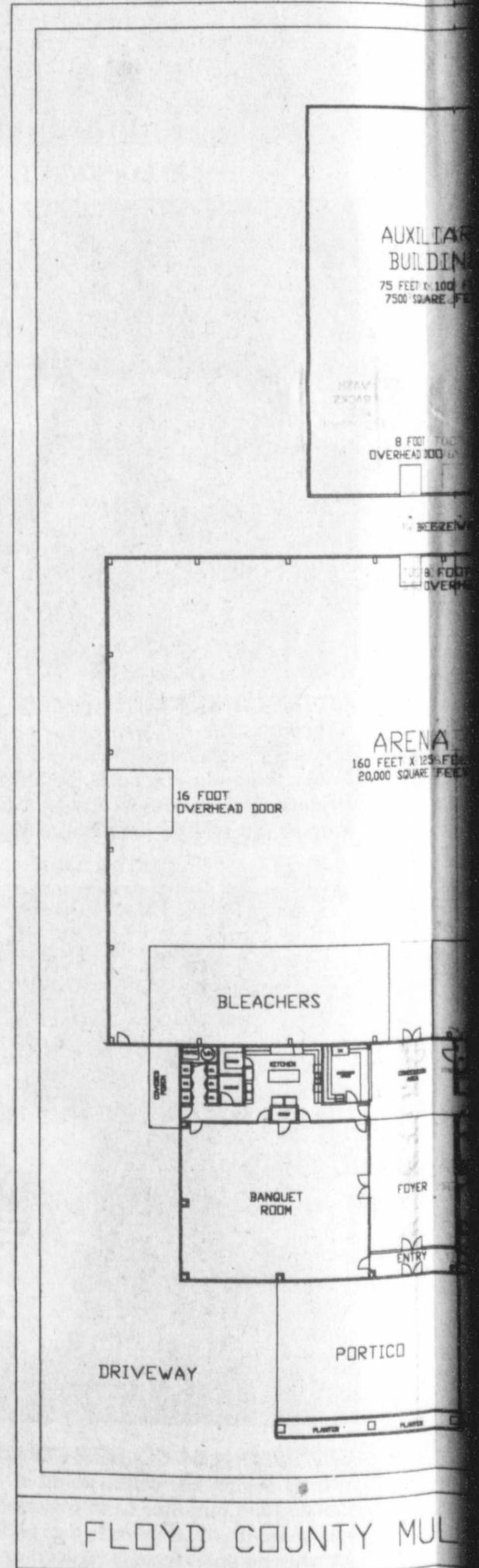
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Floyd County Friends Board meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. The meetings are open to the public.



BANKING WITH BUCKS was a favorite activity for weeks prior to the gala and until he was auctioned that evening.



Floyd County

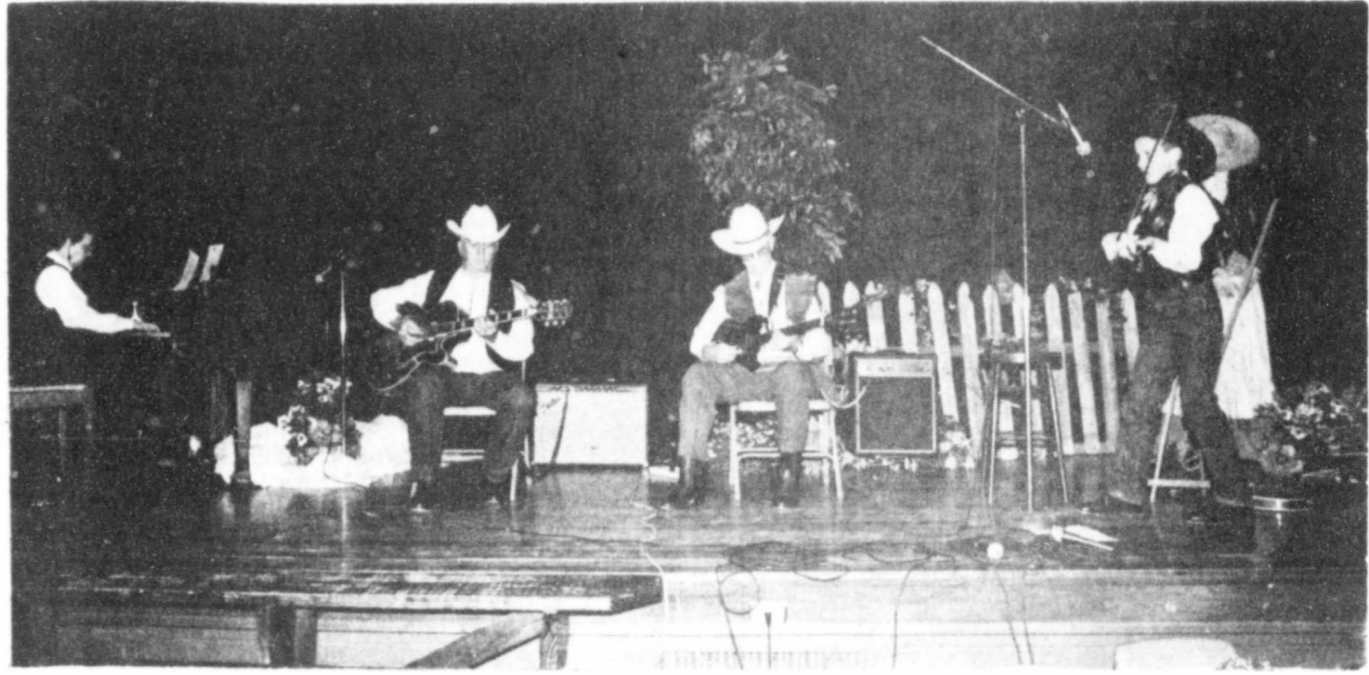
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A LARGE CROWD ONLY CROWD was present as a variety of means were used to locate an elusive bunny at the Floyd County Friends Benefit Gala.



YOUTH, EXPERIENCE & BEAUTY combined to provide a delightful segment of country music for the enjoyment of all within hearing last Saturday.



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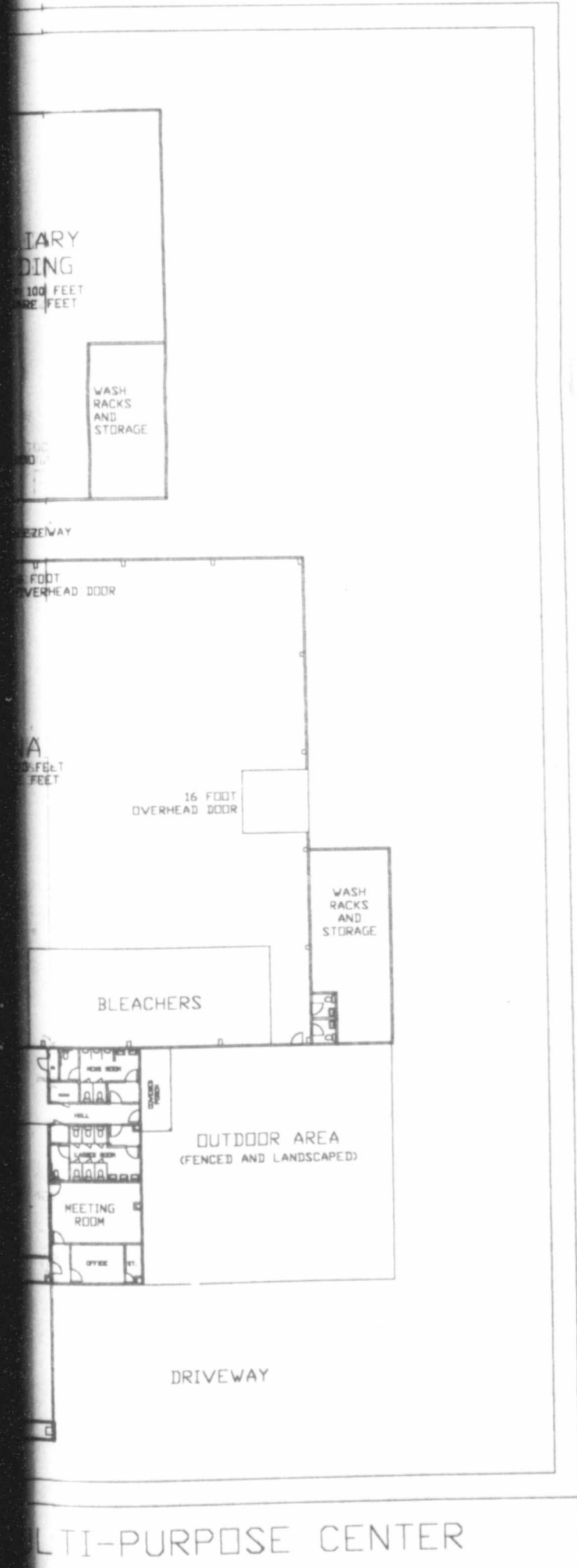
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\$1,000 GIVEAWAY winner Laura Nutt (right) received her windfall from First National Bank of Floydada's Tom Farris.



