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Courtesy photo

Two brothers from Lockney have started a coffee bar service and will be at the Unity Gala. Zane Montandon is on the left and Zach Montandon is on the right.

Lockney brothers with "life in coffee" launch Coffee Courier, return for Unity Gala

Zach Montandon
Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

My brother Zane and I had our humble beginnings drinking coffee with our dad, Francis Montandon of Lockney, TX, when children still drank coffee that wasn't "Kid's Temp" or decaf. I remember first drinking coffee with a lot of sugar in it.

On Sunday mornings, at Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney, before bible class I would go back into the fellowship hall and get coffee with the men who would say, "Want some coffee with your sugar?" Then, little by little, I wanted more coffee and less sugar until one day all I wanted was black coffee, just like my dad.

I remember walking down the hall of the church building when I was little trying as hard as I could to not spill, yet dripping all along the way.

Bill Hunter worked so hard to keep the place looking good, no thanks to me.

When Zane and I left home, we both enjoyed learning new ways of making coffee which always was much more a ceremony than the push of a button. I got my first job as a barista at Starbucks, and Zane soon after was hired at a local Lubbock coffeehouse known as Sugar Brown's.

While working at Starbucks I was given one pound of coffee every week, which was more than even I could drink.

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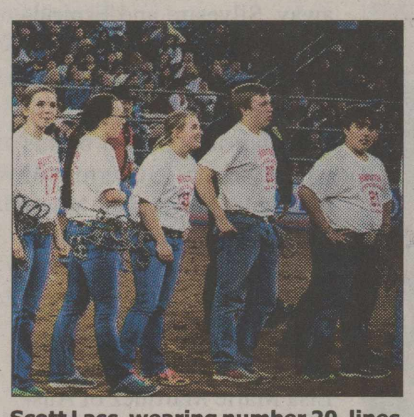
Lass Scrambles for Calf at Rodeo Houston



Scott Lass, wearing number 20, lines up to begin the scramble for a calf at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble. Lass, a junior at Lockney High School, is a member of the Lockney FFA program. He was able to capture a calf. In doing so, he will receive $1,500 to purchase a calf which he will raise and return to show the calf at the 2016 show.

Courtesy Photo/Houston Livestock Show and Rodeos

Scrambling for calves at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is one of the more exciting events at the Rodeo. Scott Lass, a junior at Lockney High School, participated in the event and was able to catch one of the calves. Thirty competitors chase after 15 calves, using whatever technique they can to capture and halter a calf. This unidentified competitor tries to hang on to their calf so they can claim one of the prizes.

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

HOUSTON – Lockney High School junior Scott Lass participated in the Rodeo Houston Calf Scramble on March 10. Lass, a member of the Lockney FFA, came away a winner, as he was able to chase, catch and halter one of the calves.

Winners of the scramble receive $1,500 to purchase a registered beef heifer or market steer to show at the 2016 Houston Livestock Show. The returning exhibitor will show in a special competition with other calf scramble winners. A $250 bonus is paid if participants

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Tony St. James Elected to NAFB Board of Directors

Special to the Hesperian-Becon

PLATTE CITY, Missouri (March 5, 2015) — During the 71st National Association of Farm Broadcasting (NAFB) annual meeting membership elected the 2015 Board of Directors. Texas farm broadcaster, Tony St. James, All Ag All Day 800 AM, Dumas-Amarillo was elected to serve as association Vice-President. He will serve as NAFB President in 2017.

St. James is a 33-year veteran of the broadcasting business, and has been a farm broadcaster since 1998. In addition to his broadcasting duties, St. James and his wife, Pam, own and operate radio stations in West Texas. He is the host of two syndicated ag programs, Agriculture Today and the Agribusiness Report that air daily on more than 20

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Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

BOOK CLUB
The "Book Club" will meet on Friday, March 27, at 4 p.m. in the meeting room of the Lockney Library. Come and share what you have been reading.

FLOYDADA BPA
Floydada BPA is selling shirts as a fundraiser. Shirts are $10, 2x and up are $12. Order forms can be picked up at the school offices and are due to Mrs. Hughes or Mrs. Crossland by Friday, March 27th.

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Correction

If you spot an error of fact, contact the FCHB office email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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City Park Church of Christ gets new minister

Matthew Benfield is the new minister at City Park Church of Christ in Floydada.

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Matthew Benfield is the new minister at City Park Church of Christ.

He replaces Levi Sisemore who after seven years, left to be a minister at a church in Snyder.

Benfield grew up in Hiddenite, NC, but came to Texas to attend the Sunset International Bible Institute in Lubbock in 2013.

His previous ministerial education includes the Memphis School of Preaching. He lived in Tupelo, MS for four years, and while there, he was the associate minister of the East Main Church of Christ. In Tupelo, he taught classes and was heavily involved in the church's homeless projects and mission work.

Before coming to Floydada, he also preached in Wilson, AR and while in Lubbock preached Sunday mornings at a church in Kress.

City Park Church of Christ is his first church to lead as a minister, and he wanted to share these thoughts with the community, "Christians are just people. Sometimes they get a bad rap for being holier than thou, but they have the same problems as everyone else. They just turn to a higher power to help them."

Benfield is single, and all the rest of his family still lives in North Carolina. In his free time, he enjoys reading the classics, like Greek plays and Shakespeare, and he has new companion, his first dog, a golden retriever/terrier mix aptly named Socrates.

"I enjoy Floydada," Benfield said. "Hiddenite is a small farming community, too, and I find Floydada to be a very warm and comfortable place."

In closing, Benfield wanted to mention that on every Monday night at the Massie Center across from the park, his church is hosting an ecumenical, non-denominational Disciple Club for high school students. They read scriptures, pray and have a snack. The weekly event is from 4:30 to 5:30. p.m.

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Deaths

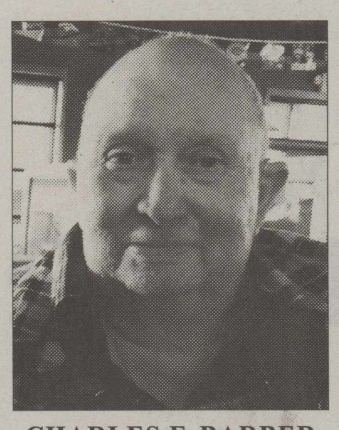
Charles F. Barber

Charles F. Barber, 76, of Lockney passed away Saturday, March 13, 2015 in Lubbock. His funeral service was held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at First Baptist Church in Lockney with Rev. Kyle Brock officiating.

Burial followed at the Lockney Cemetery.

The family entrusted Moore Rose Funeral Home of Lockney with arrangements.

C. F. was born in Lockney, November 5, 1938 to Floyd and Billie (Mills) Barber. He was a proud veteran of the U.S. Army, a Mason, and an active member of the Disabled American Veterans.



CHARLES F. BARBER

He is survived by Wanda, his wife of 54 year; two daughters, Millie and Susan; his grandchildren, Amber and her husband, Cheth, Blake and his wife, Alyssa and Kristy. Also surviving is one great-granddaughter, Paisley.

Memorials may be made to Disabled American Veterans.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com

Steven Gutierrez

Steven Gutierrez, age 45, of Floydada, passed away Thursday, March 19, 2015.

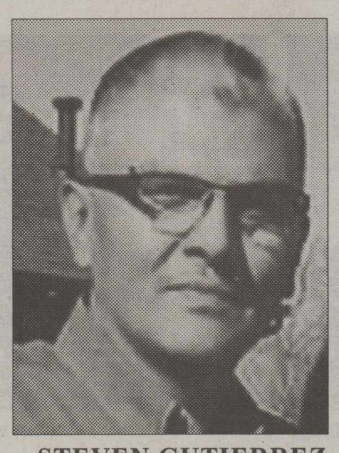
Funeral service was held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at Templo Getsemani Assembly of God in Floydada with Joe Hernandez officiating.

Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada

Steven was born on December 18, 1969 in Lockney to Henry Gutierrez and Marta Luna. He married the love of his life Norma Martinez on December 16, 2011 in Plainview. He had five children.

Steven attended Floydada High School, played football, track and liked wood shop. He loved his Pittsburg Steelers. He enjoyed hanging out at the corner pocket with friends and family. He enjoyed variety of music. Steven loved to farm.



STEVEN GUTIERREZ

He is preceded in death by his father, Henry Gutierrez, who just recently passed away, Silvestre and Espiridiona Gutierrez, a nephew, James Gutierrez and a great niece, Sienna Salazar.

Steven is survived by his wife, Norma Gutierrez of Floydada; his mother, Marta Gutierrez of Floydada; children, Claudette Garcia of Houston, Danielle Martinez of San Angelo, Steven Anthony Gutierrez of Lubbock, Lisa Marie Martinez of Austin, and Rudy Dominguez of San Angelo; five sisters, Mary Garza of Plainview, Ruth Gutierrez, Irene Castaneda of Idalou, Kristy Collins of Floydada, and Helen Diaz of Floydada; 11 grandchildren, and many other relatives.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

Abelino Luna, Sr.

Abelino Luna Sr., age 67, of Lockney, passed away on Monday, March 16, 2015 in Lockney.

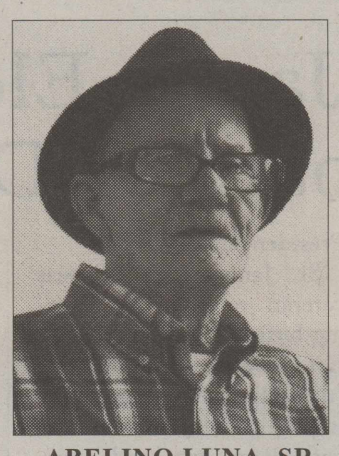
Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Friday, March 20, 2015 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney.

Interment followed at the Lockney Cemetery.

Visitation was held Wednesday, March 19, 2015 at Primera Iglesia Bautista from 10 a.m.- 8 p.m., and 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2015 at Moore Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Arrangements were under the care of Moore Rose Funeral Home of Lockney.

Abelino Luna, Sr. was born in Hondo, Texas to Hilberto and Theresa (Rendon) Luna on November 10, 1947. He married the love of his life Rosalinda (Granados) Luna on October 9, 1966. They were blessed with 48 years of marriage.



ABELINO LUNA, SR.

Abelino was a strong man of faith and had a deep love for God. He enjoyed spending time with family, going to church and praising God, landscaping and recycling metal. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

He is preceded in death by parents, Hilberto and Theresa Luna, a son, Natividad Luna, a brother, Natividad Luna, two sisters, Olga Fierros and Maria Cuevas, and a son-in-law, Esteban Guerra Jr.

He is survived by his wife of the home, Rosalinda Luna; two sons, Abelino Luna, Jr. of Lockney, and Gerardo Luna of Lockney; three daughters, Emma Luna of South Carolina, Elida Guerra of Lockney, and Erma Luna of Lockney; three brothers, Richard Luna, Hilberto Luna, Jr., and Ernest Luna; six sisters, Adelaida Sanchez, Maria Sanchez, Elena Sanchez, AltaGracia Mendoza, Linda Silva, and Lidia Barrera; 20 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com

Carolyn Belle Williams

Carolyn Belle Williams, age 74, of Petersburg, passed from this life on Monday, March 16, 2015 after a short illness.

Memorial Services were held at 2 p.m., Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the First United Methodist in Floydada with Ken Peterson officiating. A family gathering happened after the service at the church.

Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Carolyn was a long time resident of Harmony Community. Carolyn found the love of her life when she met and married Leon Williams in 1989, which resulted in 26 years of happiness, laughter and love. She loved family gatherings, trips with Leon, the occasional penny slot gambling spree (which she invariably lost at but had a good time feeding the beasts anyway; she couldn't figure out how it was that Leon always won), the grandkids, Goober the family dog, and indulged Leon's passion for collecting classic cars.

Carolyn worked for 6 years at the Petersburg Coop before becoming office manager/accountant at Petersburg Gin where she worked until her retirement in 2008. She will always be remembered as a lady with a ready smile and huge heart, and those who knew and loved her will miss her sorely but we know that we will meet up with her again.

CAROLYN BELLE WILLIAMS

She is survived by her husband, Leon Williams; two daughters, Carrie Alexander and Stacy Alexander; a son, Craig Alexander; three step- children, whom loved her as a mother, Brent Williams and wife, Tammie, Daralyn Jiron and husband, Mark and Kimber Williams Theal and husband, James; and grandchildren, Kendra, Kyla and Kolton Jiron, and Justin and Jason Williams.

Memorials may be made to Carr's Chapel, 151 FM 37, Floydada, Texas 79235.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

The family of Cecil Jackson would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the family and many friends who shared their sympathy and support during our time of loss and sadness.

Thank you to everyone who offered expressions of condolences through flowers, food, cards, calls, hugs, attendance and any love that was provided.

We appreciate every act of kindness!

Sincerely,
Linda Jackson
Marty & DeLinda Lucke
Brad & Tali Jackson
JoEllen & Jackie Myrick
And their families

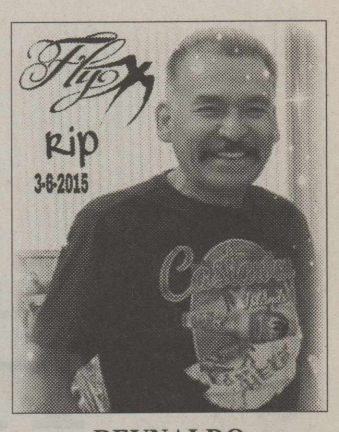
Reynaldo Gonzales

Reynaldo Gonzales, age 85, of Lockney passed away on Friday, March 6, 2015. Cremation services were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Reynaldo was born October 6, 1944 to Juan and Francisca (Guerra) Gonzales in Kingsville, Texas. Reynaldo could build almost anything. He was very talented with his hands. He enjoyed being a mechanic.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Juan and Francisca Gonzales and one brother.

Reynaldo is survived by three sons, Ricky Gonzales, Ray Gonzales and Ruben Gonzales; one daughter, Sylvia McCarter; eleven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, five brothers and two sisters.



REYNALDO GONZALES

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

Henry R. Gutierrez

Henry R. Gutierrez, age 65, passed away on Friday, March 13, 2015.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada with Father Ike Temporanza officiating.

Burial followed at the Floydada Cemetery.

Rosary was held at 7 p.m., Monday, March 16, 2015 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Henry was born on July 15, 1949 in Pearsall, Texas to Silvestre Gutierrez and Espiridiona Rios. He married the love of his life Marta Luna on July 31, 1965 in Lockney. They were blessed with seven children.

Henry enjoyed being a farmer for many years. He enjoyed spending time with his family, especially with all his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He loved camping, traveling, dancing and listening to country and tejano music. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Silvestre and Espiridiona Gutierrez, a son, Raymond Gutierrez, three sisters, Lydia Gutierrez, Helen Gutierrez and Alicia Rodriguez, a grandson, James Gutierrez and a great-granddaughter, Sienna Salazar.

Henry is survived by his wife of 49 years, Marta Gutierrez of Floydada; children, Mary Garza of Plainview, Steven Gutierrez of Floydada, Ruth Gutierrez and Irene Castaneda, both of Idalou, Kristy Collins of Floydada, and Helen Diaz of Floydada; five brothers, Johnny Gutierrez, Greg Gutierrez, Leonardo Gutierrez, Frankie Gutierrez, and Robert Gutierrez; six sisters, Brenda Martinez, Alberta Salazar, Pauline Cortez, Sylvia Rodriguez, Blanca Bennett and Victoria Ruiz;, 21 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and many other relatives.

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

We have three birthdays to celebrate this week and next: Mildred Smitherman is the 24th, Tommie Rowan on the 28th, and Shorty Turner on the 31st. Happy birthday to you.

For those who wish to give memorials and donations, our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Serving time is 12 noon. Please call Sylvia or Anna by 9:30 a.m. if you plan to eat at the Center. Our phone number is 806-983-2032. We are located at 925 W. Crockett Street.

MENU
March 30 – April 3

Monday – Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, emerald pear, low-fat milk
Tuesday – Homestyle lasagna, garlic breaded, brussel sprouts, pears, low-fat milk
Wednesday – not available
Thursday – not available
Friday – not available

First United Methodist Church
Floydada
203 West Kentucky St

Join us for an Easter Celebration
Sunday, April 5th
Breakfast Feast 8:30 am
Worship Service 9:30 am
Egg Hunt after worship service

UPCOMING

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RUMPH MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Memorial service for Sherri Simpson Rumph will be held at 2 p.m. on

Saturday, March 28, 2015 at the First United Methodist Church.

BASEBALL GAMES

The Floydada Whirlwinds and the Lockney Longhorns will play on Sat., March 28 at 12 noon. On Tues., March 31 the 'Winds will host Crosbyton with game time @ 5 p.m. The Lockney Longhorns will travel to Olton on Tues., March 31 with game time @ 5 p.m.

SOFTBALL GAMES

The Lady Winds and the Lady Horns will play on Sat., March 28 at 11 a.m & 1 p.m. The Lady Winds will host Crosbyton on Tues., March 31 with game times at 5 & 7 p.m. The Lady Horns will have an Open Date on March 31 with their next game on Sat., April 4th against Ralls at Lockney. Game time 11 a.m.

