

# The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

HESPERIANBEACONONLINE.COM

75 CENTS

## Plans Finalized for 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Punkin Day

By Darolyn Snell  
 Special to Hesperian-Beacon

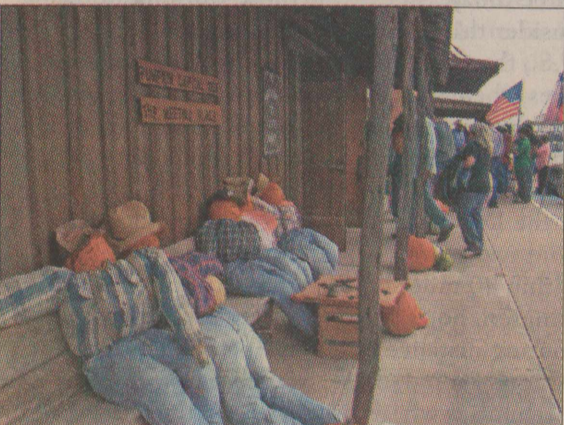
The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture has been working hard to finalize the plans for the 26th Annual Punkin Day Celebration which is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 on the square in downtown Floydada.

First let me correct an item from last week's story. For all you wonderful cooks out there pulling out those pumpkin recipes and preparing to participate in the Unique Pumpkin Recipe Contest on October 7th, that competition will take place at the First National Bank Community Room this year. Now on with all the details about our upcoming Punkin Day Celebration.

Registration for the 5K and Fun Run will kick things off at 8 a.m. Anyone wanting to participate can register at the Whirlwind gym. Also starting then will be the Chili Cook-off just north of the EDC building. The Car Show will set up with the Nifty Fifties Car Club in the 200 block of Main Street in front of Oden Chevrolet.

From 7 a.m. until 10 a.m. the Floydada Lions Club will be serving delicious pancakes during their Pancake Breakfast at 100 East California.

See PUNKIN, Page 12



Hesperian-Beacon Photo

The front of the Floyd County Historical Museum always gets decorated with the pumpkin men each year during Punkin Day in downtown Floydada. Be sure to visit the Museum's Open House on Sat. Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. along with the rope making activities located at the front of the museum.

## Are you a "Top Shot?"



Come test your shooting skills or learn some new ones. The Floyd County 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches will be hosting a "Top Shot" and 4-H Recruitment Event on Sunday, September 29th at the Unity Center. 4-H Shooting Sports programs provide a positive experience for youth, promote safe and ethical use of firearms and help foster involvement of the total family-youth, teens, parents and grandparents-with the goal of strengthening families through the participation in lifelong recreational activities. The program focuses on the cultivation and development of youth as individuals and responsible citizens.

The "Top Shot" competition is open to Floyd County youth from 9 to 18 years of age. The afternoon will start at 12:15 pm with lunch and a mandatory safety meeting.

Youth will start through the course immediately following the meal. "Top Shot's" in each age cat-

See SHOT, Page 12

## Anniversary



Courtesy Photo

Standing inside the new office at Providence Farm Supply and in front of the picture of the late Warren Mathis are (l-r) Glen Graves, manager, Robin Stoerner, bookkeeper, Barbara Mathis, owner, Mike Mathis, and Garrett Mathis.



Courtesy Photo

New office at Providence Farm Supply.

# Providence Farm Supply celebrates 50-year anniversary

By Homer Marquez  
 Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

It started as a simple business venture between three West Texas farmers in the early 60s, but soon became much more as the Providence Farm Supply and Grain Company quickly developed into not only a bustling agriculture entity, but into a hub for a community and a school house for generations of young farmers, who still sow the crops along the sunset horizons of the South Plains.

"We've been very blessed to be apart of this community," said Barbara Mathis, current owner Providence Farm Supply, located just northwest of Lockney along FM 788. "Even to this day, farmers still come in just to talk, drink coffee and compare rain gauges."

And the early morning scene of farmers' conversation and drinking coffee prior to the day's work load is not only a classic scene of small town West Texas living, but is the continuation of a legacy left by late Providence's co-founder, Warren Mathis, who passed away this past April.

"He was a kind man that treated us all like family," said Providence Manager Glen Graves. "I feel like we are carrying on his legacy."

A legacy, which this September, passed the

half-century mark as the Providence staple celebrates its 50th anniversary as an industry leader and community center in the South Plains.

"Time has just gone by in such a hurry, that you don't realize how long its been" said Barbara Mathis.

Created in 1962, the Providence Farm Supply and Grain Co. came into fruition after farmers Warren Mathis, J.R. Turner and L.B. Brandes purchased a grain elevator on the north side of FM 788 and office building just south of the street. The elevator at the time was owned by the infamous Texas businessman and con-artist Billie Sol Estes.

Barbara Mathis remembered she felt a little nervous in her husband's purchase, but said she was soon put at ease by the confidence she had in Warren, who had only farmed prior to the buyout.

"Obviously there was some risk involved, but over the years, most of us realized that (Warren's) ideas always seemed to work out," said Barbara, who also referenced another later business venture where Warren bought and converted Army issued engines to be installed into water wells in Floyd County.

See SUPPLY, Page 12

## 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.

### OPEN HOUSE

The Floydada Senior Citizens and the Spirit of Sharing will have an "OPEN HOUSE" on Sunday, September 29 from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to come visit and tour our facilities. Located at 925 W. Crockett Street.

### TOP SHOT.

The Floyd County 4-H Shooting Sports coaches will be hosting a "Top Shot" and 4-H Recruitment event on Sunday, Sept. 29 at the Unity Center starting at 12:15 p.m. The Top Shot competition is open to Floyd County youth 9 to 18 yrs of age. For more info call 983-4912 or see article inside this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

### GED CLASSES

Free GED classes will begin in Floydada on Oct. 1 and will meet weekly on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. at the South Plains Community Action. Lockney classes will begin on Oct. 2 and meet on Wednesday and Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. at the Lockney Elementary. Tickets are 17 years of age to attend. For more info call 652-3764 after 4 p.m.

### FLOYDADA LIONS CLUB

Floydada Lions Club "Pancake Breakfast" will be held on Saturday, October 12 from 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. at 100 E. California Street (old Sue's Gifts building). Tickets are Adults - \$5 and \$2 for children under 6.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library will be holding their annual "Book Sale" on Friday, Oct. 11th from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 12th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The book sale will be held in the Floyd County Library Conference Room. They are still taking book donations. If you have any questions, please call 983-4922.

### PUNKIN DAY

Make plans now to attend the Floydada Chamber's "Punkin Day" in downtown Floydada on Saturday, October 12th. Lots of games, booths, food and family fun. See you there!

### 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.

## Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact the FCHB office at 806-983-3737 or email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com

## News on the go



Use your smartphone to scan the quick response, or QR, code to visit us online.

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon  
 Copyright 2013  
 117th Year, No. 27  
 USPS 202-680



**RETIREMENT SALE**  
**Reduction Sale 30-50%**  
**Schacht**  
 Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts  
 112 W Poplar,  
 Lockney Texas  
 Phone: 652-2385

*Come in to Heart's Desire and see the new fall lines in fashion and decor.*  
**Heart's Desire**  
 2900 Otton Road Plainview (806) 296-2548  
 120 S Main Lockney (806) 652-2548

**Bridal Shower**  
 Lynnde Smith & Josh Tew  
 Cassidy Gooch & Cliff Messman  
**Payne Pharmacy**  
 200 S. Main St. Floydada (806) 983-5111 • (800) 345-7561 Denise Payne, R.Ph

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, 201 W. California, Floydada, Texas 79235, is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Phone 806-983-3737 Fax 806-983-3141 Email fchb.editor@yahoo.com

**PUBLISHER**  
William C. Blackburn

**REPORTER**  
Charles Keaton  
**GENERAL MANAGER**  
Barbara Anderson

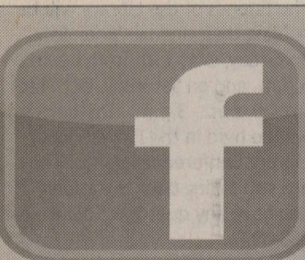
The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon (USPS 202-680) is published every Thursday, including holidays, by Blackburn Media Group Inc., P.O. Box 1260, Childress, Texas, 79201-1260. Entered at U.S. Post Office, Floydada, Texas, for transmission through the mail as a Second-Class matter, according to an Act of Congress, March 3, 1879. Periodical Rate Postage Paid at Floydada, Texas, 79235. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, 201 W. California, Floydada, Texas, 79235.

All material Copyright 2013 The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon

It is the mission of this newspaper to promote the rights of individualism in the American Declaration of Independence. The right of life, liberty and ownership of property are the cornerstone of freedom. Government's sole purpose is to enhance our liberty and freedom. Therefore, we hold every elected and appointed agent of government accountable to that standard.

**DEADLINES**  
Advertising: Noon Fridays  
Editorial: Noon Mondays

**SUBSCRIPTIONS**  
\$30 a year in the county  
\$35 a year outside the county



Find The Floyd County Hesperian Beacon on Facebook!

## If you die, will your family be buried in debt?

Help protect your family with life insurance from Modern Woodmen of America. Call today - I can help you plan for life.

Modern Woodmen of America  
Eric Cornelius  
906 W. Houston  
Floydada, TX 79235  
806-786-9591  
J.Eric.Cornelius@mwarep.org  
www.modernwoodmen.org

**Modern Woodmen**  
FRATERNAL FINANCIAL  
Touching lives. Securing futures.®

DIE0312

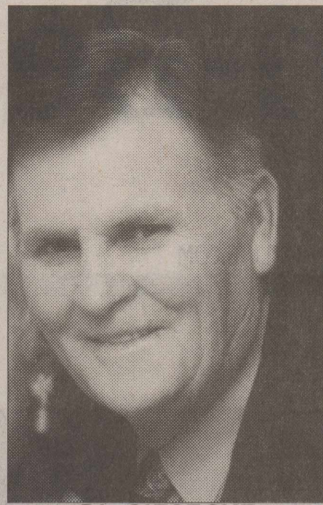
## Deaths

### Rockne Leland "RL" Giesecke

Rockne Leland "RL" Giesecke of Lubbock passed from this life Thursday, September 19, 2013.

He was born into this life Saturday, February 13, 1932 to C.W. and Arlene (Lambert) Giesecke in Afton, Texas. He was a 1950 graduate of Matador High School, and a 1954 graduate of Texas A&M University. He served in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957.

RL is survived by his wife, Geneva, and two children; one son, Michael and wife, Penny of Floydada; and a daughter, Elaine Ruland of Lubbock; two grandchild-



**RL GIESECKE**  
dren, Lance Ruland and wife, Andrea of Melissa and Zalanda Ruland of Lubbock;

two great-grandchildren; two brothers, LC Giesecke of Fredricksburg and RC Giesecke of Matador; two sisters, Charlene Bagley of Canyon and Nixie Sullivan of Allen.

A graveside service was held at 10 a.m. at the Afton Cemetery in Afton, Texas on Saturday, September 21, 2013. Arrangements were entrusted to Agape Funeral Chapel in Lubbock.

In lieu of flowers the Giesecke family suggests memorials in honor of RL be made to the Afton Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 533, Afton, TX. 79244.

### Raymond Gutierrez

Raymond Gutierrez, age 44, passed away Monday, September 16, 2013 in Odessa.

A Mass of Christian burial was held 2 p.m. Friday, September 20, 2013 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada with Father Ike Temporaza officiating. Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park. Rosary was held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel.

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

Raymond was born on November 7, 1968 in Lockney to Henry Gutierrez and Marta Luna. He enjoyed spending quality time with his family. He loved to barbecue using his secret ingredients and watching his favorite team, the Dallas



**RAYMOND GUTIERREZ**

Cowboys. Raymond's favorite line was "give 110%" His favorite music was the 80's, heavy metal and Spanish. The only thing Raymond did was move forward with all things. To him everything and anything is possible. He didn't let the world stop him, he stopped the world.

Raymond is preceded in

death by his granddaughter, Sienna Liala Salazar, grandparents, Presentacion and Maria Santos Luna and father-in-law, Manuel C. Hernandez.

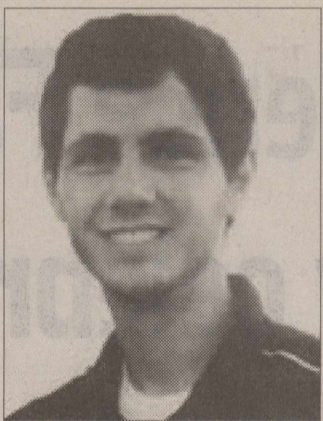
Raymond is survived by his wife, Lupe Gutierrez; daughter, Domanik Gutierrez; two sons, Raymond Gutierrez, Jr. and Sean Fabian Gutierrez; grandkids, Sebastian Jacob Salazar, Logan Evan Gutierrez, and Luke Brent Gutierrez; parents, Marta and Henry Gutierrez; brothers and sisters, Mary Gutierrez of Plainview, Steve Gutierrez of Floydada, Ruth Gutierrez of Lubbock, Irene Casteneda of Idalou, Kristy Collins of Floydada and Helen Diaz of Floydada.

Online condolence may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com).

### Jared Samuel Trengove

Our beloved Jared passed away on September 6, 2013. Services were held Thursday, September 12, 2013 at Calvary Baptist Church with burial following at Resthaven Memorial Park. Services were under the direction of Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers.