MELODIOUS MUSIC from the Lockney singing group "Harmony" entertained those attending the 2nd annual Benefit Gala presented by Floyd County Friends.



Floyd County Friends

University - Pride

FHS teams compete at Littlefield track competition

March 29, 1997
By Coach Rex Holcombe

FLOYDADA - The Floydada Varsity Boys Team has competed well this year. Many of our track athletes have made great improvements. The athletes are working hard and will represent our school and community well at our district meet on April 12 at Denver City. There are several Floydada athletes that have a good chance to qualify for regional. These young men are competing very well in a very physically demanding sport. Any track athlete who competes spends many hours working hard on conditioning and improving themselves. They all deserve our admiration.

FLOYDADA VARSITY BOYS
Shot: James Lightfoot, 4th, 41'4", Pedro Chairez, 5th, 41'1/2"

Triple Jump: Adam Soto, 6th, 38'8"

Discus: James Lightfoot, 4th, 112'5"; Pedro Chairez, 6th, 105'11"

3200 meter run: Randy York, 5th, 12:18.56

Weightmen 400 relay: Lightfoot, Santos, Davis, Chairez, 6th, 55.16

400 meter relay: Cowart, Young, Soto, Kirk, 3rd, 45.23

800 meter: Omar Eguia, 2nd, 2:06.40; Chad Benjamin, 3rd, 2:10.83

110 high hurdles: Mario Nunez, 2nd, 15.75

100 meters: Cy Cowart, 5th, 11.89

400 meters: Michael Black, 3rd, 54.14

300 meter hurdles: Mario Nunez, 5th, 44.81

1600 meter run: Randy York, 2nd, 5:18.00; Chad Benjamin, 4th, 5:29.39

1600 meter relay: Michael Black, Andy Young, Adam Soto, Omar Eguia, 2nd, 3:36.23

Varsity Boys Team Totals

1st: Littlefield - 153; 2nd: Seminole - 116; 3rd: Shallowater - 102; 4th: Floydada - 85; 5th: Roosevelt - 37; 6th: Muleshoe - 26

FLOYDADA J.V. BOYS

The junior varsity boys team has done very well at every meet they have participated in this year. At the Littlefield meet there were eight JV boy athletes, and everyone scored points for the team to place 2nd in the meet. Their effort was great and they

will continue to improve with time.

Pole Vault: Cody Stovall, 1st, 9'6"

Shot: Jamie Davis, 3rd, 37'-10 3/4"

High Jump: Justin McGuire, 2nd, 6'0"

Triple Jump: Justin McGuire, 1st, 39'-11 1/4"; Lightfoot, 6th, 36'6"

Discus: Jamie Davis, 3rd, 102'1"

3200 meter: Snell, 1st, 12:32.01

400 relay: McGuire, Williams, Nelson, Stovall, 3rd, 46.84

800 meters: David Rainwater, 6th, 2:38.44

110 high hurdles: David Lightfoot, 3rd, 17.90

400 meter: Justin McGuire, 1st, 56.18

300 meter hurdles: David Lightfoot, 1st, 44.5

200 meter: Andy Williams, 2nd, 24.65; Cody Stovall, 5th, 25.94

1600 meter: Snell, 2nd, 5:51.56

1600 meter relay: David Lightfoot, Justin McGuire, Andy Williams, Cody Stovall, 1st, 3:46.12

Junior Varsity Boys Team Totals

1st: Seminole - 147; 2nd: Floydada - 132; 3rd: Littlefield - 109; 4th: Muleshoe - 69.5; 5th: Roosevelt - 50; 6th: Shallowater - 30

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filter baskets, revised instruction manuals, and coupons for coffee filters will be sent if consumers will call Mr. Coffee toll free at (888)999-3934.

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Genuine sweepstakes and giveaways are always "NO PURCHASE REQUIRED" - not for shipping or anything else! Putting it another way, NEVER consider any sweepstake or giveaway prize that requires some form of payment! Through clever wording, use of official-looking documents, and burying important disclosures in fine print, many current promotions require the winner to pay for processing or delivery of their prize. Everyone would like to win something, but when the company wants you to pay - WATCH OUT! Some

companies that are generating hundreds of calls to BBBs all over the United States are DIRECT AMERICAN MARKETERS (also known as A.C.G INDEPENDENT JUDGING, CASH CLAIMS PAYMENT CENTER) doing business from 14 different addresses in California. Another is SWEEPSTAKES CLEARING HOUSE out of Dallas and SUAREZ CORPORATION which also does business as LINDENWOLD FINE JEWELRY. Just remember - If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is! Call the BBB first at 763-0459 or (800)687-7890.



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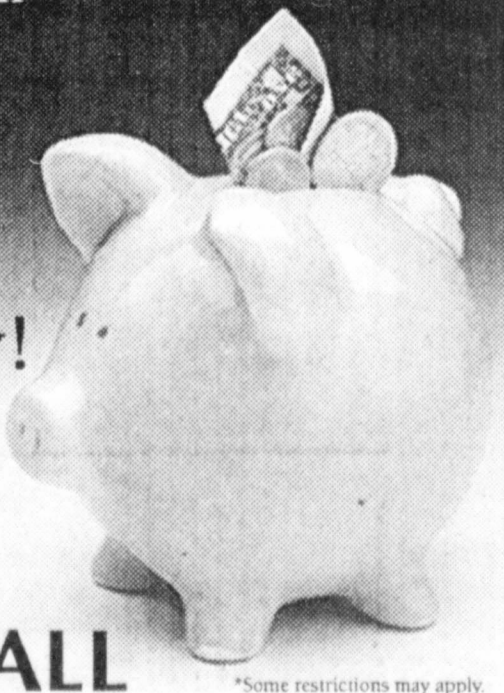
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SPORTS

Lockney JV Boys and 8th Grade Girls place first at Hart

By Coach Ventura
LOCKNEY—The Lockney Longhorns, Lady Horns, Shorthorns and Lady Shorthorns traveled to Hart to participate in the Hart Invitational Track Meet. The junior varsity boys and the eighth grade girls brought home first place wins.

The varsity boys placed 3rd with 90 1/2 points, varsity girls 3rd with 65 points, junior varsity boys 1st with 109 points, eighth grade boys, 3rd with 82 points, eighth grade girls 1st place with 107 points, seventh grade boys with 30 points, and seventh grade girls 2nd with 118 points.