FLOYD COUNTY FRIENDS ANNUAL GALA

Floyd County Friends "20th Annual Gala" is coming up on April 18th. Mark your calendars! You can purchase tickets from Nick Long at the State Farm office, Shawnda Foster at D & J Gin, or by calling Elaine LaBaume at 983-9153 or by contacting any of the board members. For more info, see the front page article in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Calvert Home Health holds their blood pressure clinic on every first and third Thursday of each month between 9 - 11 a.m. at the Community Room of the First National Bank of Floydada.

SOCIETY

Davis and Sherman announce engagement

WES DAVIS AND JORDAN SHERMAN

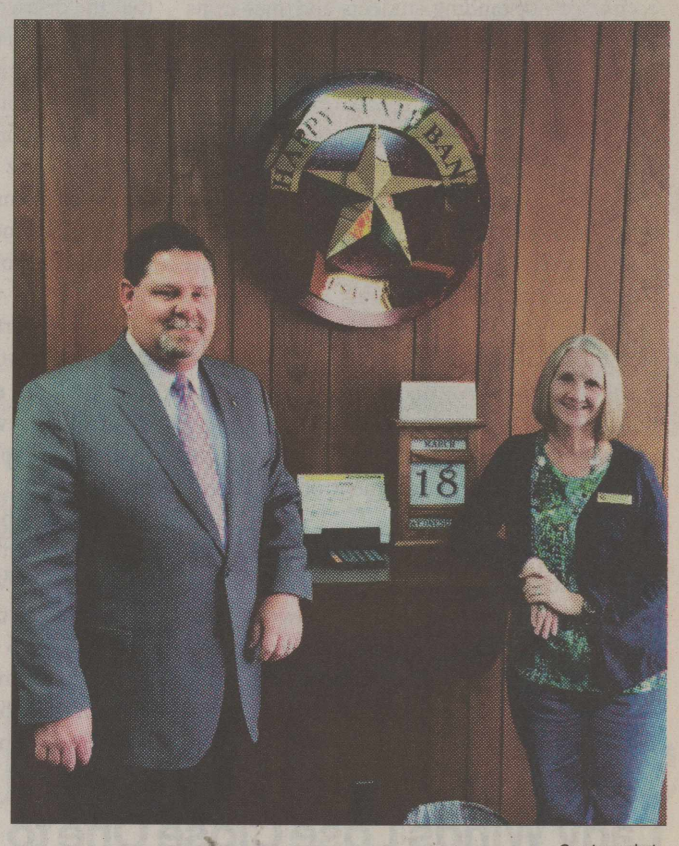
Wes Davis and Jordan Sherman of The Colony, Texas are proud to announce their engagement. They have chosen Saturday, April 11, 2015 as their special day. Parents of the couple are Billy Sherman of Lockney, Texas, Carlos and Robin Sidney of Bellflower, California, Jeff and Latona Nuziard of Flower Mound, Texas and Joey and Shannon Davis of Childress, Texas.

Floydada Sr. Citizens receives donation

Courtesy photo

Floydada Senior Citizen's Center in Floydada received a $1000 donation from EDF Renewable Energy on February 24, 2015. This donation and certificate was presented as a "Community Support Award" for the Center's outstanding performance and lasting contribution to this community. The certificate was signed by Jinnie Hall, the Community Outreach Coordinator for EDF Renewable Energy. Shown with the certificate and donation is (left) Sylvia Bueno, manager of the Center and (right) Anna Bueno, cook for the Center. This donation was very appreciated.

Happy State Bank Sponsors Coffee Bar



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Monty Teeter, Bank Officer, and Robbie Hilton, AVP, with Happy State Bank. The bank is sponsoring the "Courier Coffee Bar" for the Floyd County Friends "20 Years From Denim to Diamonds" gala on April 18.

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UNITY CENTER NEWS

By Elaine LaBaume
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

I have had several ask me just this past week, "are you all busy at the Unity Center?" The answer is "yes." There hasn't been a week since January 1st that something wasn't going on at the Unity Center. There is never a week goes by that 4-H is not using it. They are actively involved in Shooting Sports. It takes several adults to supervise this.

Approximately 500 people have been though the Unity Center in the first 2 ½ months. We already have booking into August.

Don't forget the Floyd County Friends 20th Annual Gala on April 18th. Remember that the seating is limited.....so get your tickets. "It's gonna be a good one."

Have you ever wondered who the board members and advisors are? The board was originally set up when many had young or small children and it was not always possible for a couple to be at a meeting. So couples are named as board members but there is only one vote permitted between the two.

The current board is: Chad Cook - President, David Foster - 1st Vice President, Shawnda Foster - 2nd Vice President and Treasurer, Jerry Chappell - 3rd Vice President and Elaine LaBaume - Secretary. Jon LaBaume was a board member until he assumed the job as manager in 2000 and continues to manage the Unity Center.

Advisors are: Vance Lemons, Amy Kress and Cristen Brooks.

Board Members are: Clint Bigham, Coy and Deb LaBaume, DarLee Foster, Darla Chappell, Lindan & DeLyn Morris, Garrett & Lindsise Mathis, Marty & Delinda Lucke, Martin & Robin Stoerner, Paul & Heather Raissez, John & Karen Quebe, Gary & Robin Nixon and Sherry Colston.

Carolyn Marble has donated a new flag for the Unity Center. We know the flag pole is very special to her as she and her family donated it in memory of her late husband, Fred Marble. A big "Thank you" to her.

READING NEWSPAPERS IS A QUEST LIKE NO OTHER

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Remember exercise with Dorothy is Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:45- 9:15 a.m. Coffee time is Monday - Saturday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Thursday Pot luck is at 5 p.m. Bring a dish and enjoy games afterwards.

Family Night Fish Fry is Friday nights from 5-8 p.m. It's all you can eat. Come let us do the dishes!

MENU
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Monday – Baked potaotes
Tuesday – Enchilada casserole
Wednesday – Chicken fried steak
Thursday – Salmon
Friday – BBQ
(Menus subject to change with notice)

1950 Study Club News

By Margaret Jones
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The sun was shining brightly as the members of the 1950 Study Club met in the home of Billie Jordan at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3rd for their regular monthly meeting. Peels of laughter filled the room as Billie graciously welcomed everyone after another siege of West Texas "Roller Coaster" weather.

The "Luck of the Irish" was the theme for the day as the table was tastefully decorated in a Saint Patrick's Day thee with various appointments of bright emerald green. Delicious refreshments were served by hostesses Shirley Morton and Mary Quattlebaum.

The meeting was called to order by president Shirley Morton, followed by the roll-call and reading of the minutes by Sue Daniels.

Gloria Fannon gave the treasurers report. A short business meeting followed.

Shirley Morton gave a very interesting program on the History of Saint Patrick's Day by sharing Nine Surprising Facts. Sometimes, through the years, what we hear as Legend and what is Fact, become intertwined and it is hard to know the difference. In keeping with the Shamrock, a simple symbol of the day, we were reminded of the Christian symbol of The Trinity. Each member received a shamrock cut-out on which to write the meaning.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Billie Jordan on Tuesday, April 7th at 4 p.m. Hostesses will be Fern Hartsell and Margaret Jones.

1956 Study Club News

By Linda Harbin
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The 1956 Study Club met March 10 at the EMS building. Hostesses Sheryl Back, Dana Crossland and Kay Dean Smith served an assortment of delicious hor d'oeuvres and desserts.

EMC director, Katrina Gooch, presented the program by giving members a tour of the facilities and demonstrating some of the equipment used to transport patients and maintain life support. She outlined a typical day for EMS personnel including a myriad of inventories and forms they are required to file.

Following the program, Anne Carthel, called the business meeting to order. Roll call was answered with "When was the last time you received CPR training?"

Anne announced that the April meeting will be at her home with a program about wildflowers by Dr. Willa Finley.

Members present were Sheryl Back, Sheree Cannon, Anne Carthel, Dana Crossland, Linda Harbin, Charline Hendrix, Janice Julian, Judy Schacht, Susan Simpson, JenniSu Smith, Kay Dean Smith, and Jan Willson.

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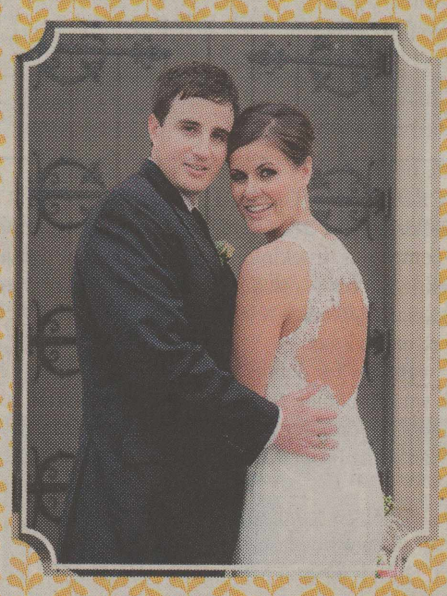

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FLOYDADA SCHOOL

FISD Board recognizes staff, students, readies for summer school

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The Floydada Independent School board recognized outstanding students and staff in its monthly meeting March 12.

The following students and educators of the month (Sponsored by FISD and Producers Co-operative) were selected: AB Duncan Elementary Students of the Month: Ashtyn Hernandez – Kinder Angel Olvera - Kinder Educator of the Month: Mary Molinar FJHS/FHS FJH Student of the Month: Emily Cisneros -- Grade 07 FHS Student of the Month: Destiny Cabello -- Grade 11 McKenna Johnson -- Grade 12 Macee Brotherton -- Grade 10 Kaylee Morren -- Grade 10 Karly Weems -- Grade 10 Educator of the Month: Dara Ware.

The board set its April board meeting for April 07, and approved payment of the February 2015 Bills.

They accepted the resignation of teacher, Cody Lyles effective May 28.

Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the Tax Report and Cash Flow Statement. M&O Current Tax Roll $3,125,772.32 Net Collections $3,009,808.76 I&S Tax Roll $378,725.86 Net Collections $364,675.45 Percent of Current Roll Collected 96.29% Taxes Collected as of February 28, 2014 95.45%

Kay Brotherton made the motion to certify that the district meets all requirements for using the instructional materials allotment and that all instructional materials satisfy all TEKS requirements. Eric Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Gracie Diaz made the motion to approve the text book committee as presented by Superintendent Trevino. Beverly Collins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion

Kay Brotherton made the motion to approve the summer work, summer school, and summer food program schedules as presented by Superintendent Trevino. Eric Smith seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The board held a discussion of certified personnel contracts for September 1, 2015 –August 31, 2015. 12. William Dean made the motion to approve all certified personnel contracts for September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2015. Roger Hughes seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

There were no future items for discussion.

Glass Limits Abernathy to Two Hits in 13-3 Win

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

ABERNATHY – Floydada Whirlwinds' pitcher Alex Glass shut down Abernathy, Tuesday, March 17 as he allowed two hits, three runs, walked five and struck out seven as the Whirlwinds defeated the Antelopes 13-3. Floydada scored the 13 runs on only four hits as the Antelopes committed nine errors, allowed 12 stolen bases, threw three wild pitches, had two passed balls, hit one batter, walked 10 and had one balk.

It was a scoreless game until Floydada jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the top of the third inning. Lewis Alaniz walked to lead off the inning and advanced to second on a passed ball. Ricky Cervera walked then Tucker Lowrance flied out. Aaron Delafuente reached on an error as Alaniz and Cervera both scored with Delafuente ending up at second. Delafuente moved up to third on a wild pitch and Robert Mora walked. Mora moved up on another wild pitch as Delafuente scored. Mark McGowen walked, then Mora stole third and scored on an error and McGowen moved to second. Matthew Garza walked followed by Cervera striking out. McGowen stole third, Garza stole second, McGowen scored on the error and Garza scored on the play. Jesse Segura struck out but the damaged was done and Floydada had a 6-0 lead.

In the bottom of the third, the Antelopes add a run as Lopez walked, A. Rodriguez was hit by a pitch, then Bender singled to center to load the bases. Lopez scored on a passed ball with A. Rodriguez and Bender moving up a base. Pierson struck out, D. Rodriguez flied out. A. Rodriguez was thrown out at home trying to steal. Abernathy trailed 6-1.

Neither team scored in the fourth but Floydada added two more runs in the fifth. Mora reach on an error, then advance on an error. McGowen ground out, moving Mora to third. Brayden Campbell lined out to right field. Cervera was hit by a pitch then stole second. Mora stole home and Cervera stole third. Segura walked and stole second. Cervera stole home for the second run of the inning. Alaniz then struck out to end the inning and Floydada had an 8-1 lead.

Abernathy was unable to score in the bottom of the fifth, before Floydada pushed across five more runs in the top of the sixth. Cervera singled to lead off the inning. Lowrance singled and moved Cervera moved to second. Cervera stole third and Lowrance stole second. Delafuente reached on an error by the third baseman, allowing Cervera to score. Mora sacrificed Lowrance to third and Delafuente to second. The Antelopes pitcher was called for a balk that scored Lowrance and moved Delafuente to third. McGowen then doubled to center, driving in Delafuente. Campbell reached on an error, moving McGowen to third. Abraham Perez came in to run for Campbell. Perez stole second then McGowen stole home. Perez advanced to third on an error and Perez scored on anther error. Cervera struck out and Segura struck out to end the top of the sixth with Floydada leading 13-2.

The Antelopes came to bat needing to score at least two runs to keep the game going but were only able to cross the plate one time. Pierson was hit by a pitch, Rodriguez singled to center. Kitchens struck out then Fernandez walked and Turner entered as a courtesy runner. With the bases loaded, Royal struck out looking. Pierson scored on a passed ball, Rodriguez advanced to third and Turner advanced to second. Lara walked to load the bases. Lopez grounded into a fielder's choice as Rodriguez was thrown out at home to end the game and give Floydada the 13-3 victory.

Glass picked up the win and Kitchens suffered the loss. Cervera, Delafuente, Mora and McGowen each scored two runs to lead the offensive attack for the Whirlwinds.

Floydada vs Abernathy
March 17, 2015

	1	2	3	4	5	6	R	H	E
Floydada	0	0	6	0	2	5	13	4	1
Abernathy	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	2	9

Floydada

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Lewis Alaniz	1	1	0	0	3	1
Ricky Cervera	2	2	1	0	2	0
Tucker Lowrance	4	1	1	0	0	2
Aaron Delafuente	4	2	1	1	0	0
Robert Mora	2	2	0	0	1	0
Mark McGowen	3	2	1	1	1	1
Matthew Garza	1	1	0	0	1	1
Brayden Campbell	2	0	0	0	0	0
Marcos Cervera	2	1	0	0	1	2
Jesse Segura	3	0	0	0	1	2
Abraham Perez	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	13	4	2	10	9

Batting **2B:** Mark McGowen
TB: Tucker Lowrance, Mark McGowen 2, Aaron Delafuente, Ricky Cervera
RBI: Mark McGowen, Aaron Delafuente
SAC: Robert Mora
ROE: Aaron Delafuente 2, Brayden Campbell, Robert Mora
FC: Ricky Cervera
HBP: Marcos Cervera
SB: Abraham Perez, Jesse Segura, Tucker Lowrance, Mark McGowen 2, Ricky Cervera, Marcos Cervera 3, Matthew Garza, Robert Mora 2
PIK: Lewis Alaniz

Team LOB: 5 Fielding **E:** Alex Glass
DP: Mark McGowen, Ricky Cervera

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Alex Glass	6.0	97	39	2	3	1	5	7	0	.598
Totals	6.0	97	39	2	3	1	5	7	0	.598

Pitching **W:** Alex Glass
HBP: Alex Glass 2
BK: Alex Glass
Pitches-Strikes: Alex Glass 97-58
Groundouts-Flyouts: Alex Glass 4-4
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Alex Glass 17-26

Abernathy

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Trae Bender	3	0	1	0	0	1
A. Pierson	2	1	0	0	0	1
Aaron Rodriquez	3	0	1	0	0	0
Sterling Kitchens	3	0	0	0	0	1
I Fernandez	1	0	0	0	2	0
Garret Royal	3	0	0	0	0	2
B Lara	2	0	0	0	1	1
N Lopez	1	2	0	0	2	0
D Rodriquez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Carter Turner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	3	2	0	5	7

Batting **TB:** Trae Bender, Aaron Rodriquez
ROE: Trae Bender
FC: N Lopez
HBP: A. Pierson, D Rodriquez
SB: Carter Turner
CS: D Rodriquez

Team LOB: 4 Fielding **E:** Sterling Kitchens 3, I Fernandez 4, N Lopez 2

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Sterling Kitchens	5.0	117	66	1	8	2	10	8	0	.436
A. Pierson	1.0	27	11	3	5	2	0	1	0	.593
Totals	6.0	144	77	4	13	4	10	9	0	.465

Pitching **L:** Sterling Kitchens
HBP: Sterling Kitchens
WP: Sterling Kitchens 3
BK: A. Pierson
Pitches-Strikes: A. Pierson 27-16, Sterling Kitchens 117-51
Groundouts-Flyouts: A. Pierson 2-0, Sterling Kitchens 3-2
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: A. Pierson 4-8, Sterling Kitchens 13-28

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Lady Winds Lose Close One to New Deal 17-15

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Down 17-8 going into the bottom of the seventh inning, the Floydada Lady Whirlwinds made it exciting but game up short in a district game against the New Deal Lady Lions, 17-15 on March 14.

