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Mini Bull Riding featured at PBR Built Ford Tough Series

By Jennifer Harbin

Since their first event in Amarillo at the Cowboy Church in 2011, Jr. and Lillie Leal started their travels all over the United States building the hard-core sport of mini bull riding.

The Leals have been very fortunate since the beginning of their adventure with mini bulls. But partnering with professional bull riding (PBR) all-star Chris Shivers, 2-time PBR World Champion Bull Rider and PBR 90-Point Club Champion, was a history altering move in their careers. With gaining momentum and tours on the rise, it was only a matter of time that mini bull riding took that next step up.

On March 2, Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas will showcase MBR in the PBR Fan Zone in the Dickies Iron Cowboy IV in the Built Ford Tough Series.

The Iron Cowboy Built Ford Tough Series appears across the United States which started at the Madison Square Garden Rodeo in New York. They'll be making different stops with different sponsors, ending the invitational in the 2013 Built Ford Tough World Finals in Las Vegas, Nev.

"We went last year to the Iron Cowboy Built Ford Tough Series as spectators, but this year we tried to get

tickets to the event in Arlington on Cyber Monday, they were half off that day, but we tried and tried to get tickets and the transaction wouldn't go through," said Lillie. "But God knew what was going to be ahead and that we were going to be there."

"Built Ford Tough is the one you want to be in, it's the one on TV," said daughter Alysa Leal.

"Were praying that it will be on TV or livestream. People can get on the website and view it," said Alysa. "On the PBR website you have to be a "Posse Member" and can watch the events online for just \$30/year."

The junior (ages 8-11) and senior (12-14) contestants will ride in two 1-hour sessions at 2 pm and 4 pm in the PBR Fan Zone, whittling down the competition from 12 in each category to the top three for each, with the final section ridden in the afternoon in Cowboys Stadium.

According to Lillie, there are kids coming from Georgia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arizona, Colorado and Texas to compete.

At the finals in Las Vegas last year, there was mini bull riding in the Fan Zone and people flocked around to get a taste of the mini bulls to the point that the seating ran out.



Courtesy Photo

The Miniature Bull Riders Association showcases the best youth rodeo action, while preparing talent in this new sport for future careers.

"This year they are going to make sure there is enough seating for everyone," said Lillie.

Junior saw how big a sport it could be. But he also knew that the more promotion you did the bigger it would get. But it wasn't the promise of dollar signs or fame that drew Junior and Lillie into the world of mini bull riding. When visiting an event in the beginning, before the dream had fully blossomed,

he noticed "that if I give these kids what they have coming and treat the parents like they should be treated it will work."

He immediately went into promoting through magazines and it got a little bigger. Then he did one of biggest events in the world that had been done on minis.

"I was a guy from Lockney and I did it," said Junior. "It was in Ogden, Utah and it was huge. There were people

from all over the country that came."

People at the event were so happy that we had done this for these kids according to Junior.

"I could see it would be something that would be really good for the families," said Junior.

You want to keep that going according to Lillie. The kids who participate are well mannered, say 'yes ma'am' and 'no ma'am', and it's not

just a reminder of how families used to be but an outlet here and now to keep together good families.

On March 15 and 16 there will be the Tuff and Gunnyr Araujo Invitational a little closer to home in Levelland. This will be the first time the Leals have held an event in Levelland, but second annual

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Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Friday, Feb. 15, the Floyd County and Crosby County Fire Departments were alerted of a fire on the edge of Blanco Canyon on 61. The house was unoccupied and belonged to a doctor in Lubbock. "Someone in the area called it in. It was out of control when we got here, the roof was sagging. It had been burning for a few hours," said Crosby County Fire Chief Jim Justus. "Our main concern is to keep it out of the grass."

Fence being erected around Unity Center

By Jennifer Harbin

The Floyd County Friends Boards has decided that a fence must be built around the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in order to preserve its parking lot.

Xcel Energy has fenced off an area south of the Unity Center to be used as an equipment yard in the construction of a high powered wattage

UNITY CENTER
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Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Phil Cotham was presented the highest honor given in Rotary Club, the Paul Harris Award, for good work within the Club. The award is being presented to Cotham by Assistant Governor of Area 4 Steve Long of the Plainview Rotary Club.

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
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Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

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Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor

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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada

Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music

Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney
Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 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. Les Hall, Pastor

Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday)..6:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
Beau A. Hart, Minister

Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
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Rev. Timothy Askew
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Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
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Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
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Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
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Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor

Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

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. Evening7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor

Wed. Communion....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

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Spanish Worship9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Angelo Consemino
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Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon./Wed. Mass6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.

TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez

Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA
Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY
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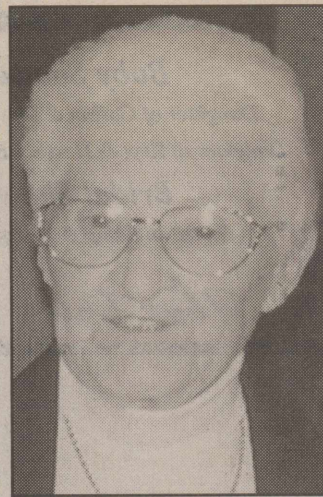
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
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OBITUARIES



REDA MAE GARY
Reda Mae Gary, age 92 passed away on February 10, 2013.
Funeral services were held

JIM N. ROBERTS
A memorial service for Jim N. Roberts was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at the South Plains Baptist Church with Bro. Joe Weldon officiating.

Jim was born March 30, 1937, in Amarillo, Texas to V.N and Pearl Roberts and died February 8, 2013 in Lockney.

He moved to California at the age of 3 years. He graduated from Merced, California High School and returned to Texas in 1956 where he met and married Peggy Epperson on July 20, 1957. Two children were born of

at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 14, 2013 at the Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada with Reverend Les Hall officiating.

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

Reda Mae was born to R.B Gary and Annie (Cope) Gary on August 8, 1920. She was a honorary member of Meadow Golf Club. Reda Mae worked in Floydada at the U.S.D.A for 8 years; she started at the age of 18. She then went to work for the VA in Lubbock, and later transferred to Waco, Texas for 14 years.

Reda Mae moved back to Lubbock where she retired at the age of 59, she retired with

this union, a daughter Cari, and a son, Terry.

Jim worked in the cotton gin and grain elevator business most of his adult life and had many hobbies: fishing, hunting, tennis, softball, and gardening. He also enjoyed flying and obtained his pilot license in 1969.

He was a loving husband and father, soft-hearted, good-natured, hard working, fair and honest.

He is survived by his wife of 55-1/2 years, Peggy, of the home; a son, Terry of Justice-berg, Texas; a daughter, Cari and husband, Brett Spiars of

40 years of service. She was a very avid golfer; she was very active with the Lady Raiders basketball team, where she flew with the Lady Raiders to many games as well as having her own pilot's license.

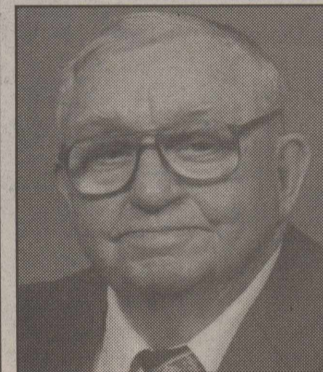
She is preceded in death by two sisters, Estelle Gary Turner and Blanche Gary Williams.

Reda Mae is survived by nieces and nephews, Loene Nelson and husband, Hershel of Lubbock, Texas, Elmer Dean Williams and wife, Martha of Floydada, Texas, Leon Williams and wife, Carolyn of Petersburg, and Gary Turner and wife, Brenda of Springfield, Missouri.

Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

Katy, Texas; four grandsons, Lane Roberts of Lamesa, Texas, Dane Roberts of Norman, Oklahoma, James Spiars of Denton, Texas and David Spiars of Katy, Texas; three sisters, Mary Wedell of Auburn, California, Norma Chapman of Phoenix, Arizona and Linda Black of Winslow, Arizona; a brother, Bill of Troy, Missouri, and six great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Lockney Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 100, Lockney, Texas or Hospice Hands of West Texas, P.O. Box 1118, Lockney, Texas.



JUDE STRICKLAND
Jude Strickland, age 89, of Lockney passed away Sunday, February 3, 2013 in Amarillo.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney.

Interment followed at the Lockney Cemetery. Arrangements were under the care of

Moore Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Julious Green (Jude) Strickland was promoted to heaven on Sunday, February 3, 2013, which he had longed for most of his 89 years. He was born May 23, 1923 into the home of J.T. (Boots) and Eva Strickland in Coleman, Texas. Jude attended schools in Haskell County Texas.

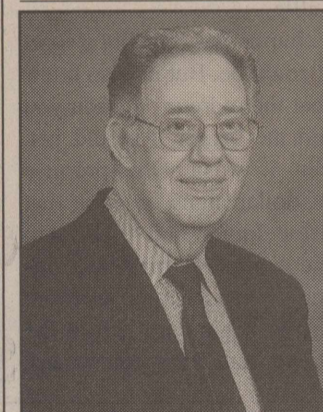
He served as a combat infantry Marine in the Pacific theatre during World War II. An injury there resulted in disability in the later years of his life. After an honorable discharge Jude kept a promise to God to enter full-time Christian ministry by enrolling in seminary training. He served as a pastor for 46 years, credentialed with the Assemblies of God, United Methodist Church and

Independent churches in Texas, Illinois, and North Carolina. Jude married Marie Fortenberry in 1947 and to this union were born five sons.

Those who greeted Jude at the Golden Gate were his parents, his brother, Leonard and a premature son.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; four sons, Dennis of Dallas, Ron and wife, Linda of Floyd County, Texas, Loren of Ft. Meyers, Florida, Leland and wife, Karen of Arlington, Texas; five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, a sister, Wanda Zachary, and a brother, Bill of Lockney.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to a home or world mission cause which was dear to Jude's Heart.



GEORGE W. SPEARS
George W. Spears passed away in a Meridian, Idaho hospital on February 8, 2013.

George was born November 11, 1930 in Canyon, Texas to William M. Spears and Mary Clem Spears. He grew up in Floydada, Texas and graduated from Floydada High School in 1950. George attended West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas for one year.

George married Almeta Joyce Wilson, his high school sweetheart, on January 6, 1951. They had three sons, William C.

Spears, Gary W. Spears, and Scott D. Spears. George was a loving and devoted husband and a caring father, providing his sons with an excellent role model. George worked in his father's automotive business in Floydada for 16 years. The family moved to Colorado when he began his career in automotive parts sales with Bowman Products. After being promoted to district sales manager in 1973, they relocated to Seattle, Washington.