Tracksters and their points are:

VARSITY BOYS

400 m Relay - 1st, Anthony Poole, Devon Phillips, Charles VanZandt, Adam Cummings.
 100 m Dash - 2nd, Devon Phillips; 4th, Anthony Poole.
 110 Hurdles - 1st, Adam Cummings
 800 m Dash - 4th, Bryan Bybee; 6th, Marcel Rosenast
 200 m Dash - 1st, Devon Phillips; 6th, Charles Van Zandt
 300 I. Hurdles - 2nd - Adam Cummings
 Triple Jump - 1st, Devon Phillips
 Long Jump - 1st, Devon Phillips; 4th, Adam Cummings

VARSITY GIRLS

400 m Relay - 2nd, Courtney Cummings, Tessa Davis, Lacey Aston, Kim Martinez.
 800 m Dash - 3rd, Noelia Balderas
 100 m Hurdles - 3rd, Courtney Cummings
 800 m Relay - 5th, Allison Clark, Tessa Davis, Lacey Aston, Kim Martinez
 400 m Dash - 5th, Lindi Miller; 6th, Leslieanne Hickerson
 300 Hurdles - 3rd, Courtney Cummings
 1600 m Relays - 5th, Lacey Aston, Lindi Miller, Leslieanne Hickerson, Nicole Mosley
 Triple Jump - 2nd, Nicole Mosley; 5th, Kim Martinez
 High Jump - 3rd, Nicole Mosley
 Discus - 5th, Tessa Davis

JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS

400 m Relay - 3rd, Cooter Durham, Calvin Collins, Abel Rosales, Chris Rodriguez.
 800 m Dash - 6th, A.J. Martinez
 110 Hurdles - 2nd, Dominique Guerrero
 100 m Dash - 1st, Calvin Collins; 3rd, Chris Rodriguez
 400 m Dash - 3rd, Josh Quebe
 300 I. Hurdles - 3rd, Dominique Guerrero
 200 m Dash - 1st, Calvin Collins; 4th, Abel Rosales
 1600 m Relay - 2nd, Josh Quebe, Abel Rosales, Chris Rodriguez, Dominique Guerrero
 Triple Jump - 2nd, Calvin Collins
 Long Jump - 2nd, Abel Rosales; 4th, Calvin Collins
 High Jump - 2nd, Abel Rosales

COACH VENTURA'S COMMENTS:

The weather wasn't the greatest, but that didn't stop a lot of our athletes from performing well. A special congratulations to our junior varsity boys for their great effort. It paid off!! We're improving each week with only two weeks til District!! I believe if our athletes continue to improve and work hard they will be ready for District. The varsity teams will travel to Dimmitt this week.

EIGHTH GRADE GIRLS

400 m Relay - 2nd, Elizabeth Torrez, Mica Edwards, Karlon Hooten, Brandi Collins
 1600 m Relay - 2nd, Elida Balderas, Elizabeth Torrez, Karlon Hooten, Crystal Castro
 800 m Relay - 2nd, Elizabeth Torrez, Mica Edwards, Karlon Hooten, Brandi Collins
 200 m Run - 3rd, Brittany Aston
 300 m Hurdles - 4th, Crystal Castro
 Discus, 4th, Desha Smith
 100 m Hurdles - 4th, Crystal Castro
 100 m Dash - 1st, Brandi Collins
 Long Jump - 1st, Elizabeth Torrez
 High Jump - 2nd, Elizabeth Torrez
 400 m - 2nd, Elida Balderas

Long Jump - 3rd, Brandi Collins

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS

400 m Relay - 3rd, Kelsey Schumacher, Chris Ascencio, A.J. Thornton, Julian Guerrero
 1600 m Relay - 2nd, Kelsey Schumacher, A.J. Thornton, Brandon Hennagan, Julian Guerrero
 100 m - 6th, Julian Guerrero
 200 m - 1st, Kelsey Schumacher; 5th, Tyler Bybee
 High Jump - 2nd, Kelsey Schumacher; 4th, Chase Graves
 Long Jump - 1st, Kelsey Schumacher
 Shot Put - 2nd, Chris Ascencio
 110 m Hurdles - 2nd, A.J. Thornton

SEVENTH GRADE BOYS

400 m Relay - Mo Collins, Frankie Gonzales, Freddie Gonzales, Tyler Snow
 1600 m relay - Wade Miller, Jarred Lambert
 Frankie Gonzales, Mo Collins
 Triple Jump - 6th, Frankie Gonzales
 400 m Run - 3rd, Frankie Gonzales
 100 m Run - 5th, Mo Collins
 200 m Dash - 2nd, Tyler Snow
 1200 m Run - 4th, Manuel Ramirez

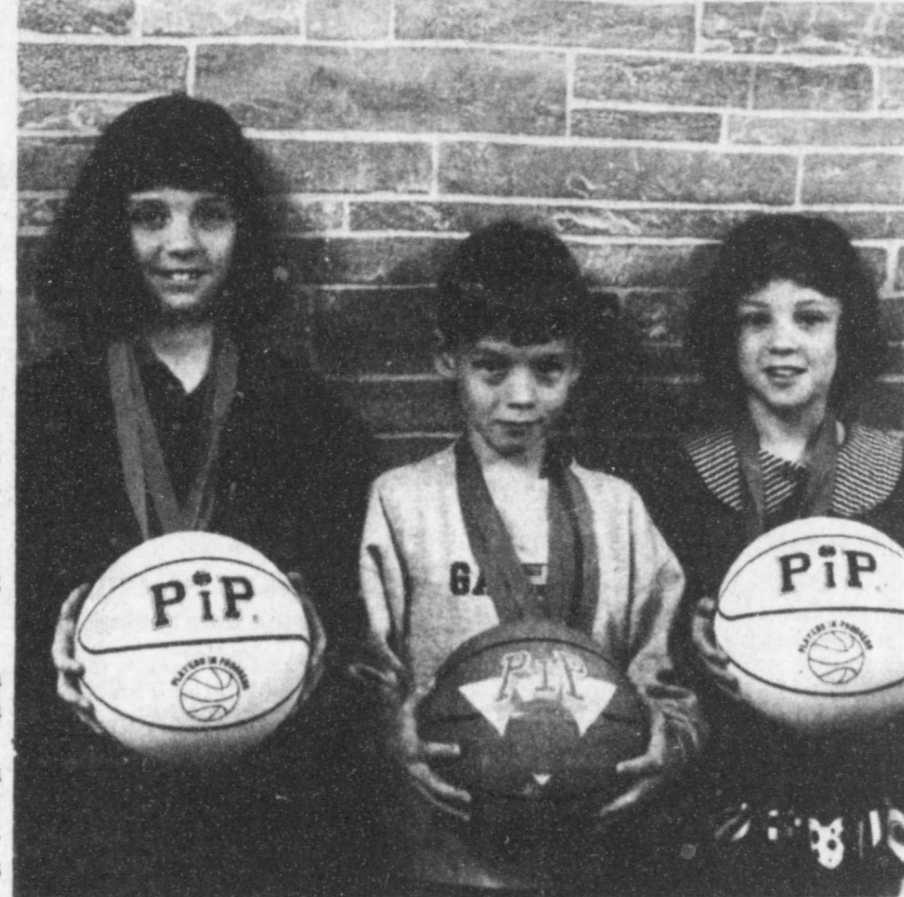
SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS

400 Relay - 1st, Jenna Ford, Alana Gallaway, Jessica Gilly, Vanessa Walker
 800 Relay - 1st, Linsi Jones, Jenna Ford, Jessica Gilly, Vanessa Walker
 1600 Relay - 1st, Jenna Ford, Jessica Gilly, Vanessa Walker, Linsi Jones
 Long Jump - 1st, Jenna Ford; 2nd, Jessica Gilly
 Discus - 1st, Linsi Jones; 5th, Trisha Day
 Triple Jump - 1st, Vanessa Walker
 Shot Put - 6th, Linsi Jones
 100 m Dash - 6th, Linsi Jones
 800 m Run - 6th, Lindsey Lerma
 1200 m Run - 3rd, Claudia Rosales; 5th, Becky Gonzales

High Jump - 2nd, Vanessa Walker

COACH VENTURA'S COMMENTS

As the junior high track season ends this week with District at Highland Park on Saturday, April 5th, its been a lot of fun watching these young athletes compete. They are very exciting. I really appreciate their willingness to work hard and be successful!
 Thanks for your time, efforts and hard work!



PIP'S FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS — Three from Floydada earned honors at the PIP (Players in Progress) Festival in Waco March 15. Lindsey Leatherman, daughter of John and Dee Leatherman, placed 1st in spin, 3rd in PIP-n-Time, 4th in figure 8 dribble and 5th in through the leg pass in the 8 year-old girls division. Tucker Ross, son of Tom and Dora Ross, competed in 7 year-old boys division earning a first place in Pip-n-Time, second place in drop pass, third in figure 8 dribble, and 6th in spin. Jennifer Leatherman, daughter of John and Dee Leatherman, placed 3rd in figure 8 dribble and 2nd place in drop pass. — Staff Photo

Whirlwind Baseball Report

By Bill Gray

FLOYDADA - Lubbock Cooper scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to edge the Whirlwinds 11-10 in the District 2-3A opener at Woodrow on March 25. Pirate pitcher Aaron Coy allowed 5 hits, 8 walks, and fanned 11 Whirlwinds to gain the hard-earned victory. Angel Aleman, who relieved on the mound in the last inning, was tagged for his first loss of the year as Floydada dropped to 7-2 overall.