The Lady Winds began the bottom of the seventh when Stephanie Chavarria drew a lead-off walk and Kaylee Morren came in as a courtesy runner and immediately stole second. Valerie Espinoza doubled to right field, driving in Morren. Angela Suarez beat out a bunt and moved V. Espinoza to third. Bethany Morales doubled to center to drive in V. Espinoza and Suarez. Selena Espinoza came in to run for Morales. Lindsey DeLeon doubled to left, driving in S. Espinoza and cutting the score to 17-12. Dora Cervera came in to run for DeLeon. Thalia Villa beat out an infield single that allowed Cervera to move to third. With Annette Pena at the plate, Cervera stole home and Villa stole second. Pena then doubled to left, driving in Villa. With no outs, Makenzie Ramos singled, moving Pena to third and Ramos advanced to second on an error. Brooke Galvan drew a walk that loaded the bases with no outs and the score now 17-14. Cervera struck out on three pitches for the Lady Winds first out. V. Espinoza grounded out but Pena scored, Ramos and Galvan moved up one base each. Suarez then grounded out to the pitcher to end the comeback and give New Deal the victory.

Makenzie Johnson picked up the victory for New Deal. She pitched all seven innings, allowing 20 hits, 15 runs, walking four and striking out eight. Johnson also went 4-5 at the plate with two RBIs and a home run. Morales took the loss for the Lady Winds. She pitched seven innings, allowing 33 hits, 17 runs, walked two and struck out four. Morales went 3-4 from the plate with two RBIs.

New Deal jumped to an early lead when they scored nine runs in the top of the first. Shelby Cooper singled to lead off the game and advanced to second on an error. Devin Coronado was hit by a pitch then Santana Valdez delivered a single to center field. An a error by the center fielder allowed Cooper to score and an error by the pitcher allowed Coronado to score with Valdez advancing to third on an error by the first baseman. Kayce Turnbow singled to left field, scoring Valdez. Johnson singled, driving Turnbow to second. Betty Alvardo popped out to the shortstop. Brittany Mares singled to center to load the bases. Tori Roberts hit an infield single, allowing Turnbow to score. An error allowed Johnson to score, Mares ended up at third and Roberts stopped at second. Kenzie Randolph singed to third, scoring Mares. Roberts was caught attempting to steal home for the second out and Randolph advanced to third. Cooper walked then Coronado singled, scoring Randolph and moving Cooper to second but she advanced to third on an error by the left fielder. Valorie Chavez-Ward came in to run for Coronado after she had moved to second on the previous play. Valdez singled again, scoring Cooper. Chavez-Ward scored on an error as Valdez moved to second. Tunrbow popped out to short to end the inning and give New Deal an earlv 9-0 lead.

In the bottom of the first after one out Morales tripled. S. Espinoza entered as a courtesy runner. After the second out, Villa tripled driving in S. Espinoza.

New Deal stretched the lead to 11-1 after the top of the second. The Lady Lions started the scoring when Johnson led off with a home run to left field. With one out, Mares singled. Roberts popped out to second for out number two. Randolph drew a walk, then Cooper singled to load the pases. Coronado singled to left, driving in Mares. Valdez grounded out to end the inning.

In the bottom of the second, Ramos led off with a single and moved to second on an error. Ramos stole third before Galvan grounded out. Chavarria walked, advanced to second on defensive indifference. Ramos stole home and Chavarria stole third. Chavarria then scored on a wild pitch to close the gap to 11-3.

In the top of the third, Floydada held New Deal scoreless even with the Lady Lions getting four singles. Turnbow was thrown out trying to advance a base, then Johnson was picked off at second. Roberst struck out to end New Deal's at bat.

The Lady Winds added a run in the bottom of the third to make it 11-4. Morales led off with a single. S. Espinoza entered as a courtesy runner. S. Espinoza advanced to second on wild pitch. DeLeon struck out. S. Espinoza moved to third on another wild pitch, then Villa singled to left, allowing S. Espinoza to score. Pena singled but Ramos struck out and Galvan flew out to end the Floydada threat.

The Lady Lions added two runs in the top of the fourth. Romero led off with single then Cooper singled. Coronado ground out but Romero and Cooper advanced. Valdez singled, driving in Romero and allowing Cooper to move to second. Turnbow singled, allowing to Copper score and Valdez moved to second. Johnson and Alvarado both popped up to the pitcher to end the inning with runners on second and third.

Floydada was unable to score in the bottom of the fourth and New Deal failed to score in top of the fifth.

Floydada managed to add four runs in the bottom of the fifth. Villa led off with a single then Pena singled, moving Villa to third. Pena stole second then Ramos singled to drive in Villa and Pena. Ramos moved to second on the play and moved to third on an error. Galvan singled and drove in Ramos. Galvan moved to second on a ground out by Chavatria. After Galvan stole third, V. Espinoza singled, scoring Galvan. Suarez and Morales ground out to end the inning with New Deal still leading 13-8.

In the top of the sixth, New Deal added a run with four singles in a row by Valdez, Romero, Turnbow and Alvarado. Floyadada was unable to score in the bottom of the sixth.

With the scoreboard in New Deal's favor, 14-8, the Lady Lions added four more runs in the top of the seventh, all scored after two outs. Cooper singled then Coronado doubled, allowing Cooper to score. Chavez-Ward came in to run for Coronado. Valdez singled, Chavez-Ward moved to third but an error by the center fielder allowed Chavez-Ward to score and Valdez to move to second. Turnbow singled and Valdez moved to third. Johnson singled, driving in Valdez and moving Turnbow to second. Alvarado struck out to lead to the come-back in the bottom of the seventh.

The Lady Winds played Abernathy on Tuesday, March 17 but the game reported had not been filed by the deadline. On Tuesday, March 24, the Lady Winds played at Ralls. Floydada hosts Lockney Saturday, March 28 at 11:00 A.M.

March 14, 2015

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
New Deal	9	2	0	2	0	1	3	17	33	4
Floydada	1	2	1	0	4	0	7	15	20	9

New Deal

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Shelby Cooper	5	4	5	0	1	0
Devin Coronado	5	1	3	3	0	0
Santana Valdez	6	3	5	2	0	0
Kayce Turnbow	6	1	5	2	0	0
Betty Alvarado	6	0	2	1	0	2
Brittany Mares	5	2	3	0	0	0
Makenzie Johnson	5	2	4	2	0	0
Tori Roberts	5	0	2	1	0	2
Sammantha Romero	3	1	2	0	0	0
Kenzie Randolph	2	1	2	1	1	0
Valorie Chavez-ward	0	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	48	17	33	12	2	4

Batting **2B:** Devin Coronado
HR: Makenzie Johnson
TB: Shelby Cooper 5, Devin Coronado 4, Santana Valdez 5, Kayce Turnbow 5, Makenzie Johnson 7, Betty Alvarado 2, Brittany Mares 3, Tori Roberts 2, Kenzie Randolph 2, Sammantha Romero 2
RBI: Devin Coronado 3, Santana Valdez 2, Kayce Turnbow 2, Makenzie Johnson 2, Betty Alvarado, Tori Roberts, Kenzie Randolph
HBP: Devin Coronado
SB: Santana Valdez, Kayce Turnbow 2, Makenzie Johnson
CS: Tori Roberts
PIK: Makenzie Johnson

Team LOB: 12 Fielding **E:** Kayce Turnbow, Brittany Mares, Tori Roberts 2

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Makenzie Johnson	7.0	152	52	20	15	15	4	8	0	.658
Totals	7.0	152	52	20	15	15	4	8	0	.658

Pitching **W:** Makenzie Johnson
HBP: Makenzie Johnson
WP: Makenzie Johnson 5
Pitches-Strikes: Makenzie Johnson 152-100
Groundouts-Flyouts: Makenzie Johnson 8-5
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Makenzie Johnson 29-46

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Floydada

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Angela Suarez	5	1	1	0	0	2
Clary Segura	1	0	0	0	0	1
Bethany Morales	4	0	3	2	0	0
Lindsey Deleon	5	0	1	1	0	1
Thalia Villa	5	2	4	1	0	0
Annette Pena	5	2	4	1	0	0
Makenzie Ramos	5	2	4	2	0	1
Brooke Galvan	4	1	1	1	1	1
Stephanie Chavarria	1	1	0	0	3	0
Kaylee Morren	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dora Cervera	1	1	0	0	0	1
Valerie Espinoza	5	1	2	3	0	1
Selena Espinoza	0	3	0	0	0	0
Totals	41	15	20	11	4	8

Batting **2B:** Valerie Espinoza, Annette Pena, Bethany Morales, Lindsey Deleon
3B: Bethany Morales, Thalia Villa
TB: Valerie Espinoza 3, Annette Pena 5, Bethany Morales 6, Thalia Villa 6, Lindsey Deleon 2, Makenzie Ramos 4, Brooke Galvan, Angela Suarez
RBI: Valerie Espinoza 3, Annette Pena, Bethany Morales 2, Thalia Villa, Lindsey Deleon, Makenzie Ramos 2, Brooke Galvan
HBP: Bethany Morales
SB: Annette Pena 3, Thalia Villa, Makenzie Ramos 3, Dora Cervera, Brooke Galvan, Angela Suarez, Kaylee Morren 2, Stephanie Chavarria

Team LOB: 10 Fielding **E:** Valerie Espinoza 2, Jaque Barrera 3, Bethany Morales, Makenzie Ramos 2, Angela Suarez

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Bethany Morales	7.0	133	46	33	17	16	2	4	1	.654
Totals	7.0	133	46	33	17	16	2	4	1	.654

Pitching **L:** Bethany Morales
HBP: Bethany Morales
Pitches-Strikes: Bethany Morales 133-87
Groundouts-Flyouts: Bethany Morales 3-8
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Bethany Morales 34-51

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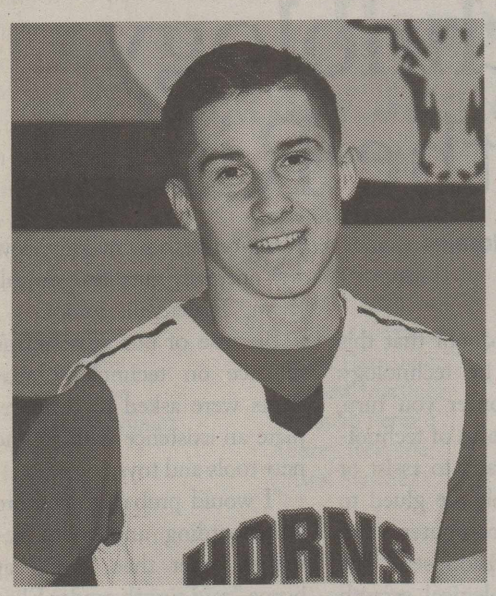

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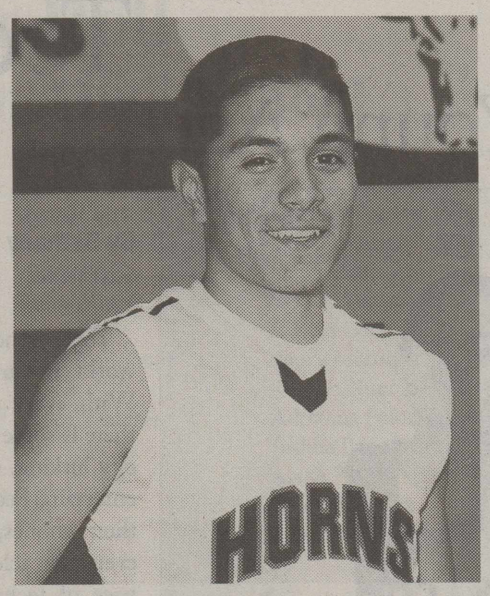

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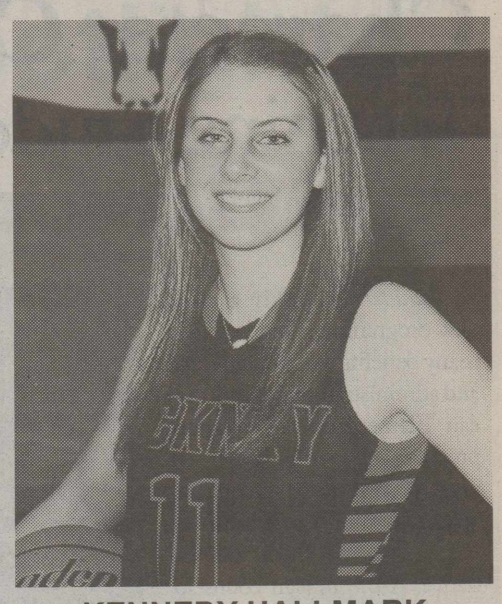

KENNEDY HALLMARK
LHS - Senior
District 4-2A
All-District

Lockney Elementary 'Rocks' the House

By Charles Keaton
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LOCKNEY – Lockney Elementary students presented their annual PE/Music Movement program to a packed house at the high school gym on March 9. All students from Pre-K through fifth grade presented various activities set to current music. PE teacher Julie Dorman and Music teacher Alecha Sheppard directed the program.

Third, Fourth and Fifth graders performed the Opening Dance to "Me and My Gang" by Rascal Flatts. First and Second gradres took the floor next doing the Limbo to Queens' "Another One Bites the Dust."

Third graders did a Ribbon show with Katy Perry's "Roar." Fourth and Fifth graders used the GeoMats to dance to "Counting Stars" by One Republic.

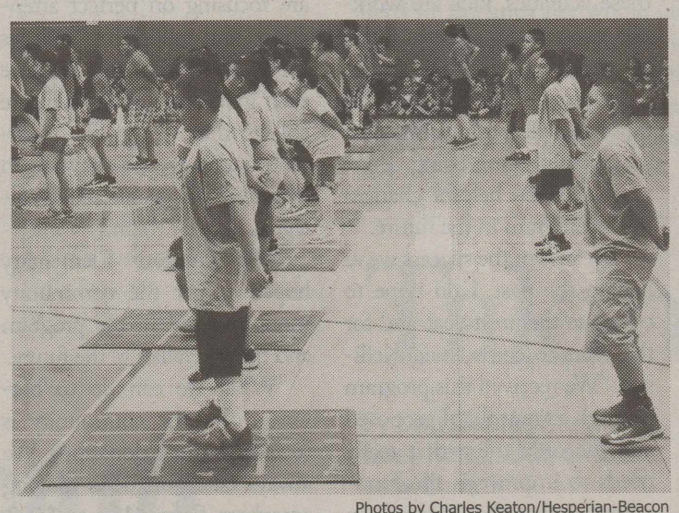
Pre-K and Kindergarten performed their Dance to "Rock This Town" by the Stray Cats. Third Fourth and Fifth graders showed their hand work in Cups from Anna Kendrick's "Cups."

Kindergarten and First graders showed their skills in Parachute, set to "Starts With Me" by Tim Timmons. Second graders used Lummi Sticks to perform to "Best Day of My Life" by American Authors.

Fourth graders showed their ball handling skills in Ball Bounce in coordination to "Safe and Sound" by Capital Cities. Fifth graders went Tinikling to "We Will Rock You" by Queen.

Third graders showed their Hula Hoops skills to "Pumpin Blood" by Nonono. All the students joined in the Ending to "Wildcat Fanfare (Drumline)" by Colin O'Malley.

According to Dorman and Sheppard, the students worked hard to get their performances down.



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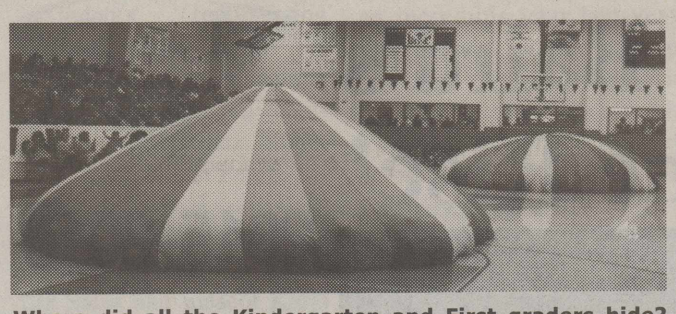
Lockney Elementary Fourth and Fifth graders preform their dance on the GeoMats to "Counting Stars" by One Republic. This was part of the annual PE/Music Movement program directed by Julie Dorman and Alecha Sheppard.