In 1979 he and his family moved to Boise, Idaho as George continued his career in sales management with Bowman Products. In 1981, George opened his own automotive parts and fastener business, Idaho Standard Parts. With the unwavering support and cooperation of his wife, Joyce, George was able to build Idaho Standard Parts into a successful business with customers all across southern Idaho, from Weiser to the Magic Valley, and eastern Idaho as far as Idaho Falls. George operated

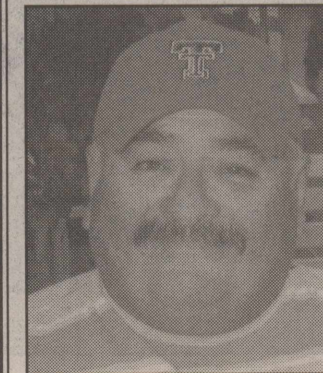
Idaho Standard Parts until his passing.

George who survived by his wife, Joyce, of Boise, Idaho; two sons, William Craig Spears (wife - Joan Dwyer Spears) of Liverpool, England, UK, and Scott Spears (wife - Laure Reed Spears) of Boise; two grandchildren, John W. Spears of Westminster, California and Angela L. Spears of Renton, Washington and three great-grandchildren, Raheem Spears of Olympia, Washington and Michael Spears and Kazi Spears of Diamond Bar, California. He is also survived by one brother, Richard Lyndel Spears, (wife - Sandra Edwards Spears) of Sweetwater, Texas.

George was preceded in death by his parents, and his son Gary.

A memorial service will be held at Relyea Funeral Home, Boise.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gift to the Idaho Humane Society in George's name.



ABEL M. VASQUEZ
Abel M. Vasquez, age 63, passed away, Thursday, January 31, 2013.

A Mass of Christian burial was held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church with Father Arsenio Redulla officiating.

Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery. Rosary was held on Monday February 4, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Moore Rose Funeral Home Chapel. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Fu-

neral Home in Floydada.

Abel was born on July 1, 1949 in Pearsall, Texas to Luis and Jaunita (Martinez) Vasquez. He attended school in Dougherty, Texas and received his GED in Plainview, Texas. He graduated in A.C and heating school in Lubbock. He worked for the Tye Company, Floydada ISD, and for Max Yearly until his illness.

Abel was a member of the Texas National Guard, within his time; he was a guard for Pope John Paul II in San Antonio in 1987. He was a curisilista and very active in the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. He was a resident at Prairie House Living Center. Abel spent his quality time at Wal-Mart where he was well known. He was a hard core Texas Tech fan.

He is survived by three daughters, Moraima Ybarra, and Brenda Vasquez, both

of Floydada, and Abelina Vasquez of Plainview; a son, Abel Xavier Vasquez of Lockney; eight grandchildren, Evan Ybarra, and Lourie Ybarra, both of Floydada, Guadalupe Maldendo Jr. and Ederado Lopez, both of Floydada, Alazai, Jashiah, Nicholas, and Jeremiah Vasquez, all of Lockney; one great-granddaughter, Khloe Jaylynn Ybarra of Floydada, two sisters, Virginia Vasquez of San Antonio, and Lilia Garcia of Chicago, Illinois; four brothers, Lucio Vasquez of Floydada, Ricky Vasquez of Lubbock, Carlos Vasquez of San Antonio, and Mike Vasquez of Sabinas, Mexico.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Luis and Juanita Vasquez, a brother, Luis Vasquez Jr., three sisters, Olga Enriquez, Emma Sanchez, and Teresa Del Toro, and a grandson, Elijah Seth Lopez.

He will be truly missed by many family and friends.

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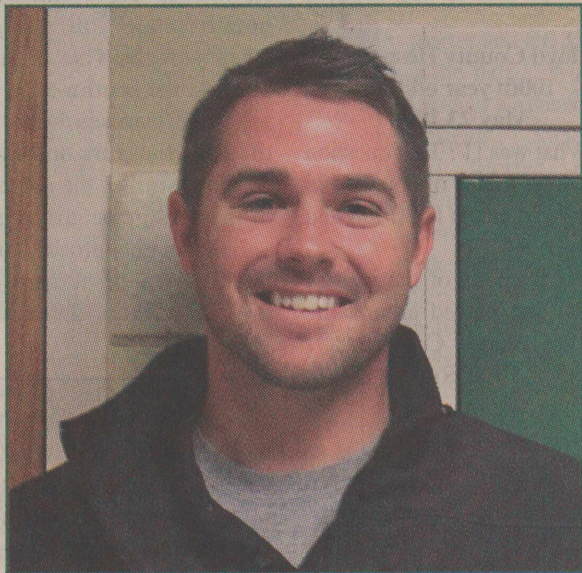
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Whirlwind News

High School Teacher of the Month

By Hunter Schwertner - Staff Writer
Floydada High School Teacher of the Month is baseball coach, Brady Webb. He has had four years of experience and began working at FHS this school year. Coach Webb is engaged to his fiancé Lisa Gilliland. His parents are Kerry and Bobbie Webb. He also has a brother, Russell Webb, who is the father of his nephew, Bryon Webb. Coach Webb's sister, Trish Meyers is the mother of his other nephew, Madden Myers. When Webb is not coaching or monitoring



ISS, he is watching sports. His most memorable moment at school was his first baseball practice as a coach.

FHS Features the U.I.L. Calculator Team

By Malorie Alaniz - Staff Writer
This week's U.I.L. spotlight is the Calculator team. The coach is Bobby Hon and the team members include: Christian Cabello, Bethany Morales, Rebekah Hall, Cristal Irlas, and Kyarah Pecina. There are many parts composing this U.I.L. event. "We take a 30 minute test and answer as many questions as possible using the calculator," said Hon. "There are regular problems

and word problems. We use shortcuts and patterns to do the problems quicker." The students competing in this event have the potential to go beyond the district competition. "If we can solidify a good strategy we can go farther than district," said Hon. Each of the students prepare differently for the district meet in hopes of advancing to regionals. "I study our shortcuts very hard," said sophomore, Beth-

any Morales. "Then I loosen up my fingers by doing finger workouts." There are many positive things for everyone of the Calculator team. "My favorite part about Calculator is being able to go through a test full of problems quickly with tricks in the calculator," said senior, Christian Cabello. "It's also fun working with my team, and I really hope we make it past district this year!"

Your Technology Creating Scholarship Opportunities

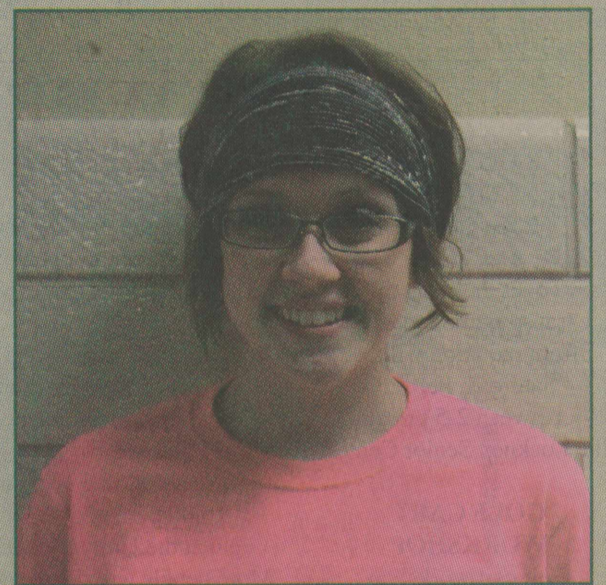
By: Homero Ramirez - Staff Writer
The ME Scholarship was created to reward hard working students by awarding them with a scholarship to pay for college. Participants must be a full time student of a high school and have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0. They must be 16 years of age or older and be a legal resident of the 50 United States. The student must write a 500-word essay

describing how technology has contributed to their success. The winner of this scholarship will receive \$10,000 and the deadline will be on March 30, 2013. For more details concerning this scholarship and others refer to the links below. Some scholarships may require the creation of a profile to access them; it should take no more than five minutes.

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High School Student of the Month

By Hunter Schwertner - Staff Writer
Floydada High School's February Student of the Month is 18-year-old senior, Ashley Lucke. Ashley is the daughter of Marty and DeLinda Lucke and has one sister, Delaney. Some of Ashley's hobbies include hanging out with her cousins and watching Disney Classics with her sister. Her Theater and College English teacher, Mrs. Cox comments, "Ashley is always fun and has a wonderful way with her peers. I know she will go far because of her joyful disposition."



Ashley's favorite class is Anatomy which is taught by Mr. Freeman. When she grows up she would like to fulfill her dream of being an athletic trainer.

Did You Know?

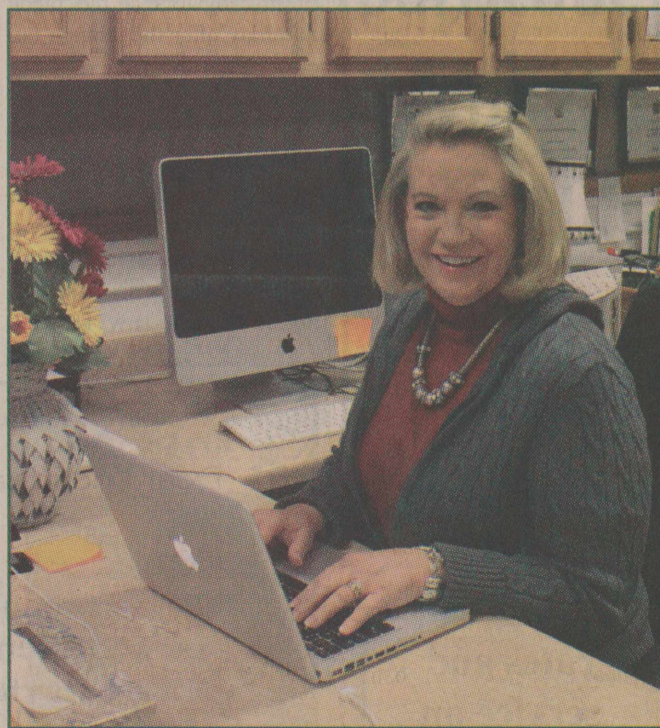
Mattie Sanders - Staff Writer
Did you know that Charles Richard Drew is the African-American doctor responsible for life saving blood banks in the world today? His involvement in Red Cross and in Great Britain during World War II saved millions of lives and it continues to save lives today. Charles Drew began his life in Washington D.C. with his father and mother. He soon went on to display incredible athletic talent, which sent him to Amherst College on a sports scholarship. Two years after graduating Amherst he was accepted into McGill University in Canada where he began studying for a medical degree away from prejudice treatment. His studies quickly proved him to be an excellent doctor regarding blood transfusions and he returned to the United States as a professor at Howard University and a doctor at Freedmen's Hospital. During World War II, Drew accomplished a discovery that would lead to his ultimate success. Plasma could be dried and stored in "banks," then later reconstituted for use. This not only maximized blood available to injured patients, but it also allowed it to be stored longer. Drew was placed at the top of the medical world because of this finding. He was invited to Britain to establish a blood bank there and came back to America to help the Red Cross set up more banks. In 1941, he resigned from the Red Cross because of racist policies regarding the mix of white and African American blood. Although he faced prejudice views during his life, he was able to collect roughly 14,500 pints of plasma for use in his blood banks and made a huge difference to the world during his lifetime. His accomplishments forever changed the medical field, and his work continues to save lives today.