Coach David Kennedy expressed his disappointment by saying, "This was not a typical outing for us...I think we played not to lose, rather than playing to win. We can't expect to perform like we did (against Cooper) and be competitive. However, I know the kids will respond in a positive way and get back in the win column."

The coach added, "It is a 14-game district schedule, and we're certainly not ready to fold the tent. We have a good team and we'll play like it in the future."

Angel Aleman led the 'Winds by knocking in three RBI in a 2-for-5 performance at the plate. Aleman also scored a couple of runs. Monty Anderson brought in a pair of runs, scored twice and had a double in the first inning. Ryan Davis' triple in the sixth inning scored two Pirates, and led Cooper with 4 RBI. Junior David Vitz had 3 RBI and crossed the plate three times for the Pirates.

Floydada jumped out to a 5-0 lead, but the Pirates narrowed the deficit with four runs in the bottom of the second inning. The Whirlwinds added three more runs in the top of the fifth, but Cooper responded with four runs in the sixth to set up their game-winning rally in the final frame.

The Pirates trailed by three going into the bottom of the seventh inning. Will Husky's one-out double moved Harrist over to third base. A Floydada error at second base allowed the Pirates to knot the score at 10-10. Three consecutive hit batters brought Ryan Davis in to score the winning run.

	R	H	E
Floydada	320	030	2 - 10 5 4
Cooper	040	004	3 - 11 9 6

(Individual statistics)
 Floydada

	AB	R	H	RBI
Nick Williams, 2b	3	1	0	0
Monty Anderson, c	2	2	1	2
Tomas Barrientos, ss	3	1	0	1
Angel Aleman, 1b/p	5	2	2	3
Richard Casillas, rf	3	1	1	0
Jason Campbell, cf/1b	4	0	1	1
Chad Hinkle, 3b/p	3	2	0	1
Cody Stovall, lf	3	0	0	0
Abran Gonzalez, lf/cf	0	1	0	0
Chris Enriquez, p	2	0	0	0
Ruben Barrientos, 3b/lf	2	0	0	1

Pitching

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Enriquez	3.0	5	4	3	3	2
C. Hinkle	3.0	3	5	3	1	2
Aleman	0.1	2	1	0	1	1

Whirlwinds 9, Denver City 7

The Whirlwind rebounded from their loss to Lubbock Cooper and evened their district record at 1-1 with a 9-7 victory over Denver City at Preston Watson Field on March 28. Angel Aleman, who suffered the heart-breaking defeat to the Pirates three days earlier, upped his record to 3-1 by fanning six Mustangs. Aleman permitted only two walks in the complete-game win, and allowed 10 hits and 5 earned runs.

Coach Kennedy was very pleased with the turnaround. "Take away the first inning, and it was one of the best and most exciting high school base-

ball games I've ever been involved with," commented Kennedy. He showed a vast improvement over the Cooper game...everyone did an exceptional job.

The coach added, "When we can get the timely hits, combined with solid pitching, we'll win the majority of our games. Angel (Aleman) just seemed to get better and better as the game progressed. We had a shaky first inning, giving up 5 runs and committing two errors, but after we settled down we pretty well had the game under control."

Denver City's John Kelly allowed 7 hits and struck out 7 Whirlwinds, but his 10 bases-on-balls helped lead to the Mustangs' downfall. Richard Hurtado relieved Kelly in the bottom of the sixth and was tagged for the loss.

The Whirlwinds never led in the contest, but kept close until the bottom of the sixth inning. Dusty Duke led off the decisive inning with a single to center. Monty Anderson followed with a walk. Aleman's single moved Duke and Anderson up to load the bases. Tomas Barrientos then cracked a base-clearing double for the final margin of victory. His 3 RBI led the team in that category.

Monty Anderson was 2-for-3 (a double and two singles) and drove in two runs. Jason Campbell's third-inning single also produced a RBI. Anderson continues to pace Floydada's hitting with an outstanding .645 average and 15 RBI. Aleman has brought in 14 runs and is sporting a .429 batting average. Barrientos has 11 RBI and a .375 average through 10 games. Chad Hinkle has been credited with 10 RBI, and has a 2.92 ERA average to go along with his 2-1 pitching record.

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Denver City	510	100	0 7 10 4

(Individual statistics)
 Floydada

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Nick Williams, 2b	2	2	0	0
Dusty Duke, lf	3	2	1	0
Monty Anderson, c	3	2	2	2
Angel Aleman, p	3	2	2	0
Abran Gonzalez, cf	3	0	0	0
Tomas Barrientos, ss	1	1	1	3
Richard Casillas, rf	4	0	0	0
Chad Hinkle, 3b	3	0	0	0
Jason Campbell, 1b	2	0	1	1
Ruben Barrientos, 2b	0	0	0	0

Pitching

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Aleman	7.0	10	7	5	2	6

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Missionaries to visit Bible Baptist Church

FLOYDADA - Brian and Lisa Johnson, missionaries to Lithuania, will be with the Bible Baptist Church of Floydada Sunday morning, April 6th. Slides from Lithuania will be shown to the entire Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. The public is cordially invited to attend these special services.

The Johnsons are sponsored by the LaMarsh Baptist Church in Mapleton, Illinois and are presently in Language School in Bowie, Texas. Brian graduated from Bible College and served on the staff of the Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Mooresville, Indiana. His wife, Lisa, attended Lifeline Baptist Academy during high school sponsored by the Lifeline Baptist Church of Denver, Colorado. She also attended a local college taking several nursing courses.

Lithuania is located near the Baltic Sea between Russia and Poland. It is now an independent country, but is greatly influenced by Russia. The missionary goal of the Johnsons will be to plant independent Baptist churches and to train national pastors and church leaders. Sunday night of April 6th, the pastor of Bible Baptist Church, Darwin Robinson, will continue a series of

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"FOCUS ON THE FAMILY" with Dr. James Dobson

QUESTION: Our family has always been very close. Since the children were small, we've enjoyed doing things together. But lately I've seen a change in our 13-year-old son. I get the feeling he'd rather spend time with anyone but us. He actually seemed embarrassed to be seen with us at a restaurant last week, and he declined an invitation from his father to go fishing on Saturday. Are we wrong to feel hurt by this?



DR. DOBSON

Dr. Dobson: Your feelings are understandable, but so are the changes you're observing in your son. He's in the throes of a process that can be painful for both of you at times--growing up! At 13, he's moving rapidly into adolescence, and you need to be aware of what that means.

It's natural that his interest in his peers and the world outside should be growing. The center of his social life is slowly shifting away from the family, and he's beginning to branch out and become his own person. He senses (though he may not put it into words) that the old "parent-baby" relationship is no longer appropriate--and it isn't!

Here lies one of the unsung pitfalls of conscientious parenting. From the moment their newborn arrives, caring parents devote themselves to the nurture of their bundle of joy. They walk the floor with haggard faces and warm bottles at 2 a.m.

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No wonder it hurts. But I think you'd do well to accept this healthy aspect of your son's development without being defensive. I'd even encourage it--with limits, of course. Times of family gatherings still have their place, and you're right to stress their importance.

But as you travel together through the tunnel of the teen years, your relationship has to change. It can emerge deeper and stronger--though different--in a few years. It will never be a parent-child phenomenon again, but that's as it should be.

QUESTION: My 15-year-old is a nature lover through and through. His room is filled with caged snakes, wasp nests, plants and insects. Even the garage is occupied by various animals he has caught and tamed. I hate all this stuff and want him to get interested in something else. What should I do?

Dr. Dobson: If he keeps his zoo clean and well managed, then you should let him follow his interests. Just remember that at 15, "bugs" beat "drugs" as a hobby!

