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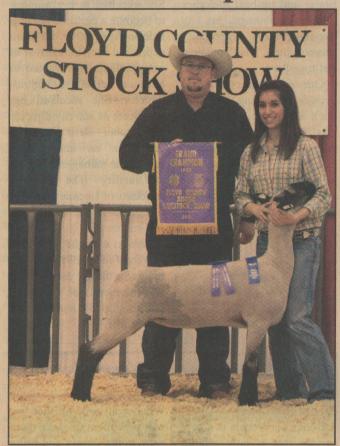
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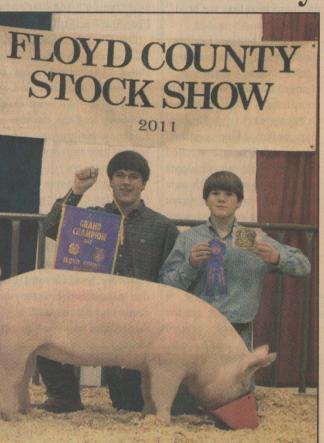
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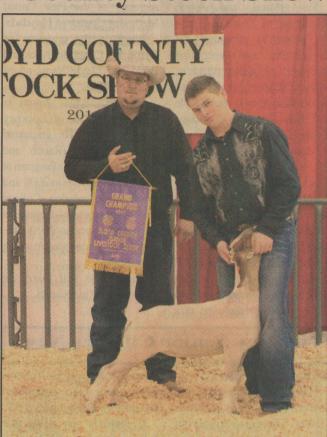
Students compete in the 67th Annual Floyd County Stock Show



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BRADEN GRAVES GRAND CHAMPION GILT **BREED CHAMPION GILT - MAJOR**



KOLBY WILLIAMS **GRAND CHAMPION GOAT**



Photo by Homer Marquez

Last Wednesday, workers from Lighthouse Electric in Floydada lent a helping hand to the County as they assisted in the removal of several dying and decaying trees located in the Square of Floyd County's Courthouse. For the past several months, falling limbs from the dying trees have posed a serious threat to visitors and property at the courthouse and officials felt it would be in the best interest to remove the split and rotting trees from the area. In the efforts of replacing the trees, from now until Feb. 24, the County will be accepting donations for dedication trees. With a \$400-450 donation, the County will be able to purchase Red Oaks, Live Oaks and Chinese Pistache Trees for the Courthouse, as well as a plaque honoring the donor. All donations can be made at the Courthouse.



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SYANN FOSTER GRAND CHAMPION STEER BREED CHAMPION CROSS

By Homer Marquez

The hard work from Floyd County's FFA and 4-H finally came to fruition as members from the organizations prepared for the recent 67th Annual Floyd County Livestock Show. Lockney FFA teacher, Brady Rasco describes the efforts of the Floyd County students, "They did an excellent job of daily show care, maintenance, preparation... it was an outstanding stock show...we're geared up and ready to go down the road to Majors. The students did an outstanding job this year; and very excited to be a part

of the Lockney FFA Chapter this year." In Floydada, Mr. Lemons, FFA teacher, shared the same sentiment about the performance of this year's students, "Proud of how well they did, all the kids in Floydada did real well...and did real well in the sale." And with months of hard work behind them, students of the FFA and 4-H clubs looked to cash in as they opted for chance to bring home the coveted Grand Champion

In the Goat Show, Kolby STOCK SHOW AND RESULTS Continued on page 10

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Lockney's Chamber of 79241, or drop off your vote at J&K Insurance at 119 West College Street in Lockney.

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce would also like to invite you to their meeting, which will take place on Jan. 27 at Main Street Pizza with the meeting beginning at 7 p.m.

of Floydada will be holding their Winter Revival on Sunday, February 6 through Wednesday, February 9.

Dr. Greg Ammons, Sr. the revival. Leading the music will be Rev. Dennis Neal, Associate Pastor/

The First Baptist Church Minister of Music at the First Baptist Church in Iowa Park, Texas.

The Sunday night service will be held at 6 p.m. The services for Monday, Pastor of the First Baptist Tuesday and Wednesday Church in Garland, Texas, will begin at 7 p.m. with will minister the sermon at a meal being served at 6 p.m. Youth and childrenis night will be held on Wednesday.



MARISSA LORICE SPARKMAN AND TAYLOR REAY BROCK

Sparkman and Brock to wed

Van Darrel and Angie Sparkman of Quanah, Texas are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Marissa Lorice Sparkman to Taylor Reay Brock, son of Kyle and Kay Brock of Lockney,

Marissa is the granddaugher of Van Dale and Lynda Sparkman of Quanah and Carolyn and the late George Thomas of Vernon, Texas. Her great-grandmother is Clara Mae Bell of Vernon, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 2008 graduate of Quanah High School. She attended Clarendon College and is employed as a

secretary of the First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

Brock is the grandson of Byron and Charlotte Brock and Boyd and Gayle Reay, all of Lockney, Texas.

The prospective groom is a 2007 graduate of Lockney High School. He graduated from the RFO (Ranch and Feedlot Operations) Program at Clarendon College in 2008 and graduated Clarendon College with an Associates Degree in Applied Science in 2010. He is currently employed in ranch operations.

The couple will marry on May 14 2011 in Quanah.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

The Center is open Monday through Friday. If you are 60 years or older come and join us. Lunch starts at 12 noon.

Also remember we have a once-a-year dues of \$15 per person. January is the month we remind our people to pay their dues.

Our visitors this past week were Jimmy McGaugh and Wayne Queen.

Elaine LaBaume and Joy Denton, of Amarillo and formerly of Floydada, took a trip recently. Their first stop was in Stephenville to visit

with Linda and Billy Powell also formerly of Floydada. They spent the night there and then went to Granbury to visit Nona McPherson formerly of Plainview, a friend of Joy's. Then they went to Marble Falls and spent two nights. purpose of the trip was to attend a wedding in Burnet for Joy's nephew. had a good visit with Joy's

It drizzled and rained the entire time they were there. They just wished the rain had followed them back home.

Happy Birthday to those who have a February birthday. They are: February 2 - Jackie Gregory, February - Jean Kendrick and Maria Bueno, February 10 - Dorothy Turner, February 12 - Francis Weathersbee. Margaret Soudelier, Charles Craig, Gordon Hambright and Buck Johnson, Feburary 13 - Martha Farris, February 14-Edd Henderson, February 19 - Wayland Faulkinberry, February 23 - Cleo Whittle, February 26 - Oleta Wilson.

Our sympathy to the family of Harry Whitaker.

Our sympathy to the family of Wayne Rainwater.

Our sympathy to the

family of Louis Lloyd. Thankyouforremembering the Center when you need to

make a memorial donation. In memory of Marie Warren - Gary and Linda Matsler, Jerry and Winola

In memory of Wayne Rainwater - R O. Turner.

In memory of Louis Lloyd - Margarette Word.

"Thought for the Week" - If you want a friend, you have to be a friend

Lockney Look and See

By KC Spencer Administrator and Lorri Morales, Director of Nursing

"Here's to the bright New Year, and a fond farewell to the old; here's to the things that are yet to come, and to the memories that we hold." Anonymous

As 2011 begins, Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center has seen changes already. We recently completed our Physical/ Occupational Therapy Gymnasium. Our certified pt/ot therapists are excited to work with our residents and eager to work with new participants in the program as well. Our residents were stunned and proud of the new makeover of the facility. It has been the buzz of the

With 2011 beginning, it is a time to reflect on the past year and look forward

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to the new. Often, with a New Year upon us, we make "New Year's resolutions." So, with that being said, we here at Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center will continue to welcome new residents to our "Home", grow as a "family", and successful Five Star Facility!!

Our Christmas Party was a huge success. As one resident stated, "I have never received this much attention and so many gifts." We want thank our town and the citizens of Lockney for making this a special time and contributions to our residents.

We will continue to strive for safety and improved health for our residents as in the past with our Morning exercise class which is fun and up-beat. Many of our residents look forward each day to the class where they can focus on exercise and, at the same time, enjoy socializing

with their friends!!!

Three days a week, we have local church groups come into our living area to share music and provide a sing-a-long time. Our hallways are filled with musical voices, instruments, praise and up-beat melodies which encourage us to maintain these community relationships and positive get-togethers.

Our center will continue to provide engaging activities such as bingo, movie time, arts & crafts and outings. Make sure to blow your horn at us when you see us out on the winding back roads of west Texas! We may be headed to the South Plains Mall, Museum in Canyon or the local Dairy Queen. Be sure to stop in and join us at our bingo games which are held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday!

January 16-22 was activity

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donít like to get out in cold

or bad weather, or those who

have a hard time visiting the

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for you, from the library and

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professional week. week is held to recognize individuals in the activity profession. We greatly appreciate our director, LaTasha Peralez. LaTasha joined our team in June 2009 as a dietary aide. She excelled in her training to become a certified nursing aide in April 2010. LaTasha expressed such an interest in our residents and wanted to advance herself to activity director. She received her certificate as activity director in October 2010. LaTasha has been an instrumental part of the management team and facility. The staff and residents of Lockney want to recognize her efforts, drive and success.

Heres to a bright New Year and fond farewell to the old, here's to things yet to come and the memories we hold!! Please stop by and visit us anytime!!!

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Hello again from the Lockney Senior Citizens Center. Thurman Davis is out of the hospital recuperating from open heart surgery. Keeter is recuperating from a bad fall at his daughter's. He will be in the hospital here for several more days.

The Silver Quilters have informed me that the quilt that they have made for the Center in the

memory of Molly Huffman is almost done. Once completed the quilt it will be raffled off.

If there is any news that I have forgotten please call the Center and let me know. Have a great week!

Menu Jan. 31- Feb.4 Monday- Hamburgers Tuesday-Tacos Wednesday- Pork Chops Thursday-Salmon Friday- Pot Roast



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JAIME RUBEN GUERRERO was the first baby of the New Year to be born at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney. His parents are Mary and Joe Louis Guerrero. He was born at 8:41 a.m. on January 18, 2011, weighing 7 lbs and 1 oz, and 20 inches long. Congratulations to the Guerrero family.