One Sale Closer to Florida

By Carly Carthel - Staff Writer
On February 6, 2013, the Whirlwind band hosted a garage sale in the band hall to help earn money for their trip this summer to Orlando, Florida. Each student had items to offer rang-

ing from stuffed animals and hot chocolate to TVs and designer clothing. The garage sale was successful and each student made money to go on the trip. The Floydada Whirlwind band would like to thank everyone who came out and supported them.

FISD Computer Technician Receives Technology Recognition



By Merritt Johnson - Staff Writer
A small group of FISD staff traveled to Austin February 2013, to attend the Texas Computer Education Association Convention and Exposition. At this convention, Floydada High School's computer technician, Kelly Pachiano, received the honor of being recognized as one of the top three people in the state as Technology Support Person of the Year. To receive this award, a person must be nominated and demonstrate excellent support that makes significant contributions with the successful use of technology on a campus or at the district level. "I felt very honored that I was even nominated for the Technology Support Person of the Year, and it was an even greater honor to be recognized as one of the top three in the state of Texas," said Pachiano. A plaque and a monetary award were presented along with the title of being a finalist in the Technology Support Person of the Year. More knowledge was also acquired at the TCEA Convention through technology workshops. "My favorite part of the trip was the conference as a whole. We had a lot of different break out sessions, and learned a lot of different information that will help me do my job better as far as the technology is concerned," said Pachiano.

ATTENTION

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTIONS HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED TO MARCH 4.

Health Hazards

By Merritt Johnson - Staff Writer
As spring approaches, the cold weather is replaced with warm days filled with sunshine. Students might desire to lie out for hours in the sun or go tanning to get a few shades darker for swimming weather and other spring events. Although getting some sun exposure every day is good to boost vitamin-D levels, high exposure to UV rays can be detrimental. For instance, studies show laying out ten minutes in the sun will not cause any harm. However, one indoor tanning session increases the user's chances of developing melanoma by 20 percent and basal cell carcinoma

by 10 percent. These chances continue to rise significantly when a person tans regularly or frequently. Tanning beds create even more negative effects besides strengthening the possibility of skin cancer though. Excessive UV ray exposure can also cause eye cancer and chronic eye problems like cataracts.

Premature aging of the skin can occur as well due to UV radiation causing skin to sag, wrinkle, and have sunspots. There are alternative ways to get that desired look one wishes for by spritzing or even using tanning lotion. The pale skin will still gain some color and one can continue being healthy!

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LIFESTYLES

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Jones

With Presidents' Day approaching, thoughts concerning patriotism and love-of-country race through my mind. On the cover of a small magazine, "American Profile," that appears weekly in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal, an article catches my eye concerning progress in this great nation called AMERICA.

Emblazoned across the American Flag are the words "MADE IN USA." With the decline of American manufacturing, find "Made in USA" labels isn't as easy as it used to be, though domestic companies continue to produce everything from Red Wine to White Goods and Blue Jeans. American "white goods," a term that refers to both household linens and large appliances, originally only in white - - haven't fared as well as the Wine industry. Towels and ovens that were once American-made today are manufactured mostly overseas. Only about 3% of Blue Jeans worn by Americans are

American-made. But a handful of domestic Blue Jean makers have found a way to survive. Let us hope and pray that future generations may fare as well given the desire by some for more Big Government. As the words to the song go...and I'm proud to be an American... "God Bless the USA."

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Five Cup Fruit Salad

- 1 cup small marshmallows
- 1 cup pineapple tidbits (drained)
- 1 cup coconut
- 1 cup mandarin orange slices (drained)
- 1 cup lite sour cream

Mix all ingredients, cover and keep refrigerated until ready to serve.

Thought for the Week - True friendship is a plant of slow growth.

George Washington

MEMORIALS

By Margaret Word

We do appreciate you remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial donation. Our mailing address is PO Box 573, Floydada, TX. 79235

In memory of Harold Bertrand - Nancy Lawson, Shorty Turner, Corlett, Probst & Boyd, P.L.L.L., David True

In memory of Tonya Gooch - Nancy Lawson

In memory of Eva Parker - Nancy Lawson, Shorty Turner, Jesse and Donna Pernell

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

Flying Saucers - - - - ? PATH THROUGH CANYON TREES UNEXPLAINED 1958

Floyd County Hesperian
100th year edition
May 23, 1996

What was IT? That question filled the minds of county and area residents in late 1958 and early 1959.

"The reports of the strange lights that played around the rim of Blanco Canyon at the TM Bar Ranch on the morning of November 21, 1958 and the weird object that sailed swiftly and silently over the J.S. Hale place on the south side of the canyon in the same early morning hours, still have local people by the ears," slated an article in the February 12, 1959 Hesperian issue.

"Speculation on what 'it' was, how 'it' got there and by what power 'it' may have been propelled is still going the rounds."

The Hesperian got into the spirit of the thing, and reporter-photographer Kenneth Rimmer spent a couple of hours prowling around in the canyon between the TM Bar Headquarters where the Q. D. Williams family live and the J.S. Hale place across the canyon on the hill southwest from them. Rimmer produced photos as "added evidence that something strange occurred. At least they are evidence that some mighty force was at work sometime recently in Blanco Canyon."

In his article, Rimmer stated: "That Reese Air Force Base made an investigation of the phenomenon following the report is an established fact. Q. D. Williams, who was a brush pilot on one of the big ranches in the vicinity of Vernon before he took over the management of the TM Bar Ranch and moved his family there, said the Air Force had a crew of investigators at the ranch Saturday after the strange occurrence in the early morning hours of Friday."

"The visit was really more than just an investigating crew." It was an official maneuver with a guard thrown around the place.

"Williams was quizzed about what he saw. He said

he told the Air Force officers that the "light" or whatever it was traveled at an estimated rate of 2,000 miles per hour from the "hill" where it was first sighted past a check point to the southwest.

The Williamses awakened the Roy Fawvers and the J. S. Hale families the morning of the strange occurrence.

Fawver got into his pickup and "made a run" for the point where the strange

Note the big trees' trunks where the cotton wood giants lie bowled over, and the 'swath' cut clearly visible, through the tree in the upper picture.

"Hale was the first to see the pattern of the swath cut through the trees.. The autumn was one of remarkable little wind, and it is doubtful that the trees were bowled over by an act of nature.

"When J.S. first saw the

fallen trees and the path cut through the big limbs he noted that the breaks were fresh. He confidently expected to find a plane a few hundred yards up the creek from the scene.

"It appeared that a low flying bomber or some such had cut too close to the ground and had sheared off the big tree growth. However, there was no plane wreckage anywhere near the scene



J.S. HALE LOOKS AT DESTRUCTIVE PATH OF UNKNOWN OBJECT

object was seen. When he arrived, "it took off west at rapid speed, just as though the object knew someone was coming too close."

Hale, who "prodded around" in the canyon with Rimmer on his January visit, gave an angle the newsman had not heard previously.

"Not only did the 'lights.' Or 'space ship' or whatever it was play around toward his place, it actually sailed over him as he lay on the ground under the fence near his irrigation well," according to this newspaper's article.

"It was the worst scare of my life," said the former airman, who added he never had such a "queer feeling" in his experience.

Rimmer reported, "When the Williams' called the Hales, J.S. got up and saw the strange object from his doorway. "Mrs. Hale was sick in bed but I called her to the door. I wanted her to see the strange object. I could hardly believe what I saw," he said.

"Getting to the pictures:

and no report of a missing plane from any nearby (air) fields.

"Could the strange visitor have cut the path through the valley of the canyon? How could it have happened?"

"It seems quite apparent that a thing like that could not have happened but there if the evidence that something did happen. Like the lights that played around the hills in a fixed pattern for 30 minutes and then 'took off."

"The Williams' and the Hales' have been reticent about the occurrence. They have been leery of exaggeration that might get into the reports. They recall the Levelland officers who a year ago saw something similar in Hockley County were the victims of considerable skepticism. However, the experience they had is one you can't keep from telling somebody about.

"And the giant pattern sheared through the trees on the bed of the canyon valley is in the same category. It could not have taken place, but there it is!"

THIS WEEK'S

BAKE SALE TO BENEFIT MCCARTY

Bake Sale for Deby McCarty to help cover the costs of transportation to and from radiation will be Saturday, Feb. 23 between 2-5 pm at the Lockney Senior Center.

GOLF CART WORKSHOP

Golf cart workshop and public forum on Tuesday, February 26 at 5:30 pm at the Lockney Community Center at 502 SE 8th Street

FARM BUREAU HOST MEETING ON OIL AND GAS LEASING

On Thursday, March 7, 2013

Floyd County Farm Bureau will host an information meeting with Judon Fambrough. Mr. Fambrough is an expert in oil and gas leasing and has lots of experience in dealing with eminent domain.

The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be held at the Unity Center. More details will be released about the meeting with Mr. Fambrough next week in the Hesperian-Beacon.

FLOYD COUNTY FARM BUREAU FOOD DRIVE

Floyd County Farm Bureau will be conducting a food drive at A.B. Duncan Elementary School

for PK-6th grades. Please send non perishable food items with your child to school February 19-21st.

The grade who collects the most pounds of food will win a pizza party. The food donated will go the Faith In Sharing House (FISH) in Plainview.

CALVERT HOME HEALTH BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

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We cannot express our thanks and appreciation to the multitude of friends for the many prayers, visits, calls, cards, e-mails, food, help and offers of help we received during Jim's illness and for all the hugs and shoulders to cry on, thank you, thank you.

It is a blessing to live in an area full of such wonderful people.

The Jim Roberts Family
Peggy, Terry and Cari

Dear Friends and Family,

I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to all of you who attended my 85th birthday party—your cards, presents and donations were very much appreciated. Most of all, seeing you all again—friends old and new—visiting and laughing made it a birthday to remember.