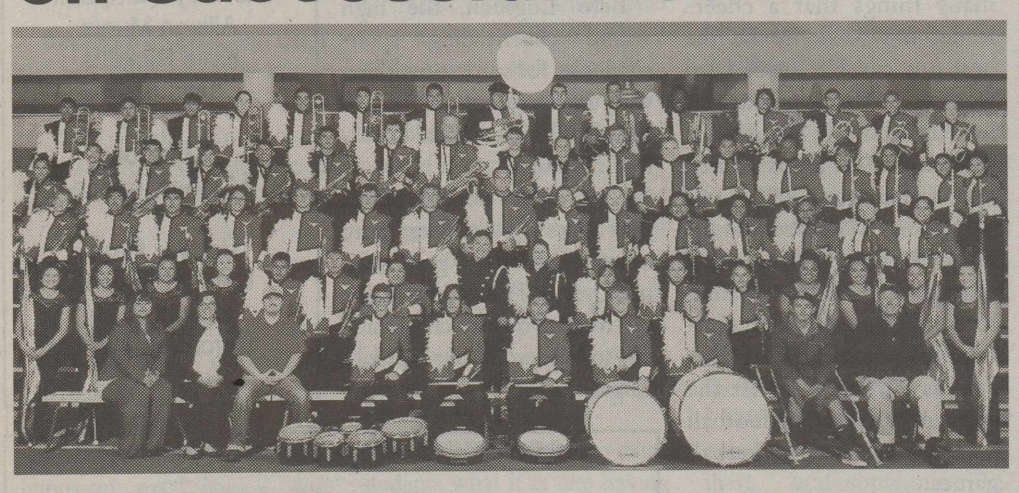
The blood was pumpin' as Third graders from Lockney Elementary Hulu Hooped to "Pumpin Blood" by Nonono at the annual PE/Music Movement program. A packed house at the high school gym watched as all the students showed off their hard work.



Where did all the Kindergarten and First graders hide? They disappeared under the parachute during their part of the annual PE/Music Movement program. The students showed off their parachute skills to "Starts With Me" by Tim Timmons.

Fifth Graders from Lockney Elementary show the audience what "Tinikling" is, set to "We Will Rock You" by Queen. The performance was given at the annual PE/Music Movement program at the Lockney High School gym on March 9.

Lockney Band Continues on Successful Road



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LOCKNEY – Consistency has been the theme for the last few years for the Lockney Longhorn Band. Under the leadership of Rob Lovett and Katie Hon, the band continues to produce excellence on the marching field and in the concert hall.

The band again received Division 1 at the annual UIL Marching contest held in October. Now, the band is preparing for the Concert and Sightreading contest that will be held April 14 at the Harral Auditorium on the campus of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Recently, members of the band participated at All-Region performances. Members of the junior high All-Region band were E'Lora Luna, Brett Moore, Clay Moore, Lyndee Setliff, Bryson Walker, Madai Chavira, Mason Esty, Bryce Reece, Diego Azua, Noel Ceniceros, Tyrell Egnew and Bryson Hallmark.

High school All-Region members included Luke Kasner and Jace Klein for the All-Region Jazz Band. Levi Kasner was also a member of the ATSSB Honor Band. Participating in All-Region band were Levi Kasner, Jake Moore, Jace Klein, Steven Bazan, Stephen Setliff, Abel Salazar, Mauricio Davila, Nathan Johnson, Luke Kasner, Camryn Diaz and Kennedy Hallmark.

During the UIL Solo and Ensemble contest, Levi Kasner, Jace Klein, Jake Moore and Luke Kasner received First Division ratings. Levi Kasner, Jace Klein and Jake Moore also qualified to go to the State Solo and Ensemble competition. The Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest will be held Memorial Day weekend May 23 & 25, 2015 (Saturday/Monday) at Hendrickson High School in the Pflugerville ISD.

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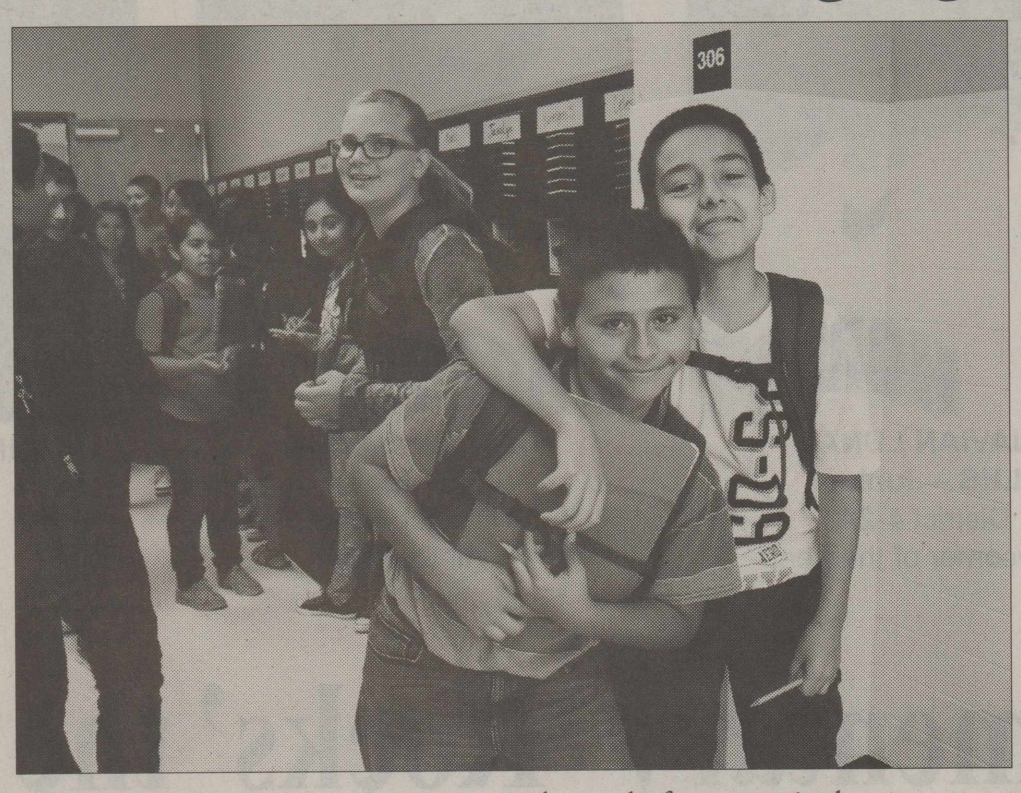
Character Counts:
Teaching Students Success at Young Age

By Aaron Chavarria
Senior Editor



Character Counts is a fairly new program that has provided many benefits for students, staff, and administrators at A.B. Duncan Elementary. The program proposes new and productive ways for improving students' attendance and performance.

When asked about this initiative, A.B. Duncan counselor Amy Kellison described its various aspects.

"'Character Counts' was started many years ago - it actually started for churches and businesses – and now we have it here at the school," said Kellison. "[Character Counts] basically teaches the six pillars of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. There are lessons and demonstrations that we have to help the students with learning and absorbing those characteristics."

The implementation of the 'Character Counts' program has been impactful for elementary students.

"It's really good for the elementary students because it portrays the skills and concepts to prepare them for life in order to be successful," Kellison said. "Unfortunately, some students do not already possess those qualities for whatever reasons, but through the use of 'Character Counts', they can use it to learn these significant skills."

The program has received very much positive feedback.

"Our 'Character Counts' pep rallies have had a really good turnout throughout the year," said Kellison. "We host these pep rallies once every six weeks and participate in activities such as awarding them with a bicycle for perfect attendance. They can earn 'Character Counts' tickets for demonstrating good behavior and responsibility. At the end of each six weeks, I collect these tickets and draw a name. The winner takes part in an activity known as 'Jump for George'. A donor in the community donates money to jump and they participate in a game that wins money. As a result of these activities, kids are working really hard to earn these tickets."

Kellison is hopeful that this initiative will continue into next year, possibly improving. There may be some helpful changes to the program in the future.

"Because of the success we've had in the past, I do hope to continue this next year and for the years to come," said Kellison. "We received this program through a grant that I proposed and the only thing that really needs to improve is the fundraisers so that the students can all have their shirts for the pep rallies. Some other things we want to implement next year are focusing on perfect attendance and talking up colleges more. We want this because each grade level picks a future college they would like to attend and it would allow them to better understand which college is best for them."

A.B. Duncan Elementary hopes to get the community more involved in the program and the pep rallies in the future.

"What we can do to better involve the community is to receive more donations. We always take donations ranging anywhere from $150 to $500, and any donation will help us," said Kellison.

Technology on the Rise

By Bethany Morales
Staff Writer

There is no doubt that this world is run by technology. With every corner you turn, there is some form of technology lurking, ready to assist or entertain. People are glued to their phones, computers, and even the television sets. The pace of technological growth has been outstanding in the past few decades and shows very few signs of slowing. Apple comes out with new releases, updates, or announcements with every business quarter, and this is a growing trend seen by many market leaders. People full-heartedly rely on technology and look forward to the 'new'.

"I rely mostly on my laptop because school is technology-based, so everything we do is run from this computer," said Pake Freeman, biology teacher.

Even though we often lean on technology, there are positives to having such a strong connection with such tools. Whenever assistance is needed, it is right there in your hand.

"When I'm not face-to-face, my cell phone is my primary method of connection to other people…to my friends and family," said sophomore Casey Cage when asked about his 'go-to' form of technology.

There are some downfalls to having such enormous forms of communication so readily accessible.

"The only thing that is bad about my phone is that it takes away face-to-face interaction. Instead of engaging in a conversation with somebody, now we 'normally' just text or call them," Thalia Villa, junior.

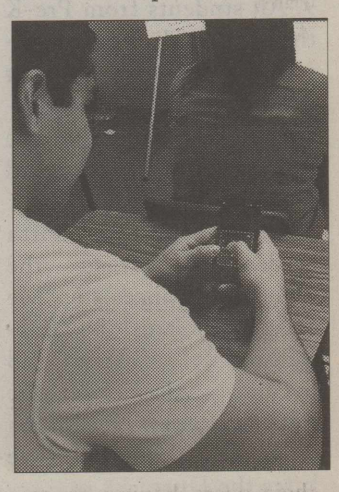
Because of our generation's reliance on technology, students were asked to contemplate an existence without the new tools and toys.

"I would probably do more skateboarding and more activities other than sitting at home," said eighth grader Elias Luna. "I would also pick up reading and drawing."

While some students would find an alternative activity, others would not know how to handle such a situation.

"I would probably go insane. I freaked out when my phone broke for two days," said sophomore Clary Segura. "I went crazy looking for phones to use."

Regardless of the role technology plays in a person's life, most can agree that the pros of these devices outweigh the cons. Despite the fact that technology can provide many distractions and complications, many would argue that their lives are made easier by the inclusion of helpful technology.



Hughes is Mrs. Baird's 'Teacher On The Rise'

By Melissa Arizpe
Staff Writer

Teachers devote their lives to assisting others toward striving for greatness. Many teachers never settle for less than one's best. It can often times be difficult to reach every student with this mentality. However, Tasha Hughes had multiple years of experience with this age group.

Tasha Hughes has been a teacher at Floydada High School for 17 years. She graduated from Paducah High School in the year of 1993. After high school, she attended Baylor University, where she graduated in 1998 with a BA in General Business. Following her graduation from college, Mrs. Hughes (then Rochelle) came to Floydada and taught Keyboarding, Accounting, and was the cheerleading sponsor. Throughout the years, her job has transitioned many times as a result of new and emerging technologies. Currently, she teaches BIM (Business Image Management), Digital/Interactive Media, and Advanced Audio/Video. In her classes, Mrs. Hughes and her students create the video for Veteran's Day, they provide the school with periodic video announcements, and they provide video services for graduation, i.e. "remember whens" from seniors to parents and loved ones. Mrs. Hughes is also the BPA (Business Professionals of America) advisor and the UIL coordinator for Floydada I.S.D.

Aside from teaching, Hughes enjoys many activities such as spending time with her family, traveling, and reading.

On March 12th, 2015, a representative from Mrs. Baird's out of Lubbock, TX presented Hughes with the 'Teacher on the Rise' commendation. It was revealed that junior Rachel Hernandez nominated Mrs. Hughes for the award. Hernandez submitted a well-written essay with details about why Hughes deserved the honor.

According to Hernandez's essay, "Mrs. Hughes is very inspiring and makes us motivated to do better in our lives. She's had a great impact on our school, pushing students to their highest potential."

The response from the student body regarding Hughes' reception of the award was very positive. "I'm excited for Mrs. Hughes and Rachel. I think we have a lot of people that do a lot of excellent things and it's nice to see when people from the outside recognize it too," said principal Wayne Morren.

2015-2016 Floydada Cheerleaders

By Roxy Chavarria
Staff Writer

Commitment, spirit, and hard work are just some of the standards that are needed to become a cheerleader. Behind the cute uniform, peppy pom-poms, and the big cheer bow there are so many things that a cheerleader has to do to be the best one can be. These hard working athletes practice at least 2 times a week, practicing things like jumps, stunts, cheers, dances… etc. After perfecting these fundamentals and having what is most important when it comes to being a cheerleader, confidence, they cheer to the crowds aiming to uplift the spirit of fans during football games as well as basketball games.

On Monday, March 9, 2015, girls from both Junior High and High School took part in cheerleading tryouts in front of the student body and judges from the Lone Star Cheerleading Association.

The exiting Head Cheerleader, Aimee Chavarria, collaborated with outgoing seniors Liz Morales and Kim Delgado to develop a basic routine to perform that would allow the crowd to determine the fittest individuals for the spot. There were a total of 15 high school girls that tried out for varsity and junior varsity and a total of 14 junior high girls. A total of 10 high school girls, 6 varsity and 4 junior varsity, are allowed to become part of the squad. Also, a mascot is to be chosen to represent the Floydada Whirlwinds. Two students tried out and showed their dedication to becoming "Windy," unfortunately only one student could be picked to be Windy.

Beth Logsdon, the high school cheerleading sponsor looks forward to working with the upcoming 2015-2016 Floydada High School cheerleading squad.

"I'm really excited about next year's squads. There were a lot of talented girls who tried out, so I'm glad we're going to have quality cheerleaders to represent our school," Logsdon.

2015-2016 Cheerleaders

Varsity
RoxAnn Chavarria
Marie Lira
Kaylee Morren
Taylor Chavarria

Junior Varsity
Kortney Campbell
Allison Muniz
Kylie Ricketts
Caitlin Bishop

Mascot
Mason Chance

Junior High
Katelyn Stewart
Rickily Terry
Mercedes Alaniz
Kaylea Britt

2015 WHIRLWIND TRACK SCHEDULE

DATE	MEET	HS/JH	PLACE
FEB. 27	EAGLES RELAYS	HS	LUBBOCK ROOSEVELT
MAR. 5	WHIRLWIND RELAYS	JH	FLOYDADA
MAR. 6	WHIRLWIND RELAYS	HS	FLOYDADA
MAR. 12	MEAN GREEN RELAYS	JH	NEW DEAL
MAR. 13	MEAN GREEN RELAYS	HS	NEW DEAL
MAR. 20	SPRING BREAK	NO MEET	
MAR. 26	ANTELOPE RELAYS	JH	ABERNATHY
MAR. 27	ANTELOPE RELAYS	HS	ABERNATHY
APR. 2	LONGHORN RELAYS	JH	LOCKNEY
APR. 3	LONGHORN RELAYS	HS	LOCKNEY
APR. 6	DISTRICT 4AA MEET	JH	ABERNATHY
APR. 10	TBA	HS	TBA
APR. 17	DISTRICT 4AA MEET	HS	NEW DEAL
APR. 23	AREA MEET-4AA & 3AA	HS	PANHANDLE
MAY 1-2	REGIONAL TRACK	HS	ODESSA
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Honor Roll

Lockney Junior High School

A Honor Roll

6th grade
Hunter Lefevre
Tasha Schlueter

7th grade
Diego Azua
Brett Moore
Josiah Rodriguez

8th grade
Lyndee Setliff

A/B Honor Roll

6th Grade
RyAnn Castillo
Joshua Cienfuegos
Kalebh Cook
Cristian Gonzalez
Jessica Hernandez
Matthew Martinez
Sebastian Perez
Audrey Rexrode
Cristal Sanchez

7th Grade
Anahi Ascencio
Madai Chavira
Tatyanna Cienfuegos
J Faz
Emily Longoria
Clay Moore
Kayla Rodriguez
Archer
Hailee Widener

8th Grade
Liborio Ascensio
Markus DeLeon
Tyrell Egnew
Jose Felan
Bryson Hallmark
E'Lora Luna
Sierra Martinez
Reagan Nuncio
Adrianna Palomin
Joshua Pena
Alexa Poole
Haley Sanchez
Fernando Valdez

Lockney High School

A Honor Roll

9th Grade
Alyssa Gutierrez
Julio Lara
Karissa Petty

10th Grade
Elizabeth Belt
Tabetha Bigham
Seattle Jackson
Tavien Walrath

11th Grade
Levi Kasner
Jace Klein
Jake Moore
Stephen Setliff

12th Grade
Ignacio Ascencio
Sarah Belt
Darby Long
Andrew Palomin
Wil Prayor
Ashley Roberts
John Salas
Nicholas Sherman
Dixie Williams

A/B Honor Roll

9th Grade
Jose Bueno
Aleah Jimenez
Nimsi Perez
Nickolas Rendon
Austen Rexrode
Nohelia Salazar

10th Grade
Trevor Ascencsio
Calvin Borunda
Emiliee Encizo
Filomena Felan
Valerie Hernandez
Luke Kasner
Hannah Kidd
Maria Palomin
Haley Walker

11th grade
Shelby Coats
Camryn Diaz
Daylen Gatica
Elizabeth Hernandez
Scott Lass
Lena Luna
Ozzy Mondragon
Alex Rea
Salvador Ruiz
Elizabeth Salas

12th Grade
Sarah Carstensen
Haley Dunbar
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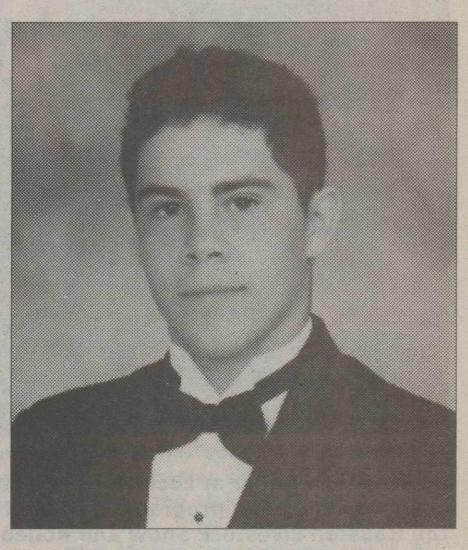
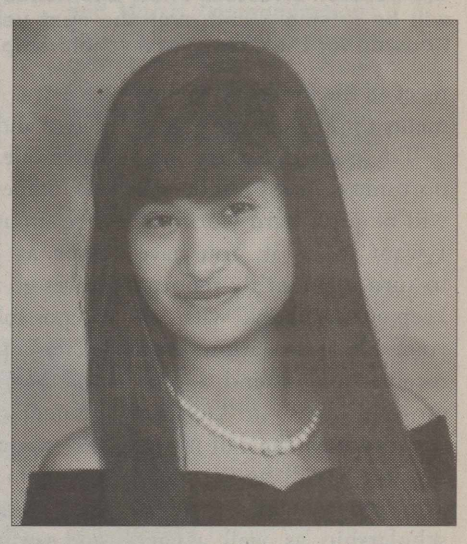
Senior Spotlights

By Alec N. Tambunga



Eliazar Guerra

Eliazar Guerra was born in Mannington Township, New Jersey to Elida and Esteban Guerra. He has lived in Lockney for 12 years after living in Plainview for 2 and a half years. During his freshman year, Eli was a member of the district champion cross country team, a regional cross country qualifier. He has been involved in baseball his sophomore and junior years, making it to playoffs. He was honored with Academic All-District as a junior. As a member of the basketball team, Eli advanced to playoffs his junior year. He was also a member of the mile relay track team, which advanced to the area competition his junior year. Eli was also on the varsity football team for 2 years and the marching band for three years. After graduating from high school, Eli plans to go to South Plains College and become an industrial technician.