Dr. James Dobson is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home. Correspondence to Dr. Dobson should be addressed to: Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

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Monday, in Plainview

Boll weevil meeting set

By Shawn Wade

Members of the Plains Cotton Growers (PCG) Board of Directors and Boll Weevil Steering Committee met Monday, March 24 to discuss the future of the High Plains Boll Weevil Diapause Control Program.

The result of this most recent discussion is that a series of meetings have been planned in order to obtain additional input from High Plains cotton producers on what they would like to see in the program.

"The first goal of these meetings will be to reach agreement on whether or not cotton growers in this area believe we now have a resident, thriving boll weevil population," explains Wellman cotton grower and PCG President Jackie Burrus. "If we can agree on the problem we face, I believe the concerned producers attending these meetings will be able to provide a variety of workable, alternative ideas for funding and carrying out this program."

Burrus adds that there is now a high level of awareness on the part of producers and several alternatives have already been put forth by producers for consideration by the PCG Board and BWSC.

Unfortunately, any future action to reaffirm the current structure or se-

lect an alternative by referendum is in limbo until the ruling of the Texas Supreme Court on the constitutionality of the program.

Despite the pitfalls that could emerge from the Supreme Court ruling when it comes, Burrus explains that the PCG Board and BWSC are united in their belief that the decision-making process must move forward.

"Whether we stay with what we have in place now or develop an alternative does not change the fact that the boll weevil is moving further afield everyday," says Burrus. "The combination of last year's underfunded program and estimates that boll weevil survival rates this winter will at best equal and likely be higher than in 1995 puts us in a serious situation."

Burrus notes that he believes a key to this area's success against the boll weevil, at a reasonable cost to producers, will be what type of effort can be mounted in 1997.

"This year is going to be pivotal to the future of the High Plains cotton industry," concludes Burrus. "At stake is the future of the High Plains cotton industry and the ability of cotton growers to protect themselves against the boll weevil. I encourage everyone who has an interest in this issue to at-

tend the meetings we are now setting up and get involved."

A list of the meetings currently set up appears below. Producers who cannot attend the meeting for their county are encouraged to attend another meeting if possible.

BOLL WEEVIL PROGRAM INPUT MEETINGS

Hale & Floyd - 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 7, 1997, Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

Crosby - 7:00 p.m., Friday, April 4, 1997, Pioneer Memorial Building in Crosbyton.

Swisher - 8:00 p.m. Monday, April 7, 1997, Wylie Room, Swisher Electric Coop Building.

Lubbock - 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 9, 1997 at the Farmers Coop Compress, 3800 SW Drive.

Other meetings will be held in Castro, Gaines, Lynn, and Dawson counties.

Don't Forget:

PCG's 40th Annual Meeting, Friday, April 11, 1997, 8:30 a.m., Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, Room 107.

Also: The Texas Cotton Ginners' Convention and Trade Show, April 10-11, 1997 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.



Union opposes new tax reform

From Texas Farmers Union

"Although everyone would like to see property tax relief, Texas farmers and ranchers should be careful they are not sold a pig in a poke," Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims stated. "Property tax changes will only occur with the adoption of new taxes, which, if we're not careful, could put terrible financial burdens on the economically strapped farmers and ranchers in this state."

Sims, a Sweetwater area farmer, noted, "The people of Texas have historically recognized the tremendous economic risk involved in agriculture production by exempting farm business purchases from the state sales tax."

Some legislators have proposed paying for the property tax cut by expanding sales taxes, and including essential agricultural production expenditures such as agricultural machinery and equipment, veterinary services, and motorized equipment repair, and adding a 10 cents a gallon tax on gas and diesel. Additionally, residential use of electricity, gas and water could be subjected to a new sales tax.

"As large corporations, including some that pretend to represent farmers and ranchers, fight to save their exemptions, we must be sure that more taxes are not shifted to Texas family farmers, ranchers and rural communities," Sims stated.

"We all want to see real property tax reform, but not at a cost greater than the savings that reform might generate," Sims said. "Texas farmers and ranchers should demand to see the real numbers and calculate the real cost of any changes before they make up their mind."

Sims urged all rural citizens to contact their State Senators and Representatives and "make it clear that an unfair shift in taxes to family farms and ranches will not be acceptable."

"Because of the limited income from our family farms and ranches we cannot afford to lose the tax exemptions on agriculture-related expenses or the property tax based on agriculture productivity value," Sims said. "I'm afraid that we're seeing a Trojan horse approach, and we could all be worse off than before."

Floyd County Farm News

Annual meeting planned for PCG

By Shawn Wade

Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. will hold its 40th annual meeting on April 11 beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in Room 107 of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The program will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting is held in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners' Convention and trade show April 10-11 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Scheduled speakers for the meeting are Mr. John Burt, Texas State Conservationist from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resource Conservation Service and Mary Atienza, Director, USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Cotton Division.

In addition to the scheduled speakers, attendees will hear from newly elected National Cotton Council President Bill Lovelady of Tornillo, Texas and from Dr.'s Don Ethridge and Sukrant Misra of Texas Tech University.

Status reports will be provided on the Plains Cotton Improvement Program by Plains Cotton Improvement

Committee Chairman Myrl D. Mitchell of Lenora, Texas and the High Plains Enhanced Boll Weevil Diapause Control Program by Boll Weevil Steering Committee Chairman Don Langston of Lubbock.

Also on the agenda will be reports from PCG President Jackie Burrus, PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson, and the presentation of the 1997 Outstanding Cotton Agent award.

"We have a very full schedule for this year's annual meeting," notes Johnson. "As we prepare to celebrate PCG's 40th Annual Meeting it is fitting that the program reflects the broad scope of PCG's activities."

Following the PCG Annual Meeting, cotton producers have an opportunity to earn Continuing Education Units (CEU's) during a Producer Information Workshop. The workshop is scheduled to begin with CEU registration at 1:00 p.m. in Room 107 of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

"It is hard to comprehend the tremendous positive impact PCG has had on the cotton industry of the High Plains through the years," adds President Jackie Burrus. "Sponsoring producer oriented workshops like this

one is one way PCG helps keep High Plains producers ahead of the curve in terms of production techniques and technology."

Speakers at this year's workshop will be: new Texas Agricultural Extension Service Cotton Specialist Dr. Randy Bowman; Dr. James Leser of TAEX; Dr. Dan Kreig from Texas Tech University; Danny Davis from American Cotton Growers denim mill; Dr. Terry Wheeler of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; Dr. Don Ethridge of Texas Tech University; Polly Vann of Virtex Corporation, Littlefield; and Craig Brown of the National Cotton Council.

Presentation topics include soil testing, the recently completed Boll Weevil Economic Impact Study, mill effects of sticky cotton, late season aphid management, nematodes and soil sampling and pesticide record keeping and the NCC's new Cotton Risk Management Network.

All producers are invited to stay for the afternoon seminar. The workshop is being jointly sponsored by the International Textile Center of Texas Tech University, Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

History of Playa Basins

By Mark Griffith

Texas Agriculture Extension Service High Plains Research Foundation

Residents of the Texas High Plains spend their lives in and around the roughly circular playa basins scattered across a generally level landscape. A flat terrain with dimples may adequately characterize this region. The current landscape expression is considered different than landscapes perceived of the geologic past.

There is no sole process attributed to the origin and development of playas. It is suspected there were combinations of processes which gave rise to the population of depressions in the Texas High Plains landscape. Which combination of processes were involved and to what degree a single process contributed may never be conclusively determined.

The moment in time when the basins began to form escapes recorded human history. Scientific research suggests the age of playa basins be measured in tens of thousands of years. This time-frame is a mere blip on the overall geologic time-line yet predates human technology to write and record events for use and reflection by future generations. Therefore, the true knowledge regarding playa basin origin and development may remain just beyond the grasp of those who investigate the prairie phenomenon.

It appears the initial formation of playa basins involved many processes but most likely started with the collection of runoff in small topographic depressions on the High Plains.

The origin of some playa basins is attributed to the dissolution of salt near the surface. Salt dissolution in Northwestern Texas and eastern New Mexico strongly influences the geomorphic evolution of the region and continues as an important process in shaping this landscape. This process mostly affected areas near the margins of the Southern High Plains where salts are relatively near the surface and susceptible to dissolution by ground water.