A lifelong resident of Lubbock, Jared was born June 1, 1995 to Steve and Melissa (Hale) Trengove. Jared loved sports, and grew up playing Little League baseball and Upward basketball, as well as football. At Evans Junior High, Jared and his team were city champs in football, and took second place in basketball. Jared was also a standout baseball pitcher, a position he played from his freshman to junior years at Monterey High School. His nickname, "15", came from pitching a no-hitter shut-out with 15 strikeouts. He pitched for Lubbock Cooper High School his senior year,



**JARED TRENGOVE**

helping take the team to the 2012-2013 state playoffs.

Jared also loved Kart racing, and was a member of the Southwest Road Racing Association and West Texas Karting Association. His family often traveled with him and enjoyed being a part of his "racing team." He was the 2009 Grand National Champion of the Grand National Race at Eagle's Canyon Racetrack in Dallas, TX.

Jared enjoyed hunting and fishing with his Papa. Jared participated annually in the

Father and Son golf tournament with his father and grandfather in Prescott, Arizona. Jared loved his family, and was very excited about becoming an uncle this November.

Those left to cherish Jared's memories are his parents, Steve and Melissa; two sisters, Jennifer Trengove of Lubbock and Jacqueline Whisner, and husband, John of San Antonio; maternal grandparents, Richard and Teresa Hale of Borger; paternal grandparents, Raymond and Marjorie Trengove of Prescott, Arizona; his girlfriend, Kathryn Bragg, and many beloved aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Family is accepting flowers or, in lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested in honor of Jared to a charity of your choice.

We invite you to visit [www.memorialdesigners.net](http://www.memorialdesigners.net) to view tributes and to leave words of encouragement to Jared's family.

### Terri Wynn Gordon

Terri Wynn Smith Gordon passed away on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 in Metairie, Louisiana.

She was born February 13, 1957 to the late Neal and Joyce (Freeze) Smith. She was a native of Floydada and had been a resident of Luling, Louisiana for 28 years. Religious services were

held at 11 a.m. at the Bible Center Church in Luling on Saturday, September 29, 2012. Interment followed in the St. Charles Cemetery in Luling. Services were under the direction of Falgout Funeral Homes.

Local survivors include her sisters, Vicki Derryberry and Jan Nichols.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR POLICY

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon welcomes letters from readers on topics of local, state, national and international importance. Email letters are preferred to: [fchb.editor@yahoo.com](mailto:fchb.editor@yahoo.com).

All letters must include a first and last name, street address (no post office boxes), town, and daytime phone number. Letters sent via U.S. mail may be sent to 201 W. California Street, Floydada, Texas 79235.

## The Paperboy Consider D.C. stimulated

Remember all of the talk of roads and bridges during the passing of the first large stimulus package? Does "shovel ready" ring a bell?



**CHRIS BLACKBURN**

As it turns out, President Obama was partially correct when he was telling us how the money would

be spent. It was spent on roads and bridges. It was also spent on skyscrapers, mansions and parks ... all for the greater Washington D.C. area.

Under Obama, the number of federal employees has skyrocketed. In the process, it has made the public sector a very nice living while those of us in the private sector have gone largely ignored.

In fact, without the growth in government, there is no telling where the real jobless rate would be today.

Consider this: in the U.S., there are 26 counties where the median family income is over \$100,000. Of the 26 counties, nine are in the D.C. metro area and two more are within 40 miles of Washington. So, within commuting distance of the nation's capital, there are 11 counties where the average family is bringing in six figures.

Where are the others: New York metro area has seven; Boston metro has two; and there is one each in the metro areas of Bridgeport, Conn.; Denver, Colo.; Nashville, Tenn.; Philadelphia, Pa.; San Francisco, Calif.; and San Jose, Calif.

It's interesting that the metro areas of Chicago, San Diego, Seattle, Miami, Dallas, Houston and Los Angeles don't include a single \$100,000 county among them.

According to 2012 figures, the wealthiest county in America—by far—is Arlington Co., Va., located just across the Potomac River from D.C. Arlington's median family income (\$137,216) is more than \$10,000 higher than that

of any other county in the United States.

The county with the second-highest median family income (\$127,192) is Loudoun Co., Va., also located in the D.C. metro area. The 3rd-highest tally (\$125,162) belongs to Howard Co., Md., which is within 40 miles of D.C. The 4th-highest (\$124,831) belongs to Fairfax Co., Va., another county located in the D.C. metro area.

Are you seeing a trend?

Washington D.C. does not produce much. It's not an industrial city. It's a government city. It's a city built on your tax dollars. You and I may be suffering, but our tax dollars are making federal government millionaires right and left.

Out here in the real world, I see a lot of people who are good at what they do. Not many of them are paid anywhere near what the people in these counties "earn." Yet, I'd put their work ethic and dedication well above those working in the D.C. area.

Do you know why? Out here, results matter. If you don't do your job, you'll be looking for another.

In the public sector, it doesn't work like that. If it did, the D.C. metro area would be losing people right and left because as far as I can tell, they're not very good at their jobs.

In the last sentence of President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, he stated ... "that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

We don't have that government anymore. Now it's a government of certain people, by certain people, for certain people. And those people live in and around Washington, D.C.

Chris Blackburn serves as CEO at Blackburn Media Group, proud owner of The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, Hall County Herald, The Hollis News, The Knox County News-Courier, The Post Dispatch, The Childress Index, Wellington Leader and The Stonewall Courier. He can be reached by email at [chris@blackburnmediagroup.com](mailto:chris@blackburnmediagroup.com) and you can follow him on Twitter @WCSBlackburn.

## AUTO AUCTION

**Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013 - Sale Time - 10 a.m.**  
Location "Big E's Towing" - 202 E. 24th (East of Amigos) Plainview, Texas  
**CARS, PICKUPS, MOTORCYCLES**  
Viewing - Friday, Sept. 27 - 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
Vehicles have been housed at Big E's Towing in Plainview for the required number of days.  
**#006423908C**

- Some wrecked
- Some impounded
- Some sold for salvage
- Some run, some don't & parts

**ALL VEHICLES SOLD AS IS - WHERE IS NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES**

Terms and conditions: Cash, check, or credit card with proper I.D. Accounts settled sale day. All sales final. Purchases must be removed on sale day. Title work must be completed with 30 days. A security agreement and guaranty of payment must be signed on sale day. Buyer holds harmless the auctioneer and or auction co. for any discrepancies in advertising of any item (in catalog or otherwise). Buyer must ascertain the validity of any description given for an item prior to purchase. Buyer is responsible for your purchase when "SOLD" with all faults and misdescriptions. Any announcement made sale day take precedence. Lunch available.

**McNutt Auction Service**  
Larry McNutt, #7881 - Plainview, Texas  
(806) 729-1460

# SOCIETY

## Museum Archives

### A History of the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney

FLOYD COUNTY  
HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
MEMORIES 1979

By Jerry Klein

The Church of Christ was the first church in Lockney. At least, that's the way it seems. In 1884, Charles W. Smith began preaching—and saints began meeting—from house to house. Then in 1894, S. W. Smith, (the two men were not related) joined C.W. in establishing Lockney Christian College.

Although called Lockney Christian College, the school wasn't a college at first. It only offered elementary and secondary courses in the beginning. But in 1908, a full collegiate course was offered, and in 1910, the college awarded degrees to its first college graduates. The schools record enrollment appears to have been 425 in 1899.

Unfortunately, Lockney Christian College

closed its doors forever in 1918. Other colleges—and cities—had been growing much more rapidly and the outbreak of war broke the school's back.

While Lockney Christian College existed only twenty-four years, there is no way to calculate the good that the college did the Church of Christ in Lockney. While area congregations were struggling for survival, the members of the church in Lockney were exposed to the preaching of famous—and outstanding—Church of Christ Preachers. In 1905, a Church of Christ magazine called The Gospel Advocate, reported that the Church in Lockney was "An ideal congregation of 300 members." One of Lockney Christian College Presidents, G.P.H. Showalter, later became the editor of another influential Church of Christ magazine, the Firm Foundation. In a doctoral dissertation at Texas Tech, Steve Eckstein reported that in 1900, "the strength of the Church of Christ in West Texas lay primarily in Abilene, San Angelo, Lockney and Lubbock."

When Lockney Christian College closed, the College Street Church was established (1919). What became the Main Street congregation continued to meet in the old college auditorium until a building was built on Main Street in 1928. The building presently being used by the congregation was dedicated on November 14, 1965.

Before Lockney Christian College closed, there were so many fine preachers in Lockney that different men took turns doing the preaching. Since the college closed, the preachers at the Main Street congregation have included Lif Sanders, J. N. Barnett, J. Early Arceneaux, George Mickey, Luke Priba, Milton Showalter, Kermit Upshaw, Tillet S. Teddlie, James Reynolds, G. K. Wallace, William C. Klingman, Ernest McCoy, Herbert Broadus, Jay Channel, Clyde Sloan, Charles Goodnight, George Devol, Thomas McDonald, Paul Epps, S.A. Freeman, Bob Glover, Bobby Hise, and Roy Stames. Currently, Jerry Klein is the preacher, and Tony Couick is the associate minister.

Churches of Christ follow the new Testament pattern of appointing elders to oversee each individual congregation. The men who are still living who have served as elders in the Main Street Church of Christ are Clyde Baxter, Les Cox, John Mason, John Peck, Herman Thornton, and Lloyd Wofford. Currently, N.H. Gammage, F.L. Montandon, and Robert Lee Smith are serving as elders.

The Main Street Church of Christ has a dynamic bus ministry, Bible School ministry, and personal evangelism ministry. At this time, the congregation's primary mission emphasis is in North Carolina, but the congregation does support several other worthwhile efforts.

The members of the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney feel that they have inherited quite a legacy. More than that, they are determined to make their best years the ones that lie ahead.

### Ministerial Alliance of Floydada to host community wide Christmas Celebration

By Tim Franks  
Pastor FBC

Christmas is always an exciting time of the year for our community. This year the Ministerial Alliance of our community would like to add to the excitement of the season. As our community celebrates the birthday of Jesus, the Ministerial Alliance of Floydada will host a special community wide Christmas Celebration on December 15, 2013. The celebration will be a great opportunity

for our entire community to worship the Lord Jesus Christ together during the Christmas season. During the celebration we will also be honoring the wonderful local organization, Spirit of Sharing. Spirit of Sharing is an integral part of our community as it helps many people that find themselves in need.

The Ministerial Alliance would like to invite you to be a part of the community choir that will be a major part of the celebration. Our hope is that over

fifty people will join the community choir for this celebration service. There will be a total of eight rehearsals. All rehearsals will be held in the choir loft at First Baptist Church, Floydada beginning sharply at 4:00 p.m. Rehearsal dates are October 6, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 24 and December 8. There will also be a dress rehearsal December 15. Please come be a part of the choir for the Christmas Community Celebration Service, December 15, 2013.

### Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word  
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

We have two important days you need to be aware of. Our OPEN HOUSE will take place on Sunday afternoon, September 29th from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. We want you to come and see our new location. We are located where the Floydada nursing home was located.

Also on Friday, September 27th "FLU SHOTS" will be given from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. You must bring your Medicare card. If you do not have a Medicare card the charge will be \$20.

Our visitors the past week were Justin Jaworski, Jeff Johnston, our city manager, Ronnie Smith, a family group, Pauline McCormick of Lubbock, Johnnie Ward, from Lubbock, and Jerry and Tom Pearson, who ate with Ruby Gooch, who eats with us every day. Also Karen Farris ate lunch with her father, Shorty Turner.

We really need a lot more senior citizens eating with us. Please call the Center by 9:30 or 10 a.m. when you are going to eat with us. The price of our lunch is much cheaper than other eating establishments. Getting out of the house is so important. I don't cook any more and it's nice to visit with friends.

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

In memory of Laura Downey - Tom and Karen Farris

In memory of Jared Trengove - Margaret Soudelier

In memory of William Eugene Smith - Jimmy and June McLaughlin

"Thought for the Week" - Most of us would rather risk catastrophe than read the directions.

Mignon McLaughlin

### The 501 Snagged by online car deal

I'll be switched! They got me hook, line and sinker, all but reeled in by a too-good-to-be-true car deal.



HANABA  
MUNN  
WELCH

Yep, I almost bought a car online. Almost. But I got away. The story: A 2012 Hyundai Tucson caught my left eye as I watched Texas

Backing up, if you've never initiated a car deal online after sundown, here's how it works:

In sales, you get the luck of the draw. You chat with a mug shot. Not to worry. They're all attractive. If you get a girl, she looks wholesome and just old enough not to be jailbait (sticking with our theme.) Happily I got a cute guy instead. His name was John. We chatted, meaning, of course, that we "typed", an increasingly obsolete word that doesn't capture the essence of a conversation. Neither were we really chatting in the true sense of the word. Should that have been my first clue the car was one shade away from reality? It all seemed real. John said he'd have to check with his sales manager, which is what real salesmen say in the daylight.

By midnight I was at the farm. By daylight, I was ready to hit the turnpike. Alas, during the night, the well pump had quit.

The prospect of buying a car can make routine well repair seem like a minor bump in the road. Quote me. At the well, I didn't even look for black widows in the pit that houses the equipment that's supposed

to keep everything working. One scorpion threatened. Squish. I didn't even look for the mate. I had a car waiting for me in Oklahoma City.

Emery paper worked for sanding the corroded points of the pressure switch (sticking with our theme). Like magic, the pump kicked in, just in time for the cows to drink.