Leslye Flores

Leslye Flores was born in Lubbock, TX on August 6, 1997 to Sara and David Flores. She has lived in Lockney her whole life. During her time at LHS, Leslye has been a 4-year member of the band. After High School, Leslye plans to attend South Plains College in Levelland for 2 years while taking her basics before transferring to the University of North Texas in Denton, TX.

Let's Go Team

By Lexi Chavez, Lissa Hernandez, and Lena Luna

On Thursday March 12, 2015 eighteen brave LHS students stood in front of their peers hoping to gain a spot on the 2015- 2016 cheerleading squad.

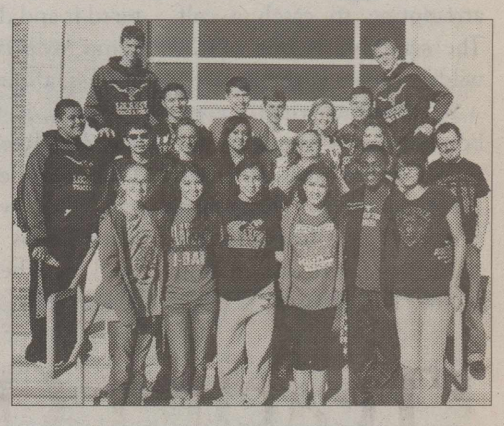
"I have tried out every year since sixth grade," said junior Anissa Guerrero. "Cheering our players to victory or a devastating lost has been one of my favorite things, it's hard to believe this will be my last year to try out."

Students trying out practice a chant, cheer and dance for two weeks prior to the performance. On the day of tryouts, students not only display their talents to the student body at Lockney High School, but also a panel of three guest judges.

Students representing Lockney High School for the 2015-2016 year include cheerleaders Reagan Nuncio, Sierra Martinez, Nohelia Salazar, Nimsi Perez, Tabetha Bigham, Lizzy Belt, Shelby Dunbar, Brittany DeLeon, Anissa Guerrero, Liz Salas and mascot Karis Carstensen.

Taking the Stage

By Lexi Chavez, Lissa Hernandez, and Lena Luna



Lights, music, action! It's that time of the year again. The Lockney One Act play cast and crew are taking the stage. After an incredible year last year advancing to the regional meet, they hope to make the next step this year, competing at state.

Under a new director, Mr. Bobby Hon, LHS One Act play will be competing with a performance of Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors."

"I feel like we have the energy, and charisma to make it pretty far," said sophomore cast member Luke Kasner. "We just need to clean up the scenes, make them perfect, and prepare for district."

The One Act play cast and crew begin their battle for a state title at district competition on Tuesday, March 24.

Lockney High Students Learn About Parenting

By Emiliee Encizo & Trevor Ascensio

Recently at Lockney High School, some students in the "Child Development" were required to take care of computer babies. This is all part of a plan to teach students what it is like to be pregnant and have the responsibility of caring for a baby.

"Realityworks infant simulators (computer babies) offer real-life experiences that address child care skills, the simulators provide a powerful hands-on experience," said Child Development teacher Mrs. Belt. "The student realizes the impact a baby will have on their daily lives. The student keeps the baby for a weekend and sees how his/her life would be impacted with a crying baby that has to have needs met."

Some students were required to wear stomach padding that made it look like they were pregnant. The padding weighed as much as a normal baby inside a stomach would. Some students even said it actually felt like they were pregnant.

"Last year when I had this class, I liked how the stomach thing shows you how you're would feel if you were pregnant," said junior Lexi Chavez. "It's hard to do a lot of things with that stomach."

After the students wore the stomach, they had to take care of a computerized baby. Responsibilities included changing it, feeding it, burping it, and anything else that might be necessary for a real baby. The students received a grade based on how they take care of the baby; everything is monitored in the baby.

"It was a good way to teach students what it is like having to take care of a baby," said junior Lissa Hernandez. "It was difficult having to tend to the baby's every need when you're trying to do your own things."

Students go through all these procedures to show them what it would be like if they were a parent, especially in their teenage years. This is just one way teachers at LHS are helping to teach and prepare their students for life after high school.

"Taking care of this baby was harder than I thought it was going to be," said sophomore Shelby Dunbar. "It may be a fake baby, but it would cry and scream just like a real baby."

Lockney High School Students Use Their Own Type of Language

By Trevor Ascensio & Emiliee Encizo

All year long, students have been using their own unique type of language to talk or text their friends. These words have been used all over social media, whether it's used as a hashtag, in a comment, or in a song.

"I use more than half of these words every day and I think it's hilarious to see people's faces when I use them," said sophomore Tabetha Bigham.

On the social media app Instagram, you will see the hashtags #MCM (Man Crush Monday), #TCT (Too Cute Tuesday), #TT (Transformation Tuesday), #WCW (Woman Crush Wednesday), #TBT (Throwback Thursday), #FBF (Flashback Friday), #SS (Selfie Sunday). These are popular was students label the pictures they post.

"I hear and see these words a lot but I don't really use them," said junior at LHS Lena Luna.

In the hallways of Lockney High School, you might hear the words savage, bae, fleek, turnt, irrelevant, basic, yeet, zero-chill or the phrase "Bye, Felicia." What do these words mean you might ask? Well, "bae" is just another word to say babe, "fleek" means that something is "on point," or perfect. The word "savage" means that you have the courage to say something that other normally wouldn't say.

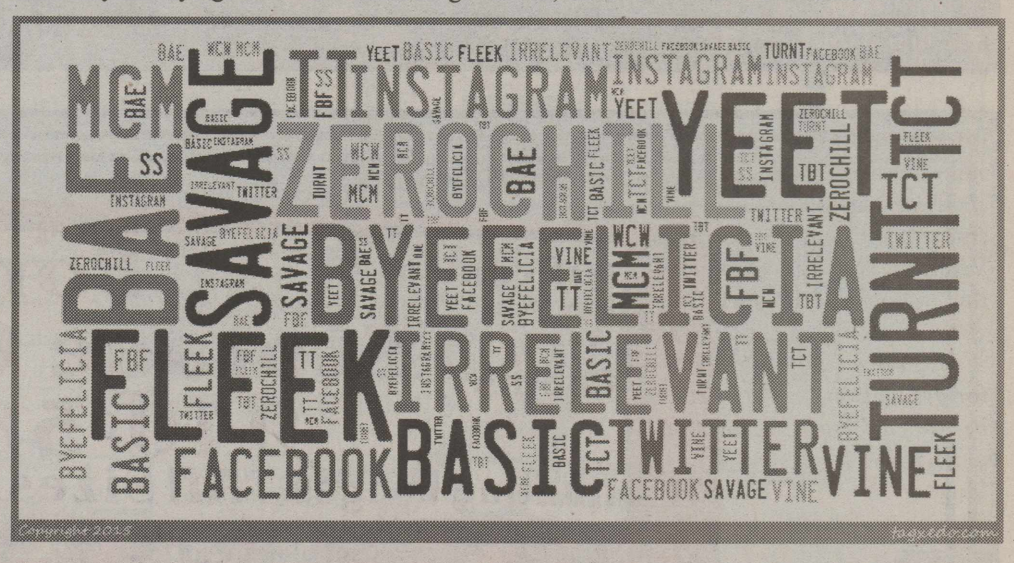
"I think it's cool how only the students know the meaning of these words," said junior Lexi Chavez. "When students use them they usually have to explain to the teacher what they are saying."

How do these interesting terms become popular? All it takes for them to be mentioned in a Vine, which is a social media app where people create six second videos, social media sites such as Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

"These words become popular so fast that it's sometimes hard to keep up," said sophomore Blanca Bueno. "I literally see them all over social media now."

These are just a few of the words and terms that are used at the high school, there are many more that are already popular or are quickly becoming popular. So, while these terms are popular among teens and some adults, are they harming the English language academically?

"I think that these terms have a place in language, as long as they are used appropriately," said English teacher Ms. Clement. "I have seen them used in academic writing and I feel that sometimes students don't know how to correctly distinguish when they are acceptable and when they should be avoided."



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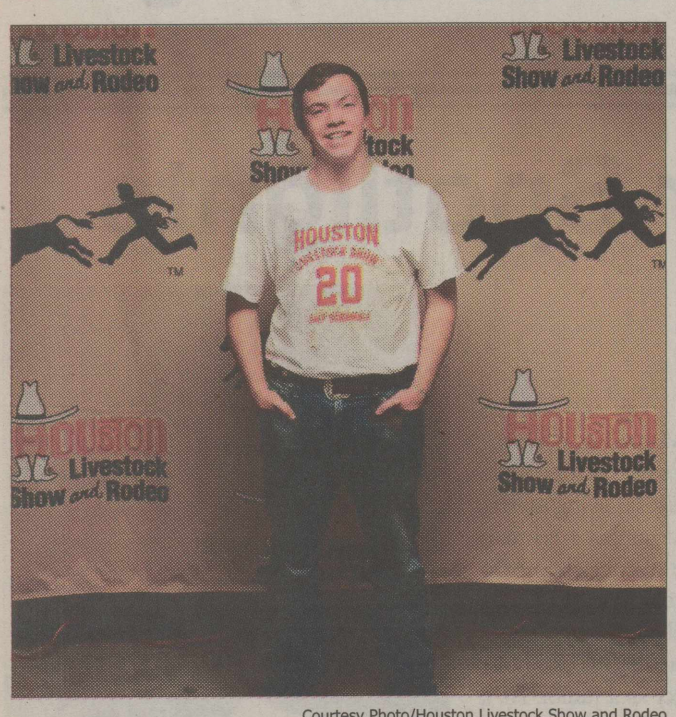

Courtesy Photo/Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

Scott Lass, a junior at Lockney High School and a member of the Lockney FFA program was able to capture a calf at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble. He will be raising a calf over the next year, then return to Houston for the chance at a scholarship and sale money.

meet all the program requirements throughout the year.

"I'm excited for the opportunity," Lass said. "It will be a lot hard work but I want to do it. You have to turn in monthly reports, keep a scrapbook with all your documentation and receipts and attend a progressive show in October to show how the calf is doing but it will be worth it. You have a chance to get a scholarship as well as get into the premium show."

Thirty selected applicants are chosen to race around the NRG Stadium (formerly Reliant) during the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo attempting to catch a calf. The scramble is one of the wildest events at the Rodeo.

It all begins when a cowboy hat drops, signaling the release of the calves and then the students begin their quest. One of the problems for the participants is to outrun their fellow competitors because there are not as many calves as there are students.

"The calves are held at the ramp and we were behind a line waiting for the start," Lass said, "then they would drop a cowboy hat and the race was on. There were 15 calves and 30 of us trying to catch one."

Competitors and calves are race around the huge arena floor as dirt, students and calves go flying. Every method possible is used to put the halter on the calf including bulldogging, tackling and the infamous tail capture.

"I started out chasing a calf, trying to pen it against the wall," Lass said. "I got kicked and saw some others getting kicked pretty good. Finally, I saw some calves standing back in the middle where the finish square was, so I just walked up to one, grabbed, took it out of the square, haltered it and drug it back in to claim my prize."

Lass, a lifetime resident of Lockney, is the 17-year-old son of Mike and Maurceen Lass. Besides showing the calf, Lass will continue to show lambs next year along with his other senior year activities. He is currently looking for a calf to purchase and get the project started.

"If I had the chance," Lass said, "I would do it again. It was a wild but fun experience and I know it will be hard work this year."

COFFEE

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would share and compare Starbucks coffee to roasting companies, like Evocation out of Amarillo, I realized that I was missing out. He and I booked a trip up to Chicago for a barista training class with the renowned Intelligentsia Coffee and Tea.

Shortly after, I left my job at Starbucks to work for another coffee shop. It was the beginning of summer in 2012 when we decided to start "Courier Coffee." We had been wanting to start a coffee catering service, so, we booked an event in July even though we had no equipment or supplies. But with the event scheduled, we had to make it happen. We bought our first espresso machine, then a workbench with wheels, water pump, then cups, flavorings, and hustled to put everything together in a month.

Since then, we have been part of various weddings, church events, farmers' markets, Christmas parties, LCU events, Texas Tech, Covenant, UMC and First Friday Art Trail, and even a baby shower (decaf for that one, of course).

It has been a great experience to work together as business partners and brothers. Our relationship lets us be more honest with one another. Brothers can argue one second and be laughing the next.

Our commonalities give us common purpose and our differences strengthen the team. We both love coffee, but Zane has a knack for the technical side of things, making sure everything we use is the best, and I handle the bookkeeping and public relations.

I think the analytic personality of our dad paired with the sociable influence of our mom, Debbie Montandon, is what makes us what we are as a company. We remember well where we come from as we move toward new horizons of taking this from a side business to a full time career.

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Barbara Anderson

Barbara Anderson is the office manager of the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada. She has been with the newspaper for over 18 years. She is married to Mike Anderson and has lived in Floydada for over 37 years. They have two sons, Monty and Dusty. Monty is married to Ginger and they have two children, Peyton Michael and Chloe LilyAnn. Dusty is married to Brook and they have three children, Bella Ryan, Brynlee Anne and Trent. Both her sons and their families live in Celina, Texas.

Charles Keaton

Charles Keaton has been a part of the Hesperian-Beacon for 20 months as a reporter. He and his wife, Donna, have been married for over 36 years and has lived in Lockney for nearly 18 years. They have three children (all Lockney graduates), Charissa, Rusty and Kami. Charissa and her husband, Cory have three children, Taryn, Rhealee and Graceson and they live in Littlefield. Rusty lives in Lewisville. Kami and her husband, Tim, live in Seagraves and Tim has a son, Taytem who lives in Louisiana.

Kay Ellington

Kay Ellington has been working with newspapers and media companies since 1976. including the New York Times, Gannett, Cox Newspapers, and Morris Communications. In 2013 she launched her own consulting firm, Media Garden, and provides contracted services to newspapers, ad agencies, broadcast firms, and book publishers. She has been with the Hesperian-Beacon since 2014.

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Floydada Police Report

From February 1 through March 16 Floydada police answered 379 calls.

February 8	Criminal mischief at 202 E. Hallie Street
February 8	Domestic assault call on W. Missouri Street
February 9	Domestic assault on a family member on W. Tennessee Street
February 9	Theft on Whirlwind Alley
February 10	Police investigated Jacob Andrew Riojas involving an incident of theft of greater than $500, but less than $1500 at Whirlwind Alley
February 11	Aggravated assault at 615 Whirlwind Alley
February 11	Police investigated an incident with Joe Adam Esquivel of 220 W. Tennessee Street involving Inhalant Paraphernalia to Ingest
February 18	Police investigated an incident of a terroristic threat at 117 W. California Street.
February 23	Domestic assault at 313 W. Lee Street
March 3	Criminal mischief of under $50 at 205 N. Second Street
March 3	Criminal trespass W. Houston Street
March 4	Police investigated Joe Adam Esquivel for public intoxication at 100 block of Missouri Street
March 6	Police investigate Joe Adam Esquivel for public intoxication at 420 Second Street
March 7	Police issued a traffic arrest warrant for Ramon Reyes, 2507 Rochelle, Plainview
March 7	Police issued a traffic arrest warrant for Priscilla Ann Aguilar, 1614 W. 25th Street, Plainview
March 9	Aggravated assault with deadly weapon at 812 S. Main Street
March 9	Assault at 111 N. Wall Street
March 11	Police investigated Isidro G. Sanchez for criminal trespass at 508 W. Lee Street

Ranching Heritage Center Hosts 45th Annual Ranch Day April 11

By Phil Cotham

Activities for the young and young at heart will highlight the 45th Annual Ranch Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 11 at the National Ranching Heritage Center (NRHC) in Lubbock.