Removing salt or zones of salt by ground water develops an area which cannot support the weight of the overlying soil and the level surface collapses. The resulting "sink hole" may then be acted upon by other regional processes to fully develop the playa basin.

Another origin theory of playa basins involves the dissolution of calcic soils and calcrete. Calcic soils have regions of concentrated calcium carbonate within the soil profile and the more massive deposits are known as calcrete. It is thought that recharging surface waters were sufficiently acidic to dissolve and transport downward the calcareous materials of the soil. The resulting voids were then occupied by clay particles which were transported from areas higher in the soil by the same recharging surface water. The net result of this activity is a depression which is suspect to other natural forces for its development.

The idea that some playas resulted where vegetative cover was destroyed by grazing animals or animals wallowing in shallow muddy ponds has been described over the last century by many researchers. It is suggested that herding animals used the infant playas for water sources. After wading in the shallow pool of water, they would leave carrying sediments on their legs and hooves transporting materials away from the playa. As playa sediments dry, a crust is formed which protects the sediments from the wind. Grazing animals may have disrupted the integrity of the crust and allowed sediments to be transported by the wind. Repetition of these processes thousands of times over the life of a playa could have assisted in its origin and development.

It will not surprise the residents of the playa basin region that wind and its impact is a natural force capable of altering the landscape. Within the Ogallala and Blackwater Draw Formations under the Texas High Plains there is as much as 180 feet of wind-deposited soft or semi-hard sediments. The strength and power of the winds which deposited these sediments may in turn erode them. This action may be seen among the playa basins which have an accompanying dune on the leeward side of the playa. It is thought that wind is a major force in playa development.

The source for information included is the Proceedings of the Playa Basin Symposium sponsored by Lloyd Urban of the Texas Tech University Water Resource Center and Wayne Wyatt of the High Plains Underground Water District Number 1.



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TFB opposes second mortgage on homes

The Texas Farm Bureau remains firm in its opposition to the proposed change in the state's constitutional prohibition against taking out second mortgages on homes.

Proponents of the change argue that it will free up \$123 billion in untapped collateral for education, medical bills, and to finance businesses, which will, they claim, stimulate the economy. They say it should be a person's own choice and responsibility if they want to risk their home for such purposes.

"Our position is that while it sounds good on its face, doing away with the homestead law would really open the door for banks to systematically re-

quire the pledging of home equity as collateral on any high-risk loan, and a condition for extending a loan that would otherwise be called," says Monty Teeter, president of the Floyd County Farm Bureau. "We think that would be a mistake."

Common sense suggests that lenders are likely to ask for every bit of collateral they can before making a loan or extending a loan. The greatest concern of the farm organization, says Teeter, is that financially-strapped farmers will be the most vulnerable if the homestead protection is removed.

Current law forbids the placing of a lien on a homestead--which in the instance of an agricultural homestead includes the primary residence and 200 acres -- for any debt other than the original mortgage, a home improvement loan, or to pay taxes due. Moreover, a homeowner cannot be forced to sell a homestead to pay unrelated debts nor can a creditor seize the homestead for payment of the debt.

"The current law has served Texas and Texans very well," the local FB leader suggests. "It should not be changed."



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OBITUARIES

LLOYD A. BEDFORD
Services for Lloyd A. Bedford, 86, of El Dorado, Arkansas, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, 1997, in Young's Chapel with the Rev. Shane Merritt officiating. Burial will be Friday, April 4, 1997, at 10 a.m. in Floydada Cemetery.

Mr. Bedford died Sunday, March 30, 1997 in Hillsboro Manor Nursing Home.

He was born September 26, 1910 in Colorado City, Texas, to Paley Cobb and Eula Beatrice (Thomason) Bedford. He was a retired salesman and a member of Norphlet Church of Christ. He was a World War II U.S. Air Force veteran.

He is survived by a sister, Emma Lou Landrum, of Lubbock.

NORA CASILLAS
Services for Nora Casillas, 54, of Ralls were at 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 1997, at the Templo Nueva Vida Church with the Rev. Onesimo Acosta, pastor, and the Rev. Leon Vasquez, Casillas' father, officiating. Burial was in the Ralls Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home of Ralls.

Casillas died Saturday, March 29, 1997, at St. Mary Hospital.

She was born Oct. 1, 1942, in Spur. She married Antonio "Tony" Casillas Jan. 19, 1962, in Floydada. She moved to Ralls in 1960 from Spur. She was a member of the Templo Nueva Vida Church.

She was a housewife.

Survivors include her husband; her parents, Leon and Eloise Vasquez of Ralls; a son, Otto Hernandez of Plainview; six daughters, Mary Gibson, Debbie Dunton, Antonia Morales and Nora Gail Pecina, all of Lubbock, Dolores Fernandez of Lockney and Naomi Beltran of Ralls; four brothers, Leandro Vasquez, Pat Vasquez, and Juan Vasquez, all of Ralls, and Alfred Vasquez of Las Cruces, N.M.; eight sisters, Connie Garcia of Ralls, Cecilia Rios of Modesto, Calif., Juanita Kay Valdez of Joliet, Ill., Lupe Romero of Lubbock, and Irma Sanchez, Margie Valerio, Denise Cuellar and Norma Lara, all of Spur; 23 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

JAY P. HOWARD SR.
Services for Mr. Jay Howard, 68, of Zavalla, previously of Sparger, were at 10 a.m. Friday, March 28, 1997 at the Oakley-Metcalf Chapel with the Rev. Mike Griggs officiating, and special music by Don Thrasher. Burial was in Zavalla Cemetery.

Mr. Howard was born December 17, 1928 in Konawa, Oklahoma and died March 25, 1997 in Lufkin. He had been a resident of the area for over 10 years. Mr. Howard was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Irene Roberts Howard of Zavalla; a son, Mr. Jay P. Howard Jr., of Zavalla; a step-daughter, Mrs. Karen Warick; three brothers, J.R. Turner, of Floydada, Harley Howard, and George M. Howard; three sisters, Deloris Mancebo, Bernice Shannon, and Erma Duck; and a number of nieces and nephews.

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LEONA JAMESON
Funeral services for Leona H. Jameson, 82, were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, in the First Baptist Church Chapel with Dr. Travis Hart, pastor, and the Rev. Lenard Hartley, associate pastor of Paul-Ann Baptist Church in San Angelo, officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park by Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jameson died at 9:56 p.m. Saturday, March 22, 1997, in University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born Sept. 20, 1914 in Aiken, where she grew up, attending schools in Aiken and Lockney. She married Thomas LeRoy Jameson on November 22, 1931, in Aiken. The couple then moved to Plainview. He died December 7, 1975, in Plainview.

She taught school in Petersburg for one year and was special education teacher at Thunderbird Elementary for 10 years. They moved to Amarillo in 1943, and to Burkburnett in 1969, returning to Plainview in 1973.

She was a member of First Baptist Church and taught an adult women's Sunday School class for many years. She was a member of the Plainview Community Concerts and the Knife and Fork Club. She was also a member of the Retired Teachers Association and past president of the Hale County Unit. She was past president of the Women's Club of Plainview and the Travel Study Club.

She was a member of the Beta Delphin Club, and had served as treasurer. She was a member of the Turf Turners Garden Club and of the Plainview Chapter #37 of the Order of the Eastern Star, serving as past Worthy Matron and as Electa.

Survivors include two brothers, the Rev. Lenard Hartley of San Angelo and Edgar Hartley of Hereford.

Two brothers, Kermit Hartley and Charles Hartley, and a sister, Mary Ann Ebeling, are deceased.

ROACH PERRY

Graveside services for Roach Perry, 70, of Lockney, were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, 1997, in Parklawn Memorial Gardens under direction of Lemons Funeral Home. The service was conducted by the Masonic Lodge of Lockney.

Perry died at 11:45 p.m. Monday, March 31, 1997, at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born July 29, 1926 in Walters, Oklahoma. Mr. Perry grew up in Brownfield and graduated from Brownfield High School in 1942. He served in the Navy from 1942-1945. He moved to the Aiken Community in 1945 where he was engaged in farming. He married Versie Barclay Roberson on June 24, 1959 in Lockney. He retired in 1984. He was a member of the Lockney Masonic Lodge and the First Christian Church in Brownfield.