By Carolyn Cheek When you have finished we will pick them up, take them Books on Wheels is a new service that is now offered back to the library and bring by the Friends of the Library. you more books. If you don't With the cold weather upon have a library card we will be glad to get you signed up so us and prospects of bad weather during the winter that you can check out books months the Friends of the from the local library. Library would like to offer a

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House for Sale

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Obituaries



KATHERINE ZIMMERMAN HULLER

On January 18, 2011, an angel departed the earth to join her beloved mother, Kathryn Saunderson Zimmerman and father Fred Zimmerman, Jr. Katherine Zimmerman Huller ("Kit") died in Dallas, Texas in the loving arms of her family.

Born on July 3, 1944 in Wichita Falls, Texas, she spent most of her childhood in Floydada, Texas where her family has a long history of farming. She excelled in sports, academics and, most important of all, in making many friendships that would remain with her throughout her life. These early friendships provided a looking glass into the future of how Kit would live her life. She was a spark that ignited a desire in all who met her to be her friend or to at least spend a few precious moments in her company. She was the girl that everyone wanted in their cabin at camp, as a roommate in college or just on the other end of the phone for a burst of warmth. She would always listen intently and engage with a genuine and caring attitude that engendered confidence and comfort.

With Kit, it was always about the needs of others, never about her. She would accept whatever life gave her, study it for a moment and then find some way to make it positive. Everyone loved her and wanted to be with her -- just to feel that positive spirit that could bring love and happiness to even the darkest of circumstances.

Kit remained steadfast in her approach to life even when facing a certain death from ovarian cancer. While courageously fighting this terrible disease for two years, she never despaired or turned inward to her own troubles. Instead, she continued to nourish and comfort all who had been privileged to know her. Although there is much to cherish about Kit's life, it is her endearing quality of caring more about others than herself that will be her legacy.

Kit graduated from Methodist Southern University ("SMU") in 1966 with a BS in Elementary education. It was at SMU that she met her husband Stanley R. Huller. They were married in Floydada in 1967. Following their marriage, Kit worked as a teacher to support her husband while he was earning his law degree.

Kit and Stan lived in Dallas where she enjoyed her many activities and friendships while also serving as a source of strength and inspiration for her husband. Kit proudly reared two

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children, Kristi K. Huller and Stanley R. Huller, Jr ("Jay") who is married to Katherine Muhlhausen Huller. They, along with her husband and two grandchildren, Kathryn Saylor Huller and Anna Elizabeth Huller, were the loves of her life. Kit also remained active in Floydada, continuing her many friendships there and visiting her treasured family farms.

Surviving family members include her husband, her two children and two grandchildren, her brother, Zimmerman III, his wife, Patricia Garris Zimmerman and their daughters, Kimberly Ann Zimmerman and Stephanie Zimmerman Kanary.

A memorial service celebrating her life will be held on January 29, 2011 at 12:00 noon at First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

The family requests that any memorials be made in Kit's name to either UT Southwestern Medical Center, PO Box 910888, Dallas, TX 75391-0888 or First United Methodist Church of Floydada, 203 West Kentucky St., Floydada, TX 79235.

To leave an on line note or tribute go to: www.sparkmanhillcrest.com



ALFRED LOUIS LLOYD Celebration of Life services for Louis Lloyd, 80, of Floydada, Texas, were held at the First United Methodist Church, Floydada, Texas, on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 2 p.m. Reverend Les Hall officiated. Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park, Floydada,

Moore-Rose Funeral Home. Mr. Lloyd passed away peacefully on Friday, January 21, 2011, at Shepherd's Meadow assisted living center in Floydada, Texas.

Texas under the direction of

He was born March 26, 1930, in the Lakeview Community of Floyd County, to John Andrew and Josephine Barger Lloyd. The family moved closer to Floydada when Louis was in the 1st grade. He attended Floydada schools and graduated from Floydada High in 1947. He attended West Texas College in Canyon Texas; North Texas State College in Denton, Texas; and Hardin Simmons College in Abilene, Texas; graduating from Texas Tech College in Lubbock, Texas, in 1955.

Louis married Janice Elaine Thompson in Lockney, Texas, on June 6, 1953. He served in the U.S. Army as Lieutenant First Class from 1954 to 1956, specializing in electronics. During his

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armed forces service, he was stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas, and at Eielson Air Force Base in Fairbanks,

After honorable an discharge from the U.S. Army, Louis returned to Floydada where he farmed for more than 50 years. He designed and built many of his implements, including one of the first 8-row cultivators in the area.

Louis served on the board of directors of Producer's Cooperative Elevator for many years. He also served on the board of directors Lighthouse Electric Cooperative in Floydada for 30 years, including 20 years as Board President. In addition, he served on the board of directors of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative for 20 years. Louis was a member of the Masonic Lodge for more than 50 years. Louis was a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church in Floydada, Texas, where he taught Sunday School and served on several church committees.

Besides his family and friends, Louis' special interests included flying. With his "flying buddies", he flew from Floydada to destinations in Mexico, Belize, Honduras and Guatemala for 28 years delivering dental and medical supplies to the indigenous peoples as well as helping provide care to them.

Survivors include Louis'

wife of 56 years, Janice; his sons, Drew Lloyd and wife, Pam, of Plainview, Texas; Steve Lloyd and wife, Judy, of Floydada, Texas and Patrick Lloyd and wife, Eva, of Dallas, Texas, and his daughter-inlaw, Lori Ross of Floydada, Texas. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Stacey Hubbard and husband, Brandon, of Bushland, Texas, Shane Lloyd and wife, Malin, of Floydada, Texas, Jeremy Lloyd of Austin, Texas, Tana Lloyd of Ruston, Louisiana, and Henry and Emma Lloyd of Dallas, Texas; as well as his step-grandchildren Neishay Painter of Plainview, Texas, Malissa Smith, and husband, Adam, of Plainview, Texas, and Jewelet Barnes of Belton, Texas. He is also survived by one great-grandchild and three step-great-grandchildren: Hannah, Marcus, Hazel and Zakry-Paul. Louis is survived by his sisters, Ann Dorsey of Lamesa, Texas; and Janet Webb and husband, Wayne, of Fairfax, Virginia; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends.

Louis is preceded in death by his son, Louis Paul Lloyd; his parents, John Andrew Lloyd and Goldie Barger Lloyd; his brothers Ray, Fred and Johnny Lloyd; and his sisters, Alta Lloyd Smith and Hazel Lloyd.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials in Louis' name to the First United Methodist Church of Floydada, the Floydada Senior Citizens or a charity of your choice.

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

ORACION AL ESPIRITU SANTO

Espiritu Santo, tu que me aclaras todo, que iluminas todos los carminos para que yo alcance mi ideal, tu que me das el don divino de perdonar y olvidar el mal que me hacen y que en todos los instantes de mi vida estas conmigo, yo quiero, en este corto dialogo, agradecerte por todo y confimar una vez mas que nunca quiero separame de Ti por grande que sea la ilusion material.

Desco estar Contigo y todos mis seres queridos en la gloria perpetua.

La persona debera rezar esta oracion, decir la peticion y a los tres dias recibira la gracia por mas dificil que esta sea.

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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 School10:00 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 School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. Bible Study6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST West College & Third, Lockney Steve McLean -Minister

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CITY PARK **CHURCH OF CHRIST** Levi Sisemore, Minister Flovdada

Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Josh Burgett -Minister of Students Sunday School9:15 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m Evening Worship6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. ****

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney

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Lockney Rev. Ricky Carstensen Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Evening Service..... 6.00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m. Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

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Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....7:30 p.m. Tuesday8:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

> **MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Lockney Jay Don Poindexter, Minister Bible Study9:30 a.m. Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

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PRIMERA IGLESIA **BAUTISTA**

Lockney

Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Discipleship5:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

> PRIMERA IGLESIA **BAUTISTA**

Floydada Pastor Reverend Raymond

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening6:00 p.m. ****

> SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH Lockney

Rev. Patrick Maher, Pastor Wed. Communion....8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass......11:30 a.m.

> **SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH**

Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m Prayer Meeting...... 7:00 p.m ****

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701 W. Missouri Joe Hernandez 983-5286 (church) 983-5156 (parsonage) Sunday School9: 45 a.m.

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ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH Floydada Rev. Angelo Consemino

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TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School9:45 p.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St. Sunday School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

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

Trinity Assembly 500 W. Houston, Floydada Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening 5 p.m.

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School Lunch

Menu

Jan. 31-Feb.4

Monday

Breakfast-Muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch-Burrito or grilled cheese, Spanish rice, salad, peaches, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast-breakfast pizza or

cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Beef Taco or

corndog, salad, refried

beans, applesauce, chocolate

pudding, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast- Waffle or cereal,

toast, juice, milk

Lunch-Chicken Patty or

steak patty, potatoes, green

peas, apple cobbler, roll, milk

Thursday

Breakfast- Eggs and Ham or

cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Popcorn chicken or

shrimp poppers, corn, salad,

yogurt, roll, milk

Friday

Breakfast- Cinnamon Roll

or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Hamburger or

barbecue on bun, tater tots,

salad, orange smiles, milk

Little Longhorns: Nehemiah Ascencio, Joshua Pena, Devin Deleon, Joe Ochoa, CJ Perales, Nahemiah Motoya, Angelica Alvardo, Caleb Young, Joel Valdez, Aven Sanchez, Mika Perales, Robert Organista, and Jeremiah Hernandez

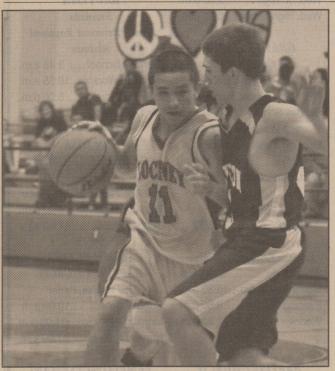


Photo by R.K. Hunt Photography

In a recent game against Crosbyton, Longhorn Renee Cruz (11) was able to put up 10 points in Lockney's 41-31 loss to Crosbyton. Last Tuesday night, the Longhorns fell to the Hale Center Owls 78-29. With basketball season almost coming to a close, the Horns will need a game changer for a chance to hold a playoff spot.