I called the sales crew at the dealership, ready to confirm the deal and take them my trade-in. The daytime salesman, Richard, said the Tucson was a parts car, not for sale, meaning not that it was good only for parts (like my trade-in) but that the parts department was driving it!

Richard tried to make me feel better by saying the car of my dreams had hail damage.

I told him I could live with hail damage.

So he tried to sell me a new Tucson with hail damage. Finally, a real salesman!

Too late.

### Friends of the Library to hold annual book sale

By Carolyn Cheek

Friends of the Library will be having their annual book sale on Friday, October 11th from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and then

again during Punkin Day, Saturday, October 12th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The book sale will be held in the Floyd County Memorial Library Conference Room.

We still need books for our book sale. We so appreciate all of you who have already donated.

Proceeds from our sale go to support our wonder-

ful Floyd County Memorial Library.

We are able to purchase books as well as sponsor activities held at the library.

If you are unable to bring your books to the library, call Rochelle at 983-4922 and we will make arrangements to come get them.

Also remember to give your memorial donations through the Friends of the Library.

### Lockney Senior Citizens Menu

September 30 - October 4

- Monday - Hamburger steak
- Tuesday - Tacos
- Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
- Thursday - Chicken & dumplings
- Friday - Fish

Words cannot express Charlene's and my THANK YOU to the city council, the ladies who work at city hall, our friends and our family members for the tremendous retirement reception held in my honor.

A special thank you to those who provided the trip to Fredericksburg and an even bigger thank you to those who provided funds for the construction trailer.

We have been blessed by being able to serve the citizens of Floydada.

Gary and Charlene Brown

*WEDDING SELECTIONS FOR*

*Ellie Bootman & Tyler Chesshir*

*Cassidy Gooch & Cliff Messman*

**Caprock Motor Parts & Hardware**  
114 California St., Floydada • 983-2865

*In memory of*

*Terri Smith Gordon*

2-13-1957 - 9-26-2012

*"What the heart has once known, it shall never forget."*

*Author Unknown*

Floydada Lions Club

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

7:00 - 10:00 A.M.

PUMPKIN DAY - OCTOBER 12TH

100 East California - (Old Sue's Gifts Bldg.)

Adults -- \$5.00      Children Under 6 -- \$2.00

You are **TWENTY THREE TIMES** more likely to crash when you text while driving. Is sending an LOL text message really worth killing someone? Park the phone when you drive.

# FLOYDADA SCHOOL

## Whirlwinds Fall to Childress 42-6

By Charles Keaton

Using a punishing defense, the Childress Bobcats came to Floydada and handed the Whirlwinds a 42-6 loss. Even though the Bobcats could not contain Winds running back Aaron Chavarria, they controlled the rest of the team to prevent the big plays.

Childress held Floydada to 181

total yards with 175 of that coming on the ground. Childress also forced three turnovers that stopped the Winds short.

The Bobcats began the scoring with 8:54 left in the first quarter on a three yard run. With 6:05 left in the first quarter, Childress scored on a seven yard run to take a 14-0 lead.

The teams traded field position for much of the second quarter but with

1:11 left in the half, the Bobcats connected on a 64-yard pass to take a 21-0 lead into the locker room.

The Bobcats added to their lead with 9:12 left in the third quarter on a 29-yard pass. Trailing 28-0, the Winds finally crossed the goal line on a Chavarria 14-yard run with 5:10 left in the third to move the score to 28-6.

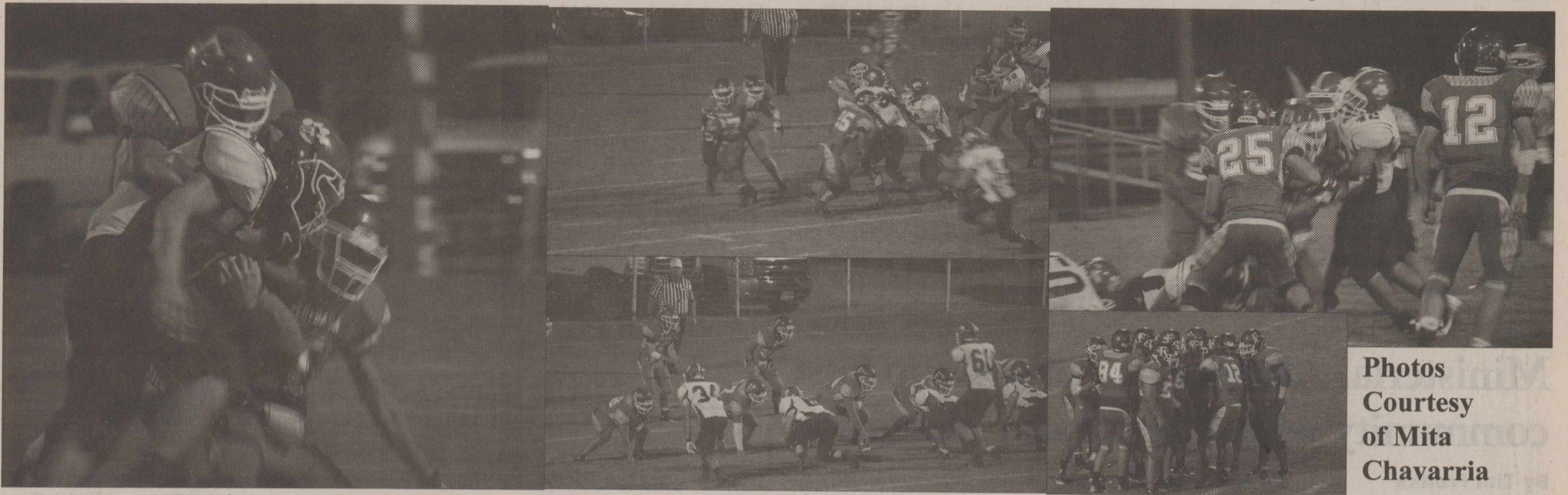
Early in the fourth quarter, Chil-

dress scored on a five yard run to take a 35-6 lead with 11:38 left in the game. The Bobcats completed the scoring with 7:57 left when they connected on a 23-yard pass to give them a 42-6 lead.

Offensively, the Winds managed just 181 total yards. Chavarria had 27 carries for 195 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Tyler Lowrance was 2-7 passing for six yards and one

interception. The Bobcats had 144 yards rushing on 35 attempts and three touchdowns. The Bobcats were 11-15 passing for 217 yards and three touchdowns.

The Winds, now 1-3 on the year, host the Crosbyton Chieftains this week. Crosbyton is 3-1 on the year. Following an opening week loss to Tahoka, the Chieftains have defeated Memphis, Sudan and Sundown.



Photos Courtesy of Mita Chavarria

### Eagles Win!



Courtesy of Darolyn Snell

The Floydada Eagles Tiger League 5th and 6th grade team brought home their second win of the season by defeating Olton's team 33-6 Saturday, Sept. 21st in Plainview.

## FISD Approves District and Campus Improvement Plans

By Sara Sisemore  
Correspondent

The Floydada Independent School District Board of Trustees met on Sept. 10, 2013 to discuss the District and Campus Improvement Plans. After consideration of the District and Campus Improvement Plans, the board unanimously approved the plans as presented.

There are 10 stated goals of the district improvement plan: 1) "By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, all schools in Floydada ISD will achieve a 90% or greater passing rate"; 2) By the end of the 2013-2014 school year, all schools in Floydada ISD will maintain an attendance rate of greater than or equal to the exemplary rate"; 3) "Establish a school climate conducive to students reaching their greatest potential"; 4) "Floydada ISD will provide appropriate Technology to enhance curriculum, individualized learning for students, teachers, and administrators"; 5) "Floydada I.S.D. will implement procedures to enhance staffing patterns"; 6) "FISD will actively involve parents and community to benefit the education of all students"; 7) "During the 2013-2014 school year, Floydada Independent School District will address all eight areas of the Title I Part A Components"; 8) "During the 2013-2014 school year, Floydada Independent School District will implement all appropriate federal and state programs"; 9) "During the 2013-2014 school year, 90% of Floydada Independent School District students will master the TAKS, STAAR, Pre-TAKS"; and 10) "During the 2013-2014 school year, Floydada Independent School District will provide special education services to all students who meet the qualifications for the program."

The campus improvement plans each have nine goals, which correspond closely with the district's goals. Each goal has several specific objectives and strategies to help the district work toward achieving

each one.

During the meeting, the board recognized the September 2013 students, educators, and support staff of the month. A.B. Duncan Elementary student of the month is Luke Miller (5th grade). A.B. Duncan educator of the month is T.J. Fly. Floydada Junior High student of the month is Miguel Pena (8th grade), and FHS student of the month is Kimberly Pacheco (11th grade). FJH/FHS educator of the month is Beth Logsdon, and support staff of the month are Carmen Alvarez and Ricky Coronado.

The board considered the Class Size Survey for Grades K-4 and approved a motion to apply for the class size exception beginning Sept. 11, 2013 since there are three classrooms in the second grade level at A.B. Duncan Elementary that exceed the 22:1 student to teacher ratio required under the Texas Education Code.

The board discussed the 2013-2014 enrollment report. As of Sept. 6, total enrollment for the district was 750. This is up eight students from Aug. 30.

Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the board with the tax report. M&O current tax roll is \$2,426,788.13, with net collections of \$2,393,171.48. I&S tax roll is \$285,966.98, with net collections of \$282,005.67. The percent of current roll collected is 98.62, the same as compared to the same time last year.

In other business, Lindsey Pyle, Kelli Hinsley and Aimee Teeple were present to give a report to the board concerning the PTO at A.B. Duncan Elementary, and the board approved a motion to accept the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report as discussed during the public hearing.

The board unanimously approved the following items: the Aug. 27, 2013 public hearing and regular meeting minutes, the Sept. 4, 2013 special called meeting minutes, payment of the August 2013 bills, and set the October board meeting for October 8, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

### FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU September 30 – October 4

**Monday**

**Breakfast-** French toast sticks, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-** Cheese enchiladas, Spanish rice, refried beans, garden salad, cinnamon apples, milk variety

**Tuesday**

**Breakfast-** Scrambled eggs w/biscuit & gravy, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-** Hot dog w/chili, potato tots, fresh veggie cup, fresh fruit, chocolate chip cookies, milk variety

**Wednesday**

**Breakfast-** Breakfast club, fruit juice or

fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Grilled cheese sandwiches, vegetable soup, baby carrots, fruit cup, milk variety

**Thursday**

**Breakfast-** Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple slices, crispy cereal treat, milk variety

**Friday**

**Breakfast-** Breakfast burrito, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Hamburger, lettuce, tomato & pickles, corn cobbettes, baby carrots, sliced peaches, milk variety



Satisfy your need for speed!

AMA•TECHTEL brings you high-speed fixed wireless Internet access. With speeds up to 50 times faster than dial-up and access that's always on, you'll connect to the world faster than ever.

AMA•TECHTEL is committed to providing the latest technology and the best customer service, so no matter who you're connecting with, you can count on us to get you there.

Now you can have the fastest, most reliable Internet service available. So act fast; contact your local distributor today!

ASSITER INSURANCE  
120 W. CALIFORNIA • 983-2511

READING NEWSPAPERS IS A QUEST LIKE NO OTHER

### \$500 REWARD

For information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who robbed my home south of Floydada on Saturday, September 14th.

STOLEN ITEMS INCLUDE:  
2 - Winchester antique rifles, Sharps Buffalo rifle, 2 - saddles, VISIO flat screen TV, Nikon D80 camera

Call Frank Potts, 806-983-3055  
Your identity will be kept secret.

### VIP

New Hours

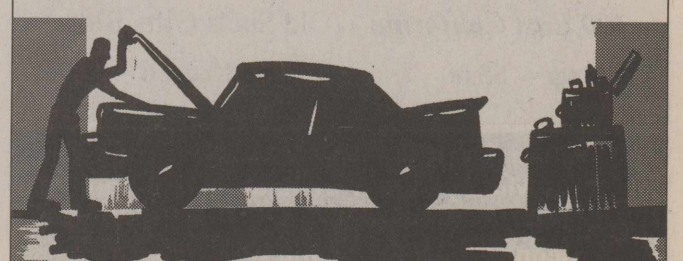
M-F 5 pm - 9 pm - Sat. 8 am - 12 pm  
Closed on Sunday

Call for appointment to 938-4935

Leave a message

We do oil changes, car washes, brake jobs, fix flats, and lots more.

Still under same management of Harvey Garza



# LOCKNEY SCHOOL

## Longhorns fall to Morton Indians 28-22

By Charles Keaton  
Hesperian-Beacon

Taking advantage of four turnovers, the Morton Indians jumped out to a 22-0 halftime lead over the Lockney Longhorns and held on in the second half to claim the 28-22 victory in Morton.

Head coach Jay Ragland said that penalties and turnovers were the keys that cost the Horns the game. The Horns ended the night with 18 penalties for 175 yards.

Morton scored first on a one-

yard run with 8:12 left in the first quarter to take the early 6-0 lead. With 1:59 left in the first quarter, the Indians scored on a 45-yard run and made the two-point conversion to extend their lead to 14-0.

With 1:50 left in the second quarter, the Indians again scored from one yard out to take a 22-0 halftime lead. Neither team was able to find the goal line in the third quarter but the Horns were driving as the quarter ended.