More than 4,000 visitors attend Ranch Day every year and 150 volunteers work to make the NRHC come alive with historical interpretations and hands-on experiences. The popular event will include hands-on science and history demonstrations as well as a 20-foot Comanche tepee on the front lawn, music, dancing, and an old-fashioned "Snake Oil Magic Show" in the 6666 Barn.

The Texas Tech Equestrian Center ranch horse team will provide horse rides and a horse demonstration while rope maker Greg Davis will help visitors make their own ropes. Two chuck wagons will be set up in the 19-acre historic park to demonstrate chuck wagon cooking.

Guests can buy hamburgers and hot dogs as they enjoy the park and participate in such memorable activities as washing clothes on a washboard, churning butter, riding horseback, and pumping a railroad handcar. In addition, volunteers from Texas Tech and local organizations will supervise science stations where activities will include constructing simple machines, learning about steam power, and exploring range science.

The "Ranch Hand Experience" program will allow visitors (ranch hands) to get work cards when they arrive and have their cards stamped as they complete each activity. After six activities, visitors can take their stamped work cards to the Matador Office to receive cowboy pay that can be spent at the Waggoner Commissary.

The NRHC is a unique 27-acre museum and historical park that offers educational programs and exhibits to promote interest in ranching history and contemporary ranching.

The center provides 48 authentic dwellings and ranch structures from some of the nation's most historic ranches.

Supported by the Ranching Heritage Association and Texas Tech University, the center is located at 3121 Fourth Street adjacent to the Texas Tech campus. The NRHC does not charge admission for its activities but encourages donations to support its educational programs.

For more information, visit www.nrhc.ttu.edu or contact NRHC Director of Educational Programs Julie Hodges at 806.742.0498 or julie.hodges@ttu.edu.

Assignment: Texas
A Prairie in Pieces - Part 4

A couple of weeks after my first visit, I am again with Eidson at the Clymer Meadow. This time, however, we listen to a controlled burn expert who gives us a safety briefing. In my fire-resistant, high visibility clothing, I am flanked by biologists from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and local firefighters who, like me, listen intently to the fire manager's last-minute instructions. Within just a few minutes, one of the fire technicians lights up a diesel-fueled drip torch and walks along the northeastern edge of one of the prairie paddocks. The October grass is summer cured and makes efficient tinder. Once the first flames from the torch touch the ground, fire roars from the dried grass, and white smoke fills the northeastern Texas sky.

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Even as the prairie burns and leaves the ground bare, it won't be long before fresh chutes of green grass begin to emerge from the char. The burn/ regrow cycle is part of the rhythm of the prairie. "All of the tallgrass prairie, from the coast of

Texas to southern Manitoba, is a fire disclimax," Eidson says. Fire disclimax is a term used to describe an ecosystem being perpetually maintained in an early stage of succession by humans. Although the fire history for the region is unclear, Eidson believes that historically, Native Americans used fire as a tool to manage wild herds of bison.

"Bison will select burned patches over unburned," he says. "The protein content of the forage increases, it is tender, and they do not have to fight through dead oxidized grass to get to the green. It has been supported by some fire ecologists that most of the fire in the tallgrass prairie was introduced by humans at intervals of one to three years, punctuated by drought-driven wildfires that were major conflagrations."

Without fire, Eidson says, the prairie quickly succumbs to brush lands, and given the amount of rainfall in the area — about 40 inches a year — the successional forces are rapid.

As the fire burns in a steady and predictable manner, I follow along with the fire crews as they monitor the burn. In places, the flames reach as high as 10 feet or more and crackle with a sound that is sharper and more urgent than the wood fires in which I am accustomed to hearing. While the fire creeps to the southwest, crews on the other side of the meadow light another fire that is headed northeast into a scant breeze that's blowing in early October. The idea is that the fires will eventually meet in the middle, thus completing the controlled burn and increasing the grass output and diversity come spring. For Eidson, managing this prairie has been a 20-year affair, and he's always had a clear goal in mind.

"On Clymer, our objective is not to produce a vignette of what it looked like in 1842, but rather to increase diversity and thereby maintain healthy populations of all the 300-plus species of native plants occurring there," he says. "In light of climate change and the dire predictions, it is unlikely that these prairie remnants will be what they are today.

"We need to keep all of our options open."

LIFE Foundation to Host Golf Tourney

By Phil Cotham

LOCKNEY – The Lockney ISD Foundation for Excellence (LIFE) is hosting a golf tournament at the Plainview Country Club on April 18th at 8:00 am. The tournament will be a 4-person scramble format. The cost per player is $75 or $300 per team. The price includes green fee, cart, range balls, and a meal. There will be team prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and last. There will also be closest to the pin and longest drive prizes. Call Phil Cotham at 806-685-1017 for more details. Registration deadline is April 10th.

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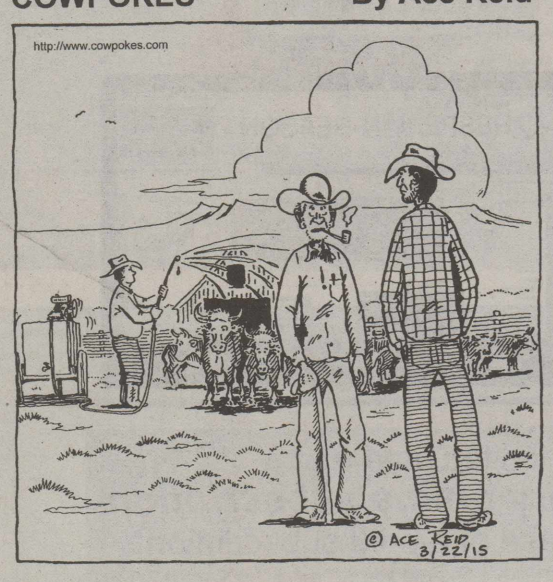

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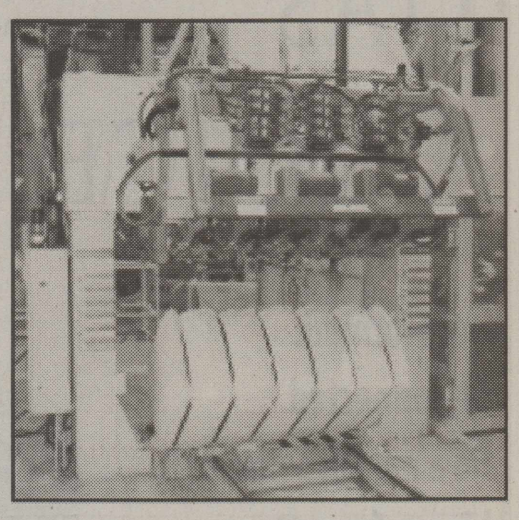

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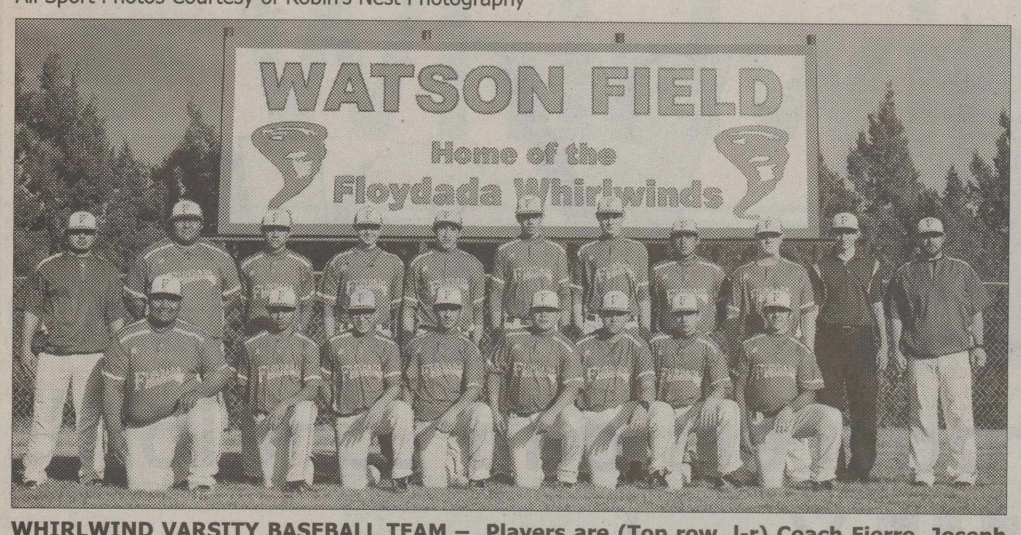

WHIRLWIND VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM – Players are (Top row, l-r) Coach Fierro, Joseph Rosa - Manager, Jesse Segura, Alex Glass, Zach Martinez, Mark McGowen, Brayden Campbell, Robert Mora, Carson Turner, Bryce Thomas -Manager, Coach Webb; (Bottom row, l-r) Marcos Olvera, Lewis Alaniz, Riky Cervera, Abraham Perez, Aaron Delafuente, Matthew Garza, Michael Crone, Marcos Cervera.

WHIRLWIND JV BASEBALL TEAM – Players are (top row, l-r) Coach Fierro, Esteban Lerma, Albert Dehoyas, Arnoldo Martinez, Remington Ricketts, Casey Cage, Steven Romero, Joe Johnston, Coach Webb; (bottom row, l-r) Jordan Moore, CJ Coronado, Jordan Mendoza, Jacob Chavarria, Ethan Ibarra, Evan Ybarra.

2014-2015 WHIRLWIND VARSITY BASKETBALL – (Back row, l-r) Kyi Baker, Tucker Lowrance, Josh Castaneda, DeAndre McCann, Zack Martinez, Josh Gonzales, Albert DeHoyos; (Front row, l-r) Jesse Segura, Rikardo Cervera, Abraham Perez, Tyler Eguia, JP Segura.

2014-2015 LADY WINDS VARSITY BASKETBALL – (Back row, l-r) Jade DeOchoa - Manager, Allison Cisneros, Annette Pena, McKenna Johnson, ShiAnn De Los Santos, Liz Morales, Coach Brandi Cook; (Back row, l-r) Brooke Galvan, Thalia Villa, Amy Chavarria, Kaylee Morren.

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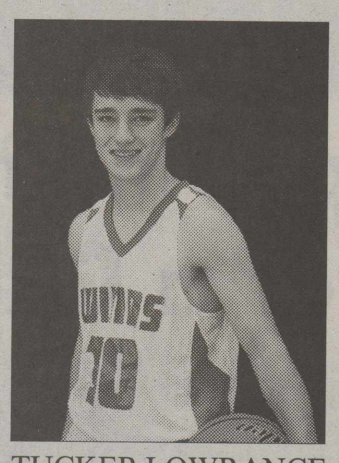

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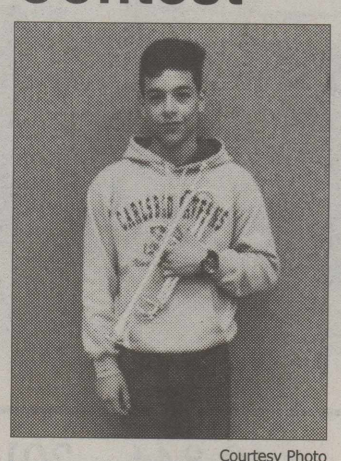
Torres qualifies for State Solo and Ensemble Contest



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On February 21st, Zeke Torres competed in a Solo and Ensemble competition at Coronado High School in Lubbock. Zeke played a solo and received a 1st Division. He went above and beyond, and memorized his solo. This qualified him for State Solo and Ensemble Contest in Austin! Zeke is the first State qualifier for the band in at least 6 years. He will be competing in Austin on May 25th. Congratulations Zeke!

Whirlwinds Edge Mustangs 4-3

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Pitchers dominated the game between the Floydada Whirlwinds and the Olton Mustangs on Thursday, March 19. Combined, the two Floydada pitchers and the one Olton pitcher allowed a total of 11 hits and seven runs. The Whirlwinds were able to edge the Mustangs 4-3 to take the district victory.

After Floydada held Olton scoreless in the top of the first, the Whirlwinds were able to push across one run to take the early lead. With two outs, Tucker Lowrance singled to center and advanced to second on a passed ball. Mark McGowan singled to center, moving Lowrance to third. Alex Glass entered as a courtesy runner for McGowan. Lowrance stole home to make it 1-0. After Jesse Segura was hit by a pitch, Brayden Campbell struck out to end the inning.

Neither team was able to score in the second or third inning. Olton started off the top of the fourth when Livesay reached on an error. Livesay stole second then Garza singled to center moving Livesay to third. Ramage flied to right field, allowing Livesay to tag up at third and race home with the Mustangs first run. Noak struck out and Esquivel grounded out to en the inning with the score tied 1-1.

Segura singled to lead off Floydada's half of the inning. Segura stole second and advanced to third on Campbell's ground out. Carson Turner drew a walk, then stole second. Zach Martinez struck out and Abraham Perez flied out to end the inning still tied, 1-1.

With one out in the top of the fifth, Thetford singled for Olton. After Jones struck out, Thetford stole second then McCall reached on an error as Thetford moved to third then came home on the play. Livesay flied out to end the inning with Olton leading 2-1.

In the bottom of the fifth, Lewis Alaniz walked to lead off. Robert Mora reached on an error then Lowrance was hit by a pitch to load the basis. McGowan struck out and Segura popped out but Alaniz scored on an error by the pitcher on the play. With Mora at third and Lowrance at second, Campbell singled, driving home Mora and Lowrance. Jacob Chavarria came in to run for Campbell and advanced to second on a passed ball. Turner grounded out to end the inning with Floydada leading 4-2.

Neither team could produce a run in the sixth inning. In the top of the seventh, Alvarez lead off with a single to center, Thetford reached on a fielder's choice with Alvarez moving to second. Thetford was thrown out attempting to advance. Rivera grounded out to the pitcher, allowing Alvarez to move to third. On an error by the first baseman, Alvarez raced home to make it 4-3 Floydada. McCall singled to center and moved to second on a passed ball but was left stranded when Livesay struck out to end the game. Floydada claimed the 4-3 victory.

Segura picked up the win for Floydada, allowing three hits, one run and striking out one in two and a third innings. Garza took the loss for Olton, allowing four runs on five hits, two walks and seven strike outs in six innings. McGowan pitched four and two-thirds innings for Floydada, allowing two runs on three hits, walking one and striking out eight.

Floydada vs Olton
March 19, 2015

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Olton	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	3	6	3
Floydada	1	0	0	0	3	0		4	5	3

Olton

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
TJ McCall	4	0	2	0	0	1
Dylan Livesay	4	1	0	0	0	1
Zach Ramage	2	0	0	1	0	1
Damon Garza	3	0	1	0	0	1
Alex Esquivel	3	0	0	0	0	1
Kerrick Noak	3	0	1	0	0	1
Alvarez	2	1	1	0	1	0
Austen Thetford	3	1	1	0	0	1
Damon Jones	2	0	0	0	0	2
Rivera	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	3	6	1	1	9

Batting **TB:** Austen Thetford, Damon Garza, TJ McCall 2, Kerrick Noak, Alvarez
RBI: Zach Ramage
ROE: Dylan Livesay, TJ McCall
FC: Austen Thetford, Alex Esquivel
HBP: Zach Ramage
GIDP: Alex Esquivel
SB: Austen Thetford, Dylan Livesay, Damon Garza 2, Alvarez
PIK: Alvarez
Totals **Team QAB:** 4 (13.79%)
Austen Thetford 2, Kerrick Noak, Alvarez

Team LOB: 5 Fielding **E:** Damon Garza 2, TJ McCall

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Damon Garza	6.0	93	34	5	4	0	2	7	0	.634
Totals	6.0	93	34	5	4	0	2	7	0	.634

Pitching **L:** Damon Garza
HBP: Damon Garza 2
Pitches-Strikes: Damon Garza 93-59
Groundouts-Flyouts: Damon Garza 8-3
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Damon Garza 16-28

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Floydada

Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Lewis Alaniz	3	1	0	0	1	0
Robert Mora	3	1	0	0	0	1
Tucker Lowrance	2	2	1	0	0	1
Mark McGowen	3	0	1	0	0	2
Jesse Segura	2	0	1	0	0	0
Brayden Campbell	3	0	1	2	0	1
Carson Turner	2	0	0	0	1	0
Zach Martinez	3	0	0	0	0	2
Abraham Perez	3	0	1	0	0	0
Alex Glass	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jacob Chavarria	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	4	5	2	2	7

Batting **TB:** Abraham Perez, Jesse Segura, Tucker Lowrance, Mark McGowen, Brayden Campbell
RBI: Brayden Campbell 2
ROE: Robert Mora
HBP: Jesse Segura, Tucker Lowrance
SB: Jesse Segura, Tucker Lowrance, Carson Turner
Totals **Team QAB:** 5 (17.86%)
Mark McGowen, Carson Turner, Zach Martinez, Lewis Alaniz 2

Team LOB: 6 Fielding **E:** Mark McGowen, Carson Turner 2
DP: Carson Turner

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Mark McGowen	4.2	66	22	3	2	0	1	8	0	.667
Jesse Segura	2.1	25	6	3	1	0	0	1	0	.760
Totals	7.0	91	28	6	3	0	1	9	0	.692

Pitching **W:** Jesse Segura
HBP: Jesse Segura
WP: Jesse Segura
Pitches-Strikes: Jesse Segura 25-19, Mark McGowen 66-44
Groundouts-Flyouts: Jesse Segura 2-2, Mark McGowen 4-1
First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Jesse Segura 7-10, Mark McGowen 12-19

Floydada BPA students compete at state leadership conference in Dallas

Floydada students competed very well at the state leadership conference in Dallas March 4-7.