Immunization Clinic Thursday Feb. 3 Lockney Elementary 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon

33 Lockney Sudan Ignacio Tapia-15 Points Darin Deleon-11 Points Mauricio Davila-3 Points

Lockney Longhorn 8th

Grade Box Score

Alex Rogers-2 Points Nic Sherman-2 Points

Lockney ISD school board recognized

The members of the Board of Trustees for the Lockney Independent School District were recognized at their January meeting Superintendent Phil Cotham. Each of them was presented with a certificate of appreciation and kind

See LISD on page 12

Photo by Homer Marquez

In a recent game, Lady Horn, Ivette Davilla (21) makes a sweet no look pass to an open Sunny Williams (11); and as district play passes the halfway mark, the Lady Horns will obviously look to bring the intensity as they fight for a chance to make the playoffs.



Lockney Longhorn Basketball

By Coach Browne

The Lockney Longhorns 7th grade boy's basketball team added another win on Monday night beating the Sudan Hornets 39-8 and taking there overall record to 7-2.

The Horns started off slow but picked it up in the second

half and never looked back. I was not happy with the way we started but after halftime they came out with some defensive players where intensity and picked it up.

The Horns where lead in scoring by Daylen Gatica with 15 points. Followed by Mark Solis with 6, Derick Patel, Luke Ortiz, Josh Cruz at 6:30 pm.

and Levi Kasner all added 4 points and Ruben Ascencio added 2. The Horns top Justin Suarez and Scott Lass.

The Horns next game will be against Post in the Idalou tournament. The game will be Thursday with tip coming

Lockney Powerlifting

By Coach Browne

The Lockney Longhorn Powerlifting team went to their first meet on Saturday the 15th.

The Horns did very well and everyone competed to the best of there ability. Shaq Thompson received 2nd place in his weight class with a total of 1155. Luke Sherman placed 9th in

his weight class with a total of 930. Collin Fulton placed 21st in his weight class with a total of 650.

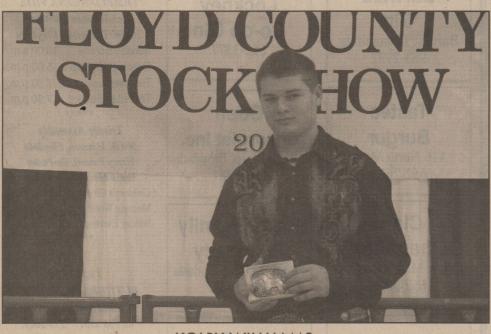
On the girl's side, Rayann Race placed 1st in her weight class with a total of 620, Paula Cuellar placed 3rd in her weight class with a total of 535 and Katie Jackson placed 5th in her weight class with a total of

I am very proud of the way the kids competed today. It was the first meet of the season and to come away with the success we had is incredible.

The Horns next meet will be in Abernathy on January 29th with squat starting at 9



REAGAN HUGHES - JUNIOR BEEF SHOWMANSHIP (not pictured) - SyAnn Foster - Senior Beef Showmanship



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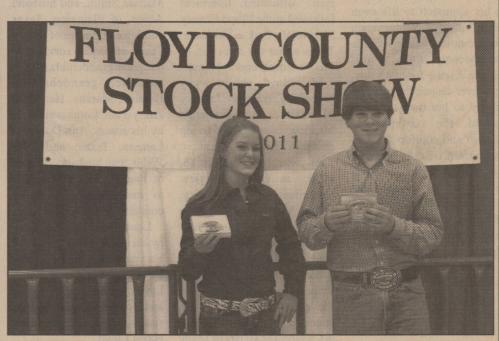
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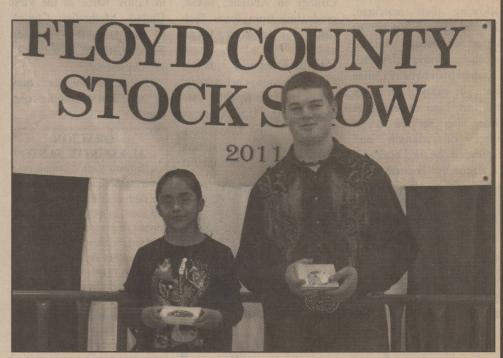
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Courtesy Photo DUNCAN ELEMENTARY Students of the Week for January 4, 2011 were (back row) Jacob Chavarria, Jackie Pancardo, Izel Pacheco, Amanda Wilburn, Holly Monroe; (front row) JP Ovalle and Rosantina Martinez.





Courtesy Photo DUNCAN ELEMENTARY Students of the Week for January 10, 2011 were (back row) Lauryn Carroll, Alex Cisneros, Kelton Cage, Andrew Suarez; (front row) Jayce Adams and Daniel Saenz

Floydada falls to Friona

By Coach Renfro

The Friona Chieftans defeated the Floydada Whirlwinds 65-60 Tuesday night in Friona. The Winds trailed 32-31 at the half, but fell behind 53-41 in the 3rd quarter as the Chieftans hit period. Floydada battled back in the fourth, outscoring Friona 19-12, but never got closer than 4 points. a season record of 10-11. Bryson Session led the

scoring for the Winds with 25 points and 7 rebounds. Haden Lipham put in 15 points, while Jordan Woody put in 5 points and had 3 steals. RJ Deleon scored 4 points, Greg Aleman and Jose Martinez hit a 3 each, and Tyler Renfro 5 three point shots in the and Venturo Gonzles had 2 each. John Angel Yannis rounded out the scoring with 1. The Whirlwinds now have

Bobcats slip past the Winds

By Coach Renfro

The Dimmitt Bobcats escaped with a 44-38 over 3 minutes remaining, rebounds.

but could never capture the

Bryson Session led the victory over the Floydada Winds in scoring with 14 Whirlwinds Friday night in points while gathering in 11 district 2-2A action. Baskets rebounds. RJ Deleon and proved hard to come by for Haden Lipham each put in both teams as Dimmitt led 8 points, John Angel Yannis 23-14 at halftime. The Winds and Jordan Woody would would come back to tie the get 3 apiece, and Venturo game 34-34 with a little Gonzales contributed 5

Lady Winds Defeat Friona 61-37

By Coach Styles

The Floydada Lady Winds defeated the Friona Lady Squaws Tuesday, January 18. Floydada's pressure defense prevented Friona to getting any rhythm on offense. The first quarter score was 15-5. The Lady Winds continued in the second

quarter to put pressure and would lead at intermission 30-9. In the second half Friona played very well and the Lady Winds continued on the pace they showed in the first half. The final score was 61-37.

Leading the way for the See FRIONA on page 12

Lady. Winds lose to Dimmitt

Coach Styles

The Lady Winds were dealt a tough loss last Friday night. The Bobbies of Dimmitt beat the Lady Winds 32-29. This dropped the Lady Winds into second place in the district only one game ahead of Dimmitt and one game

behind Littlefield who they play Friday.

The Bobbies jumped out to a 10-8 first quarter lead. The Lady Winds answered back and led 20-17 at the half.

The third quarter was not kind to Floydada. The Lady See DIMMITT on page 12

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU Jan. 31 - Feb. 4

Monday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch- Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, sugar cookie, milk

Tuesday Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Barbequed chicken, macaroni and cheese,

tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk

Wednesday Breakfast-Pancake &

sausage on a stick or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk

Thursday Breakfast- English muffin with egg, cheese, sausage or cereal and graham crackers,

juice, milk Lunch- Fajita chicken over rice, broccoli & cheese, seasoned corn, French bread stick, pineapple crisp, milk Friday

Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, fruit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch- Pizza, tossed salad, fresh fruit, chocolate cake, milk

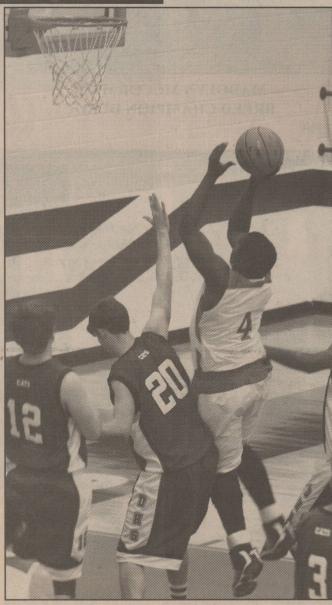


Photo by Tonya Gooch

Whirlwind, Bryson Sessions (4) put up an impressive 14 points in Floydada's 44-38 loss to the Dimmitt Bobcats last Friday. As district play comes to an end, the Whirlwinds will continue to fight for a playoff spot.

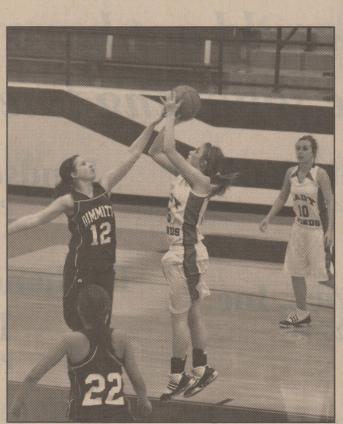
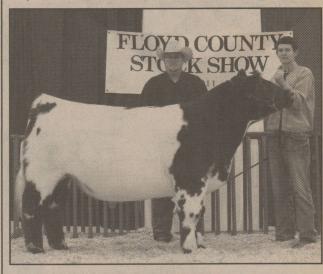


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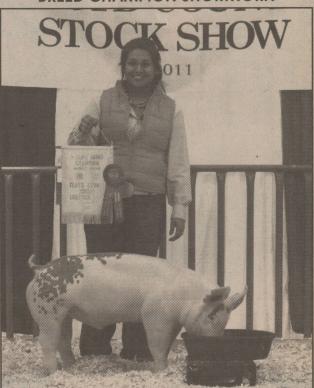
In Last Friday's game, Lady Wind, Emily Hall (15) sinks a two pointer with a text book jump shot. After a 61-37 victory over Friona, the Lady Winds continue to pick up wins as they cruise into the playoffs.