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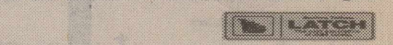


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FLOYDADA SCHOOL

Whirlwinds win two crucial games, head to playoffs to face Lamesa

By Coach Renfro

The Floydada Whirlwind boys basketball team picked up 2 must wins this past week to keep their season alive. On Tuesday, the Winds earned an 80-42 victory over the Eagles of Roosevelt. The win put Floydada in a tie with Slaton for the final playoff spot in District 3-2A.

The Winds were led in scoring by Tyler Renfro, who put in 16 points, grabbed 6 rebounds, and dished out 4 assists. B.J. Perez also had a big game with 14 points and 4 assists. Jordan Woody added 10 points, 5 assists, and 4 steals. Tucker Lowrance also hit double figures with 10 points. Landry Morren fell just short of a double-double with 9 points and 9 rebounds.

DeAndre McCann had 8 points, Michael Cisneros put in 7, Ventura Gonzales had 5,



Tornadoes a bi-district contest. Floydada raced out to a 12-0 lead early in the game as Woody got 10 of his 17 points in the first quarter.

The Winds led 17-6 after the first quarter and led 35-18 at the half. Woody also had 7 assists and 3 steals. McCann and Morren each put in 13 points with Morren grabbing 7 rebounds and McCann 6. Renfro chipped in 10 points, grabbed 7 rebounds, had 4 assists, and made 4 steals. Gonzales put in 9 points and had 4 steals to go along with his stellar defensive play. Cisneros added a crucial 3 early in the third quarter while the Winds were in a scoring drought.

and R.J. Gomez had 1. The Winds used a fast start Friday night against the Tigers of Slaton to pace themselves to a 65-55 victory in a district playoff to determine who would face the Lamesa



Photos by Mita Chavarria
Floydada Whirlwinds receive trophy as District 3-AA District Runnerup

Lady Winds Junior Varsity Basketball

By Coach Eddleman

On January 15 the Lady Winds JV team played Slaton and lost by a score of 23-40.

Scoring results were: Thalia Villa - 7 points; McKenna Johnson - 6 points; Aimee Chavarria - 6 points; Liz Morales - 4 points.

The Lady Winds JV girls took on the Lady Cats from Idalou on January 18th and came up short at the final buzzer, 23-37.

Scoring results were: Lindsey DeLeon - 8 points; Alyssia Minner - 4 points; Thalia Villa - 4 points; Liz Morales - 3 points; Allison Cisenero - 2 points; McKenna Johnson - 2 points.

The Lady Winds JV girls won big over the Childress Lady Bobcats on January 22 by a score of 44-20.

Leading scorers were: Dakota Whalen - 22 points; McKenna Johnson - 7 points; Lindsey DeLeon - 4 points;

Liz Morales - 4 points; Kim Pacheco - 3 points; Thalia Villa - 2 points; Aimee Chavarria - 2 points.

On January 25 the Lady Wind JV girls came up short at the final buzzer against Roosevelt, 37-33.

Scoring results were: Dakota Whalen - 9 points; Lindsey DeLeon - 9 points; Liz Morales - 9 points; Allison Cisenero - 2 points; Alyssia Minner - 2 points; McKenna Johnson - 1 point; Aimee Chavarria - 1 point.

Floydada Lady Winds JV girls won a huge district game over Post, 38-20 on January 29th.

Leading scorers were: Dakota Whalen - 14 points; Allison Cisenero - 7 points; Aimee Chavarria - 5 points; Liz Morales - 4 points; Thalia Villa - 3 points; Kim Pacheco - 2 points; Lindsey DeLeon - 1 point; McKenna Johnson - 1 point; Alyssia Minner - 1 point

On February 1 the Lady Winds played Slaton and lost by a score of 40-21.

Scoring results were: Dakota Whalen - 7 points; Thalia Villa - 4 points; Aimee Chavarria - 4 points; McKenna Johnson - 4 points; Allison Cisenero - 2 points.

On the final game of this season, the Lady Winds JV girls took on Idalou in a hard fought game. The Lady Winds lost only by 2 points, 32-30.

Leading scorers were: Aimee Chavarria - 10 points; Dakota Whalen - 9 points; Liz Morales - 5 points; Alyssia Minner - 4 points; McKenna Johnson - 2 points.

SEASON RECORD: 12-13

DISTRICT RECORD: 4-6

COACH'S COMMENTS: Congratulations JV girls



Courtesy Photo
2012 - 2013 Floydada Lady Winds Junior Varsity Team

on a good season. Good luck next season...play hard for Coach Cook.

Leading scorers this season were Dakota Whalen - 202 points; Aimee Chavarria - 114 points; Liz Morales - 86 points and McKenna Johnson - 81 points. Dakota led in free throws with 23. Aimee led in free throws with 31. Leading rebounder

was McKenna, Alyssia and Lindsey DeLeon. Thank you girls for playing hard. Thank you for gifts! Love you, Coach Eddleman

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Love you, Coach Eddleman

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU February 25 - March 1

Monday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Corn dog, baked beans, tomato & cucumber cup, Apple-pineapple D'lite, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Nacho Grande, refried beans, garden salad, orange smiles, chocolate chip cookies, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancakes/syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Chicken sandwich, oven fries, fresh veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk

Thursday

Breakfast- Oatmeal and cinnamon toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Beefy macaroni, garden salad, baby carrots, fresh grapes, breadsticks, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Breakfast burrito or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Pepperoni or cheese pizza, crunchy broccoli salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, milk

Vasquez named to WTAMU Fall 2012 Deans List

West Texas A&M University has named more than 1,300 students to honors lists for the fall 2012 semester. Of that total, 479 were named to the President's List and 899 students were named to the Dean's List.

Tiffany Marie Vasquez, a freshman social work major from Floydada, was named to the Dean's List. She is

the daughter of Lucio and Irma Vasquez of Floydada.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

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LOCKNEY SCHOOL

Lady Horns come up short

By Coach Schumacher

The Lockney Lady Horns bi-district game got off to a good start.

Opening up the round of play in the first quarter the Lady Horns were evenly matched with their opponents, the Quanah Indians, with score at the end of the quarter at 19-19. Kennedy Hallmark chipped in 2 free throws, Alanie Rendon with a 3-pointer and another 2-point bucket. Tanae Ramos also did her part and added 6 to the tally, while Alexis Rodriguez added 4 and Mary Sammann also contributed 2.

In a very physical 2nd quarter the score was stilled tied at halftime with each team totaling 30 a piece.

Lockney came out flat after halftime and Newsome for Quanah went on a scoring run. Quanah outscored Lockney 24-11 in the third quarter. The momentum of the Lady Indian's could not be stopped and the Lockney Lady Horns closed their season with the loss of their bi-district game, 71-48.

Leading scorer for Lockney was Tane Ramos with 20.

Seniors Mary Sammann, Rayann Race, and McKenzie Kemp will be greatly missed although the Lady Horns look forward to the following returning lettermen: Brittany Thompson, Kennedy Hallmark, Alanie Rendon, Tanae Ramos Alexis Rodriguez, Whitney Ascensio, Darby Long, and Heather Fierros,