The Horns found pay dirt on the

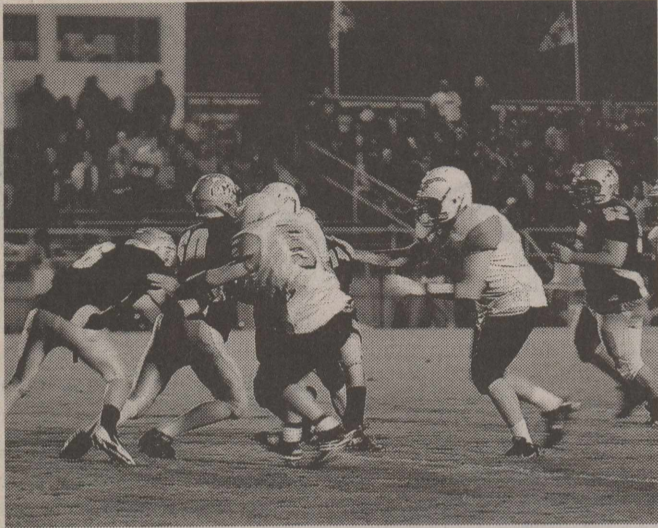
first play in the fourth quarter as Ky Teeter ran in from one yard out and Tevin Phillips converted the two-point try to cut the Indians lead to 22-8 with 11:54 left in the game. Morton again crossed the goal line on a 40-yard run with 5:50 left in the game to extend their lead to 28-8. Teeter and Phillips hooked up for a 40-yard touchdown pass and Phillips made the two-point conversion run to bring the Horns closer at 28-16 with 3:34 left in the game. Lockney added one more score with

1:54 left in the game as Ruben Ascencio fell on a Teeter fumble in the end zone as the Horns made the final score 28-22.

Offensively, the Horns outgained the Indians 287 total yards to 184. The Horns were unable to force any turnovers but gave the Indians four, all on interceptions. Teeter was 10-19 passing for 145 yards and one touchdown. Nic Sherman had four receptions for 49 yards, Phillips had one reception for 40 yards and a touchdown, Daylen Gatica had 3 receptions

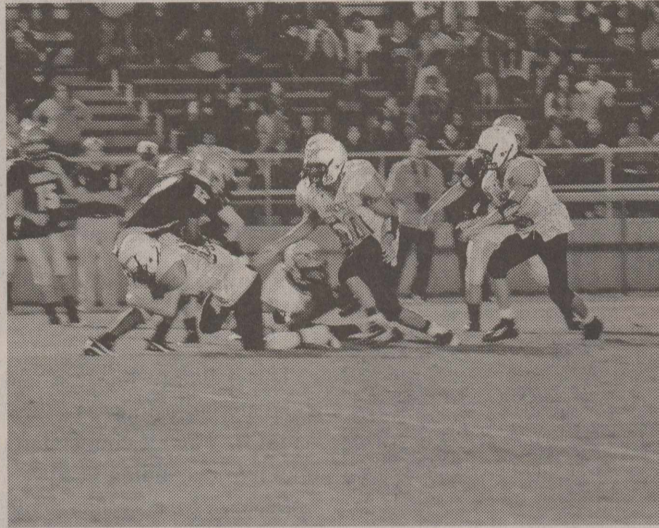
for 26 yards, Darin DeLeon had one reception for 22 yards and Eli Guerra had one reception for eight yards. Teeter led all rushers with 13 carries for 76 yards and a touchdown, Sherman had 13 carries for 36 yards and Trevor Ascencio seven carries for 30 yards.

The Horns are now 2-2 on the season and travel to Olton to take on the 1-3 Mustangs. Olton's only victory this year was against Dimmitt, while their losses have come from Sundown, Farwell and Hale Center.



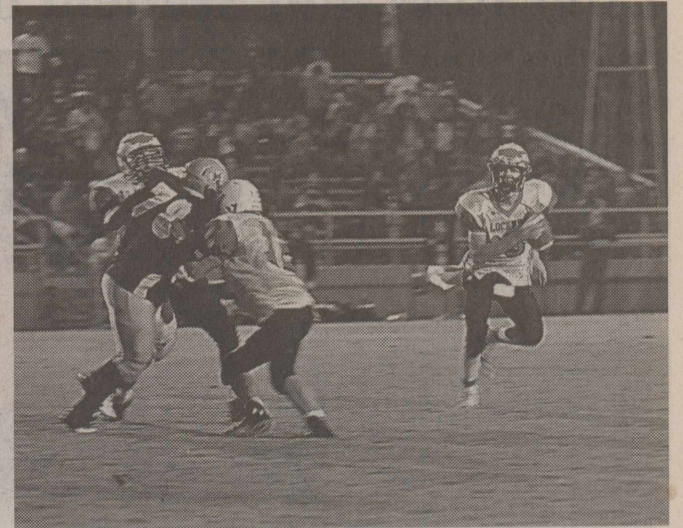
Courtesy of R.K. Hunt Photography

Lockney defenders rush to stop a Morton running back during the Indians 28-22 victory over the Longhorns in Morton.



Courtesy of R.K. Hunt Photography

Lockney defenders stop the Morton running back for loss of yards. The Horns lost to the Indians 28-22 in Morton. The Horns now have a 2-2 season record and will travel to Olton this week to take on the Mustangs.



Courtesy of R.K. Hunt Photography

Lockney quarterback Ky Teeter looks for an open receiver during the Horns loss to the Morton Indians. The Horns season record is now 2-2 after the 28-22 loss to the Indians. The Horns travel to Olton this week.

## Lockney Junior High Football

By Coach Barrera

### Seventh Grade vs. Floydada

The seventh grade Shorthorns traveled to Floydada on Thursday, Sept 12. The Shorthorns were led by Devin DeLeon who ran for an 18-yard touchdown. Bryce Reece scored the two-point conversion. The Shorthorns played a hard fought game on both sides of the ball. On the defensive side of the ball, Anthony Martinez had a fumble recovery. The Shorthorns fought hard but came up two touchdowns short.

### Eighth Grade vs. Floydada

The eighth grade team started the season with a big win over our neighbors and friends the Floydada Whirlwinds. Led by a big performance from Jaden Rosales and his 5 touchdowns, the Shorthorns had a big victory. Tristan Schluter had a 58-yard pass to Rosales to open up the game. Rosales scored on a 15-yard touchdown run that was led into the end zone by the offensive line. Israel Cuellar recovered a fumble to give the ball to offense. Rosales took an end around 51 yards to score. Nikolas Rendon blocked a punt and had big hits all night on the field. Rosales scored on a 26 yard run. Shawn Marquez forced a fumble that turned the game around and led Rosales to scoring a 14 yard touchdown run. The Shorthorns came away with the big victory 32-12. Thanks to all the wonderful fan support.

## Lockney ISD approves agreements with South Plains Wind Energy

By Charles Keaton  
Hesperian-Beacon

Meeting in regular session on Sept. 16, 2013, the Lockney School Board, following a public hearing regarding the application of South Plains Wind Energy, LLC, for an appraised value limitation on qualified property, voted to approve the findings of fact and the application of South Plains Wind Energy.

Following additional discussion, the Board approved entering into an agreement with South Plains Wind Energy for an appraised value limitation on qualified property according to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code.

In other action, the Board approved a local policy change that concerns

how graduation ranking is calculated. The new policy will include band in calculation of class ranking. All grades will be used with the exception of physical education, athletics, an assigned tutoring or remediation course, a local credit course or a course with a pass/fail only option.

New seventh and eighth grade junior high science teacher, Trinity Nevins, introduced herself to the board and explained what she was doing in the classroom as well as the extracurricular activities she is assisting with.

The Board also approved the minutes from the previous meeting, payment of bills and a budget amendment to the 2013-14 budget.

High school principal Todd Hallmark reported they have had a good

start to the school year including being able to deploy laptops to all the high school students. Hallmark reported current enrollment at 154 students.

Craig Setliff, junior high principal also reported a good start. Setliff said that Desi Pharis will be assisting the students as they prepare for the UIL Junior High One-Act Play competition and all other teachers are preparing their students for UIL contest. Setliff said there are currently 102 students enrolled.

Elementary principal Jean Anne Williams reported 253 students enrolled. She also said they have had a good start to the school year. Williams invited the Board to visit during Open House, scheduled for 6 p.m. on Oct. 1, 2013.

### LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU September 30 – October 4

#### Monday

**Breakfast-** French toast sticks, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-** Cheese enchiladas w/cheese garnish, refried beans, garden salad, cinnamon apples, milk variety

#### Tuesday

**Breakfast-** Scrambled eggs w/biscuit & gravy, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-** Hot dog w/chili, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fresh seasoned fruit, milk variety

#### Wednesday

**Breakfast-** Breakfast club, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Toasted ham & cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, baby carrots, fruit cup, milk variety

#### Thursday

**Breakfast-** Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple slices, crispy cereal treat, milk variety

#### Friday

**Breakfast-** Breakfast burrito, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

**Lunch-**Bean & beef burrito, seasoned corn, 2 corn cobbettes, baby carrots, sliced peaches, milk variety

to see all of the 2013-2014 sports pictures go to [www.seemyprints.com](http://www.seemyprints.com) event name: Lockney password: sport

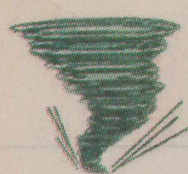
Take the First Step to a Heart-Healthy Life.

Start Working Smart! **Smart Working, Smart Living!**

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

**DRIVE NOW TEXT LATER**

Save a Life  
Texas Department of Transportation



# Whirlwind News



## Paving the Way to College Rumor Has It

McKenna Johnson - Staff Writer

Pursuing a higher-level education after high school is essential to acquire the necessary skills to prosper in the work force. However, and rather unfortunate, college can be expensive. Scholarships, like Abbott and Fenner, can help pay for the costs of a secondary school. To apply for the \$1000 Abbott and Fenner scholarship you must write a 500 - 1000 word essay answering the following questions in response to the topic,

"Every generation faces new challenges and new problems. What do you think is the biggest difference between your generation and older generations? How do you think these differences will affect the future of our country and/or your career choice?" The deadline is June 14, 2014 and submission is available for juniors and seniors. For more information about the Abbott and Fenner Scholarship visit the link below.  
<http://abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>



## Educators and Student of the Month

By: Bethany Morales  
 Staff Writer

Floydada High School is filled with students and employees who give their all in what they do. Each month Floydada High School administration selects a student and an employee(s) who stand out above the rest. This month's FHS educator was Beth Logdson and support staff members were Ricky Coronado and Carmen Alvarez. T.J Fly was recognized as the Duncan teacher of the month. FHS awarded, Junior, Kimberly Pacheco, as student of the month. Miguel Peña, eighth grader, was this month's Jr. High student of the month, and fifth grader, Luke Holcombe received the award as Duncan's student of the month.



feels good to be student of the month, because it's not just something everybody gets awarded," said Junior, Kimberly Pacheco. The student of the month award is given to a student who has excelled in his/her education. "I was happy to get student of the month because I have never gotten it before. The teachers are very excellent," said eighth grader, Miguel Peña. Peña thanks his teachers for always encouraging him to do his best in school. Newcomer, T.J Fly hopes to set a good example for his students by his leadership. "I felt appreciated by the

school and it makes me want to be more of an asset," said Coach Fly. Administration notices hard work and academic success that people show. "It was thoughtful of the school that my and Ricky's hard work had been acknowledged and appreciated," said, Support Staff, Carmen Alvarez. "I enjoy working for the school," said, Support Staff, Ricky Coronado. Luke Holcombe worked hard to achieve academic success in his education. "I felt like I deserved student of the month for my hard work," said fifth grader, Luke Holcombe.

By Kimberly Pacheco- Staff Writer

The halls are buzzing and kids are adjusting as Floydada Jr. High School starts another outstanding year. "Its been great," Cutter Smith said, a seventh grader at FJH. The teachers at FJH have showed to be impacting the student's lives everyday with their character.

"All of the teachers are really nice, and easy to understand," said seventh grader, Javier Olvera. Students are hard workers and not only do they learn by lectures and technology, but by being involved in extra curricular activities. "Cheerleading has been fun and exciting," said seventh grader, Kylie Ricketts. The laptops in Floydada

ISD proceed to be an important part on education. "I like that we got new MacBook Pros," said seventh grader, Javier Olvera. Students are taking education seriously; ready to learn new things everyday. "My favorite class is social studies because I get to learn about my past and history," said seventh grader, Cutter Smith

## Whirlwinds Fall to Physical Bobcats Friday Night

By Tucker Lowrance- Staff Writer

This past Friday night the Whirlwinds took on the Childress Bobcats in their first appearance at home. The Whirlwinds fell short to the Bobcats by a score of 42 to 6.

All of the Whirlwind players were excited to finally be able to play at home, and some definitely felt the pressure of it.

"It was a lot of pressure defending our hometown and I was hoping we would be victorious," said junior, Rikardo Cervera.

For some Whirlwind players it was their first opportunity to play their first varsity game at home.

"It was a pretty amazing feeling, I was a little nervous but everything felt better after my first tackle. The experience was unbelievable," said junior, Zach Martinez.

The coaches prepared for Childress by focusing on the running game of the Bobcats from their running back and quarterback.

"We went in focusing on their running game because both the quarterback and running back

could run well," said Coach, Eric Fierro. Floydada definitely played their hearts out against a strong physical team in the Bobcats. "The kids played a great hard-nosed, physical game on defense, but since we couldn't get our offense clicking we got tired on defense and ended up giving up big plays," said Fierro.

As for the Whirlwind offense they could not get untracked as the offense struggled to move the ball up the field. Aaron Chavarria lead the Winds with 179 yards rushing and provided the only touchdown of the night. Tucker Lowrance was 2 of 8 for 9 yards with one interception throwing the ball for the Winds.