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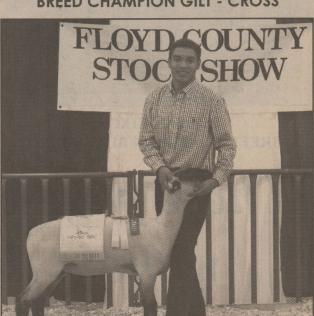
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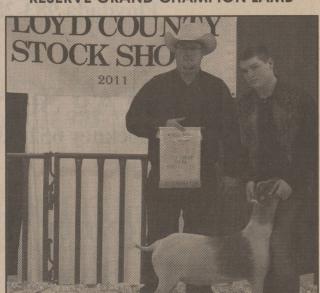
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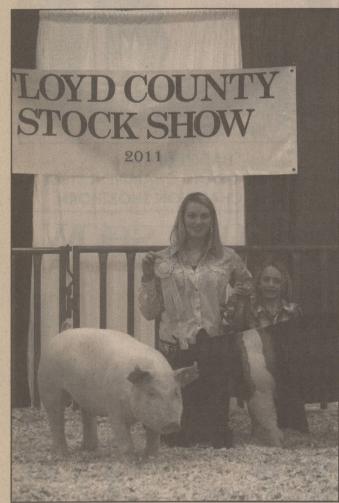
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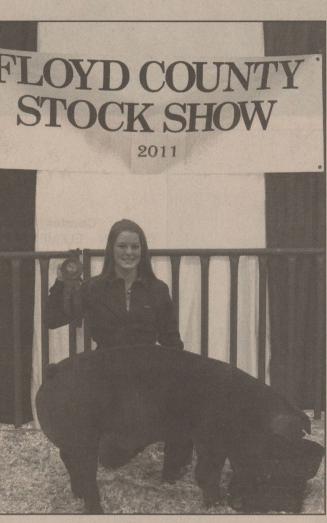
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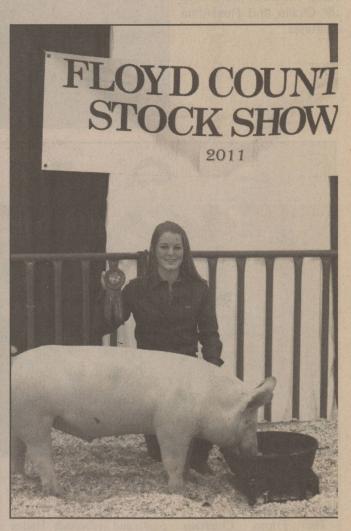
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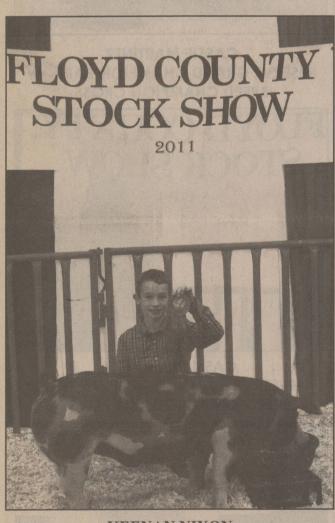
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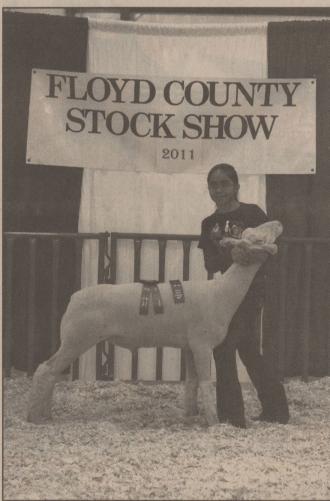
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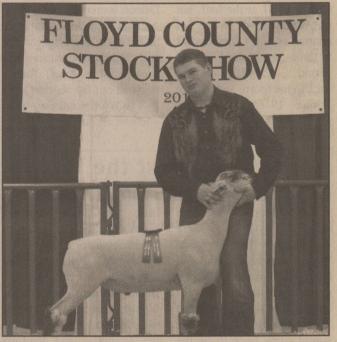
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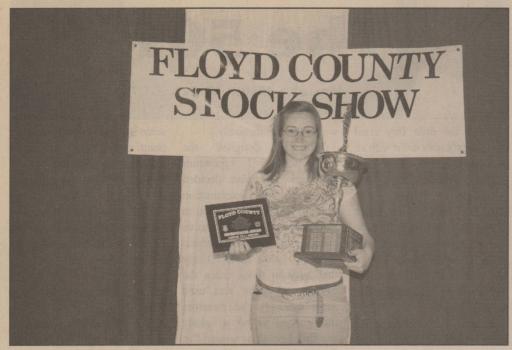
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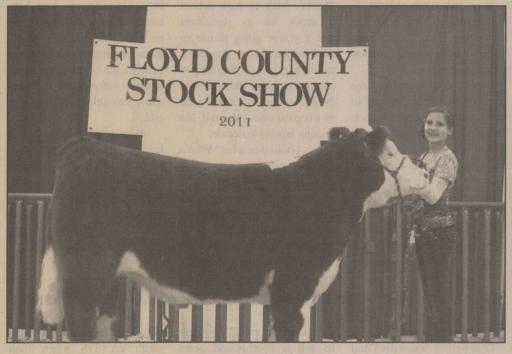
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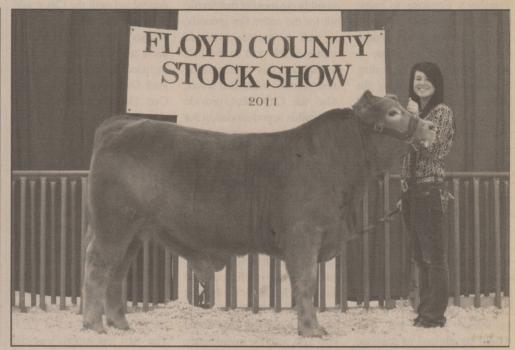
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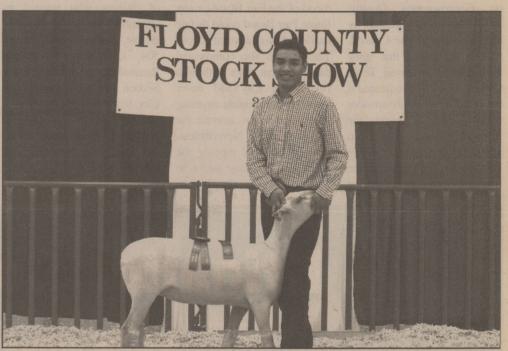
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Lockney City Council discusses resolutions

the possible lease agreement

By Homer Marquez

convened to kick off their first meeting of 2011; in meeting, the council discussed a number of agenda items including the council's future plans concerning the City's Collection Site and the possibility of hiring a City Administrator.

As usual the Council began by listening to reports made by council members, advisory boards, and other city-related sources. During the streets report, the City announced that work had begun on the sidewalk grant. For the next several weeks, City workers plan to continue pulling up the old concrete on the east side of Main Street as they prepare for Thrasher's Concrete to come and pour in the new sidewalk. During the sanitation report, the Council got an update to the City's progress in finding a compromise concerning the use of the collection site located on the grounds of the newly restored Fair building. For the past several months, the City Council and the Floyd County Fair Board have tried to find a common ground concerning the City's use of their collection site. The Fair Board has made an argument that any burning at the collection site by may cause smoke damage to the building, and has requested that the city follow several guidelines before the City would be allowed to continue Guidelines that included compliance with rules set by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, as well as some mandated by the Fair Board. The Council, which expressed that they have always followed Texas Commission rules, requested if the Fair Board would consider the possibility of leasing the land out to the City to avoid any future problems. The Fair Board agreed and presented the Council with a letter concerning

at this month's City Council Meeting. In the letter, the Fair Board requested that the City follow certain guidelines including; compliance with TCEQ rules, a high standard of appearance and housekeeping at all times as well as the Fair board's allowance to be in the decision making process to ensure this, the City would also need to clean and make the site ready for any Fair Association event, the City would also need to stop any activity immediately upon notice of realization the fairgrounds or building is being adversely affected, and primary consideration for livestock pens which are located to the east side of the grounds. The Fair Board also requested that the City also compensate the Board with a monthly payment of the electric bill for the entire fair grounds, as well as provide available utilities at no cost to the Fair Association; this would include trash service, water, and sewer. Also the City must provide reasonable accommodation for the use of city equipment in the preparation and maintenance of the fairgrounds. After reviewing the letter and the guidelines in it, the City expressed that some of the stipulations in the possible lease were too broad and open for interpretation. The City felt that some of the guidelines were left open and may be affected by the current mood of the Fair Board; vague guidelines like the City would stop any activity immediately upon notice or realization of adverse effects. The City Council argued that the current mood of the Fair Board or any future Fair Board could dictate the definition of adverse effects. The Council also commented that in recent talks with Fair Board, the City had never

agreed to compensate anything

more than a set amount for

the water bill. Nevertheless,

the possibility of moving the

collection site may prove to

be too costly for the City, so

for the time being, the City requested some changes in the possible lease guidelines and left the table open for renegotiations. Some of the changes requested included tighter definitions on the requirements of maintenance, and new agreements on what

will be compensated. Moving on in the meeting, after passing a motion to pay the bills, the City agreed to extend the hours and responsibilities of part-time city accountant Tammy Adams. Adams will be in charge of balancing bank statements and other financial responsibilities including some billing. With the extension of Mrs. Adams responsibilities, the discussion of hiring Shad Schlueter as part-time City Administrator was tabled until the City could evaluate the affect of Mrs. Adams' work. Other agenda items tabled for further review included changes to the RV Park Ordinances and the Golf Cart Ordinances, as well as a report from Justice of the Peace, Kelly Dunbar. After that, the Council needed to pass several resolutions so the City could still qualify for the Water and Sewer grant. Because the funding available to the City is under Fair Housing Equal Opportunity funding, which originates from the Federal government, the City needed to comply and accept three resolutions that stemmed from the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The first resolution was the passing of an Excessive Force Resolution; this resolution would ensure the safety of citizens who wanted to assemble for a non-violent protest. Second was a Section 504 Grievance Procedures Resolution; and the third was a Section 3 Policy that stated that City, to the best of their ability, would provide job training and employment opportunities for Section 3 residents and businesses; Section 3

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When the little boy cried wolf, he probably did it with an exclamation point.