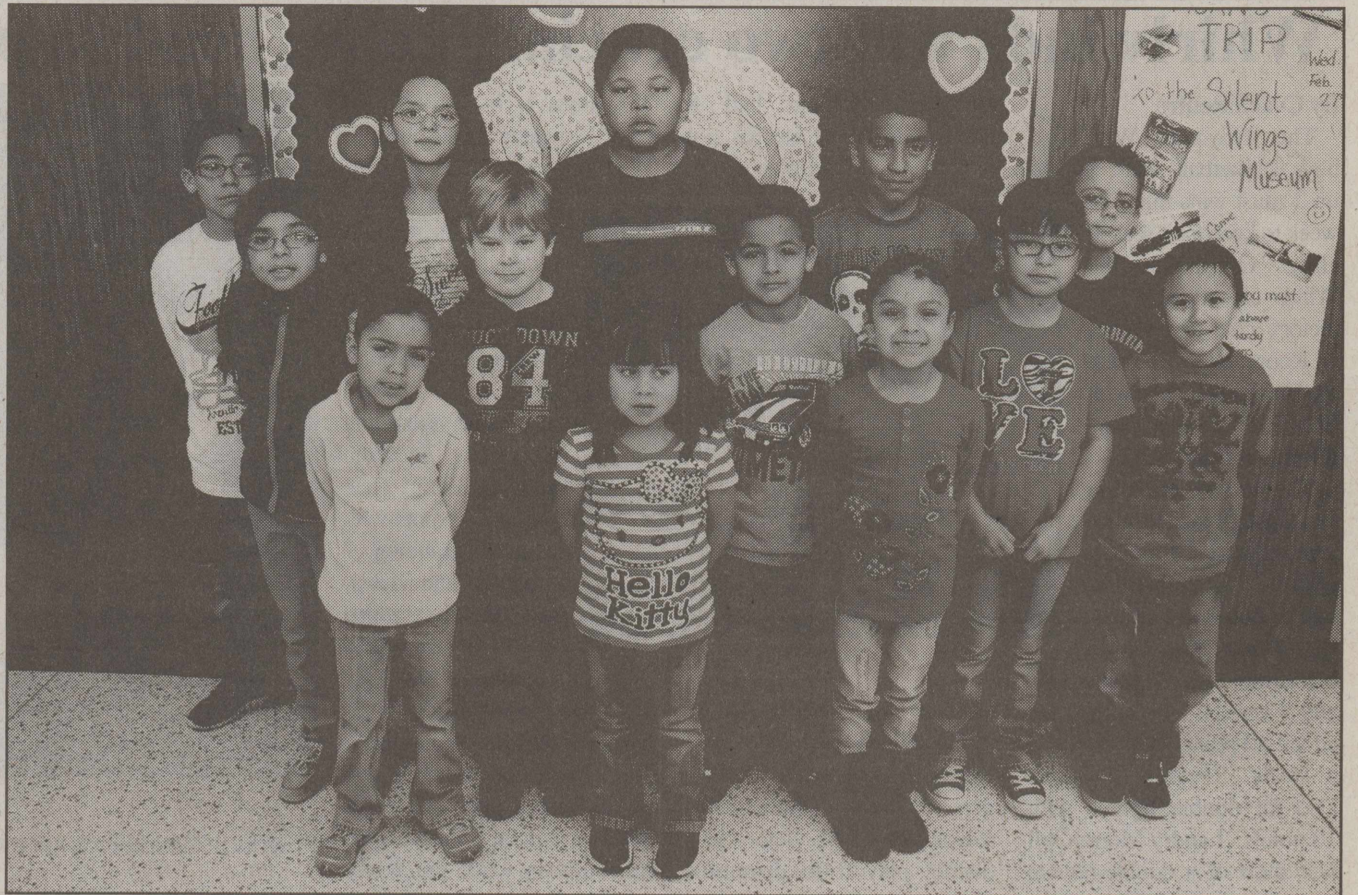
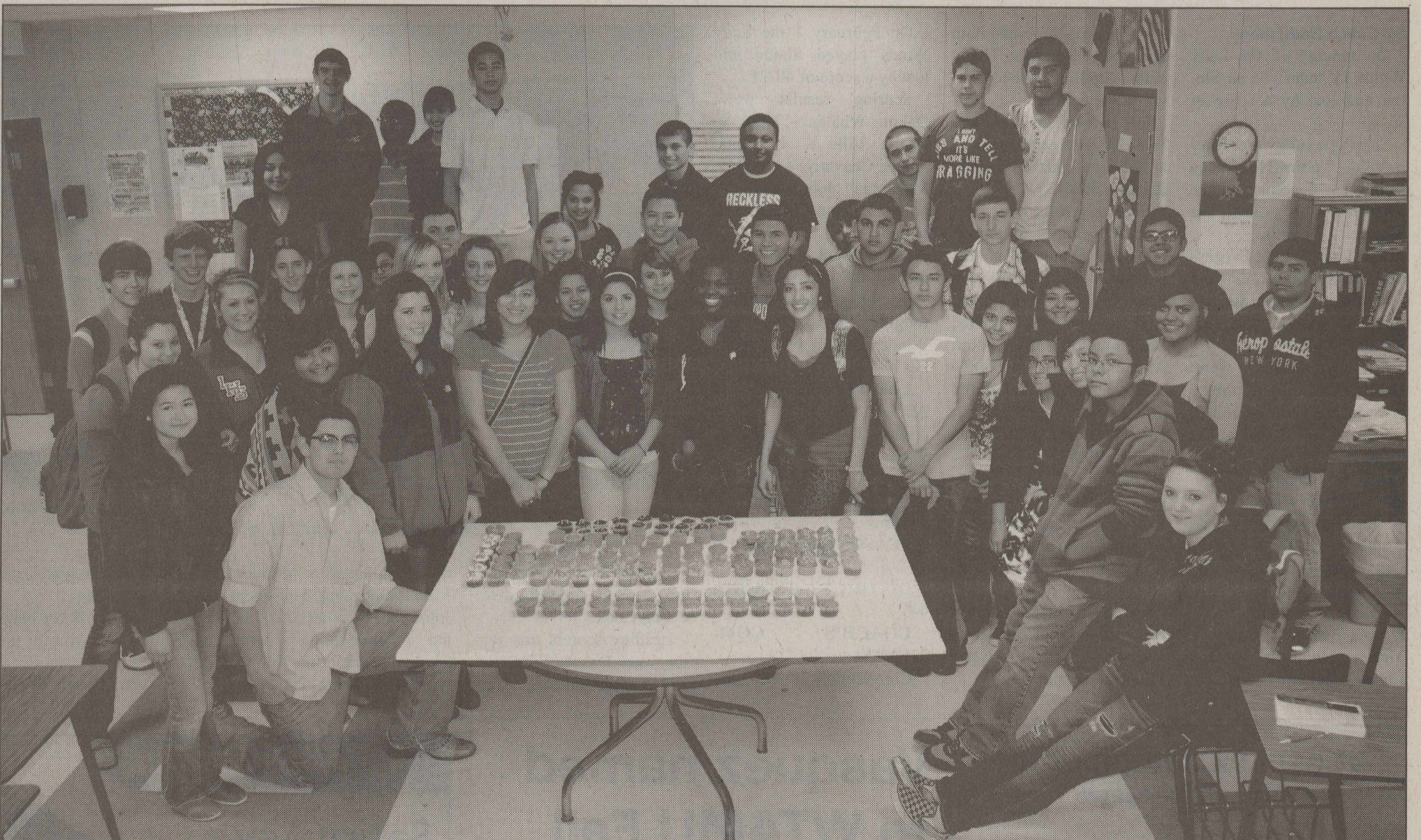


Photo by Connie Barnett

Little Longhorns: (back) Elias Alvarez, Emily Barrientos, Clint Riddley, Jamiel Pecina, Rusty Rogers; (middle) Megan Castro, Jackson Wassom, Ernest Alvarez, Darian Luna, Nick Perez; (front) Yareli Naranjo, Amyee Salazar, Monique Lara.



Courtesy Photo

February 8 marks the 179th birthday of Dmitri Mendeleev, the Father of the Periodic Table. In honor of this occasion, LHS chemistry students of Mrs. D'Lyn Morris constructed a giant table composed of 111 cupcakes each decorated with the chemical symbol and atomic number of each element. The periodic table is the most important reference for chemistry students worldwide as it contains every vital detail of the elements' patterns and trends.

SPC announces spring registration for CNA course in March

LEVELLAND — South Plains College's Division of Continuing and Distance Education is accepting registration for its Certified Nurse Aide (CNA).

The CNA course will begin March 4 to March 22. The class will meet Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Technical Arts Building Room

107. Clinicals will be arranged from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The CNA course fee is \$375 for tuition and \$93 for testing fee. The textbook will cost \$47 and the online CPR certificate will cost \$15.

For more information, contact Kasey Reyes in the Division of Continuing and Distance Education at (806) 716-2341.

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Lockney will be accepting requests for proposals and statements of qualifications for Bond Counsel from interested qualified professionals to provide legal opinion with respect to accessing the viability of authorizing and issuing evidences of indebtedness by the City of capital financing or refinancing; for the preparation of the ordinance, resolution, indenture or other document authorizing and securing the Bonds and other authorizing documents. The City's initial financing will be through the Texas Water Development Board Economically Distressed Areas Program. The deadline for submitting proposals is March 7, 2013 at 5:00 p.m., and the Lockney City Council will act on proposals at the Council Meeting on March 14, 2013.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals for any reason it finds to be in the best interest of the City. More information is available by contact Charlotte Hooten, City Secretary, during regular business hours at 806-652-2355.

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The City of Lockney will be accepting requests for proposals and statements of qualifications for engineering services for the purpose of preparing plans and specifications to provide for planning, designs, and construction phase services involving acquiring and developing public drinking water supplies for the City of Lockney. This project will be financed through the Texas Water Development Board Economically Distressed Areas Program. The deadline for submitting proposals is March 7, 2013 at 5:00 p.m., and the Lockney City Council will act on proposals at the Council Meetings on March 14, 2013.

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Home Country

By Slim Randles

When Windy walked into the Mule Barn during that cold snap last week, we knew he was getting frantic for an audience. He has a hard time getting us to listen to his version of history, his notions of what was going on now, and his prognostications of the future of mankind.

But it was cold, and sitting out on the bench and ambushing listeners didn't work too well right now for Windy Wilson, so here he came. We gave each other the wink and dragged out a chair for him.

"What d'you know, Windy?"

Cold enough for ya?"

"Cold? You think this is cold? Why, one time up on the high line, I was disappropriating firewood for the crew on the railroad, and it come over me, then and there ..."

"We weren't talking about the cold this morning, Windy," said Doc. "We were discussing the future of microbes."

"Microbes? Ain't they like choir robes? Why, this one time I was singing barleytone in the Presbytoolian church, and there was this guy named Mike all right, and ..."

"Now Doc," said Steve, twitching his walrus mustache,

"Don't you remember? We'd finished with the microbes and went sailing on into February. Sorry, Windy, Doc didn't mean to disrupticate your dissemination of events, but he'd just forgot. It was February."

"February? You mean like Leap Year kinda February paraphernalium where you only get olden on one day every four years? That kinda February?"

Dud and Herb were trying hard not to laugh.

"No, Alphonse," Doc said. He sometimes got formal with our friend. "We were discussing whether or not to leave out the first r in February. No one uses it ..."

"But just because something isn't used," Windy said, waving

his empty coffee cup at Mavis, "doesn't mean we have to completely immolify it; does it? If we occasionally sloop over the top of a letter, that doesn't bragandize it. That doesn't codify its lesserless, does it?"

"So you're saying we should keep the first r in February, is that it?" asked Steve.

"Absotively," said Windy.

"OK, now," Doc said, "who will stand up for the h in school?"

Some people think we're just having coffee each morning there in the truck stop.

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The City of Lockney will be accepting requests for proposals and statement of qualifications for Financial Advisor from interested qualified professionals to provide analysis of market conditions on bond proceeds; and provide recommendations to the City for financing through the Texas Water Development Board Economically Distressed Areas Program. The deadline for submitting proposals is March 7, 2013 at 5:00 p.m., and the Lockney City Council will act on proposals at a Council Meeting on March 14, 2013.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals for any reason it finds to be in the best interest of the City. More information is available by contacting Charlotte Hooten, City Secretary, during regular business hours at 806-652-2355.

AGRICULTURE

Floyd County farmers reach out to connect with community

Farmers in Floyd County will reach out to local customers to talk with them about how their food is grown during Texas Food Connection Week, February 17-23, 2013.

Farmers and ranchers across the state will organize community activities, donate to local philanthropies and seek to spur conversations with their customers during the week-long program.

"Texas Food Connection Week is about finding common ground with our customers," said RN Hopper, Floyd County Farm Bureau President. "Our neighbors and friends have questions about agriculture and their food. This is an opportunity for farmers and ranchers to sit down with them and have a conversation."

Floyd County Farm Bureau will be hosting a food drive at A.B. Duncan elementary school February 19-21, 2013 in honor of Texas Food Connection Week. We ask that parents please send non-perishable food items with their children in PK-6th grade to school. The food

collected will be donated to the Faith In Sharing House (FISH) in Plainview to help the families affected by the recent closing of Cargill. The grade that collects the most food will win a pizza party hosted by Floyd County Farm Bureau.

"We're looking forward to getting out in the community and sharing what we do on our farms and ranches", Hopper said. "Food is one thing that connects us all. We all want to provide our families with fresh, nutritious food that's been grown close to home."

Texas Food Connection Week, formerly Food Check-Out Week, was established by Texas Farm Bureau to connect farmers with their customers and spur conversations about agriculture and food-related issues, including affordability, nutrition, animal welfare, profitability, and productivity.

For more information about Food Connection Week or the elementary school food drive please contact Floyd County Farm Bureau at 806-983-3777.

Reminder: Hispanic and Women Farmers and Ranchers Claims Must be Postmarked by March 25

WASHINGTON, February 8, 2013- Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today reminded Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers who allege discrimination by the USDA in past decades that there are 45 days remaining in the filing period closing March 25, 2013.