Survivors include his wife, Versie Perry; a daughter, Cay L. Bradley, of Corsicana; a son, Joe D. Roberson of Lockney; a brother, Max Perry of Midland; a sister, Monah King of Abilene; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, David Roberson.

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JACQUELINE SAMS
Graveside services for Jacqueline Sams, 60, were at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, 1997, in the Lockney Cemetery with the Rev. Tommy Beck of the Methodist Church officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Sullivan Funeral Home in Vernon.

Sams died Sunday, March 30, 1997, in Vernon.

She had been a resident of the Greenbelt Care Center for 15 years. Survivors include a sister, Betty Bruce of Childress; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

WILLIAM T. TEUTON

Graveside services for William T. "Bill" Teuton, 75, of Rio Rancho, New Mexico, will be held Wednesday, April 9, 1997 in the National Cemetery at Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Teuton died March 28th, 1997 in Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Cremation followed his death.

He was born May 30, 1921 in Merkel, Texas and was raised in Lockney. Teuton graduated from Lockney High School, attended Texas Tech and a college in California.

He was a veteran of World War II and was a Captain in the U.S. Air Force. He served forty months, of the five years he was in the service, in the South Pacific. He was a Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite.

Teuton had resided in California, Monrovia, Africa; Lubbock, and Rio Rancho, New Mexico.

He is survived by his wife Jean of Rio Rancho; 2 sons, Robert of Las Vegas, Nevada and Tommy of Cheney, Washington; a stepson Jim Sharrock; two brothers, Paul Teuton and Dan Teuton both of Lockney; and 7 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife Mary, an infant son and a brother, Wilmer.

LLOYD THOMPSON

Graveside services for Lloyd Dee Thompson, 76, of Amarillo were at 1 p.m. Monday, March 31, 1997 at the Lockney Cemetery, with the Rev. Tommie Beck of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home in Amarillo and Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Lockney.

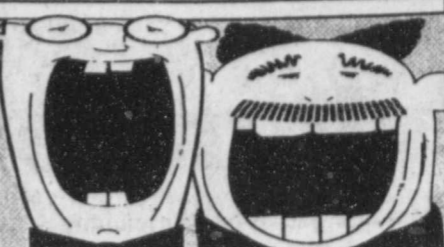
Mr. Thompson died Thursday, March 27, 1997 at the V.A. Nursing Home in Amarillo.

He was born December 22, 1920 in Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. He graduated from Lockney High School and attended Wayland Baptist University. He married Nell Hamilton on January 14, 1950 in Carlsbad, New Mexico who preceded him in death. He served in the Navy during W.W. II as an Ace Fighter Pilot. He was honored with the Navy Cross and a Purple Heart. He moved from Colorado to Odessa in 1980 and from Odessa to Amarillo in 1987. He worked in pipeline construction for the H.B.H. Construction Co.

He is survived by his mother, Edna Thompson of Lockney; one son, David Thompson of Edwardsville, Ill.; one sister, Sandra Moody of Lockney; two nephews, Weldon Jones of Hale Center and Terry Martin of Lockney; and one special friend, Georgia Gaskins of Amarillo.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the Confederate Air Force (attn: Donna Blalack) at P.O. Box 62000, Midland, Tx. 79711-2000 or to the V.A. Hospital and Nursing Home in Amarillo (attn: Community Resource Dept.) at 6010 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, Tx. 79106.

This Week's Announcements



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 is welcome. Meetings are at the Caprock Hospital, 901 W. Crockett. Anyone interested may call 983-3635 or 652-3546.

FLOYDADA BOOSTER CLUB

There will be a Floydada Booster Club meeting Thursday, April 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the Floydada High School cafeteria.

FLOYDADA AFTER-PROM PARTY

There will be a committee meeting for the Floydada after-prom party Monday, April 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Floydada High School cafeteria. All committee members and anyone else who would like to help need to attend this meeting.

BIBLE STUDY

The South Plains Bible Study Group is meeting the first and third Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m. For more information call 652-3102 or 983-3088.

TPCN offers 1-800 number to Texans

From Texas Poison Center Network

Every year there are nearly 1,000 deaths in Texas due to poisonings and thousands more causing injuries. Of the poison exposure calls that come through the Texas Poison Center Network, 65% involve children under six years of age. Sources of non-intentional and intentional poisonings range from prescription and over-the-counter drugs, household cleaning agents and pesticides, to plants and flowers and animal and insect bites.

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FISHING TOURNAMENT

The Charles Ball Memorial Fishing Tournament will be held Saturday, April 28, 1997.

WALL OF PRIDE BRICKS

Engraved bricks for the sidewalk at the Wall of Pride can be ordered from now until May 1st. Cost is \$25. For information contact Karen Wilson, Lisa Mosley or Rita Webster.

1971 CLASS REUNION

The FHS Class of '71 will hold a reunion June 20 & 21. Local members of the class need to send \$20.00 to Sarah Hinsley if they plan to attend. Addresses are needed for Sam Henry, Rosanne Els Bolerjack and Rosie Luna Lewis. Call 983-3079 for more information.

OLD SETTLER'S QUILT

Anyone who would like to quilt on the Old Settler's Quilt can do so at the Old Blue Quilt Box, at 200 S. Main, in Lockney, on Monday and Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or Wednesday and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army Store in Lockney is open and accepting winter garments.

LOCKNEY AA
Open meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous, will be on Fridays, at 8 p.m., at Grace Fellowship Church, across from the hospital. If you are worried about your drinking, or someone else's, we understand, we care, and we want to help. Phone 652-3546 or 652-2280.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

A 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.

BLOOD PRESSURE AND GLUCOSE TESTING

Free blood pressure and glucose testing is held every other Thursday from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Lockney Care Center. Everyone is welcome.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER AVAILABLE

Veterans Service Officer Ralph Jackson is available in the county courtroom on Friday afternoons from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

WEATHER

Courtesy of Energas

DATE	HIGH	LOW
Mar. 26	68	36
Mar. 27	79	51
Mar. 28	76	49
Mar. 29	82	51
Mar. 30	66	33
Mar. 31	63	40
Apr. 1	74	52

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Help Your Heart

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Recipes

Italian Pasta with Greens

6 cups water

2 cups bow-tie or medium shell pasta

1/2 teaspoon bottled minced garlic

1 teaspoon olive oil

1 to 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

2 cups torn fresh spinach

1 cup torn radicchio

1/4 cup shredded or grated Parmesan cheese

In a large saucepan, bring water to a boil over high heat. Add pasta. Reduce heat slightly and boil gently, uncovered, about 8 minutes or until pasta is al dente. Drain.

Meanwhile, in a small skillet, cook garlic in oil over medium heat until tender, about 1 minute. Stir in vinegar.

Place spinach and radicchio in a large bowl. Add hot pasta. Pour hot garlic mixture over pasta and spinach mixture; toss to mix well. Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese.

Serves 5; 1 cup per serving. Preparation time: 10 minutes. Cooking time: 9 minutes.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION

The Board of Trustees, Floydada Independent School District, has ordered an election for May 3, 1997 to fill vacancies in Precinct 1 and 2.

Candidates who have applied for a place on the ballot are Steve Lloyd in Precinct 1 and Dr. William Dean and Ricky Vasquez for Precinct 2.

The election will be held May 3, 1997 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Massie Activity Center, 513 West Georgia, Floydada, Texas.

Early ballot voting will be April 14-29, 1997, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the district's central office, 226 West California Street, Floydada, Texas.

4-3c

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION)

To the Registered Voters of Lockney, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Lockney, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 3, 1997, for voting in a school trustee election, to elect three trustees.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el tres de Mayo, de 1997 para votar en la Eleccion para elegir tres regentes escobans)

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Lockney High School

416 West Willow Street

between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997 and ending on April 29, 1997.

(entre las 8:15 de la mañana y las 4:30 de la tarde empezando 14 de Abril, 1997 y terminando el 29 de Abril 1997)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Jackie Holt

Box 428

Lockney, Texas 79241

Issued this the 3rd day of April, 1997.