Kaylee Morren was a national qualifier in medical office procedures.

Karley Weems received 4th place in prepared speech. Macee Brotherton placed 5th place in admin support research. Kirby Nixon finished in 6th place interview skills. McKenna Johnson finished in 7th place in digital media. Destiny Cabello finished in 7th place in integrated office systems. Selena Espinoza finished in 9th place in legal office procedures.

FHS principal Wayne Morren received the outstanding administrator award from BPA. Also Reagan Hughes, McKenna Johnson, Liz Morales, Karley Weems, Kaylee Morren and Destiny Cabello received Statesman Torch awards.

Lockney Boys Varsity Basketball Team

Courtesy of RK Hunt Photography

Lockney Boys Varsity Basketball 2014-15. Back row (L-R): Coach Marc Puente, Maurico Davila, Ignacio Luna, Rueben Ascencio, Jaden Rosales and Avain Luna. Front: Tavian Walrath, Eli Guerra, Daylen Gatica, Trevor Ascencio, Israel Cuellar and Tevin Phillips.

Lockney Girls Varsity Basketball Team

Courtesy RK Hunt Photography

Lockney Girls Varsity Basketball 2014-15: Back row (L-R): Coach Todd Hallmark, Sam Salas, Brenna Tidwell, Karis Carstensen, Kennedy Hallmark, Breanna Hernandez, Darby Long, Bailey Reese and Coach Shelby Easley. Front row (L-R): Lisa Hernandez, Marisol Hernandez, Camryn Diaz, Brittany DeLeon and Anissa Guerrero. Not pictured: Haley Walker and Lena Luna.

Lady Horns Use 11 Run First to Defeat Crosbyton 27-4

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Shelby Coats and Karissa Petty teamed up to hold the Crosbyton Lady Chiefs to four runs on three hits and guided Lockney to a 27-4 victory on Friday, March 20.

After shutting out Crosbyton on the top of the first, the Lady Horns exploded for 11 runs in the bottom half of the first. Dixie Williams led off with a single then stole second and third. Haley Dunbar was hit by a pitch. With Lexi Chavez at bat, Williams stole home for the first run of the game and Dunbar stole second. Chavez doubled, driving in Dunbar. Shelby Coats tripled to right field, driving in Chavez. After Darby Long flied out, Camryn Diaz walked, then Coats stole home and Diaz stole second. Kennedy Hallmark struck out but reached first when the catcher dropped to third, allowing Diaz to move to third. Kayla Jimenez popped out to third for the second out. Hallmark moved up to second on defensive indifference. Brittany DeLeon reached first on an error with Diaz and Hallmark scoring on the play. Williams doubled to left field, driving in DeLeon. Williams moved to third on a passed ball and scored on Dunbar's single. Chavez singled, Dunbar moved to third base and Chavez advanced to second on an error. Dunbar stole home and Chavez stole third. Coats reached on an error, allowing Chavez to score. Long reached on an error and Coats was able to score on the play and Long moved to second. Diaz was hit by a pitch. Hallmark struck out to end the inning.

Crosbyton was unable to score in the top of the second but Lockney added eight more runs in their half. Jimenez led off with a single. Jimenez advanced to second on a passed ball and DeLeon was out at first after a dropped third strike. Jimenez stole third and Williams reached first on an error. Dunbar singled, driving in Jimenez and advancing Williams to second. Williams stole third and Dunbar advanced to second on the play. Chavez doubled to left, scoring Williams and Dunbar. Coats singled and Chavez moved to third. Coats stole second then Long singled, scoring Chavez. Diaz doubled to center, scoring Coats and moving Long to third. Hallmark doubled to right, scoring Long and Diaz. Hallmark moved to third on a passed ball then scored when Jimenez grounded out to short. DeLeon popped out to first to end the inning and Lockney winning 19-0.

In the third, the Lady Chiefs failed to score and Lockney added three more runs. Williams led off with a triple to left. After Mari Hernandez struck out, Williams stole home then Chavez singled to left and moved to second on an error. Coats singled to right, scoring Chavez. Coats stole second then Breanna Hernandez doubled to left, moving Coats to third. Diaz grounded out to short but Coats scored and B. Hernandez moved to third. Hannah Kidd popped out to third to end the inning.

With the score 22-0, Crosbyton added four runs in the top of the fourth. After a lead-off strike out, Alyssa Munoz walked, then stole second. Cassandra Guzman then walked. Haley Lawson reached on an error with Munoz and Guzman moving up a base. Sydney Wallace walked, scoring Munoz and advancing the other runners. Emily Rodriguez singled to left, scoring Guzman and Lawson, moving Wallace to third and Rodriguez to second. Kat Pesina was hit by a pitch, then Jennifer Calderon struck out. Esperanza Flores singled, driving in Wallace and moving Rodriguez to third and Pesina to second. Morgan Montemayor struck out to end the inning.

Lockney added five runs in the bottom of the fourth as Jimenez led off with a double. Petty singled to center, driving in Jimenez. Williams doubled to left, driving in Petty. Williams moved up to third on a passed ball then M. Hernandez reached first on a dropped third strike allowing Williams to score. M. Hernandez moved to second on an error then Chavez reached on an error. Coats reached on an error which allowed M. Hernandez to score and Chavez to move third. Coats moved to second on the play. B. Hernandez singled but Chavez was thrown out at home and Coats moved to third. Brenna Tidwell reached on an error, allowing Coats to score and B. Hernandez to move to second. Kidd popped up to second and Jimenez grounded out to short to end the inning with the Lady Longhorns ahead 27-4.

Crosbyton failed to score in the top of the fifth and Lockney picked up the victory. Petty picked up the victory for the Lady Horns and Rodriguez suffered the loss for Crosbyton. Lockney managed 27 runs on 21 hits and only committed on error. Crosbyton manged four runs on three hits while committing 10 errors.

Crosbyton Shuts Down Longhorns 13-2

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Crosbyton limited the Lockney Longhorns to six hits and two runs as they captured a 13-2 victory on Tuesday, March 17.

The Chiefs opened up the game with three runs in the top of the third. Clark lead off with a double to center field. Zundt reached on a fielder's choice that allowed Clark to score, but Zundt was out trying to advance to second. Morales then grounded out. Henn reached on an error, then Rubalcado singled to right, scoring Henn. Gonzales singled to center but advanced on the throw home as Rubalcado scored. Rios grounded out to end the inning.

In the bottom of the first, Daylen Gatica was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning. Justin Suarez reached on an error by the third baseman and Gatica advanced to second. After Jacob Ochoa struck out, Avian Luna singled to center, moving Gatica to third and Suarez to second. Javier Guerrero and Ryan Poole to end the inning with the score Crosbyton leading 3-0.

After holding the Chiefs scoreless in the top of the second, the Longhorns scored one run with two outs when Trevor Ascensio walked, Gatica singled, moved to second on the throw to the plate as T. Ascensio scored, but Suarez ended the rally when he grounded out to the pitcher.

In the third inning, Crosbyton crossed the plate five times as the Longhorns gave up three hits and committed three errors in the inning. Zundt led off, reaching on an error by the first baseman. Morales singled to third base and Zundt advanced to second. Henn singled to right field where the right fielder committed an error that allowed Zundt and Morales to score with Henn ending up on third. Rubalcado singled, allowing Henn to score. Gonzales reached on an error and Rubalcado moved to second. Rios grounded out but Rubalcado scored and Gonzales ended up on third. Johnson grounded out to the short stop, allowing Gonzales to score. Gutierrez flied out to end the inning with the Chiefs leading 8-1.

In the bottom half of the third, Lockney had the first two batters on base as Ochoa and Luna both singled, but Gonzales struck out the next three batters to get out of the inning.

The Chiefs added two more runs in the top of the fourth to take a 10-1 lead. Clark struck out to start the inning, but Zundt singled, Morales reached on an error that allowed Zundt to score and Morales to move to second. Morales stole third, then Henn grounded out to third, allowing Morales to score. Rubalcado walked, Gonzales singled but Rios flied out to center to end the inning.

The Longhorns managed to score one run in the bottom of the fourth. Darin DeLeon struck out to start the inning, then T. Ascensio singled and stole second. Gatica singled to left, allowing T. Ascensio to score. Suarez and Ochoa grounded out to end the inning.

Neither team scored in the fifth inning, but in the top of the sixth, Crosbyton added three more runs. After Morales popped up to third, Garcia walked, then Rubalcado singled to right as Garcia moved to third. Rubalcado moved second on defensive indifference. With runners on second and third, Gonzales singled to right, driving home Garcia and Rubalcado. Rios was hit by a pitch to reach base. Johnson walked, loading the bases. Gutierrez flied out to right field, allowing Gonzales to tag up and race home with another run. Clark singled, loading the bases but Zundt lined out to third to end the inning.

The bottom of the sixth was Lockney's last chance to extend the game. The Longhorns went down in order as Israel Cuellar grounded out, DeLeon struck out and Michael Guerrero ground back to the pitcher to end the game and give Crosbyton the 13-2 victory.

Gonzales was the pitcher and Davila was the losing pitcher.

Gatica Strikes Out 12 in Longhorns 7-3 Victory

By Charles Keaton
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LOCKNEY – Lockney Longhorns' pitcher Daylen Gatica struck out 12 Hale Center batters, limited the Owls to three runs on 12 hits to lead the Longhorns to a 7-3 victory Saturday, March 21.

After holding Hale Center scoreless in their half of the first allowing two base runners, Lockney crossed the plate twice to take an early 2-0 lead. Leading off, Gatica walked then Justin Suarez drew a walk. Jacob Ochoa delivered a two-strike double to center to score Gatica and Suarez. Avian Luna lined out and Ochoa was thrown out after tagging up on the play. Javier Guerrero grounded out to end the inning, but Lockney had a lead they would never give up.

Both teams had two runners reach base in the second inning but neither could score. The Owls managed to score a single run in the top of the third. Castillo, leading off, reached on an error then Buxton struck out before J. Johnson singled to center and Castillo scored from first. Dunn struck out but Johnson stole second. Needham singled back to the pitcher, allowing J. Johnson to move to third but was left stranded when D. Johnson stuck out for the third out.

Lockney managed to add two runs in the bottom of the third to stretch the lead to 4-1. Gatica led off with a double to left field, then advanced to third on a passed ball and scored on a wild pitch. Suarez singled and stole second. Ochoa flied out to left field then Luna singled to center that allowed Suarez to score. Javier Guerrero flied out and Ryan Poole struck out with Luna on third.

The Owls failed to score in the top of the fourth but Lockney added one more run. Levi Kasner led off with a single to center then stole second. Darin DeLeon was hit by a pitcher before Israel Cuellar walked to load the bases. Gatica popped out for out number one. Suarez reached on a fielder's choice that allowed Kasner to score. Suarez was out trying to advance. Ochoa was hit by a pitch to load the bases again. Luna grounded to the shortstop who threw out Deleon at the plate to end the inning and the Longhorns had a 5-1 lead.

Hale Center scored one run in the top of the fifth when J. Johnson singled to right, then Dunn doubled to center and J. Johnson scored on a passed ball. Needham struck out and D. Johnson flied out with Dunn at third.

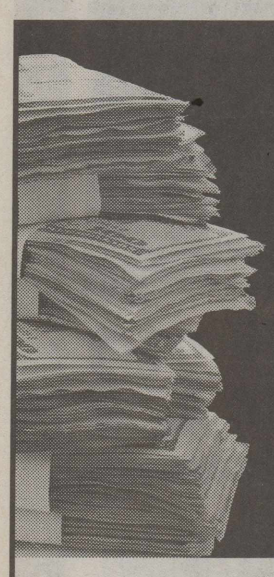
Hale Center held the Longhorns scoreless in the bottom half of the inning and Lockney returned the favor in the top of the sixth.

The Longhorns added two more runs in the bottom of the sixth. DeLeon singled to lead off the inning. Cuellar flied out to center. Gatica singled to left before Suarez doubled to center driving DeLeon home and moving Gatica to third. Ochoa walked, then Luna singled to right, score Gatica and moving Suarez to third and Ochoa to second. With bases loaded and one out, Guerrero grounded into an inning-ending double play as Suarez was out at home and Guerrero was out at first.

Hale Center came to bat for the final inning with Lockney leading 7-2. Buxton popped out but J. Johnson picked up his third hit of the game, a single to center. Johnson stole second then advanced to third on defensive indifference. Dunn struck out then Needham reached on an error that allowed J. Johnson to score but Needham was thrown out at third trying to advance on the play. D. Johnson was struck out by Gatica to end the game and give Lockney the 7-3 victory.

Gatica picked up the victory and R. Johnson suffered the loss. Besides his pitching performance, Gatica was 2-3 at the plate, walked once and scored three times to help secure the victory.

Lockney hosted New Deal on Tuesday, March 24 and will travel to Floydada on Saturday, March 28 for a 12:00 P.M. first pitch.



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Coats Limits Hale Center to One Run in 27-1 Lockney Win

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LOCKNEY – Crosbyton was hitless through three innings as Lockney Lady Horns pitcher Shelby Coats shut down the Lady Chiefs in a 27-1 Lockney victory on Saturday, March 21. Coats limited Crosbyton to one run on two hits while striking out 10 batters and only walking one.

The Lady Horns took an early 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first when Haley Dunbar singled, then advanced to second on a passed ball. Shelby Coats singled which allowed Dunbar to score.

Lockney added seven runs in the bottom of the second. Leading off the inning, Camryn Diaz, Kennedy Hallmark, Kayla Jimenez and Brittany DeLeon all walked and scored Diaz. Dixie Williams singled to left, scoring Hallmark and Jimenez. DeLeon and Williams advanced on a passed ball. Haley Dunbar reached on an error, scroing DeLeon and moving Williams over to third. Lexi Chavez struck out. Dunbar moved to second on defensive indifference and Coats was hit by a pitch. On a triple steal, Williams stole home, Dunbar to third and Coats took second. Darby Long singled, driving in Dunbar and moving Coats to third. Long moved to second on a passed ball and Diaz walked again. Coats scored on a passed ball and Long moved to third while Diaz moved to second. Hallmark then walked to load the bases. Jimenez struck out and DeLeon popped out to end the inning with Lockney up 8-0.

In the bottom of the third, the Lady Horns exploded for 16 runs to put the game out of reach. Williams singled to left, then Dunbar flied out. With Chavez batting, Williams stole second and third before Chavez walked. Chavez stole second and Coats walked. With another triple steal, Williams went home, Chavez moved to third and Coats moved to second. Chavez then stole home and Coats stole third. Long walked, then Diaz walked to load the bases. Hallmark tripled, driving in three runs as Coats, Long and Diaz all scored. Hallmark scored on a wild pitch. Jimenez walked and stole second. DeLeon doubled to center, scoring Jimenez. Williams doubled to left, moving DeLeon to third. Dunbar walked to load the bases. Chavez walked on passed ball that allowed DeLeon and Williams to score. Dunbar moved to third and Chavez ended up at second. Coats singled to left, scoring Dunbar and moving Chavez to third. Long singled up the middle as Chavez scored and Coats moved to second. Coats then stole third and home and Long stole second. Diaz walked to put runners at first and second. Hallmark popped out to short. Jimenez walked to load the bases. DeLeon singled, scoring Long and moving Diaz and Jimenez up a base each. Williams, batting for the third time in the inning, singled to left, scoring Diaz. Jimenez scored on a passed ball. Dunbar walked to load the bases again but Mari Hernandez struck out to end the inning with the score 24-0.

In the top of the fourth, Crosbyton scratched out their lone run of the game. Audrey Belyeu singled, then Nicole Valencia walked and was replaced by Natalie Jimenez as a courtesy runner. Belyeu and Jimenez moved up on defensive indifference. Miranda Valencia reached on a fielder's choice, allowing Belyeu to score. Sarah Malone struck out to end the inning with Lockney leading 24-1.

Lockney added three more runs in the bottom of the fourth. After Coats lined out, Long doubled to left, then Diaz fouled out. Hallmark hit an infield single to third. Brenna Tidwell walked to load the bases. DeLeon reached on an error that allowed Long to score. Williams doubled, driving in Hallmark and Tidwell. Dunbar walked, loading the bases again but Hernandez grounded out to second to end the inning.