"Hispanic and women farmers who believe they have faced discriminatory practices in the past from the USDA have 45 days left to file a claim in order to have a chance to receive a cash payment or loan forgiveness," said Secretary Vilsack. "USDA urges potential claimants to contact the Claims Administrator for information and mail their claim packages on or before March 25, 2013."

The process offers a voluntary alternative to litigation for each Hispanic or female farmer and rancher who can prove that USDA denied his or her application for loan or loan servicing assistance for discriminatory reasons for certain time periods between 1981 and 2000. As announced in February 2011, the voluntary claims process will make available at least

\$1.33 billion for cash awards and tax relief payments, plus up to \$160 million in farm debt relief, to eligible Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers. There are no filing fees to participate in the program.

The Department will continue reaching out to potential Hispanic and female claimants around the country to get the word out to individuals who may be eligible for this program so they have the opportunity to participate.

Call center representatives can be reached at 1-888-508-4429. Claimants may register for a claims package (by calling the number or visiting the website) or may download the forms from the website. All those interested in learning more or receiving information about the claims process and claims packages are encouraged to attend meetings in your communities about the claims process and contact the website at any time or call center telephone number Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

Website: www.farmerclaims.gov

Phone: 1-888-508-4429
Claims Period: September 24, 2012 - March 25, 2013.

Independent legal services companies will administer the claims process and adjudicate the claims. Although there are no filing fees to participate and a lawyer is not required to participate in the claims process, persons seeking legal advice may contact a lawyer or other legal services provider.

Under Secretary Vilsack's leadership, USDA has instituted a comprehensive plan to strengthen the Department as a model service provider and to ensure that every farmer and rancher is treated equally and fairly as part of "a new era of civil rights" at USDA. In February 2010, the Secretary announced the Pigford II settlement with African American farmers, and in October 2010, he announced the Keepseagle settlement with Native American farmers. Both of those settlements have since received court approval. Unlike the cases brought by African American and Native American farmers,

the cases filed by Hispanic and women farmers over a decade ago were not certified as class actions. The claims process provides a voluntary alternative to continuing litigation for Hispanic and female farmers and ranchers who want to use it.

Audio and video public service announcements in English and Spanish from Secretary Vilsack and downloadable print and web banner ads on the Hispanic and women farmer claims process are available at: http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?contentonly=true&contentid=PSAs_Print_and_WebBanner_Ads.xml

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Pesticide applicators training course, pre-register now

By Ethan Fortenberry
CEA-AG/NR

Floyd County Extension Office will hold a pesticide applicators training course in March for any one interested. The test will be administered at the extension office by Texas Department of Agriculture after the training is completed.

Anyone interested should contact the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office to pre-register. The course will only take place if an adequate number of attendees pre-register. Date of training to be determined based on the needs of par-

ticipants.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U. S. Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for all meetings. We request that you contact the Floyd County Extension Office as soon as possible to advise us of any auxiliary and/or services needed.

Rep. Springer applauds Childress ISD for protecting defenseless students

AUSTIN, TX. -- Today, Rep. Drew Springer offered the following statement applauding Childress ISD and Quanah ISD for passing new policies to help keep students safe.

Childress ISD School Board passed a school security measure last night giving select school employees access to guns on campus. Childress ISD joins Harold ISD and Quanah ISD as the third school district in District 68 to allow selective staff to carry firearms to protect children.

"I am very proud that three of the only school

districts in the State of Texas to allow this are in my district," said Springer. "It makes no sense to limit the places where law-abiding citizens can carry their concealed handguns. Citizens with concealed handgun permits are amongst the most responsible, law abiding people in the state, so it only makes sense they be permitted to volunteer in this capacity."

Rep. Springer has always been a strong advocate for the Second Amendment. HB 698, one of the first bills he authored as a representative, helps increase

access to CHL permits in rural areas. He has also co-authored legislation to allow school board members and superintendents to carry firearms at school board meetings (HB 223), legislation to allow students to carry on college campuses (HB 972), the "Fire Arms Preservation Act" (HB 553), exempting intrastate firearm manufacturing from Federal regulation (HB627), and a bill limiting the enforcement of Federal laws on firearms in Texas (HB 928).

Childress ISD, Quanah ISD, and Harold ISD have

set a terrific example of local governments coming up with school safety solutions that fit their individual needs. Rep. Springer is proud that other school districts in HD68 are looking to enact similar policies in the coming weeks and months as well.

Rep. Springer is always open to questions and suggestions for the session. Please feel free to contact his Capitol office by phone (512) 463-0526 or by email Drew.Springer@house.state.tx.us at any time for more information on this or any other issue.

Rabies Report

By James L. Alexander,
DVM, MPVM, DACVPM
Regional Zoonosis
Control Veterinarian

In 2012 our last confirmed rabies case was a skunk that was collected in Potter Co. on 7/15/12. Our Region did not have another reported case until today, when a skunk collected in Lubbock on 2/4/13 was reported by the lab as positive. The rabies-less period lasted 204 days from the date of incident in our last case in 2012 until the incident date for the first case in 2013. All good things must come to an end.

I do not expect an active year in 2013, but I am always subject to being surprised. The apparently decreased skunk population and drought in 2012 should have reduced the number of animals in the reservoir, but time will tell the true story.

Please remind clients to be sure their pet vaccinations are up to date and that horses and show stock should be vaccinated against rabies.

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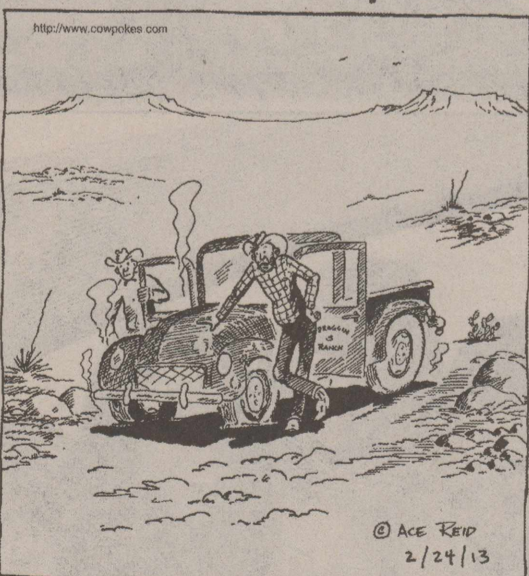
From the Department of State Health Services, Rabies Identification and Zoonosis Control
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County: Lubbock
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Exposure History: No Exposure

Date Collected: 2/4/2013
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Date Received: 2/10/2013
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Internal Comments
SKUNK LOOKED TO BE SICK WAS NOT MOVING ANYTHING BUT HEAD

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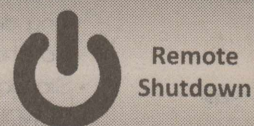
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Second Lieutenant Kris H. Clampitt graduates from University of Houston

Second Lieutenant Clampitt, of Floydada, Texas joined the Marine Corps on December 15, 2002. He attended boot camp at MCRD San Diego, California. Upon completion of Marine Combat Training (MCT) in September 2003, 2nd Lt Clampitt attended the Engineer Operator Course at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. After MOS school 2nd Lt Clampitt was assigned to Marine Wing Support Squadron 371 (MWSS-371) in Yuma, Arizona.

In January of 2005, 2nd Lt Clampitt was deployed to Iraq and served in several regions including: Al Ramadi, Fallujah, Iskandariya, and Al Taqaddum; he completed a successful tour under Operation Iraqi Freedom II (OIF II). Upon completion of OIF II, he was able to reunite with his wife Cheryl, 2 year old son, Noah, and see his 2 month old daughter, Brooklyn, for

the first time. He was then deployed to the U.S./Mexico border in support of Border Patrol Operations with a Joint Task Force (JTF). Once



Border operations were completed 2nd Lt Clampitt then requested to become a Drill Instructor at MCRD San Diego. Upon successful completion of Drill Instructor School, 2nd Lt Clampitt served as a Drill Instructor and Senior Drill Instructor and also reached the enlisted rank of Staff Sergeant.

Clampitt was accepted for the Marine Enlisted Commissioning Education Program (MECEP) in 2009. Upon graduation from the MECEP Preparatory Course in Quantico, VA, 2nd Lt Clampitt entered the University of Houston. He then completed Officer Candidate School in the summer of 2010 in Quantico Virginia.

While attending the University of Houston, 2nd Lt Clampitt held the billets of Physical Training Officer, Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, Platoon Commander, Operations Officer, and finished as the Midshipman Commanding Officer.

On December 20, 2012 he graduated from the University of Houston with a B.S. in Exercise Science. 2nd Lt Clampitt will report to The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia and will pursue an appointment as an Infantry Officer.



Courtesy Photo
Family attending 2nd Lt Clampitt's graduation in Houston were (back row, l-r) 2nd Lt Kris Clampitt, Tim Lipham - uncle, Mason Lipham - cousin, Eric Cornelius - uncle, Skyler Cornelius - cousin; (front row l-r) Elizabeth Clampitt - niece, Cheryl Clampitt - wife, Brooklyn Clampitt - daughter, Angie Lipham - aunt, Joyce Lipham - grandmother, Brenda Clampitt Meyers - mother and Julianne Cornelius - aunt.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Renee Armstrong
Gladys Bobbitt's 85th birthday party occurred Saturday, February 16, at the Lockney Senior Center and many friends and family visited on. Relatives from Amarillo were even able to make the celebration and lots of visiting and a good times was had.

The Lockney Senior Center met on Feb. 18 and elected officers: Junior Brotherton (president), Jerry Paul Cooper (vice-president), Gladys Bobbitt (secretary), Claude

Brown (treasurer). Other board members are Embe Douglas, Wanda Barber, Geneva Barclay, Gene Brotherton, and new board member Cecil Jones.

Pot luck on Thursday had a good turnout with 15 present. Guest of the Center was Dorothy Solomon.

Upcoming Events: Bake Sale to benefit Deby McCarty to help cover the costs of transportation to and from radiation will be Saturday, Feb. 23 between 2-5 pm at the Senior Center.

Raffle tickets to win a laptop are on sale at the Senior Center through Feb. 28 when the prize will be awarded.

The Center's annual fundraiser will be April 14. Menu and events to follow.

MENU February 25-March 1

- Monday:** Enchiladas
- Tuesday:** Hamburgers
- Wednesday:** BBQ chicken
- Thursday:** Chicken and dumplings
- Friday:** Fish

Dixie Divas To the Rescue

Nicole and I were working out together one day and for some reason, she brought up a self-help, faith-related book we had



RONDA RICH

both read. The thesis, basically, is how men are born with wild hearts, which should be admired not restrained by women.

"What did you learn from that book?" she asked as I attempted arm curls with weights too heavy.