The overuse of punctuation brings proverbial story to mind. When there really is a wolf, how do you let everyone know you really are exclaiming? Help! The wolf is at my throat! This will be my last outgoing email message ever!!!

Thanks to computers, it's an easy task to intensify any exclamation. You simply use 25 exclamation points instead of your normal three or four.

Very little extra energy is required. Your finger is already on the key. Hold it down, and voila! A string of exclamation points! See above.

Don't you suppose the humble typewriter first led to the overuse of the exclamation point? It's easy enough to pound a key repetitively once you've got it under your finger even a poor left little finger, the weakest digit for all us right-handed keyboard users. (Unless maybe the ring finger is even weaker, although it is bigger. We digress, but at least

we do so parenthetically.)

designed the Whoever prototypical typewriter keyboard may have decided to assign the exclamation point to its obscure location to discourage overuse. You've even gotta shift. On second thought, it's more likely that back in those times the exclamation point was used more sparingly and therefore didn't need to be so easily reached. I could be wrong. I'm only musing. I haven't looked any of this stuff up on the Internet to assure accuracy!

When I first learned a little Spanish back in high school it struck me as significant that if you're going to use an exclamation point, you have to know ahead of time so you can put an upside-down one at the start of the sentence as well as a regular one at the end. No waiting around to decide.

Am I biased or what? Who's to say which exclamation point is upside down? If my mother tongue were Spanish, I'd probably say it's the second one you invert, since you've already set the pattern with the first one. Incidentally, it doesn't

seem to me the explanation point carries quite the same meaning in Spanish as in English. Otherwise, why would an ordinary "Hello," as in "Hola," have to be sandwiched between exclamation marks? Or maybe in the language of people known for showing their emotions, it's logical to make greetings exclamatory.

But what if you wanted to exclaim strongly in Spanish, and you wanted to express the intensity of your feelings with extra exclamation points? Presumably, you'd have to know in advance just how much emotion you wanted to pack into your clause. Or maybe there's a computer program that matches the beginning number of exclamation points with how many you ultimately use at the

Meanwhile, if you are a habitual exclamation pointer, Latin or not, you're probably just an extra expressive person. Keep on exclaiming. It's who

Just don't forget to add extra ones if there really is a wolf.

A pair of highway wrecks kills one and injures three

By Homer Marquez

One person was killed and three others were injured after a pair of highway accidents in Floyd County last week.

Last Wednesday evening, Floydada resident Clarence Douglas Walding pronounced dead at the scene after a head on collision with a semi-truck. In a report described by Sheriff Paul Raissez, Walding, 69, was traveling north, several miles south of Floydada, on US 62 when he attempted to

pass a cattle truck. Failing to see a southbound semi approaching, Walding's pickup hit the oncoming truck partially head-on sending Walding's pickup flying into the side of the cattle truck. On impact, Walding vehicle began to burn, Walding was pronounced dead at the scene, while the drivers of the semi's were uninjured.

On Tuesday morning, 13 miles north of Lockney, Sharon Hilton, 57, Sharon Harrison, 51, and Branden Hilton, 21, were traveling south on 378 when their vehicle struck a cow sending the vehicle rolling into a bar

medical attention Once Braden had been arrived, able to free himself from the vehicle, but the two women were still trapped inside. Once freed, the trio was rushed to Mangold Memorial Hospital and from there, the two women were transported to Lubbock, one via helicopter and one via ambulance.



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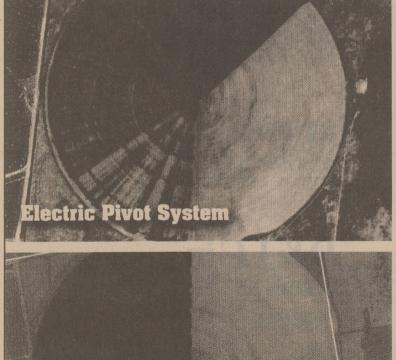
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Common sense would say the consequence of "spoking" is lost crop production and that production losses can be even greater if the system is being used for chemigation. Your investment in irrigation is significant, and is intended to maximize your economic return from your crop. However, the intermittent motion of an electrically powered pivot system can detract from your return, sometimes significantly.

History has shown that the start-stop motion is also detrimental to component life, increases mechanical problems, creates more expense, causes downtime, and generally makes irrigating miserable. Many growers have experienced these problems.

OPINION



The Paperboy

Old dog learning new tricks!

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Some have said the newspaper is dead. Not so fast my friend!

Your newspaper is going to change for the better. This particular change will make this publication much more than a standard newspaper. It will make it interactive tool in a variety of ways

In the coming weeks, you'll begin seeing QR codes in Blackburn Media Group publications.

A QR Code is a specific matrix barcode (or two-dimensional code), readable by dedicated QR barcode readers and camera phones. The code consists of black modules arranged in a square pattern on a white background. The information encoded can be text, URL or other data.

Basically, if you have a smartphone with a camera, you can download any number of free phone apps which allow you to scan barcodes and QR codes. You can then use your phone to scan the QR codes placed in stories and advertising. Once scanned, your phone will link to what it has been directed to from the code.

Common in Japan, where it was created by Toyota subsidiary Denso-Wave in 1994, the QR code is one of the most popular types of two-dimensional barcodes. QR is the abbreviation for Quick Response, as the creator intended the code to allow its contents to be decoded at high speed.

A few uses for QR codes as they relate to your newspaper:

• A realtor can use a QR code to show a virtual tour of a

- house they're listing.A bank with the code leading to their Website.
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• A hotel using the code to link you to their reservation system

As readers and advertisers being seeing and using the codes, the personal interaction between the reader and the newspaper is complete.

In this manner, newspapers have gone from near extinction to a vital way to interact and connect with the story or the store

Beyond the introduction to QR codes, BMG has the capability to build websites, mobile phone applications and integrate them all seamlessly.

Furthermore, we will soon unveil regional Internet radio stations in certain markets and begin using more video in our news coverage and in advertising.

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Now BMG can't offer all of these products and services at the same time in every market. They must be phased in.

The Childress area market is our test market. QR codes are being introduced there this week and for those that have used them with their smart phones, they have been blown away by the interactive possibilities!

At BMG, we have an awesome team focused on the future. We are fighting for perpetuation of the towns we're involved in. There is no reason for rural Americans to linger behind our city neighbors when it comes to technology and innovation. Together we can incorporate new technology with hard work and bring you products you can be proud of.



This sample QR code can be scanned by your phone and will take you to a video shot at The Childress Index.

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The "Green" Treason

By BILL WILSON

It's the same old story: The U.S. has abundant natural resources, but refuses to extract and produce them, as usual, because of environmental restrictions and regulatory costs. In the meantime, we are exporting our energy security, job security, and now, national security to China and other emerging markets.

Since 2002, the U.S. has not mined any rare earth elements (REEs) — today used in U.S. smart bombs, silent helicopter blades, night vision, missiles, and tank guns, as well as computers, cell phones, DVD players, and other civilian technologies.

These metals are not even that rare. The nation as a whole has about 13 million metric tons in reserves according to the U.S. Geological Survey. We could make them ourselves. But we don't.

Leaving that aside for a moment, a modern military, and many common conveniences we today take for granted, would not be possible without these metals. They are essential.

Which is why China has rapidly developed its rare earth element mining sector, with over 55 million metric tons in reserves and 130,000 metric tons of annual production. It now controls over 97 percent of REE mining and refinement in the entire world. China is largely able to do so because it holds about 36 percent of global reserves, has lower labor costs, and because it largely ignores the environmental impact of the REEs. Finally, it lacks competition since the U.S. dropped out of the market.

With the rise of China's REE near-monopoly, concerns have emerged that the communist dictatorship has too much control over these metals that have become critical to defense and other high technology needs.

So, how could China, an adversary, gain so much control over such a strategically critical

industry? Call it the green treason.

The problem is that nearly all of the nation's production of REEs was done by a single company, Molycorp, at a single mine in California, Mountain Pass. From 1965 to 1985, Molycorp was the world's leader in this industry, but because of a series of main wastewater pipeline spills from the mine, state and federal environmental regulators all but shut it down.

As reported by the Washington Independent, "Mining at Mountain Pass stopped soon after the spills came to light. Industry sources say Union Oil of California, which bought Molycorp in 1977, couldn't afford to comply with environmental rules and felt that it couldn't compete with China." In other words, the environmental regulatory costs made it cost-prohibitive to produce the metals at a competitive price versus the Chinese.

But, rather than help the industry out with the regulatory problems, the government acted punitively against Molycorp. The regulators were indifferent if domestic production was completely turned off. It made sure production of REEs in the U.S. was severely hindered, even though shortages would disrupt the defense supply chain.

Just like that, a few faceless bureaucrats shut down an entire domestic industry — essential to national security — just as the Chinese overseas competitor was emerging. And it was all in the name of radical environmentalism.

Fears of Chinese manipulation in the market have subsequently been confirmed in July when China once again reduced its export quotas for these metals. Since 2005, it has reduced these quotas from over 65,000 metric

tons to just over 30,000, according to the Department of Energy. This has caused prices of the metals to skyrocket.

Already, the scarcity of the REEs is having an impact on U.S. defense capabilities. According to a Governmental Accountability Office (GAO) summary, "A 2009 National Defense Stockpile configuration report identified lanthanum, cerium, europium, and gadolinium as having already caused some kind of weapon system production delay and recommended further study to determine the severity of the delays." Which, unless the U.S. ramps up production, will only get worse as China tightens the entire world's supply of PEEs.

The GAO report notes the decline of the nation's capabilities in this area: "The United States previously performed all stages of the rare earth material supply chain, but now most rare earth materials processing is performed in China, giving it a dominant position that could affect worldwide supply and prices." The Department of Defense is undergoing several other evaluations to determine its dependency on these metals, but we already know that it is high.

So, what can be done to ramp up new domestic production? Right now, the U.S. imports about 10,000 metric tons of these metals, or 7.6 percent of global production, according to the USGS.