In the top of the fifth, Coats struck out the first two batters before Makalya Payne singled to third, but then Coats struck out Marissa Rodriguez to end the game with a Lockney victory 27-1.

Coats took the win and Belyeu suffered the loss.

The Lady Horns traveled to New Deal, Tuesday, March 24 and will travel to Floydada on Saturday, March 28 for an 11:00 A.M. start.

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Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

MITT LIVINGSTON

Written by
Alma Jo (Livingston) Davis

Eugenia and Mitt Livingston came to Lockney in the early 1900's. Their sons, Blanton and Sam, with their families soon joined them. Blanton and Noreen reared five children. They were Flora, Mildred, Albert, Ruth and Bobby. Mildred and Ruth arc still among the living and both reside in California.

My parents, Sam and Addie Livingston and myself, Alma, left Eldorado, Oklahoma via covered wagon to homestead in Ochiltree County near Waka. Mother's parents were homesteading there. After a short time, we went to Lockney and lived with Dad's parents in the northeast part of town. Reno was born there January 5, 1910. Soon after, Grandfather sold the place to the Teavers and moved into a new concrete block home, which although! badly vandalized, still stands in the north part of town not far from Lockney Nursing Home. We also moved nearer town but soon moved "house and all" just south of the first Livingston place. A sudden stroke had taken grandfather's life and Dad's mother deeded some land to him. In a few years Novus was born, July 11,1916.

Mitt Livingston was a retired Civil War veteran. He served as a surgeon. For a few years Dad and Uncle Blanton ran a livery stable. Then Blanton moved to a farm place in the Muncy Community where they lived until World War I, when they moved to Canyon. A few years later, Grandmother made her home with them until she died in 1930.

Dad drove the Lone Star Mail Route for several years. Then worked in Ed Reeves Service Station. Mr. Reeves was killed when hit by a car just in front of the station. Years later. Dad was hit by a World War II troop Train while grazing a cow. The railroad bisected with our property.

All of us attended Lockney schools. My early school days were spent in old buildings heated with potbellied stoves, no water fountains, outdoor privies, etc. One building burned and we finished out the school term in a store building. However my high school days were spent in a nice brick building that had steam heat but we had to sit on the radiators to warm ourselves. It burned while I was in college.

My friends and I had to walk everywhere we went so our social life was at school and the First Baptist Church. We took turns having Sunday dinner in our homes.

In my 1921 graduation class were Mable Reeves-Abilene; Erma Mae (Hardesty) Hutton-Abilene; Christene (Milwee) Magee-Canyon Lake Shores; Helen (Collier) Matney, deceased; Earl White-Farmington, N. M.; Carmen Tate, deceased; Mildred (Collier) Shaw-Amarillo; Faye Guthrie-Albuquerque, N.M.; Alma (Christopher) Martin-Snyder; and myself, Alam Jo (Livingston) Davis-Amarillo. In the summer of 1973, we enjoyed a class reunion with all except Earl White attending. Lockney has changed so, we had difficulty locating familiar places. Fay was a great help and we had a grand old time reminiscing.

I taught school a few years, two of them in Lockney. Then spent 46 years as proofreader with the Amarillo Globe News.

Reno finished Lockney High School but was persuaded to take post-graduate work and play on the football team. He was injured in the first practice session and died the next day, October 10, 1928.

Novus became a paint and body-man and maintained a shop on the Livingston acreage adjoining the cemetery. He now lives in Midland. Novus married Vema Snelson and they had one son, Bobby, who attended Lockney Schools. He was stricken with leukemia at 17 years of age while the family resided in Florida and died soon after in Monahans. He was buried at Lockney.

Our mother died at the age of 90, in Lockney.

I married Lewis Davis, also of Amarillo Globe-News and we had one son, Grady Lewis. Grady attended Amarillo Schools and was veteran of the Korean conflict. He was trained as an electrician. Bad health ruined a promising career. He passed away at the age of 44 on September 11, 1977, and was buried in Lockney. The burial plots for him and myself are on land formerly owned by the Livingstons.

This may not at all be what is needed for the historical publication but under the present circumstances, it is the best I can do.

Wit and Wisdom

by Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

My idea of an agreeable person is a person who agrees with me. – **Benjamin Disraeli**

If two men agree on everything, you may be sure that one of them is doing the thinking. – **Lyndon B. Johnson**

Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop away from you like the leaves of Autumn. – **John Muir**

Mountains inspire awe in any human person who has a soul. They remind us of our frailty, our unimportance, of the briefness of our span upon this earth. They touch the heavens, and sail serenely at an altitude beyond even the imaginings of a mere mortal. – **Elizabeth Aston**

The secret to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources. – **Albert Einstein**

When Alexander the Great visited Diogenes and asked whether he could do anything for the famed teacher, Diogenes replied: 'Only stand out of my light.' Perhaps some day we shall know how to heighten creativity. Until then, one of the best things we can do for creative men and women is to stand out of their light. – **John W. Gardner**

Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up. – **Pablo Picasso**

He who speaks without modesty will find it difficult to make his words good.
– **Confucius**

It is no good to try to stop knowledge from going forward. Ignorance is never better than knowledge. – **Enrico Fermi**

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JAMES

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Floyd County Church Directory

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Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m..
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BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship .... 6:00 p.m
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m
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CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study .....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.
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CARR'S CHAPEL
Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship ....9:00 a.m.
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.
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CHURCH OF CHRIST
West College & Third, Lockney
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
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CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Matthew Benfield - Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Tim Franks, Pastor
Logan Lamb - Min. Students
Sunday School .....9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m.
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney
Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ....10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth). .7:15 p.m.
*****

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor
Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....6:30 p.m.
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.
Worship Service ....10:30 a.m.
Evening Service..... 6.00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High .....5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.
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GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m.
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MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
Beau A. Hart, Minister
Bible Study .....9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.
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MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Timothy Askew
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...6:00 p.m.
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NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
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Sunday Singing .....10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
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OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
310 E. Mississippi
Floydada
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise ....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m
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PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.
Discipleship .....5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.
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PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Floydada
Rev. Toby Gonzales
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening .....7:00 p.m.
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SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Patrick Maher
Wed. Communion....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
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SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m
Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m
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TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD
701 W. Missouri
Joe M.Hernandez
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..... Sunday School .....
English..... 9.45 a.m
Spanish..... .11:00 a.m.
Spanish Worship .....9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
EveningService.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.
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ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ike Temporaza
Phone: 983-5878
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.
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TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School .....9:45 p.m.
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m.
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TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship .... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.
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TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA
Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship .....5:00 p.m.
Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.
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TRINITY ASSEMBLY
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Tom Ross - Pastor
983-5499
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening .....6:00 p.m.
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TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.
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The Farm Life Quilt — Patterns to the Past

By Amanda Stapp
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

(This article will appear in the April Texas Coop Power Magazine)

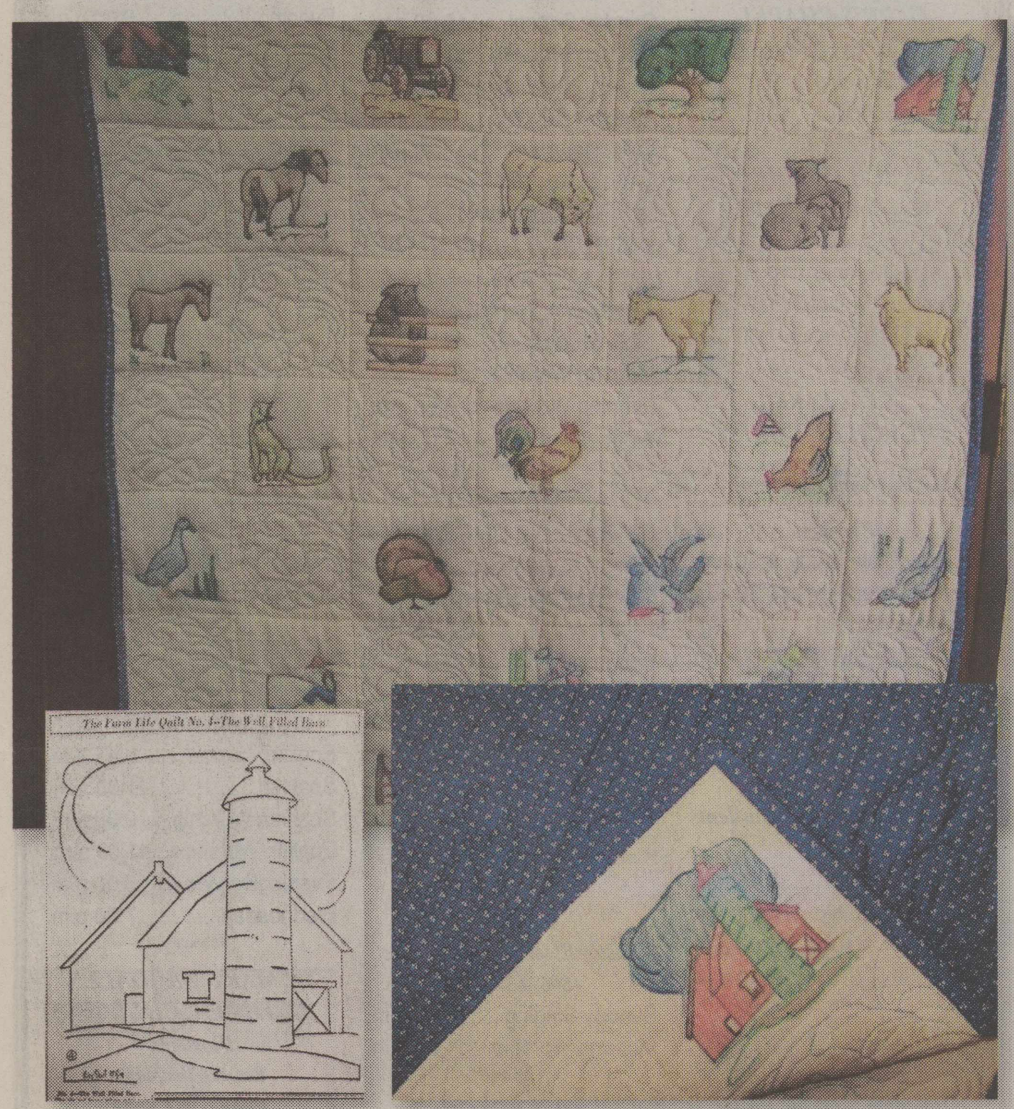
When Wayde Clay's mother, Opal Martin, passed away in 1989, her four children decided to get together and divide up her things amongst themselves. Little did Wayde know, there was a treasure to be found in her pile.

As a child growing up in Flomot, Texas, Wayde and her family received the Ft. Worth Star Telegram every day. It was a valued commodity during a time of War and Depression, and it was amazing to think about the lengths it took to get it to their rural address every day. As with any newspaper, the Ft. Worth Star Telegram kept them connected to the world around them, and offered up all sorts of information. From time to time, it also encouraged them to take part in their more creative sides. Wayde's mother took those opportunities as they came about, and soon had a collection going that would one day be turned into a work of art, and a connection to the past.

Thursday, November 6, 1939 the Ft. Worth Star Telegram wrote an article entitled, "Quilt Pattern Instructions Provided." Along with the article, they included a picture of a barn scene set on a farm titled, "The Farm Life Quilt No. 4 – The Well Filled Barn." The article went on to explain that the paper would supply all the necessary patterns for the quilt free of charge. They would print the patterns the correct size, you just needed to transfer direct from the newspaper through carbon to the fabric of your choice; muslin, broadcloth or pongee may be used. Color by numbers for each pattern were included, with wax crayons being the best method. At the end of the 25 pattern series you could set them all together to make a quilt. They even included exact measurements for cloth and material needed, as well as suggestions to help you in your sewing. Opal Martin managed to collect, transfer and color all 25 patterns to old Tobacco sacks, but that was as far as it went, until Wayde found it in her pile.

After examining the pile of her mother's things, she found the colored tobacco sacks. Besides the fact that it was a quilt, Wayde didn't know much more about the patterns on the sacks, so she had a lady named Opal Hamilton quilt it together for her. A few years after the quilt was made, another lady by the name of Lula Pace saw it hanging in Wayde's house and knew exactly how that quilt came about. She explained to Wayde about the patterns in the Ft. Worth Star Telegram, and showed her how to bring out and set the Crayola colors with vinegar. It helped bring that quilt back to life and helped shine a new light on her mother and her talents.

Wayde said she has had that quilt hanging in a bedroom since 1995 and continues to learn more about it even today. It's a quilt that can take you right back to a certain time and place; where the paper came every day and patterns were included.



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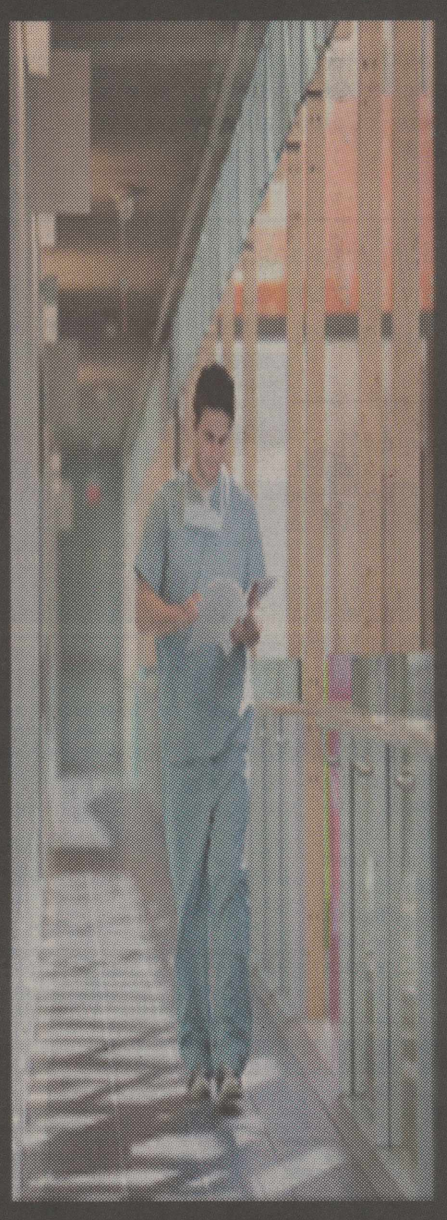

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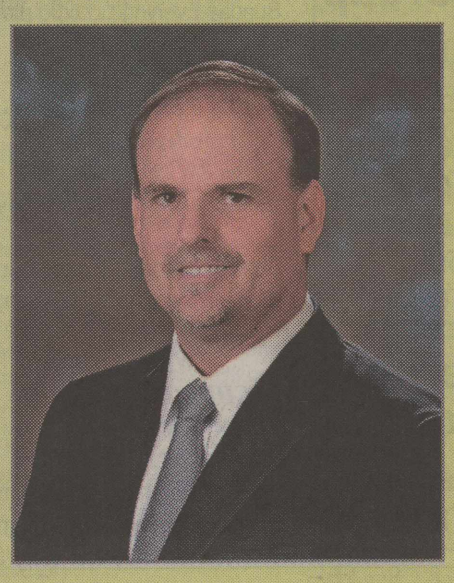
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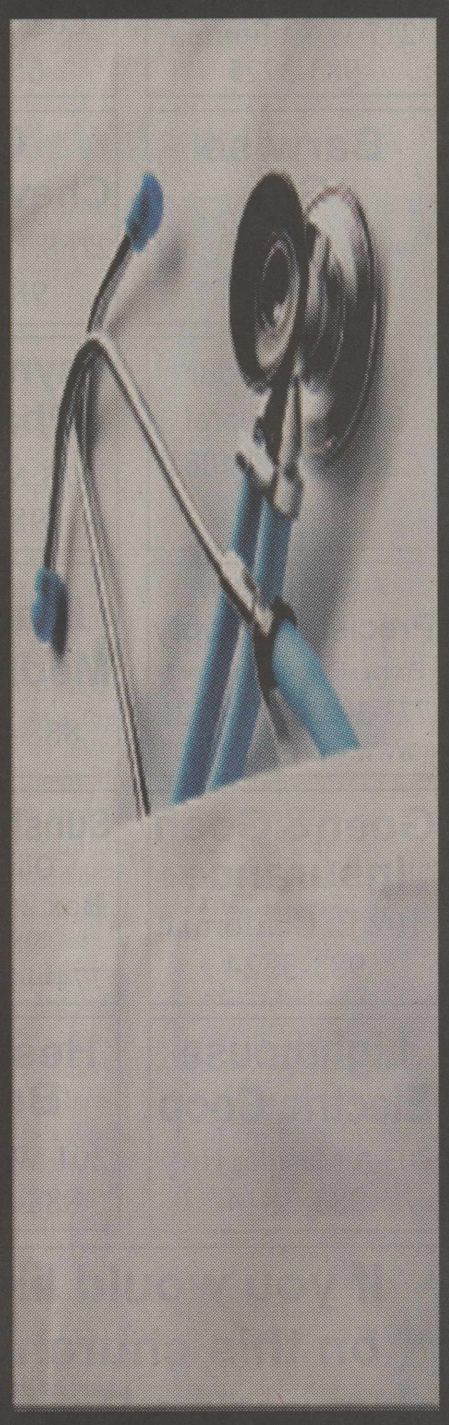

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