"That every woman wants to be rescued," I took the opportunity to rest. I can't talk and work out, too.

"That is not what that book said," she retorted.

I put my now-unencumbered hands on my hips. "Yes, it is. Every woman wants to be rescued." I smiled. "That would be me."

She rolled her eyes. "That is not you. You're the last who wants to be rescued. Where do you think I got it?"

Seeing a chance to interrupt the endlessly cruel work-out that Nicole puts me through, I expounded more. "That is exactly what it said - women want to be

rescued, men, who have warrior hearts, want to be the rescuers." I started giving examples. Later, over the next couple of days, I thought about that a lot. Here is my conclusion:

Who - man or woman - wouldn't want to be rescued? Life is hard. Who of us would turn down the chance to have life easier? Who would put a foot down and say, "No! Don't do something for me that takes worry away! That problem is mine! All mine!" Who, in their ever loving right mind, would do that?

Okay, I have said those words. It's true. I have had others offer help and I said, "No, it's my problem, my responsibility. I have to handle it." But that's not because I didn't want the help. It's because I realize that I'm a grown-up and I can't hide behind mama's apron anymore. I have also learned it's easier to depend on myself than on someone else. Other people get tied up in their own problems so they have trouble getting to my problems.

One of my treasured friends was reflecting on her life. Her children and grandchildren are grown now. She, of all the people I've known, has had the loveliest life. A solid, happy marriage, a husband who has provided well and protected her from as many troubles as possible, and she has traveled the world. As the

children were growing up, she had a full-time housekeeper who took care of the children and the cleaning.

As I listened, I couldn't resist. "You have had the best life of anyone I know. You've lived a dream life." She smiled and nodded. She has such a great sense of humor that I knew I could tease her without offending her. "But let me ask you something - what exactly have you done with your life?"

She took no offense. She settled back comfortably in her chair, pressed her fingertips together and smiled angelically. "Well," she began, her light-colored eyes twinkling merrily. "I am a nationally accredited flower show judge."

Her husband rolled his eyes comically. I doubled-over laughing. She continued, "It takes a lot of work and it's the highest honor in the garden club world."

I don't want any letters from feminists who protest mightily unless you're writing after you have just walked in at midnight and found a water heater that has sprung a leak and emptied its entire load throughout your house or your lawn mower broke in the middle of knee-high grass. I hate to call anyone a liar but...

However, I realize that my independence, forced or not, has made me who I am. Tink, bless his heart, goes above and beyond to make my life easier and so often, I protest. I don't want to be a burden.

I guess I talk a better game than I play it. But give me time. I think I can get used to "easier."

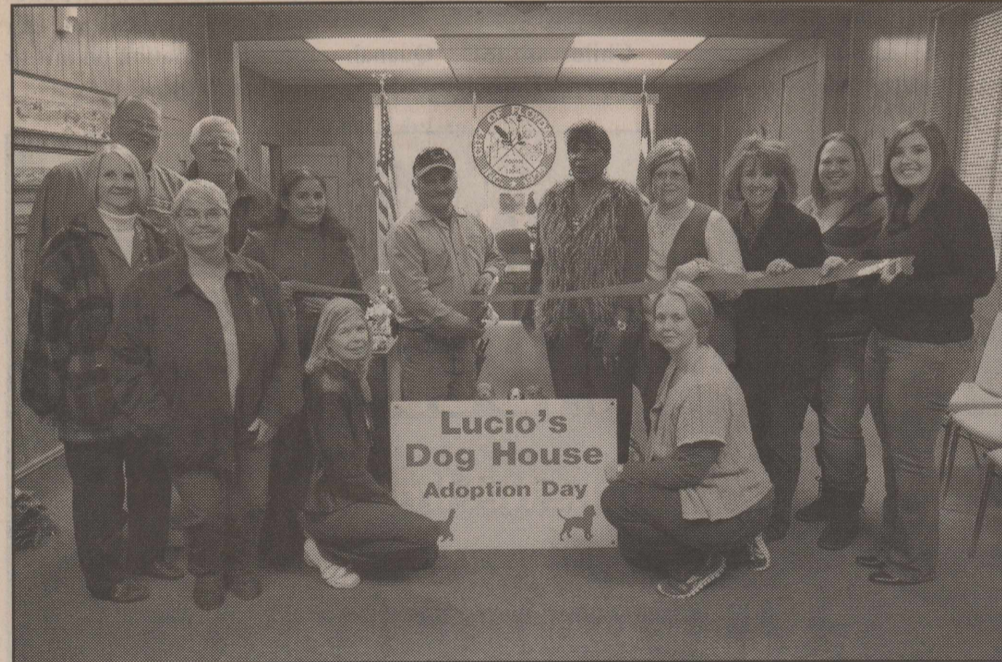
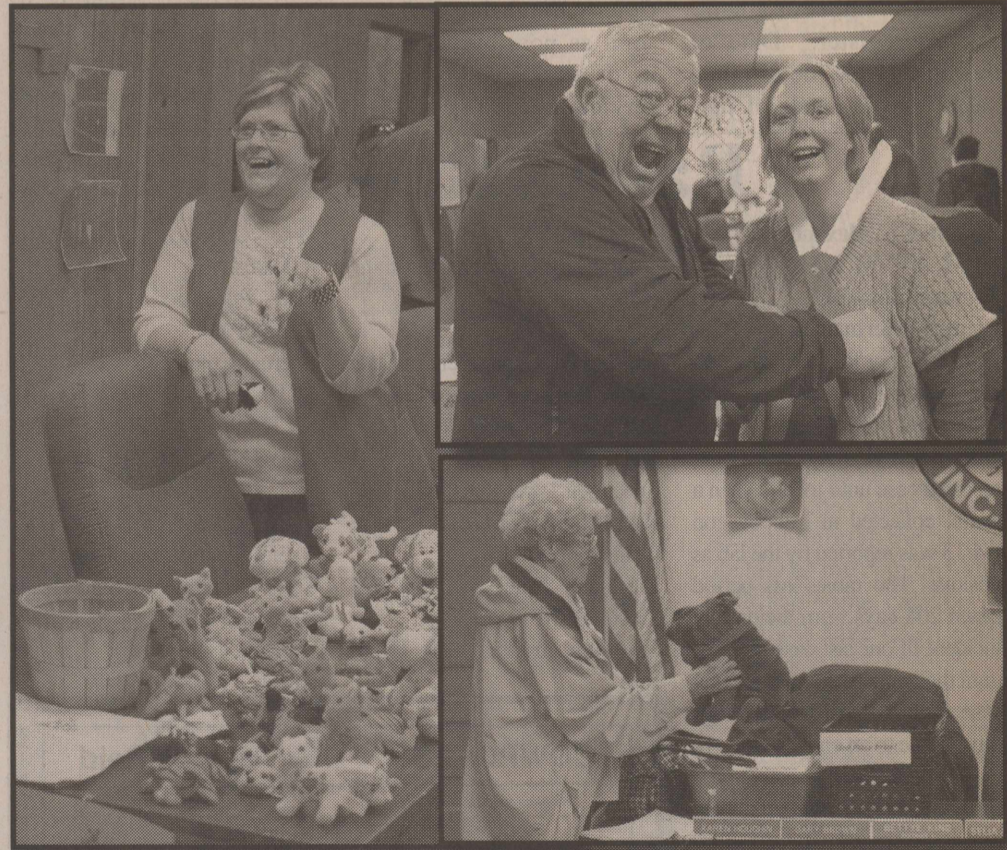


Photo by Jennifer Harbin
Lucio's Dog House Grand Opening was a great success, with an appearance by Mayor Bobby Gilliland, Chamber of Commerce and many supporters. Visitors celebrated with donations by adopting plush toys and eating pooch and kitty-themed treats.



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Lockney City Council to advertise for full-time employee

By Jennifer Harbin

The Lockney City Council met on Thursday, February 14, to consider and take action on advertising for the hiring of a water/street full-time employee. It was decided that the Council can't advertise at this point because they don't know what the job description is at this point. A motion was made to advertise for a full time employee for the City of Lockney after Councilman Shad Schluter develops a job description, which passed unanimously.

Businessman Greg Hallett, from Platinum Supplemental Insurance, asked for a permanent soliciting permit for door-to-door sales for supplemental insurance. He was in Lockney previously two years ago. According to Hallett, they are almost done with Floyd County, but will be here a couple weeks longer. He stated that he is willing to go by what the City Council recommends. Attorney Lanny Voss stated that state law doesn't allow the City to enter into an agreement permanently. A permit was issued for Monday through Thursday from 9am-7pm for one year. A copy of Platinum Supplemental Insurance's insurance will be on file at the City Hall.

Abel Luna reported that the City needs to make a trip to Lubbock to get Hot Mix to patch the hole on Locust Street where a leak was fixed. Meanwhile, something will be placed on the street to barricade it so the hole isn't driven over. State notice is being given that it needs to be fixed. The Council also talked about another site that needs to be fixed by the football field. There is reportedly water standing by the concession stand.

Voss requested that the farm lease on hand be sent to him for review and for updating.

A generator needs to be hooked up in case there is a power outage. Bids from A1 Electric in Lubbock and Dart Carthel are on file.

Voss reiterated that bid practices need to be adhered to.

"We have to either get bids according to the specs or not accept it. If we are going to solicit estimates we need everything to be on the same playing field and under the same criteria," said Voss.

City Secretary Charlotte Hooten informed the Council that they are announcing bids for financial advisor, bond council, and engineer for Water Well Grant. Specs are available at City Hall, 218 W. Locust.

In EDC news, Councilman Bil Anderson presented research done on a new marquis for the City. He found some in the \$7,000-12,000 range as op-

posed to \$72,000 like Ralls has.

Two bids have been received and they plan on putting the marquis on the lot where the Wall of Pride is.

In a review of the financial statements, it was reported that the City is sitting on \$600,000.

Water expenses were way over budget because of the \$30,000 worth of valves that had to be bought which was an unforeseen cost.

A Racial Profiling report was given by Police Chief Casey Wallace.

"How we treat our citizens depends on whether people move here," said Anderson.

The percentage of ticket warnings issued is average based on the racial demographics. The City Council approved the motion to accept the racial profiling report.

The minutes were read by Hooten and a motion was made to accept them as read by Councilwoman Tina Graves with a second by Anderson. The motion passed.

The Council agreed to pay the bills.

The Council accepted a bid on property located on SW 2nd Street; S 1/2 of lots 11, 12 and 13, Block 2, Branson Addition, from Brandon Widener as long as he adheres to all easements.

The Council discussed and agreed that the special meeting to discuss a golf cart ordinance will be held Tuesday, February 26 at 5:30 pm. It was suggested to be held at night by Schluter so that any of those concerned may be at the meeting.