Unfortunately, the Mountain Pass mine has been gutted. According to the GAO, it "currently lacks the manufacturing assets and facilities to process the rare earth ore into finished components, such as permanent magnets." It also lacks "substantial amounts of heavy rare earth elements" used in industry and defense. Nonetheless, Molycorp intends to begin mining again this year, and in July

offered a successful \$393.75 million IPO to rebuild its capabilities.

According to Dr. Madan Singh, director of the Department of Mines and Mineral Resources (DMMR) in Arizona, it could take up to two years to get the mine back online.

But to get the heavy rare earths, we'll also need to mine in Idaho, Montana, Colorado, Missouri, Utah, and Wyoming. Again, the GAO report is not comforting: "Once a company has secured the necessary capital to start a mine, government and industry officials said it can take from 7 to 15 years to bring a property fully online, largely due to the time it takes to comply with multiple state and federal regulations [emphasis added]."

So, barring regulatory waivers being granted to companies to begin extraction immediately, it won't be until 2020 at least before the nation's REE capabilities can be fully reconstituted. In the meantime, it is likely that China will continue to reduce its export quotas, ratchet up prices, and hoard the REEs for its own defense stockpiles.

It's bad enough that environmental radicalism has made the nation more dependent on foreign sources of fuel, and has exported hundreds of thousands of jobs. Now, it is harming our security as a nation.

It is up to Congress to urgently enact legislation that will cut through the red tape and help this domestic industry get its feet back on the ground. We have to make sure we're not dependent on a hostile nation like China or a single mine in California in order to maintain first-rate defense capabilities. And our security must not be held hostage to onerous environmental regulations. This green treason must be stopped.

Spending Cuts Have to Start Somewhere

By BILL WILSON

On January 20th, Representatives Jim Jordan (R-OH) and Scott Garrett (R-NJ) were joined by Senator Jim DeMint (R-SC) to introduce the "Spending Reduction Act," legislation that promises to cut \$2.5 trillion out of the budget over the next ten years. Call it a good start.

"This bill represents the first step in the process, not the last," said Rep. Garrett. That's good, because, with an average savings of \$250 billion every year, even if it were passed, the annual budget deficit would still amount to about \$1 trillion. The bill would rein in the non-defense discretionary budget by \$80 billion for the remainder of FY 2011, and then cut another \$93 billion out of it for FY 2012, reducing it from \$670 billion to \$496.7 billion through 2021.

Several programs would be eliminated, including the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (\$445 million), the Legal Services Corporation (\$420 million), the National Endowments for the Arts and Humanities (\$335 million), and the Community Development Fund (\$4.5 billion). Amtrak subsidies would end, saving \$1.565 billion, and \$150 million for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority would be cut. The \$14 million USDA sugar program would be discontinued.

Importantly, the administration of ObamaCare would be defunded, saving \$900 million — and loosening the regulatory stranglehold the government takeover of health care will impose on the American economy.

Automatic pay increases for civilian federal employees would stop for five years, and the total civilian workforce would be reduced by 15 percent as Baby Boomers retire. It

would cut the remaining "stimulus" of \$45 billion and end government control of mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, saving another \$30 billion. A previous increase of federal Medicaid spending would be rolled back for another \$16.1 billion.

Lawmakers looking for programs to cut should take a close look at this proposal — before it's too late. Rep. Jordan, who chairs the House Republican Study Committee, noted that the out-of-control national debt has grown "from \$8.6 trillion four years ago to more than \$14 trillion today."

"This mountain of debt, nearly the size of our entire economy, threatens to create a whole new financial crisis," Jordan warned. "Every day we refuse to change course and instill some fiscal responsibility, the problem grows even larger. Unless Washington acts soon to cut spending, massive tax hikes, economic stagnation, and national bankruptcy will rob our children of the opportunity to reach for the American Dream."

Senator DeMint agreed, saying, "Our nation stands on the edge of a fiscal cliff and we face a stark choice: go over the edge into bankruptcy and declining freedom or choose to make the hard decisions today to save our country for our children and grandchildren."

"Congress must take the steps now to balance the budget, pay off our debt, and preserve freedom for future generations" DeMint added

That means now is the time to act. By far, the "Spending Reduction Act" is the most far-reaching proposal thus far to cut non-defense discretionary spending. If the House attached the bill to the must-pass FY 2011 continuing resolution that expires on March 4th, it would force the Senate and White

House to accept the cuts, or to reject them, resulting in a government shutdown.

Senate Republicans could do their part by refusing to invoke cloture on any continuing resolution that did not include the DeMint-Jordan-Garrett legislation. If Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell could keep 41 out of his 47 member conference together, he would help win this battle, the same way the \$1 trillion omnibus bill was defeated in December.

But it will only work if Republicans use these two leverage points: 1) attaching the spending cuts to the continuing resolution in the House and 2) refusing to invoke cloture on anything in the Senate but the House resolution.

Harry Reid and Barack Obama would be forced to accept the terms of the American people, who in November overwhelmingly voted to cut spending. But, as Rep. Garrett noted, more must be done. Non-defense discretionary spending only accounts for 19 percent of the budget.

Congress must also address the out-of-control growth of so-called "mandatory" spending in future efforts, which currently amounts to \$2.18 trillion, or 62 percent of the \$3.5 trillion budget. Americans for Limited Government has proposed about \$460 billion in cuts to this area, which if combined with the DeMint-Jordan-Garrett proposal, would save about \$710 billion every year.

Overall, with a \$1.3 trillion annual budget deficit, if Congress cannot find significant spending cuts to make, it will be impossible to restore order to the nation's finances. Republican leadership should offer their support for the "Spending Reduction Act", and then use their leverage to make sure it becomes law. They've got to start somewhere.

USDA announces dates of sorghum checkoff referendum Feb. 1 - 28

2011 - The U.S. Department of Agriculture has finalized procedures for the upcoming on the continuation of the Sorghum Checkoff Program and is announcing the dates it will conduct the referendum.

For the program to Sorghum continue, the Research, Promotion. order Information requires that a referendum be conducted no later than 3 years after the start of assessments, which began on July 1, 2008. The order requires a simple majority vote in the referendum for the program to continue.

USDA will conduct the referendum Feb. 1-28, 2011, at local Farm Service (FSA) for producers and the Agricultural Marketing Service office, referenced importers. for Ballots may be obtained in person, by mail or facsimile at county FSA offices, or via the Internet at www.ams. usda.gov/sorghumpage.

eligible person engaged in the production

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4, of importation of sorghum from July 1, 2008, to December 31, 2010, is eligible to participate. Individuals are required to provide documentation such as a sales receipt or remittance form that shows they engaged in the production or importation of sorghum.

> The Sorghum Checkoff Program, and its 13-member board, is authorized by the Commodity Promotion Research and Information Act of 1996. The mandatory program is funded at the rate of 0.6 percent of the net market value on grain sorghum and 0.35 percent of the net market value of sorghum forage.

Sorghum Checkoff is a national, coordinated, selfhelp marketing program designed to strengthen the position of sorghum in the market place, maintain and expand existing domestic and foreign markets and uses for sorghum, and develop new markets and uses for sorghum.

The final procedures were published in the Nov.

18, 2010, Federal Register. The notice announcing the dates of the referendum were published in the Jan. 4, 2011, Federal Register.

For more information, contact Kenneth R. Payne, Chief, Marketing Programs, Livestock and Program, AMS, USDA, Room 2628-S, STOP 0251 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-0251; by calling (202) 720-1115; or faxing (202) 720-

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lower Thursday night in tune with a stronger dollar and weaker surrounding markets.

"Once grains and oilseeds fell to lower prices in the day session along with weaker equities, metal, crude and meats, cotton traded sideways to higher refusing to trend lower with the rest of the herd," a trader said.

Cotton futures prices on the

traded reluctantly

Intercontinental Exchange

According to industry observers, the strength in the U.S. dollar was most likely due to talk of monetary and credit tightening by China amid its strong fourth quarter GDP growth and an unforeseen difference in the U.S. unemployment figure. The two scenarios worked together to boost the dollar better-than-expected Chinese growth data raised fears that Beijing could take additional measures to slow the economy and curb inflation while U.S. jobless claims were down 37,000 compared to the expected 25,000 decline.

Despite the surrounding negative news, cotton held on to higher prices with talk of healthy weekly export sales even at cotton's current high price levels and market expectations that China soon could make more deals to purchase additional U.S. cotton during Chinese leader Hu Jinto's visit.

The department's data did

not disappoint optimistic market observers as USDA reported net U.S. export sales of 191,200 bales in the week ended Jan. 13. The figure was up an impressive 66 percent from the previous week and 57 percent from the

Cotton Market Weekly

four-week average. China, Brazil, and Turkey were the week's top buyers. Net sales of 253,100 bales for delivery in 2011-12 were mainly for

At 322,700 bales, export shipments also were positive for the market as the figure was up 20 percent from the previous week and 13 percent from the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Turkey, and Vietnam.

At the same time, spot cotton sales were slightly lower in the week ended January 20 as producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas sold 25,416 bales online at prices ranging from \$1.35 to \$1.43 per pound. The previous week, producers sold 38,336 bales at \$1.33 to \$1.41 per pound.

In other news, analysts are closely watching for new cotton developments in India. News services reported over the weekend that India's Textile Ministry still favors keeping the cotton export quota for this marketing year unchanged at 5.5 million

Even though India is expecting a bumper cotton crop due to more plantings,

the Textile Ministry feels higher exports will deplete stocks by the end of the year and jeopardize the country's efforts to keep local supplies steady before the next harvest. This is in contrast to India's Agriculture Ministry view that the country has the potential to export approximately 8.0 to 8.5 million bales since output likely will be much higher than the Cotton Advisory Board's estimate of 32.9 million bales.

Closer to home, South Texas cotton farmers got the drenching rain they so desperately needed this week as they prepare to plant their 2011 cotton crop, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel there.

According to the National Weather Service, South Texas has suffered the driest period, from September to December since records have been kept, in some areas dating back to the late 1800s," he said.