(Emitada este dia 3 de Abril, 199

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CARDS OF THANKS

I would like to take this opportunity to try and express the gratitude of the Edwards family to the citizens of Lockney, Floydada, and Floyd County for your concern and support during the recent loss of our father and husband Joe Edwards. Everyone has shown so much support it is impossible to name all who were there for us. The Lockney Fire Dept. in transporting to the Mangold Hospital, Dr. Kevin Stennett and the nurses on duty in the emergency room. Jessie and Margie Savage, Lennie and Alice Gilroy, Ray and Judy Macha, Mayor Gary Marr, Alderman Roger Stapp, City Secretary Charlotte Hooten and all of the other city staff and council men, to all we owe a gratitude that we will never be able to repay.

A very special thanks also the Chief James Hale of the Floydada Police Department for providing police protection during services in Lubbock so that the Lockney Police Officers could attend and be a part of our memorial services. Also to Patrolman Chuck Martin who provided escort services at the cemetery in a Lockney Police car.

You just have to live in Floyd County to feel and see the love these communities show to each other in times of need. Joe loved this community and they loved him back. We also love it and you have given your love back, God bless each and every one of you.

Wilma, Linda, and Jerry Edwards 4-3p

CARDS OF THANKS

We want to thank all those who were so thoughtful of us in so many ways during the illness and death of my brother, brother-in-law, our uncle and our great uncle Reed Lawson. Thanks to our pastor, Rev. Russell Harris for the time spent at the hospital, and also the comforting words at the service. Thanks everyone for your concern and prayers.

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GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE--Evaporative air conditioner, washer & dryer, sleeper sofa, miscellaneous household items. April 5, 8:00-2:00. 906 W. Virginia. 4-3p

CAR PORT SALE--Fri. & Saturday--refrigerator, recliner, knit material for quilts and lots of misc. 402 S. Main. 4-3p

GARAGE SALE--Saturday, April 5. 8 a.m.-6 p.m., 4 miles S.E. on FM 1958. 4-3p

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WANTED--Operator for City Swimming Pool for the 1997 summer program. Inquire at City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas. Phone 806-983-2834. Written applications will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday April 15, 1997. Applications will be reviewed at the City Council Meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 17 at 7:30 p.m. 4-10c

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Guest Column

Yellow Brick Road

By Cindi Taylor
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I usually don't allow current media hype to influence the content of my column, but, after last Friday, I am afraid it is unavoidable. By now, most of my readers know that Marshall Applewhite, the now notorious leader of the cult called Heaven's Gate, was, like me, born right here in Spur, Texas.

I guess being the editor of the Spur newspaper is supposed to make me some kind of an expert on local history and, also, an information center. Or, so some people thought last Friday. That was the day the media announced to the world that Spur, Texas, was the birthplace of the infamous "Do", and it was the day that this newspaper office's routine came

to a halt as a barrage of reporters attempted to make a mountain out of a mole hill.

Most of the time I hear about these things after everybody else has, and my office manager, The Enforcer, finally tells me about it. For once, though, I was one step ahead of her. After hearing it on the news at 7:30 a.m., I arrived at the office and made the announcement.

I immediately began calling my resident informers, the ones who know anything and everything about Spur and have lived here long enough

to prove it. I soon found out, though, that there wasn't much to tell. The man was born here, and that was about it.

Boy am I glad I did my research, though, because by 9:30 a.m., I had already heard from *Time* magazine and a Lubbock television station, as well as my counterpart at the *Floyd County Hesperian* who offered moral support, since she had been through a similar incident involving members of a local religious group wrecking their car while naked.

As the two phone lines in my office continued to ring, I found myself trading information with other reporters. Apparently, this is the way big, national news stories are built—a bunch of reporters get together, take

what might be some facts, and compile them to create a sensational story. (Where is "Bullfeathers" when you need him.)

The only facts I am sure of is that the guy's name was Applewhite, and this is, indeed, Spur, Texas.

As the media began to appear on our main street, I continued to field calls from those that couldn't make the trip. Thanks to information I received from Dick Ostling at *Time*, I was able to ward one off when I informed Roy Jones of the *Abilene Reporter-News* that the Applewhite family moved to Sweetwater and Cisco after the blessed birth. At least one major newspaper would now publish the fact that Applewhite actually grew up somewhere other than

Spur. I'm afraid I rained on the media parade that day, when I couldn't give them any more than the fact that he was born here in 1931, but his family moved away that same year. Sadly for those wishing to depict Spur as the root of his dysfunction, Applewhite was actually potty-trained somewhere else.

As I stated these facts to a reporter for *Newsweek*, she heaved a sigh. "But, I have been trying to reach you for hours," she complained.

"I know," I said, "it's been a zoo here today, and, as I've told everyone else, there's really not much to tell."

She pressed me for more, so I sent her to Sweetwater, too.

A lot of them wanted names. "Just

give me some names...of anybody...somebody I can talk to who might know something," they begged.

Finally, I caved in to the *National Enquirer*. I told them, "You'll want to talk to our local plutonium expert, Mike Tilton, the banker, Eric Swenson, the Methodist preacher, Larry Burton, and, uh, here's a guy you'll really like, John Bliker out at Dickens Electric."

"Do you have pictures of these guys?" asked the *National Enquirer*. "We like to put their faces on other bodies."

"The pictures are in the mail," I replied.

If you can't print the truth, you might as well have fun with it.

Disney's deliberate and deady decline

By George Roche, President, Hillsdale College

I'm glad that Walt Disney isn't alive to see what has happened to his company's reputation for decency and excellence. Columnist Joseph A. D'Agostino has recently chronicled Disney's dizzying descent.

D'Agostino begins his piece by noting that a Disney subsidiary will distribute *The House of Yes*, a supposed comedy that involves the incestuous relationship between male and female twins and, according to the *Dallas Morning News*, one twin's obsession with the assassination of John Kennedy, "which she erotically recreates with her brother."

Some other Disney assaults on traditional values include *Priest*, the story of, you guessed it, a homosexual Catholic priest and the usual lopsidedly salacious portrayal of the Catholic hierarchy. In order to distribute *Kids*, Disney subsidiary Miramax Films' executives created a different company following the movie's reception of an NC-17 rating. *Kids*, produced by "longtime artistic pornographer Larry Clark," according to D'Agostino, features graphic teenage sex acts, even worse language, a brutal rape scene and extensive drug use.

When *Clerks* received an NC-17 rating in 1994, Miramax hired Alan Dershowitz of Harvard and got a special R rating on appeal for a film loaded with graphic verbal descriptions of sex acts.

Trainspotting served as nothing more or less than the glorification of heroin addiction, according to its critics.

In addition to its Miramax subsidiary, Disney also controls Touchstone, which distributed *Jefferson in Paris* in 1995. This film deliberately distorted history and Jefferson, portraying the writer of "the Declaration of Independence as a blatantly adulterous liar." Disney's deliberate lying in *Nixon* caused Diane Disney Miller to write to Nixon's daughters to say she was "ashamed that the Walt Disney Company, the company my father created, is associated with this disturbing distortion." Disney officials had no comment.

Another Disney subsidiary, Hollywood Pictures, distributed *Powder*, directed by a convicted child molester, and even *The New York Times* noted that "parents may be uncomfortable with the sexual overtones" of *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. Hollywood's Hyperion division also published *Growing Up Gay* aimed at homosexual youngsters.

The Lion King has one scene where a reclining lion fluffs up a small dust cloud that turns into the letters "SEX," and Nathan Lane, the voice of Timon, has claimed that Timon and Pumbaa, the warthog, "are the first homosexual Disney characters ever to come to the screen."

Disney's arrogance appears unbounded. Disney honcho Michael Eisner's salary of \$9,783 per hour is more than one of his Haitian employees making Disney-licensed merchandise can earn in nearly 17 years, and Eisner gave his buddy Michael Ovitz a severance package worth over \$100 million when Ovitz decided to leave after only 14 months at Disney. Leo Donovan, Jesuit priest, president of Georgetown University and long-time friend of Eisner and Bill Clinton, has been invited to join the Disney Board to soften Disney's anti-Catholic image.

But Mr. Eisner's dalmatian cannot change his spots, and more and more people see in Disney a growing threat to decency and dignity, a threat that deliberately trashes one of America's finest entrepreneurs and the company he founded.

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