The Council agreed to buy the Pipehunter Sewer machine out of the equipment fund for \$47,000 under the condition that they get the used machine from the contractor until the new one arrives. It was agreed to table the issue of accepting the Verizon or AT&T's bid for the purchase of 3 iPhones for city employees until the next meeting. The iPhones could be used by City employees to monitor the wells by the touch of a phone.

The Council agreed to allow AMEC, an agency that TCEQ contracts out, to set up a new monitoring well at SW 3rd and Poplar Street. Residents on each of the corners at the intersection of SW 3rd and Poplar Street will be informed that it will occur.

Juan Gutierrez wants to present concrete numbers to the council on how much it would cost to repair it. Schluter proposed that he be allowed to come into the March meeting and present his Plan of Rehabilitation. If obligations are not met or they follow the timeline, then they are in a binding contract stating that the building will be torn down.

FISD Renews Administrator's Contracts, Increases Salaries

By Sara Sisemore
Correspondent

During their Feb. 12th, 2013 board meeting, the board entered closed session at 8:01p.m. for discussion of the administrator's contracts and salaries for July 1, 2013-June 30, 2015 and re-opened the public meeting at 8:42p.m. Board member William Dean made the motion to extend all administrator contracts by one year for a total of two years with the following salary increases: Rex Holcombe, Assistant Superintendent/Tech & Fed. Programs Director—3% increase; Wayne Morren, High School and Junior High School Principal—5% increase; Mac Sherman, A.B. Duncan Elementary Principal—2% increase; Anne Carthel, Director of Curriculum/Instruction/Assessment—3% increase; Alicia Bice, Director of Special Programs—3% increase; Todd Bandy, Athletic Director/Head Football Coach—3% increase; Sharon Rainwater, Business Manager—4% increase. The board unanimously approved his motion.

The board accepted the resignation of Randall Eddleman at the completion of the current school year.

At the beginning of the meeting, the board recognized several individuals as students and educators of the month. Andres Mendoza was honored as the second grade student of the month, Albert De Hoyos was honored as the eighth grade student of the month, Ashley Lucke was honored as the twelfth grade student of the month, Sheresse Covington was honored as the AB Duncan Educator of the Month, and Brady Webb was honored as the FJHS/FHS Educator of the Month.

An election will be held come May 11, 2013, to fill board member seats for Single Member Districts 4, 5 and At-Large. This election will be held in conjunction with the City of Floydada and the Caprock Hospital District, using the election services provided by Floyd County. The board approved a motion to appoint Dee Leatherman as Early Ballot Clerk, Kelli Reddy as Alternate Ballot Clerk, and Petra Gonzalez as the bilingual early voting clerk for this election. The board also approved appointing Brenda Heflin as the Early Ballot/Election Judge, Karrie Williams as the Alternate Election Judge, and Petra Gonzalez as the bilingual clerk for this election. The board set the compensation rate for the May 11, 2013 election.

An Apple representative was present to recognize FISD with an Apple Distinguished Program



Courtesy Photo

Floydada ISD Superintendent Gilbert Trevino (middle) is pictured with two Apple Representatives who came to Floydada to present FISD with an Apple Distinguished Program Award. This is the fourth consecutive year the district has received this award. Floydada High School received the award the previous two years. This makes six consecutive years Floydada has been honored to receive this award. Trevino said, "We are honored and humbled to receive this award. It speaks volumes about the commitment our staff, administration, and board have made to technology. Through the use of technology, students are able to leave our district with 21st century learning skills that impact their lives beyond high school."

This is the fourth consecutive year the district has received this award. Floydada High School received the award the previous two years. Superintendent Gilbert Trevino expressed his pleasure in the district receiving this award: "We are honored and humbled to receive this award. It speaks volumes about the commitment our staff, administration, and board have made to technology. Through the use of technology, students are able to leave our district with 21st century learning skills that impact their lives beyond high school."

During the public comments portion of the meeting, Amado Morales addressed the board with concerns about the handling of discipline issues at AB Duncan Elementary. Morales' concerns were over inconsistency regarding discipline issues at Duncan. Morales expressed his feelings that the administration at Duncan could be more fair and consistent in dealing with issues that arise. He said the administrators had positives qualities in that they seem to care about the kids and allow the kids to have fun, but that he feels there is "no consistency in discipline and they are never accessible."

The board unanimously decided to purchase 150 mini iPads using Instructional Materials Allotment funding the district received from the state. This money can only be used on instructional materials that help FISD meet the Texas Essen-

tial Knowledge and Skills criteria. These mini iPads will be used for kindergarten and first grades. Trevino said, "We hope to purchase additional iPads for second and third (grades) in the future."

The board unanimously approved the minutes from the Jan. 15th public and regular meetings, as well as setting the March board meeting for the 7th.

The board reviewed payments of the January 2013 bills. The board inquired about an expenditure to Tuff Shed in the amount of \$15,953. Business Manager Sharon Rainwater explained this was for two dug-outs at the softball field and a storage building at the baseball field.

Rainwater then presented the tax report. M&O Current Tax Roll is at \$2,427,814.34, with \$2,212,357.88 collected. I&S Tax Roll is at \$286,087.91, with \$260,699.03 collected. The percent of current roll collected is 91.13, which is down compared to last year's 93.99 percent.

The board accepted the following bids for used district vehicles: \$2,500 for a 2003 Suburban from Ramiro Coss and \$660 for a tractor from John Leatherman. The board rejected the bid of \$900 for a 2004 Suburban from Dean Seymour.

Accepting the proposed 2013-2014 school calendar and implementing TASB Policy Update 96 were both unanimously approved by the board.

MINI BULL RIDING continued from page 1

"Tuff and Gunnry Araujo" Invitational. This event will be held at the Mallet Event Center on Friday at 7 pm and Saturday from 2-7 pm.

Last year it was in Lubbock at the South Plains Fair Ground.

"That was the second time Chris Shiver's had been in Lubbock. The first time was when he rode when he was 15 or 16 years old," said Lillie. "He will be there at the Levelland show for autographs and pictures."

This year will include riders in the junior, senior and super senior (age 15-17) age groups. Tickets will be on sale Friday for \$10, Saturday for \$15, and students will receive \$5 off with school I.D.

Also on the calendar is the PBR Touring Pro Division Western Festival & at Heart O' Texas Coliseum in Waco April 5-6 and Cedar Park PBR Challenge at the Cedar Park Center on June 23.



Courtesy Photo

The Miniature Bull Riders Association showcases the best youth rodeo action, while preparing talent in this new sport for future careers.



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A miniature bull rider competes to be one of the top three in his class in order to ride in the final event to be named the Champion Mini Bull Rider.

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line from Abernathy to Oklahoma.

The Floyd County Friends Board was concerned that the constant traffic, big trucks hauling in and out, might park or drive over the parking lot and cause dam-

age. Excel Energy will be building gates and fences for the Unity Center.

The safest and easiest way to enter the parking lot will be by the north entrance gate.

All the 4-H leaders will have a key to get in and keys will be available to others who hold events there.

"Essentially, we felt we had to protect the parking lot and this was the best way," said Jon Labaume.

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- Great 3 bed-2 bath home with 2-car garage with workshop/office.
- Excellent 3 bed-1 bath home with 1 car garage in great neighborhood.
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RN NEEDED: Part time. Semi-retired RN needed at Hospice Hands of West Texas. Serious applicants only. Contact Rosie at 806-292-9528. 2-21c

THE LOCKNEY HEALTH AND REHABILITATION CENTER in Lockney is accepting applications for a CNA position full time and PRN positions, all shifts available. For additional information please contact Cindy DuBois, 806-652-3375. tfn

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Wanted

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Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE - 112 E. College, Lockney (behind Allsup's). Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. - ???. Baby items, small refrigerator, clothes, shoes, exercise equipment, knick-knacks...a little bit of everything. 2-21p

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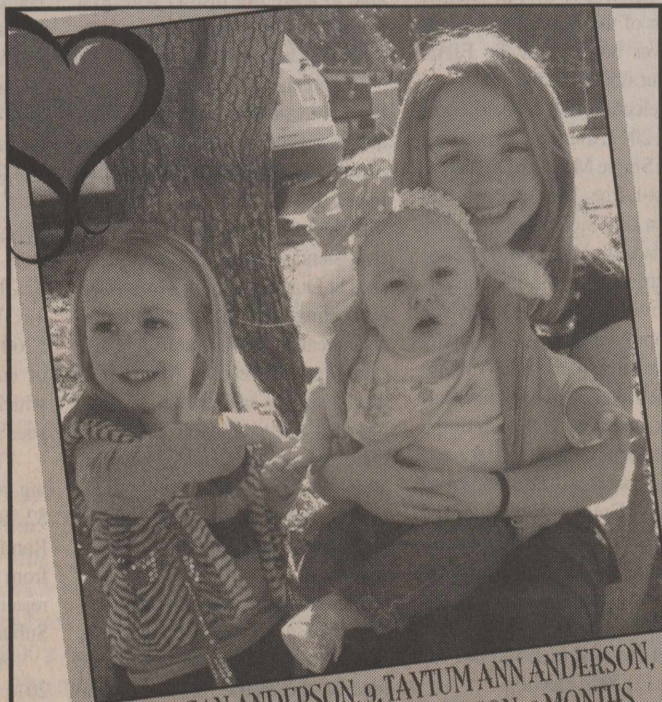
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MACI TEAGAN ANDERSON, 9, TAYTUM ANN ANDERSON, 3-1/2, AND BRYTON LAKELEY ANDERSON, 6 MONTHS

Daughters of Todd and Ashley Anderson of Whitney, Texas. Grandparents are Steve and Donna Anderson of Floydada and Mike and Kim Sharrow of Whitney. Great-grandparents are Louis and Ferne Anderson of Floydada.



KYNLEIGH KIRK, 5, KAMRYN KIRK, 3, GRAHAM SANDERS, 4, AND ANSLEY SANDERS, 18 MONTHS

Kynleigh and Kamryn are the daughters of Cory and Cori Kirk of Carlsbad, New Mexico. Grandparents are Larry and Nancy Kirk of Levelland and Bill and Judy Davis of Plainview. Great-grandparents are Louis and Ferne Anderson of Floydada and Edna Davis of Plainview. Graham and Ansley are the children of Dane and Robin Sanders of South Plains, Texas. Grandparents are Larry and Nancy Kirk of Levelland and Mark and Dee Sanders of Floydada. Great-grandparents are Louis and Ferne Anderson of Floydada, Sterling and Gleyann Earle Cummings and Connie Sanders, both of South Plains.



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