Despite the outcome, the Whirlwinds held their own.

"It will be one of the most physical games our kids will play all year long and they stepped up big time and held their ground against a good team," said Fierro.

Next week the Whirlwinds will look to get back on the winning track as they take on the Crosbyton Chiefs in Floydada.

## Welcome to FISD

## Meet Ms. Zhanxia Yang

By Mattie Sanders - Staff Writer

With school kicked off, students and teachers have begun the process of immersing themselves in learning and working into a great school year. Amongst the smell of erasers and sounds of busy pencils marking down solutions, students work to learn in their high school math class on a new level. This year, a new face will greet the kids with her knowledge and a friendly smile. The teacher is Ms. Yang and she is hoping for a successful start to teaching high school students.

"I hope to accomplish preparing students to be ready for the next level of math classes they will encounter and help them to start thinking about their career plan for the future," said, math teacher, Zhanxia Yang.

Zhanxia Yang is the new math teacher at Floydada High School. She teaches geometry, math models, and pre-calculus. She received her high education and masters at Lanzhou University and Texas Tech University.

Yang was raised in a small village in Xining, China prior to venturing to the United States. Her family, still living in China, includes her parents and older brother. Although she misses her family, she enjoys the friendships she has made while in the United States and teaching at the school. Other than teaching, Ms. Yang enjoys hiking, reading a variety of books and playing sports, such as Ping-Pong, badminton, and basketball. Floydada ISD welcomes Ms. Yang!



## What's Trending: #Syria

By Hunter Schwertner- Assistant Editor

Over the past few weeks, headlines have been buzzing about every aspect of Syria's two-year civil war. On August 21, 2013, it was rumored that the country used chemical weapons to hinder the rebels; and since then, the Obama Administration has been trying to strategically and effectively plan a way to convince Congress that the United States should seek military action against Bashar Assad's regime.

A few staff members have their own input on what decision should be made.

"I personally think that we should stay out of it," said librarian, Mrs. Warren. "I don't think we should have to be big brother to the entire world when it's not our fight."

"Although it would be detrimental to our country if we do go to war right now with Syria, I feel that it is devastating what happened to all of their citizens," said Mrs. Cox.

Students have also been keeping up with the latest news, allowing them to de-

velop their own viewpoints on this issue.

"I don't think that the United States should do anything about it," said sophomore, Destiny Cabello. "We should have peace."

What do you think? Should the United States try to eliminate the use of chemical weapons, should government officials try and negotiate with the Syrian leaders, or should they just simply stay out of things? For more information and the latest developments on this topic, try visiting <http://www.politico.com>.

## Whirlwind Word Search

J.V. Football

By: Rebekah Hall-Staff Writer

A W V M A R C O S K L A Y J M  
 R E A Z W X J N I T S U J K G  
 Q T I N L G W C T H T D I R Z  
 T T Y A A M H J T R T N O O F  
 Y Q D B L V O W T R N B E R M  
 A M H R F T E P Q O E P R X B  
 L A D N Y A X B S R P Y Z W N  
 F H W K R A M R T R H M M E O  
 O A T V R M A H D S I M M O J  
 N R R E K C W Z O G E E A O U  
 Z B E A F V D J U T S S E E V  
 O A L J D E R E K Q S S V T K  
 S E Y N G J L H N E V E T S F  
 T O T G O B Z I Y W S J K C S  
 R T C B Z M O L F J S I W E L

JESSE LEWIS  
 ROBERT MIGUEL  
 CJ  
 MARCOS  
 JOSH  
 TYLER  
 ABRAHAM  
 JUSTIN  
 ALFONZO  
 CARSON  
 DEREK  
 STEVEN  
 JOE  
 EVAN  
 MARK

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative  
 The power of human connections®

ADAMS WELL SERVICE  
 806.983.5003

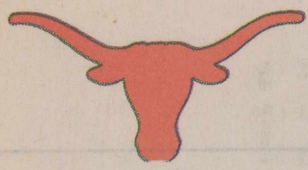
One-Stop Banking and Bill-Paying  
 Banking at your fingertips

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF FLOYDADA  
 FDIC

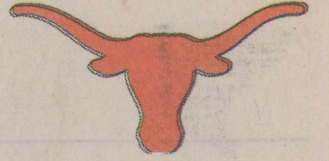
Quality Body Shop  
 983-5032

DARLA C. CHAPPELL, CPA, P.C.  
 A Professional Corporation  
 Certified Public Accountant  
 201 West California • Mail P.O. Box 98  
 Floydada, Texas 79235  
 Phone (806) 983-3700 Darla C. Chappell, CPA

HAPPY STATE BANK  
 Robbie Hilton  
 103 S. Will St., Floydada, TX 79235 • 806-983-3700

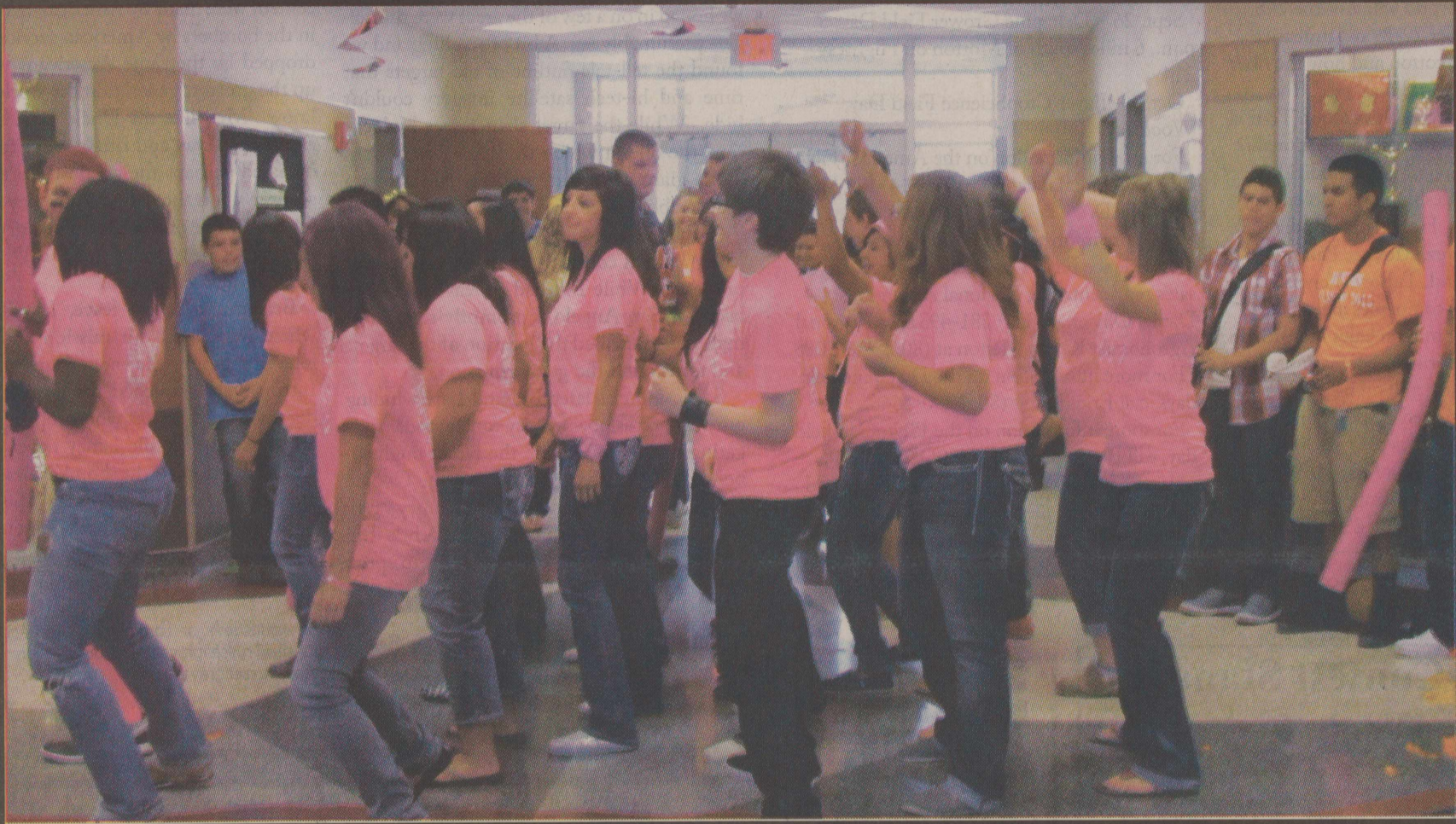


# Longhorn News



## Color Wars

Lockney High School participated in Color Wars recently where each grade level wore a different color and participated in various events to show their school spirit. Seniors wore pink, juniors wore orange, sophomores wore yellow and freshmen wore blue. Students competed in line dancing, skits, and various cheers demonstrating their support for the Longhorns. Winning the contest was the senior class...of course!



# WE SUPPORT THE RED & BLACK

Touchstone Energy Cooperative  
Your Touchstone Energy Cooperative  
The power of human connections

W.J. MANGOLD  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
320 N. Main Lockney, TX 806-652-3373

Hospice Hands of West Texas  
806-652-3000  
Toll Free: 1-888-795-1212  
305 N. Main P.O. Box 1118 • Lockney, TX 7941  
hospicehandswt@yahoo.com

Hardy's  
Classic Cuts and More  
Dues by Country Hardy  
801 E. Avenue • Haysden

DANIEL & DAN LEE  
RYSHIE  
JODY & SHAWNA  
RUBEN  
D&J Gin  
409-482-2343  
4250A DUNHAM  
MORNING SPIN  
3614 Starline St  
LUBBOCK, TX 79411

J & K Insurance Agency, Inc.  
JIM MARTIN  
110 West College, P.O. Box 130  
KAY MARTIN  
110 West College, P.O. Box 130

# AGRICULTURE

## Cotton News

From Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

### PCG BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET OCTOBER 9

**By Mary Jane Buerkle**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. will begin at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 9, at Cagle Steaks, located at the intersection of West Fourth Street and FM 179 (4.5 miles west of Loop 289 on Fourth Street) in Lubbock. Lunch will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

Jay Yates with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will give a cotton market report and Craig Brown with the National Cotton Council will give a legislative update. Cary Allen, meteorologist with KCBD NewsChannel 11 in Lubbock, will provide a weather outlook. Other items include 2014 Business Director Nominations, the Nominating Committee Election and an update on the status of PCG finances through the first three months of the fiscal year.

For more information, contact PCG at (806) 792-4904.

### COTTON USA ORIENTATION TOUR SCHEDULED TO VISIT HIGH PLAINS

**From Cotton Council International**

Textile executives representing 18 countries throughout the world will visit the U.S. Cotton Belt September 22-29 to familiarize themselves with U.S. cotton and how the fiber is produced, processed and marketed. The biennial COTTON USA Orientation Tour is sponsored by Cotton Council International.

The 34 participants represent 28 individual companies in Bangladesh, China, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Venezuela and Vietnam. The 28 companies are expected to consume about 3.2 million bales in 2013 while U.S. cotton exports to those companies are estimated at about 1 million bales.

The countries represented on the tour consume about 93 million bales per year, which represents about 75 percent of the world's consumption. The countries import about 31 million bales annually or about 85 percent of the world's total cotton imports.

The Tour participants will visit a cotton farm and gin in the Mississippi Delta, tour cotton

farms in West Texas, observe cotton research in North Carolina, and see the USDA cotton classing office in Bartlett, Tenn. They will meet with exporters in the four major Cotton Belt regions and get briefings from CCI, the National Cotton Council, Cotton Incorporated, the American Cotton Shippers Association, the Texas Cotton Association, the Lubbock Cotton Exchange, AMCOT, the American Cotton Producers, the Southern Cotton Growers Association, the Plains Cotton Growers Association, Texas Cotton Producers, the Western Cotton Shippers Association, the San Joaquin Valley Quality Cotton Growers Association and Supima.

More than 800 textile executives from more than 60 countries have participated in CCT's Orientation Tour, which was initiated in 1968. The Tour's objectives are to increase U.S. cotton customers' awareness of the types/qualities of U.S. cotton, help them gain a better understanding of U.S. marketing practices and enhance their relationships with U.S. exporters. The Tour has led many foreign textile manufacturers to develop an appreciation for U.S. cotton fiber quality and furthered the U.S. cotton industry's reputation as a reliable supplier. The tour continues to be an excellent vehicle for helping U.S. cotton capture additional market share overseas.

### AREA FIELD DAYS SCHEDULED

Mark your calendars for the following area field days:

Sept. 26 - Deltapine Grower Field Day, 5 p.m., 6 miles south of Morton on Highway 214

Oct. 1 - Bayer CropScience Field Day, Woodrow

For more information on the Americot Field Day, call Americot at (806) 793-1431 or (888) 678-SEED.

For more information on the Bayer CropScience Field Days, call your local Bayer sales representative, Regional Agronomist Daniel Olivier at (806) 281-4931, or Regional Agronomist Kenny Melton at (806) 786-5088.

For more information on the Deltapine field days, call Eric Best at (806) 790-4646.

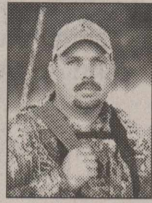
For more information on the PhytoGen field day, call Brad Ferguson at (806) 252-7209.

If you have a field day you would like to add to this schedule, please call Mary Jane Buerkle at (806) 792-4904 or email maryjane@plain-scotton.org.