Cotton planting in the Lower Rio Grande Valley typically starts Feb. with most cotton planted between Feb. 15 and March 15. Local sources said the rains provided moisture at the top of the soil profile that is needed to help seeds germinate and send roots to lower levels of soil still moist from Hurricane Alex and the tropical storm that followed last summer.

Valentine Brag Pages Deadline Feb. 1

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Publishing Company intends to save a big slice of local history before it's lost forever.

Memories

Hometown

Garvey, Senior Karen at Hometown Memories Publishing, is asking local old-timers to share their memories for a living history book. She invites anyone over age 60 with yarns about the "good old days" in Lower Texas Panhandle to write them down and mail them to her for possible publication in the book. The hardcover coffee table book will contain tales of bygone years from people who actually lived them.

Toencourage participation, Garvey is offering a \$250.00 award for the most appealing story. There will also be

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three \$100.00 runner-up awards.

Publisher seeks stories from local old-timers

"I'm not looking for genealogy," says Garvey. What we want to save are true stories about things that once were commonplace but are virtually unknown to today's generation. The contributor's descendants will love them for it. Life today is not what it used to be," continues Garvey. For example, any old-timer could tell an interesting tale about things like wringer washing machines, downtown cowboy movies on Saturday, radio drama programs, feed sack dresses or old fashioned outhouses. Garvey explains, "Stories like these are not only great fun to read, especially for old-timers, but they're

with real lives." Especially wanted for the book are stories that involve humor, odd, unusual, frightening or mysterious events, romance stories ("How I Met My Spouse"), local myths and legends and

usually left out of the official

history books. I hope some

of these books will still

be around in 200 years so

that people will know that

old-timers were more than

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ghost tales. The deadline for story submission is April 30, 2011.

Garvey requests interested anyone submitting material for the book phone her toll free, at (877) 491-8802 for instructions or visit the web site at www. hometownmemoriesonline com

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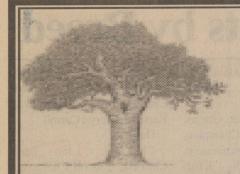
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BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

We are saddened this week by the loss of one of our beloved Hackberry Residents, Louise Perryman. Mrs. Perryman has been a resident at Hackberry since December, 2009. She had a sweet soul and humorous spirit. Mrs. Perryman will be missed by everyone at Hackberry. Our sympathy is extended to her family.



Featured in our January Senior Spotlight is Diana Cavazos. Miss Cavazos has been a resident at Hackberry since September, 2008. She is 53 years old and grew up in Lockney, where she attended school and gradu-

ated from Lockney High School in 1977. Her parents are Joe and Becky Cavazos. Her mother passed away six years ago and her father still resides in Lockney. She has two sisters, three brothers and several nieces and nephews. While living in Lockney, Diana worked in Strickland's Restaurant and cleaned houses until her health worsened.

Diana likes to play Bingo, crafts and participating in activities at the Center. She enjoys reading, watching TV and solving Math puzzles. "Hackberry is very comfortable, the food is good and I like the people who live and work here," Diana said. We are delighted that Diana is part of our Hackberry family.

We welcome Mrs. Jan Schow as our interim administrator. Mrs. Schow will fillin while Mrs. Sandra Seago is out on medical leave for a few weeks. Mrs. Schow is from Abilene and a licensed administrator. She travels the state and has worked at many nursing care facilities as an interim administrator.

Welcome to Motley County, Mrs. Schow. We hope you enjoy your stay!

SR. HEALTH TIPS **As First Baby Boomers** Turn 65,

They're Feeling Good and Not Ready to Quit

(Information from AARP) Despite weathering a brutal economic recession and on the eve of their 65th birthday, leading-edge Baby Boomers remain characteristically optimistic about their future and pleased with their life choices, according to a new AARP survey on the attitudes, feelings and outlooks of Americans born in 1946 at the beginning of the Baby Boom Generation. Starting January 1st, approximately 7,000 Baby Boomers will turn 65 each day, and they intend to stay active into traditional retirement years in the workplace and beyond, according to "Approaching 65: A Survey of Baby Boomers Turning 65," which updates a similar AARP survey done as these

Boomers started to turn 60. As they approach a birthday that was synonymous with retirement for their parents' generation, many Boomers are still working and plan to keep at it for the foreseeable future.

While just more than half (54%) of leading-edge Boomers are retired, more than one-in-three (34%) are still in the workforce. Of these Boomers who are currently employed or looking for work, 35% returned to the workforce after having retired from a previous career. Almost three-in-ten (29%) of these working Boomers expect to retire at age 70 or later, and only 55% plan to cut back on their work hours in the next few years. Four-in-ten (40%) say they "plan to work until they drop.'

While some of these Boomers feel uncertain and anxious about the next five years, the overwhelming majority feel hopeful and confident. Boomers feel that the next five years will be fulfilling and exciting. Only 25% think the coming years will be boring.

When asked what changes they expect to make over the next few years, the overwhelming majority of Boomers said they plan to take better care of their health, spend more time with loved ones and make more time for doing the things they always wanted to do. Most leadingedge Boomers said they plan to increase their travel and volunteerism and more than four-in-ten plan to take classes or learn something new.

This early cohort of the Boomer generation likely will also dispel the myth that most retirees want to move to retirement havens in warmer climates. Few leading edge Boomers have plans to relocate or to buy larger or second homes.

Boomers say that key aspects of their life are generally in line with their expectations. At least half of these Boomers say their careers, and relationships with family and friends and spiritual lives are about what they'd expect to be at this point in their lives.

Overall, the leading-edge Boomers are comfortable and satisfied with what they have achieved. Seven in 10 say they have achieved all or most of what they want and

another 26% have achieved at least some of it. They are comfortable with expectations for their longevity, too. Most expect to live about the same number of years (age 85.2 years) that they want to live (age 88.7 years).

Of course, the Boomers still have some concerns about their lives, most notably their health and personal finances. More than threein-ten boomers say their health and personal finances are in worse condition than they previously expected. And more than a quarter cite money and health as the biggest obstacles to achieving their dreams over the next five years. Surprisingly, in light of the recent recession and the chronological end to their middle age, they worry no more about money and health today than they did at age 60.

"The first Boomers helped define the most influential generation in our country's history," said AARP executive vice president Steve Cone. "They're on a pretty good run, and they're not close to being done."

Thornberry votes to repeal new health care law

voted to repeal the new and small business groups to the elimination of 1.6 health care law, taking the across the country have million jobs between 2009 initial step toward rolling been voicing support for back the massive overhaul. the repeal, citing the bill's of those coming from small Rep. Mac Thornberry impact on companies and businesses. The Speaker (R-Clarendon), and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) and all health care and tax provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of "This law is bad for our businesses, for our patients and doctors, and for the country. It's already negatively affected care and costs. People continue to want it repealed, and tonight, the House took the first major step toward meeting that expectation," said Thornberry. The health care law is an issue that he hears about often, from both local businesses as well as concerned residents of the 13th District, Thornberry

who the overall economy. voted in favor of the measure, the House Wednesday, a which is a straight repeal coalition representing the of the Patient Protection country's largest small associations, business including the Associated Builders and Contractors, the National Federation of Independent Business, the National Restaurant Association, the Printing Industries of America, National Association of Wholesaler-Distributors and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, warn that the health care law impedes hiring and growth. The letter outlines the groups' support for repeal of the new health care law. Additionally, a recent study (NFIB), the nation's largest affordable health care

WASHINGTON, D.C. said. Recent polls indicate small business association, support for repeal of the found that an employer tonight bill remains strong. Large mandate alone could lead and 2014, with 66 percent Thursday to instruct the committees to begin working on replacement reform bills. These alternative proposals contain a number options, including creating lower health care premiums through increased competition and choice; providing access to affordable health care for people with pre-existing conditions; providing greater Medicaid flexibility for states; eliminating waste abortions. On Tuesday, Thornberry two pieces of health care by the National Federation reform legislation aimed of Independent Businesses at increasing access to

coverage. The first, H.R. 315, the Health Care Paperwork Reduction and Fraud Prevention Act, standardizes and simplifies billing practices while protecting patient privacy. Studies show upwards of of the House John Boehner 21 to 31 percent of all the sponsored the repeal bill, In a letter delivered to and the Republican majority money spent on health have scheduled a vote for care in the U.S. is spent on paperwork and regulations. The second bill, H.R. 314, the Medical Liability Procedural Reform Act, encourages establish health courts to decrease frivolous medical lawsuits and ensure access to the doctor of a patient's choice. is that we need reform. But Congress has a better chance of getting it right and of maintaining the trust of the American people in the health care system; and if it takes reform in bitebanning federal funding for sized chunks, starting with one or two reforms and introduced building on them. These two bills represent solid first steps toward better care at lower costs to everyone,"



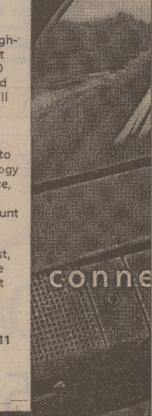


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STOCK SHOW

Williams would sweep the category winning Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, and the Senior Showmanship Award. The breed champion award would go to Kattie Miller.

In the Lamb Show, Katilina Araujo would take home the Grand Championship and the Breed Championship with her medium wool lamb, and Jonathan Sustaita would bring in the Reserve Grand Championship for his medium wool lamb.

In the Heifer Show, SyAnn Foster would earn Grand Champion and Breed Champion honors for her European heifer.

In the Steer Show, SyAnn Foster would grab another title, winning the Grand Championship, Breed Championship, and the Senior Showmanship award with her Cross breed steer. Haden Lipham would win Reserve Grand Champion with his Shorthorn.

In the Gilt Show, Braden Graves took the Grand Championship, the breed championship, and reserve breed championship with his major gilt. Cassie Martinez would receive the Grand Reserve Championship award with her Cross breed gilt.

In the Barrow Show, Madolyn McCormick would win the Grand Championship, Breed Championship, and the Senior Showmanship award with her Hampshire barrow. Cassie Martinez would win another Reserve Grand Championship with her Cross breed barrow.

During the sale on Monday night, buyers would bid a total of \$82,300 towards the animals, and with the current Add-On's to date totaling more than \$16,910, this year's live stock show will easily clear \$100,000.

LISD

words from Superintendent Cotham. January is School Board Recognition Month in the state of Texas.

Cotham expressed his appreciation to the Board for their commitment to the students and staff of Lockney ISD. "This Board functions well together," he said, "and they make decisions that are best for our school regardless of personal feelings or biases. They are a joy to work with."

"Serving on a school board requires a great amount of sacrifice and hard work," Cotham added, "and our Board is to be commended for the example they set on how an organized group should work together for the good of all. I urge everyone to express appreciation to the members of our Board."

The Texas Association of School Boards encourages all school districts to recognize their school boards for the thankless work they do in their communities.

DIMMITT

Winds went 0-13 in the quarter on shooting. The Bobbies of Dimmitt would lead 23-20 after three quarters of play. The Lady Winds were still close enough to pull out the win. The fourth quarter would be very tight. In the end, the Lady Winds inability to get to the free throw line and make their shots would lead to the

Leading the Lady Winds was Whitley Beedy with 7 points and 4 rebounds. Avery Miller had 6 points and 4 rebounds. Brityn Helms had 6 points and 6 rebounds. Sarah Jo Miller 5 points 3 assists. Sarah Sanders points and 6 rebounds. Breann Gooch 2 points and 5 rebounds. Nikki Seymour and Emily Hall made great contributions on defense. We play Abernathy Tuesday, 25th.

The district standings as of January 21st are: Littlefield 8-1, Floydada 7-2, Dimmitt 6-3, Abernathy 5-4, Idalou 4-5, Friona 3-6, Tulia 3-6, Muleshoe 0-9

FRIONA

Lady Winds was Whitley scored 4 points and 2 Beedy with 14 points and deflections. Emily Hall had 5 steals. Brityn Helms 1 assist and 1 deflection. had 11points and 5 steals. deflections. Nikki Seymour Muleshoe 0-8.

The Lady Winds are now Breann Gooch had 9 points 19-3 on the year and 7-1 and 5 steals. Sarah Sanders in district. The district scored 8 points and 7 standings are Floydada rebounds. Avery Miller 8 7-1, Littlefield 7-1, Dimmitt points and 7 assists. Sarah 5-3, Abernathy 4-4, Idalou Jo Miller had 7 points and 4 3-5, Tulia 3-5, Friona 3-5,

2011 Stock Show results by Breed

GOAT Boer

Class 1: Kattie Miller, Breed Champion

Class 2: 1. Kolby Williams, Grand Champion, Senior Showmanship, 2. Kolby Williams, Reserve Champion, 3. Kattie Miller

LAMB

Southdown

Class 1: 1. Trip Fortenberry, 2.Stetson Lane, 3.Katilina Araujo

Class 2: 1. Tristan Schlueter, Reserve Breed Champion, 2.Karina Torres, 3. Grip Fortenberry, 4. Gunnyr Araujo, 5.Ryiann Araujo, 6.Tuff Araujo

Class 3: 1.Jonathan Sustaita, Breed Champion, 2. Tristan Schlueter

Fine Wool

Class 1: 1. Memory Lane, Reserve Breed Champion, 2. Memory Lane 3.Gates Lane 4. Gates Lane

Class 2: 1. Karina Torres, Breed Champion, Junior Showmanship

Fine Wool Cross Class 1: 1.Kolby Williams, Breed Champion, Senior Showmanship, 2. Luke Carroll, Reserve Breed Champion, 3. Karina Torres, 4.Lauryn Carroll

Medium Wool Class 1: 1. Tristan Schlueter, 2.Grip Fortenberry, 3.Taylor Orr, 4.Ryiann Araujo

Class 2: 1.Tuff Araujo, 2.Kolby Williams, 3.Taylor Orr, 4. Tristan Schlueter

Class 3: 1. Katilina Araujo, Grand Champion, Breed 2.Jonathan Champion, Sustaita, Reserve Champion, Reserve Breed Champion, 3. Gunnyr Araujo, 4. Stetson Lane, 5. Taylor Orr, 6. Jared

Orr, 7. Trip Fortenberry

Class 4: 1.Katrina Torres, 2. Taylor Orr

HEIFER Chianina

Class 1: 1.SyAnn Foster, Grand Champion, Breed Champion

STEER

American Class 1: 1.Kelsey Nutt, Breed Champion

Angus Class Bigham, Breed Champion

Hereford Class 1: 1.Reagan Hughes, Breed Champion, Junior Showmanship, 2.Christopher Emert, Reserve **Breed Champion**

Shorthorn

Class1: 1.Haden Lipham, Reserve Champion, Breed Champion, 2.Corbin Nutt, Reserve Breed Champion, 3. Tabetha Bigham

Class 1: 1. Reagan Hughes 2. Tannile Bigham

Class 1.SyAnn 2: Foster, Grand Champion, Breed Champion, Senior 2.Destry Showmanship, Faulkenberry, Reserve Breed Champion 3. Tabitha Faulkenberry

GILT

Minor Class 1: 1.Jon Paul Chaviria, 2.Braden Graves, 3. Erik Cortez

Class 2: 1.Kirby Nixon, 2.Heston Graves, 3.Jared Orr, 4.Allison Orr

Class 3: 1.Braden Graves Breed Champion, 2.Keenan Reserve Breed Nixon Champion, 3. Heston Graves, 4. Kirby Nixon, 5.Keenan Nixon Major

Class 1: 1. Anissa Guerrero, 2.Delaney Lucke, 3. Alece Annunziato

Class 2: 1. Heston Graves, Reserve Breed Champion, Junior Showmanship, 2.Marcos Mercado, 3.Tuff Araujo, 4.Jared Orr

Class 3: 1. Braden Graves, Grand Champion, Breed Champion, 2.Sarah Carstensen, 3. Delaney Lucke Cross

Class 1: 1. Cassie Martinez, Reserve Champion, Breed Champion, 2.Stfanni M'Ly Chavarria, 3.Delaney Lucke Class 2: 1.Braden Graves, Reserve Breed Champion,

2.Karis Carstensen, 3.Heston Graves, 4. Kacee Armstrong

BARROW

Black OPB Class 1: 1.Ryiann Araujo, 3.Anissa 2.Ian Dunbar, Guerrero, 4.Montana

Williams, 5.Lauryn Carroll Class 2: 1. Tebetha Bigham, 2. Tannile Bigham, 3. Erik Cortes, 4.Javier Guerrero, 5. Luke Carroll

Class 3: 1.Keenan Nixon, Breed Champion, 2.Kirby Reserve Nixon, Breed Champion, 3.Meagan Dunn, 4.Erik Cortez, 5.Alece Annunziato, 6.Austin Rexrode, 7. Alece Annunziato White OPB

Class 1: 1. Haley Dunbar, Reserve Breed Champion, 2.Rita Martinez, 3.Javier Guerrero

Class 2: 1.Meagan Dunn, Breed Champion, 2.Keenan Nixon, 3. Austin Rexrode

York Class 1.Ainslee Reserve Breed Dunn, Champion, 2. Shelby Dunbar, 3.Karmicheal Ramos, 4.Jose Guerrero

Class 2: McCormick, Breed 2.McKenzie Champion, Kemp, 3.Lauryn Carroll

Duroc Class 1: 1.Jon Paul Chaviria, 2.Jacob Chavarria,

3. Shlby Dunbar Class 1.Katilina Araujo, 2. Kacee Armstrong, 3.Karmicheal Ramos

Class 1.Madolyn McCormick, Breed Champion, 2.Kirby Nixon, Reserve Breed Champion Dunbar, 4. Haley 3.Ian Dunbar

Hampshire

Class 1: 1.Kelsey Nutt, 2.Ian Dunbar, 3.Marcos Mercado

Class 1.Madolyn McCormick, Grand Champion, Breed Champion, Senior Showmanship, 2. Meagan Dunn, Reserve Breed Champion, 3. Austin Rexrode, 4.Katilina Araujo

Cross

Class 1: 1. Cassie Martinez, Reserve Champion, Breed Champion, 2.Corbin Nutt, 3.Alece Annunziato, 4.Karmicheal Ramos, 5.Rita Martinez

Class 2: 1.Gunnyr Araujo, 2. Cutter Smith, 3. Montana Williams, 4.Montana Williams, 5.Kattie Miller, 6. Karmichael Ramos

Class 3: 1: Kelsey Nutt, Reserve Breed Champion, 2.Dylan Tomas Schol, 3. Tannile Bigham, 4. Marcos Mercado, 5.Haley Dunbar, 6. Jose Guerrero

Class 4: 1.Ainslee Dunn, 2. Tabetha Bigham, 3.McKenzie Kemp, 4.Cutter Smith, 5.Stephen Setliff, 6. Shelby Dunbar, 7. Austin Rexrode

LOCKNEY

residents are citizens who are economically disenfranchised and do not have access to opportunities. Unanimously, the Council voted to pass the resolutions.

Ending the meeting the Council unanimously voted to amend the budget by \$29,860; the amendment was needed to move money around to pay for equipment bought in November.

Lockney Score Board

Varsity Lockney Longhorns Vs Crosbyton

Final Crosbyton 13 11 41 18 37 Lockney

Top Scoring for Lockney:

Cruz 10 pts Kidd, Landry 6 pts Luna 6 pts

Varsity Lockney Longhorns Vs Hale Center 2nd 3rd

Final Hale Center 14 22 17 Lockney **Top Scoring Lockney** Williams 7 pts

Lockney JV Girls Vs Crosbyton

1st Lockney 51 Crosbyton 0 **Top Scoring for Lockney** Alanie Rendon - 15 Memory Lane – 13

Lockney JV Girls Vs Hale Center

Memory Lane – 8

1st 2nd 3rd Lockney 12 Hale Center **Top Scoring for Lockney** Alanie Rendon - 7 Mary Sammann - 7

Lockney Longhorns JV Boys Vs Hale Center JV

Hale Center JV 6 10 12 33 Lockney JV 12 Top Scoring for Lockney: Teeter 8 pts Hooten 6 pts

Lockney Longhorns JV Vs Crosbyton JV

Final Crosbyton JV 10 12 33 Lockney JV **Top Scores for Lockney** Dunbar 12 pts Cazares 8 pts

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