## Assignment: Texas

# Bomb Hunting

Not too long ago a visitor from San Angelo stopped by my house for a visit. Bill Yeates is many things: he's a retired seismologist for the oil industry, a private pilot, a photography enthusiast, and a World War II buff whose encyclopedic knowledge of everything pertaining to the old Texas Army Airfields west of the 100th meridian is staggering.



RUSSELL GRAVES

When he was at my house summer he asked if I had every visited any of the old World War II era bombing targets in the area.

"Targets?" I quizzed, knowing I'd missed something in my twenty years of living in Childress. Turns out, his query had merit and a simple question set in motion a personal research project that connected the latest consumer technology with some old fashioned detective work and ended in a glorious afternoon outdoors in the Texas Rolling Plains.

By the time we first met, Bill had already done a bit of research and found the rough coordinates of some of the targets - information he'd garnered from pouring over old war maps.

Using the software program Google Earth, we honed in on a few of the areas where the targets presumably lay. A bit of scrolling and we found the tell-tale outline of old targets that time and hi-tech satellite imagery couldn't hide. While the target shapes vary by location, the one in which we're interested looks like a giant crosshairs precisely laid across a hardscrabble piece of Panhandle ranchland.

"I think I can get us on this place," I tell Bill. "If I am correct, I know who owns this property. While Bill had to leave and head back for San Angelo, I promptly sent an e-mail and confirmed the location of the targets and turns out, I did get permission.

Seven months later, Bill and I are winding our way across powder-dry ranch roads navigating our way to where the target ought to be. Using a GPS, a print-out of the Google Earth screen, and a measure of country savvy we wander into the unknown. While Bill stared at his GPS, he was just about to speak when I interrupted him and said, "Look there!"

Tilted in the same fashion as the Easter Island monoliths, the tower at Pisa, Italy, and the Cadillacs in Amarillo, the back end



of a concrete bomb jutted mightily from the caliche mound that marked the target's center. It's lasting monument of some unknown bombardier trainee who, at least for a moment, mastered the Norden bomb sight because of his training at the air base in Childress. Then, at the precise moment, he released the practice bomb from the AT-11 trainer and it sailed silently on a downward arc until it's final, unceremonious thump into the dirt.

To the untrained eye, you might think that the concrete pieces and metal fragments from the faux munitions scattered amongst the cactus and mesquite are just scrap dumped by someone. To me and Bill, though, these pieces of World War II flotsam represent much more than that.

Each hunk of aggregate, chicken wire, and cement were made by American hands, placed in the bombers by American servicemen, and dropped by the same Americans who make up the greatest generation the world has ever known. Men like my Uncle L.D. Hall from Bonham, Texas and others who fought and defeated perhaps the greatest evil to ever lay scourge upon the earth. And they did it not for the fanfare or the fame and glory. Instead, they did it because as Uncle L.D. once told me, "...I'm an American."

Before Bill and I leave, I walk over to where we started our mission and visit the lone bomb atop the mound one more time. Instinctively I touched the bomb and wonder about the person who dropped this over 60 years ago. While I may never know the contribution that the bombardier made to the overall war effort, I do know this: because of him and servicemen and women like him, I can snap one more picture and walk away proudly knowing, I am an American.

Any questions or comments? Contact Russell at russell@russellgraves.com or visit his website at www.russellgraves.com

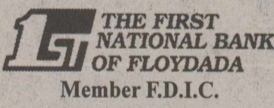
## Football Contest Standings

### Week 4

	THIS WEEK	OVERALL
Sammy Bradley	26/30	90/118
Dale Miner	26/30	89/118
Coy LaBaume	21/30	88/118
Johnny Dorman	22/30	87/118
Diane Ramon	24/30	87/118
Max Yeary	25/30	85/118
Franklin Harris	25/30	85/118
Brent Sanders	21/30	84/118
Boyd Lee	23/30	84/118
Stanley Collier	24/30	84/118
Lanny Barnett	21/30	82/118
Ricky Ascencio	22/30	82/118
Pam Fulton	18/30	82/118
Paul Lopez	20/30	81/118
Martin Ramirez	22/30	80/118
Steve Stringer	17/30	72/118
Jace Klein	20/30	68/118
Nic Sherman	19/30	56/89

### First National Bank of Floydada

983-3717



### FLOYDADA COOPERATIVE GINS, INC.



Floydada • 983-2884

### For the best insurance service let my agency help you.

See **Connie Johnson** or **Bertha Garcia!**  
**Nick Long, Agent**  
201 W. California  
Floydada, TX 79235  
(806) 983-3441  
nick.long.cgr0@statefarm.com



LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR STATE FARM IS THERE  
Providing Insurance and Financial Services

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company (not in NJ) Bloomington, IL

P0400238 12/04

## Thanks for reading the Hesperian Beacon!

UNITED STATES • REPRESENTATIVE **RANDY NEUGEBAUER**

For Immediate Release  
May 2, 2013

Contact: [Heather.Vaughan](mailto:Heather.Vaughan@legis.state.tx.us)  
(202) 225-4005

### Urge the Senate to Act to Defund Obamacare

Last week, I voted to defund Obamacare while also keeping other government operations running. On Friday, the House passed a Continuing Resolution, also commonly known as a CR, which controls spending, protects Americans from the harmful consequences of Obamacare, and prevents a government shutdown. Last week, I told you that I had concerns with the CR that was introduced earlier this month, so I had decided to co-sponsor a conservative alternative. I'm happy to say that by insisting on a no-gimmicks vote to defund Obamacare, we were able to change the CR and pass a much stronger alternative. Now it's time for the Senate to act. The Texas Republicans in the House of Representatives came together to write a letter to the Senate, urging them to take action to defund Obamacare. In part, the letter reads, "Now, it is up to the Republicans and like-minded Democrats in the Senate to continue the charge to defend the American people from this disaster to their health and finances. We urge you to use all of the legislative tools at your disposal, including the filibuster, to protect America from this train wreck." House Republicans are leading the fight to control spending, stop Obamacare, and protect hardworking Americans, and it is time for the Senate to join us.

The next priority is addressing our debt limit. As you may know, we are once again reaching our nation's credit limit. Last week, House Republican leadership unveiled a basic plan to extend our nation's ability to borrow for one year, while defunding and delaying Obamacare for 12 months and accomplishing a number of conservative goals, including outlining principles for fundamental tax reform and approving the Keystone XL pipeline. As always, the devil is in the details, so I'm anxious to fully review what's

in this legislation when it is released later this week.

### In Texas

It's great being home in Texas. Last Saturday, I watched Tech win the Celebrate Cotton Game. Today, I am in Lubbock, where I met with the Lubbock Association of Realtors and attended a lunch on Texas Tech's 2020 Vision. Tuesday, Sept. 24th I was in Post first thing to meet with Garza County employers about the economy and job creation. I also went to Jayton to talk with local officials. On Tuesday afternoon, I presented a flag to volunteer firefighters in Aspermont to thank them for all the work they do to keep us safe. Later that day I visited with members of the Haskell County Chamber of Commerce. On Wednesday morning, Sept. 25th I met with members of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce before returning to Washington to continue discussions on the CR and debt limit bills.

### Action Item: Raising Awareness of Prostate Cancer

Next Monday, September 30th, I will celebrate the four-year anniversary of the day I beat cancer. I am blessed to have survived prostate cancer. I may not have been so lucky had it not been for my loving family, skilled doctors, and early detection. That's why I've introduced legislation to declare September National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. This September, I encourage all males to talk to your doctor about screening for prostate cancer. Early detection saved my life, so I'd like you to help me get the word out by sharing my video about getting a simple, pain-free PSA test. I pray for the 200,000 men who will be diagnosed with prostate cancer this year, but I have hope that we can lower this number by spreading the word about early screening.

**COWPOKES** By Ace Reid

"Buttons, I think I can find your sore tooth now that I just located your mouth!"

FEATURE IS SPONSORED BY THE

**Panhandle-Plains Land Bank, FLCA**

Financing for: Farms, Ranches, Rural Recreational Properties and Rural Homes

Jeff Taylor 806-296-5579  
panhandle-plainslandbank.com

Part of the Farm Credit System



# Home Country

By Slim Randles

Sure was good to see Jimmy back from the Middle East last week. He looks good in that uniform, too. He was running all over the place for a few days, visiting everyone he knows, but he finally came in to the Mule Barn and sat at the philosophy counter, headquarters of the world dilemma think tank, to be with us.

"Must be good to be home," Doc said. "You bet," Jimmy said. "But it isn't the same as it was."  
We thought about that. Thought back over the year he'd been gone. A few new babies born, a few old-timers gone to rest. Oh yes, they finally filled that pothole in front of the drugstore. But that was about it.

"What do you mean it isn't the same, Jimmy?"  
"This is going to sound funny to you guys," he said, "but all that time over there, I kept thinking about how nice it was going to be to get out in the woods at night again with Ed Lakey and the dogs and go coon hunting, you know? It was so hot over there, I tried to remember what it felt like to wear Carhartt coveralls and feel that cold night air and hear those hounds bawling and running down along the river. Oh man, that was one of the things that kept me going."  
He looked at us and his mind came back home there for a minute. "Of course, I missed you guys, too. Thought about you a lot."

"Well, sure you did," Doc said. "Anyway," Jimmy said, "I got home and the first thing I did ... well, almost the first thing I did... was call Ed and tell him I needed to get in the woods, and how about he throws those dogs in the truck, you know, and we'll go hunting? He told me he was sorry, but he didn't have a single hound any more. Had to quit coon hunting for good."  
"Well, you know Ed. He lives to go hunting with those dogs, so I asked him what happened. He said his wife was upset at him for spending so much time with those dogs and not with her. She said he loved those dogs more than he loved her and she told him either the dogs would have to go or she would."  
"So Ed said, 'Doggonit, Jimmy. I flipped a coin and the dogs lost.'"

Brought to you by "Home Country Minute" with Slim Randles. Ask your local television stations for time and date.

This is us:

Slim Randles  
Home Country  
7308 Painted Pony Trail NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87120  
(505) 306-6009 cell (we don't even have a landline any more)  
homecountry8@gmail.com  
www.slimrandles.com

# Cotton market jumps to four-week high, finishes unchanged

By Duane Howell

A jump to the highest price in a month promptly activated profit-takers to leave cotton futures virtually flat last week.

Benchmark December eased off three ticks for the week ended Thursday to settle at 84.72 cents, while March eked up three points to 84.46 cents. December settled near the middle (84.84) of its five-day range from 83.90 to 85.78 cents, its highest intraday price since Aug. 21.

Cash grower-to-business sales edged up to 2,143 bales on The Seam from 1,976 bales the prior week. Prices averaged 78.77 cents, down from 79.50 cents, while premiums over loan repayment rates rose to 28.33 cents from 25.91 cents. Daily price averages ranged from 77.92 to 79.05 cents.

Cotton futures touched the highs on follow-through buying after the Federal Reserve stunned the markets at midweek by keeping its stimulus program intact. U.S. equities soared to record highs on the news, the dollar index plunged against a basket of currencies and 17 of 19 commodities in the Commodity Research Bureau index were up.

Then stocks retreated slightly, the dollar bounced off a seven-month low and the cotton market fell after hitting resistance at precisely the 50-day moving average but held above the 18-day average the fourth day in a row. December's nine-day moving average maintained for a third straight session a crossing over the 18-day average, a positive technical sign.

Forecasts for rain on open cotton in the Delta and Southeast and active harvesting areas of southern Texas generated new concerns about the lateness of and quality of the U.S. crop, already projected a million bales below total use. However, rain forecast for the West Texas Plains would be generally beneficial.

U.S. crop conditions declined during the week ended Sept. 15, USDA said, with good to excellent down two percentage points to 43 percent, fair down a point to 33 percent and poor to very poor up three points to 24 percent.

The DTN cotton condition index slipped to 94 from 99 a week earlier but remained above 82 a year ago. Ratings dipped in Texas, where good-excellent slid two points to 31 percent and poor-very poor rose four points to 34 percent.

Boll opening expanded 12 points to 36 percent, behind 57 percent a year ago and 51 percent on average, while harvesting at 4 percent off the stalk lagged behind the year-ago pace and the average of 6 percent and 8 percent, respectively.

While the September production estimate for Texas held steady at 4.1 million bales, some adjustments took place among crop reporting districts.

The Texas High Plains crop estimate fell 75,000 bales from a month ago to 2.5 million, down from last year's 2.947 million bales, though the projected yield rose to 667 pounds from 608 pounds in 2012-13. Production prospects in the adjoining Rolling Plains climbed 140,000 bales to 855,000 bales, up from 531,000 bales last season.

On the demand scene, net U.S. all-cotton export sales came in below expectations at

111,100 running bales for the week ended Sept. 12, down from the prior week's 150,400 bales.

Upland net sales of 103,100 bales reflected gross sales of 108,600 bales and cancellations of 5,500 bales. Sales went primarily to Turkey, China, Mexico, Vietnam and Thailand.

Shipments slowed to 128,500 running bales from 131,200 bales, with upland exports sliding to 112,900 bales from 123,500 bales. Upland exports were primarily to Mexico, Vietnam, China, Turkey and Indonesia.

To achieve USDA's export estimate, sales need to average roughly 135,100 running bales a week and shipments around 198,400 bales.

Talk circulated that Chinese mills have quotas they could use to buy foreign cotton as a result of the 3:1 ratio program under which the government allocates a ton of import quota per 3 tons of cotton purchased from the national reserve.

Preliminary data put China's cotton imports in August at 276,000 metric tons (1.28 million 480-pound bales), down from 305,546 tons (1.403 million bales) in August 2012 but higher than 207,028 tons (950,900 bales) in August 2011.

Cotton mill use in China, the world's largest spinner, remained projected in September at 36 million bales by USDA, equal to last season's consumption and the lowest in a decade.

China has replaced some of its spinning with imported yarn as a result of the government maintaining for 2013-14 a high domestic price floor, keeping domestic prices above world values for raw cotton.

Data available for the last three seasons indicate that cotton yarn imports by China have grown considerably, according to USDA. In 2012-13, China's cotton yarn imports reached an equivalent of nearly 8.3 million bales of raw cotton, up 3 million-bale-equivalents from 2011-12 and more than double the amount imported in 2010-11.

The largest yarn suppliers to China during that period included Pakistan, India and Vietnam. Combined, those three countries accounted for 72 percent of China's cotton imports during the past two seasons.

As beneficiaries of China's demand for yarn imports, India and Pakistan have seen their consumption rise in recent years. Current USDA projections are a record 23 million bales in India and 11.7 million bales in Pakistan, near its record of 12 million in both 2006-07 and 2007-08.

Although Vietnam is a relatively small consumer of cotton, mill use there has grown significantly to a projected 2.5 million bales in 2013-14, up from only 1.6 million bales just three years ago.

Meanwhile, trend-following funds sold a net 6,393 lots to chop their net longs 15 percent to 35,248 lots during the week ended Sept. 10, government data showed. This was the smallest net long position held by those funds since Jan. 15.

Index funds bought 354 lots to nudge their net longs up to 75,172 lots, while traders with non-reportable positions sold 1,418 lots to reduce theirs to 5,254 lots. Commercials bought 7,459 lots, covering 7,235 shorts and adding 224 longs to cut their net shorts to 115,673 lots.

# Free Poetry Contest

Christian Fine Arts Society is sponsoring a Poetry Contest which is free and is open to all poets, writers and dabblers in the arts of the Pen. There are 50 prizes totaling \$5,000, with a \$1,000 grand prize for the last poet standing. Poems of 21 lines or fewer on any subject and in any style will be judged by the contest director Thomas Grey. Entrants should include their name and address on the same page as the poem,

and a winners' list will be sent to them. "I encourage poets to send in the poem they're most proud of," he says. "I know this contest will produce exciting discoveries!"  
Entries must be received by October 31 and can be submitted via mail to Free Poetry Contest, 106 Cambria Cir, Citrus Heights, California 95621; or enter online at [www.freecontest.com](http://www.freecontest.com).

# Extend the Harvest this Season

By gardening expert Melinda Myers

Didn't get enough gardening in this season? Don't worry there is still time to grow garden-fresh vegetables and herbs this fall and winter.

Purchase transplants and seeds that will grow and flourish in the cooler fall and winter temperatures. Lettuce, spinach, Swiss chard, root vegetables, edible pansies and calendula as well as cole crops, like broccoli, are a few to consider.

Those gardening in colder regions need to select short season crops like lettuce, spinach and radishes that will mature before extremely cold winter temperatures set in. Extend the fall garden season into winter with the help of floating row covers, coldframes and portable greenhouses. Many of the elevated garden systems now have built in cold frames or row cover attachments to make extending the season much easier.

Try container and elevated gardens like the VegTrug™ ([www.gardeners.com](http://www.gardeners.com)) to extend the growing season and increase your enjoyment. These contained gardens allow you to plant herbs, vegetables and flowers anywhere. Place a few right outside the front door or on the balcony for fun and convenience. Plus, contained gardens can easily be moved to a sheltered location or covered and protected from frost.

Or move your garden indoors. Select vegetables and herbs that can tolerate the less-than-ideal indoor growing conditions. Greens, onions and root crops, like radishes and short carrots, will grow in a sunny window. Expand your selection with the help of artificial lights.

Basil, oregano, thyme, sage, parsley, chives and of course mint are a few favorite herbs to grow on your kitchen or other sunny windowsill. Increase your harvest with the help of artificial lights or try an indoor tiered grow light stand to save on space.

Take cuttings from healthy herbs growing in the garden, purchase new transplants or start herb and vegetable plants from seeds.

Take four inch cuttings from healthy herbs. Remove the lowest set of leaves and place the cut end in a well-drained potting mix. Once rooted, plant the herbs in individual containers or mixed with other herbs in a windowsill planter.

Start the seeds in a flat, in individual pots or directly in a planter. Keep the rooting mix warm and moist until the seeds sprout. Move to a sunny location or under artificial lights as soon as the seedlings break through the soil. Wait until the seedlings develop two sets of leaves and then transplant them into their permanent planter if needed.

So get busy planting and soon you will be enjoying the tasty benefits of fall and winter gardening.

Gardening expert, TV/radio host, author & columnist Melinda Myers has more than 30 years of horticulture experience and has written over 20 gardening books, including Can't Miss Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment segments. Myers is also a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Myers' web site, [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com), offers gardening videos and tips.

## God bless America!

### Notice

The City of Floydada will hold a meeting at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, September 30, 2013 at Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia St. to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2013. The proposed tax rate is \$.40 per \$100 of value.

Tax Code Section 26.052

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

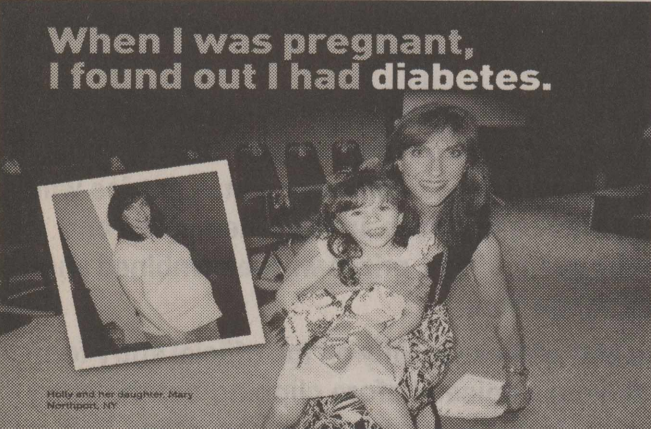
The City of Floydada will conduct a Public Hearing at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, September 30, 2013 at the Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting the tax rate for tax year 2013.

Citizens are welcome to attend this open meeting

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Floydada will conduct a Public Hearing for the 2013/2014 Operating Budget on Monday, September 30, 2013 at 12:30 p.m. At Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia Street Floydada, Texas.

Citizens are welcome to attend this open meeting



When I was pregnant, I found out I had diabetes.

Now, I am at risk for diabetes for the rest of my life. So is my child.

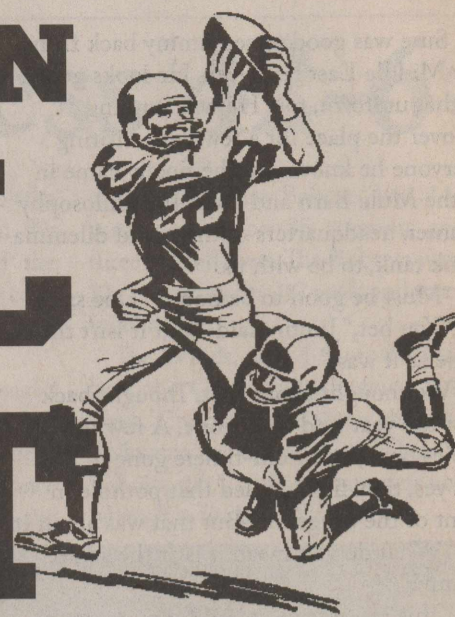
But we can take steps to PREVENT it. Gestational diabetes is diabetes that is found for the first time when a woman is pregnant. If you had gestational diabetes, tell your health care team and get tested. Tell your child's doctor.

There are steps you can take to prevent or delay diabetes and lower the risk for you and your child. Learn more at [www.YourDiabetesInfo.org](http://www.YourDiabetesInfo.org) or call 1-888-693-NDEP (6337). TTY: 1-866-569-1162.

©2013 NDEP. All rights reserved. NDEP is a service provided by NIDDK and CDC with the support of grants from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



# 2013 HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST



Winners will be announced in next week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon.

<b>Robin's Nest Photography</b> 1. Lockney 2. Tulia	<b>Stapp Paint &amp; Body Shop</b> 3. Perryton 4. Lubbock High	<b>Providence Farm Supply &amp; Grain</b> 5. Bovina 6. Ralls	<b>Muncy Elevator</b> 7. Slaton 8. New Deal	<b>Lighthouse Electric Co-op</b> 9. Kress 10. Lorenzo
<b>Clark Pharmacy</b> 11. Motley County 12. Happy	<b>First National Bank of Floydada</b> MEMBER FDIC 13. Tascosa 14. Permian	<b>Shepherd's Meadow Assisted Living</b> 15. Canyon 16. Monahans	<b>KFLP Radio 106.1 FM</b> 17. Sudan 18. Smyer	<b>Nick Long/State Farm</b> 19. Amherst 20. Petersburg
<b>Quality Body Shop</b> 21. Oklahoma 22. Notre Dame	<b>Heart's Desire</b> 23. Texas A&M 24. Arkansas	<b>Davis Lumber</b> 25. Air Force 26. Nevada	<b>Lowe's Pay-n-Save Floydada</b> 27. Alabama 28. Ole Miss	<b>D&amp;J Gin</b> 29. Clemson 30. Wake Forest
<b>Floydada Power and Light</b> 31. LSU 32. Georgia	<b>Payne Pharmacy</b> 33. Ball State 34. Toledo	<b>Cogdell Clinic/W. J. Mangold Memorial Hospital</b> 35. Virginia 36. Pittsburgh	<b>Lowe's Pay-n-Save Lockney</b> 37. Temple 38. Idaho	<b>Floydada Coop Gin</b> 39. Texas State 40. Wyoming
<b>Hammond Sheet Metal</b> 41. Cowboys 42. Chargers	<b>Gavilon Ag Services</b> 43. Giants 44. Chiefs	<b>Lockney Coop Gin</b> 45. Bears 46. Lions	<b>Hospice Hands of West Texas</b> 47. Vikings 48. Steelers	<b>Assiter Insurance Agency/ Assiter Punkin' Ranch</b> 49. Cardinals 50. Buccaneers
<b>Crop Production Services</b> 51. Seahawks 52. Texans	<b>Ray Lee Equipment</b> 53. Browns 54. Bengals	<b>R.K. Hunt Photography</b> 55. Bills 56. Ravens	<b>Raceway Fuel</b> 57. Eagles 58. Broncos	<b>Ace Hardware</b> 59. Dolphins 60. Falcons

CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE

### Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42
43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
57	58	59	60										

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_

### Contest Rules

Any subscriber or purchaser age 7 or older is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week per person, entrants MUST play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 4:30 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one per person per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first prize of \$100. Second place will be awarded \$75 and third will be \$50.

# WEATHER WHYS???

**Q: What is a sea breeze?**

A: Sea breezes occur most commonly during the summer afternoons, when the air over land is hottest, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "Because land heats quicker than the ocean, air over the continent becomes unstable and rises to create a relative low pressure at the surface," he explains. "The air at the surface over the ocean is then drawn in toward the low-pressure center over land, creating an onshore wind. This sea breeze brings in much-welcomed cooler air to the cities near the coast during the hottest times of the day."

**Q: Can sea breezes cause rain and thunderstorms?**

A: In many cases, yes, but the effect varies with location, McRoberts adds. "The incoming sea breeze is cooler than the air over land. This creates a small-scale cold front called a sea-breeze front. Like most cold fronts, sea breeze fronts can create showers and thunderstorms that pop up along the frontal boundary because it lifts the warm air ahead of it, which leads to convection. Sea breeze storms are common during the summer in places like Houston or New Orleans. On the West Coast, however, the air is generally too cool to support convection even with the sea breeze front, so a type of fog and drizzle known as the marine layer occurs more often in this region."

*Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M University. More news about Texas A&M University.*

# WEATHER WHYS???

**Q: There's been a series of heat waves hitting much of the U.S. in recent weeks. Which heat waves have been the worst killers in the United States?**

A: There's no doubt that heat waves can cause a lot of fatalities, says weather expert Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "Last year at this time, more than 8,000 temperature records had been broken across the U.S. and so far this year, at least 76 deaths can be attributed to extreme heat," he notes. "The great Dust Bowl period of the 1930s covered more than 50 million acres in the Central U.S. and was a primary cause of a 1936 heat wave the killed more than 5,000 people. In 1955, an eight-day heat wave killed 946 people in Los Angeles and in 1972, a 14-day heat wave killed 891 in New York City. During the summer of 1980, it is estimated that about 10,000 people were killed nationwide and that heat-related damages totaled over \$20 billion. The 1980 summer death toll far exceeded the annual national average of about 400 deaths that are attributed to heat."

**Q: What are some recent killer heat waves?**

A: "In 1988, heat was thought to be the primary cause for 5,000 to 10,000 deaths during a summer heat wave in the central and eastern United States. During a 5-day period in July 1995, more than 700 people in Chicago died when heat indices reached more than 120 degrees," McRoberts explains. "In 1999, a heat wave that gripped most of the U.S. killed more than 500 people. In 2003, one of history's worst heat waves occurred in Europe when an estimated 70,000 people died, which included more than 14,000 deaths in France during the month of August. The World Meteorological Organization deemed 2003 the warmest European summer since at least 1540."

*Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M University.*

Thanks for reading *The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon*

# Hesperian-Beacon Market Place

Phone: 806-983-3737 • Email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com • 201 W. California, Floydada

**Help Wanted**

**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

**Houses for Sale**

**ALMOST NO MONEY DOWN** with perfect credit. Nice 3 bedroom, 1 bath brick home. Central heat and air. Call 806-983-6059 for details.

**LARRY JONES REAL ESTATE—LARRY S. JONES, BROKER—FLOYDADA**

- Spacious 3 bed-2 bath home with basement with a pool house and

- small pool/hot tub.
- Perfect starter home—3 bed-2 bath home with a large back yard in great condition.
- Large 3 bed-2 ½ bath home with 2 living areas with 2 covered patios.
- Corner home with 2 bed-1 bath and 2 living areas with 1 car carport.
- Cozy 3 bed-1 bath home with carport in country with 3.6 acres.
- Call Dedra at 543-7540 for more details or appointment.

**Pets**

**BORDER COLLIE PUPS** for sale. Poco Bueno Stock dogs. Call Tim at 806-983-3322 or email: tim@pocosd.com tfn

**Services**

**NOW LEASING**

**Floydada Storage Spot**

Sizes --- 10'x10' and 10'x15'

115 W. Virginia, Floydada (across from City Hall)

Call 806-853-9075

**LARRY OGDEN AUC-TIONEERING – FLOYDADA** Estates, Farm, Ranch, Business, Liquidations, State Licensed and Bonded. 806-983-5808. TX #9240.tfn

**CEMENT WORK**- Need new driveway, sidewalk, patio or flowerbed curb? Call Gary at 806-983-5120 (home) or 806-778-8549 (cell). tfn

**DOUBLE T GARAGE DOOR SERVICE** – Sales, Service, Installation. Call Scott at 806-983-4701. tfn

**Children's Eye Exams** Medicaid, Chip, Most Insurances  
3415 19th Street Lubbock 806-796-2020

**Texas Plains Federal**  
Floydada

- CD's •Loans
- Checking •Savings

**Laura Turner- Manager**  
806-983-3922

Website:  
www.texasplainsfederal.org

# Floyd County Church Directory

**AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Dennis Butler, Pastor  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**CARR'S CHAPEL**  
Service Every Sunday:  
Morning Worship ....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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 Study.....7:00 p.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Tim Franks, Pastor  
Terry Simmons,  
Minister of Ed./Music  
Josh Burgett - 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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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. Les Hall, Pastor  
Morning Worship .....9:30 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 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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
(806) 637-0430  
Sunday Singing .....10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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 School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
701 W. Missouri  
Joe M.Hernandez  
983-5286 (church)  
..... Sunday School .....  
English..... 9:45 a.m.  
Spanish..... 11:00 a.m.  
Spanish Worship .....9:30 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 Consemينو  
Phone: 983-5878  
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.  
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**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.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**TRINITY ASSEMBLY**  
500 W. Houston  
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor  
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor  
983-5499 or 983-2887  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....6:00 p.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Providence Community  
on FM 2301 293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service .....11:00 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

**WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Floydada  
983-2672 or 470-0950  
Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....2:00 p.m.

**Prosperity Bank**  
Member FDIC  
217 W. California  
983-3725

**Lockney Co-op Gin**  
Lockney, Texas  
652-3377

**Barwise Gin**  
Barwise Community  
983-2737

**Oden Chevrolet Inc.**  
221 S. Main, Floydada  
983-3787

**Clark Pharmacy**  
320 N. Main - Lockney  
652-3353

**Payne Family Pharmacy**  
200 S. Main, Floydada  
983-5111

**Davis Lumber**  
102 E. Shubet  
Lockney  
652-3385

**Schacht Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts**  
112 W. Poplar, Lockney  
652-2385

**Goen & Goen Insurance**  
102 E. California  
983-3524

**Shepherd's Meadow Assisted Living**  
1230 S. Ralls Hwy  
Floydada.  
983-8177

**Lighthouse Electric Coop**  
703 A Matador Hwy  
983-2814

**Sunshine Pump**  
Oliver Clark  
Box 266, Lockney  
983-5087 - 774-4412  
(Mobile)

If you would like to be a sponsor on the church page, call the Hesperian-Beacon at 806-983-3737

**Hesperian-Beacon**  
201 W. California  
806-983-3737

**Agriculture Precision Supply**  
Pivots • Flowmeters • Equipment  
806-319-9502  
www.GoA-P-S.com

## SUPPLY

From Page 1

Business boomed for the three farmers as the company started to store corn, wheat, and milo, while also storing and selling basic farm supplies, chemicals, seed, fertilizer, sprinkler parts and Anhydrous Ammonia. In 1977, Providence also moved into supply liquid fertilizer for the area.

Also in the 70s, Turner sold out to new partner Albert Scheele, but Scheele eventually was bought out by Warren and Brandes. Brandes sold out to Warren in January 1976.

In the early 80s, Providence expanded as the company bought the Blue Star Grain elevator in Petersburg as well as other elevators in Plainview to store government corn and wheat in case of an emergency. The Petersburg facility was eventually sold to Wiley Manufacturing for more space.

Farmers around Providence also flourished, including Mathis, who still farmed the land.

Mathis explained that she remembered hundreds of full-loaded trucks and trailers that crossed the weigh-scale.

During the tenure of Providence Farm Supply and Grain Co., the company had four main managers at the helm which included Wayne Chiddix from 1962-1975, Jim Flowers from 75-76, Joe Nance, who worked from 70-03 and Graves, who took over the manager position after working for the company since 1976. Robin Stoerner, bookkeeper, started in 1978, explained she has the best job in the world.

Currently the company recently completed a significant renovation, which included the expansion of their office from a 132 square foot to a 530 square foot expansion. We actually have room to breath now.

"We had a couple of plans for this going into it," said Graves with a laugh as he explained the company had been planning for years to go ahead with the much-needed renovation.

"I remember Warren calling to the office after a rain and

asking how much rain we got. I replied that we got .4 outside and .2 inside. Warren said it was time," said Graves.

The renovation also included a completely new and an astatically pleasing bricking of the exterior.

After months of renovation, the job was complete, but unfortunately Warren never saw the end product after the sole-owner of Providence passed in April 2013.

But Warren spirit seems to still be alive in the building as the company looks towards a bright future after a tough three years of harsh drought, which resulted in 2 1/2 years with out corn, milo and wheat harvests.

"We have a lot of faith," said Mathis. "The next will be better" is the farmers creed."

And so far a light is starting to faintly glow at the end of the tunnel as Graves explained that corn and milo are starting to make their way to the grain company. A sight that has the good people of Providence Farm Supply and Grain Co. hopeful for the next 50 years.

## PUNKIN

From Page 1

At 9 a.m. the 5K race will begin, the Arts & Crafts booths will open and you're invited to come decorate your own pumpkin at the Chamber booth. The Chamber of Commerce booth will also have "Punkin Capital" t-shirts for kids and adults, as well as caps. We will also be sponsoring "Guess the Weight of the Trailer of Pumpkins", "Guess the Number of Candy Pumpkins in the Jar" and "Guess the Number of Seeds in the Jar." Cow Patty Bingo tickets can also be purchased at the chamber booth or from Floydada Boy Scouts during the day on Saturday.

The Friends of the Library Book Sale will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Floyd County Library Community Room and from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. the Floyd County Historical Museum will be open and be the sight of rope making activities.

At 10 a.m. all the fun kicks into high gear. That is when the Fun Run will start and the games at the Chamber booth will begin.

The games schedule for the day will be as follows:

10 a.m. - Pumpkin Drawing (drawing a face on a pumpkin), 10:30 a.m. - Wheelbarrow Race for ages 13 and younger, 11 a.m. - Wheelbarrow Obstacle Course for Adults, 12:15 p.m. - the Pumpkin toss for kids 5 and under, 1:30

square and down under the Pavilion the Pie Eating Contest will take place. Prizes will be awarded.

The costume contest will begin 3 p.m. and the categories will be ages 0-23 months, 2-3year olds, 4-5 year olds, 1st -3rd grade, 4th -6th grade, and junior high - adult. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each category.

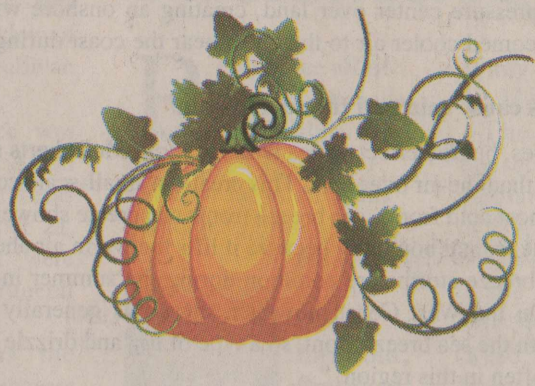
At 4 p.m. we will announce the Cow Patty Bingo winners, Chili Cook-off winners, the Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin Trailer

winner and the winners of the Guess the # of Seeds and Candy Pumpkins in the Jars from the Chamber booth.

New to the festivities this year, the Floydada Fire Dept. will sponsor a Car Cruise starting at 6 p.m. For route and sign up information, contact the Chamber office.

Remember you can contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at (806) 983-3434, by email at FLOYDADACHAMBER@YAHOO.COM, or on the web at www.floydadachamber.com/punkin-days.

We have a great day planned and look forward to seeing everyone downtown for a great day in Floydada, Texas- "Pumpkin Capital USA!"



2 p.m. - Pumpkin Bowling, and at 2:30 p.m. - the Sack Races.

At 11 a.m. the awards ceremony for the 5K and Fun Run will take place under the pavilion and be followed by entertainment lasting until 2:30 p.m. A Cake Walk will also be going on from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the corners of California and Wall streets.

At 12:30 p.m. the judging will take place at the Chili Cook-off contest and at 12:45 p.m. we will have the very first Mr. & Mrs. Punkin Chunkin Contest out beside Script Printing.

At 1 p.m. samples from the Chili Cook-off contest will be sold to the public. Cow Patty Bingo starts at 2:30 p.m. north of the



Old office at Providence Farm Supply.

Courtesy Photo

## SHOT

From Page 1

category will be recognized at the end of the competition.

Information on the different 4-H shooting sports activities will be provided and we will also be completing 4-H enrollment applications during the evening. For more information, contact Patty or Winfield Davenport or the County Extension office at 983-4912. Come, bring a friend and try your hand at becoming our next "Top Shot."

mation, contact Patty or Winfield Davenport or the County Extension office at 983-4912. Come, bring a friend and try your hand at becoming our next "Top Shot."

## Floyd County Constitutional Amendment Election

The Constitutional Amendment Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. Early voting for this election will be conducted in the Floyd County Courthouse Annex, Community Room, 105 S. Wall, Floydada, Texas, starting October 21, 2013, through November 1, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

If you are 65 years or older, a student, active military, nursing home resident or planning on being out of town for an extended period, you might want to vote by mail. To be entitled to vote an absentee ballot by mail, a person who is eligible for

early voting must make an application for an early voting ballot to be voted by mail as provided by the law. An application may be obtained from the office of the Floyd County Clerk, 105 S. Main, Room 101, Floydada, Texas 79235. You may also call 806-983-4900 for an application, or more information. Also, you may download an application from the Texas Secretary of State website [www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms).

The Floyd County Clerk's office is currently receiving applications until October 16, 2013.



The kids always enjoy the barrel train ride at Floydada's Punkin Day held each year on the second Saturday in October. This year the celebration will be held on Saturday, Oct. 13th. Come out and enjoy all the family fun.

Hesperian-Beacon Photo

## WEATHER WHYS???

**Q: What does the dew point tell us about current weather conditions?**

A: "The dew point is the temperature to which the air would have to cool in order to reach saturation," explains Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The dew point tells us the amount of water vapor in the air. The higher the dew point, the higher the water vapor content. In other words, dry air has a low dew point, whereas moist air has a higher dew point."

**Q: Does the dew point help in predicting the weather?**

A: "Yes, condensation occurs when the temperature of the air is the same as its dew point," adds McRoberts. "Since the temperature cannot fall below the dew point, observed dew point values in the evening are a useful forecast tool for overnight low temperatures. The presence of water vapor in the air makes it more difficult for sunlight to warm the air during the day, so humid locations have a smaller spread between high and low temperatures than drier locations. Also, high dew points signal that an air mass is unstable, and the more unstable an air mass is the more likely showers and thunderstorms will develop."

Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M University.

Subscribe to the Hesperian-Beacon

In County - \$30

Out of County - \$35

806-983-3737

Good Luck to the Lockney Longhorns & Floydada Whirlwinds!

Thanks for reading the Hesperian Beacon!

Will \$255 pay for your funeral?

Funerals can cost more than \$10,000. Social Security only pays \$255. Help protect your family with life insurance from Modern Woodmen of America. Call today - I can help you plan for life.



Modern Woodmen of America  
Eric Cornelius  
906 W. Houston  
Floydada, TX 79235  
806-786-9591  
J.Eric.Cornelius@mwarep.org  
www.modernwoodmen.org

Modern Woodmen FRATERNAL FINANCIAL

Touching lives. Securing futures.®

FUN0312



Established From the Heart 1997

## Hospice Hands of West Texas Volunteer of The Year

Anne Messer has been a Hospice Hands of West Texas supporter from the time we opened in June 1997. She always helps with our fundraisers, memorial service, and any other functions we have. She has faithfully served as a member of our Advisory Board since 2002. We honor her as volunteer of the year, 2013.

Thank you Anne and God bless!