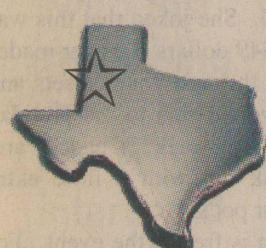


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**Fire destroys two  
 Floydada homes**

**By Homer Marquez**  
 Two homes were completely destroyed after a fire lit up the 800 block of W. Missouri in Floydada last Saturday night. The fire, which started at around 9 p.m. was caused after a burst of high winds caused alley power lines to arch, sending sparks into the backyard of the house located on 819 W. Missouri. As described by firefighter Cory Johnston, a small flame would grow in size as 60 mph winds blew the flames towards the northeast, in the direction of Tim and Angie Lipham's home on 817 W. Missouri. That following morning, investigating firefighters could still see the fire trail that the initial flames had carved as they made their way towards the Lipham's home. Once the fire reached the eastside of the Lipham's backyard fence, it wasn't long before the fire ignited both the Lipham's home and the house on 819 W. Missouri. Over 45 firefighters from Floydada, Lockney, Matador, Dougherty, Turkey, Quitaque and Ralls, would come to help contain the fire that was shooting flames high above the trees. As firefighters battled the blaze long into the night, surrounding homes were under constant

danger as winds sent burning ambers flying throughout the neighborhood; in the middle of the night, citizens could be found blocks away stomping out burning ambers at R.C. Andrews. Fortunately, by the morning, the efforts of the fire departments had kept the blaze from spreading further into the neighborhood. Eventually, both houses would be completely destroyed by the fire. Thankfully, no one would be injured, as it was reported that the Lipham's were out of town during the ordeal, and Shane and Malin Lloyd, the former occupants of the home on 819 W. Missouri, were in the process of moving out. Nevertheless, both families would suffer great losses as the fire consumed their belongings. Two love funds have been created for the Lipham Family, who lost everything in the fire. Anyone interested in making a donation can mail it to the First Baptist Church, 401 Main Street, Floydada Texas 79235 (please mark your check- Benevolence), or to the First National Bank of Floydada, P.O. Box 550 (124 S. Main), Floydada, Texas 79235. You may also go in person to make your donations at these businesses.



**Top Photo by Homer Marquez, Right photo courtesy of Kat Wallace**  
 Seven different fire departments responded to a massive fire last Saturday night which eventually destroyed two homes in Floydada. Firefighters fought late into the night trying to contain the blaze in the 800 block of W. Missouri; on the right, Floydada fighters work to subdue 50 ft flames and blinding smoke; above, the aftermath of the devastation as the two families sift through the tragedy.



**Fair is Less Than 2 Months Away**

**By Carol Huggins**  
 The Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair is getting set for another run in less than two months. The dates for this Fair are September 15-17 with a theme of "Remember When". Committees are being formed. If you would like to have a hand in this year's Fair, the Fair Board welcomes any and all suggestions. Anyone who would like to be on the Board or just help with an event is encouraged to make this known to President Kay Martin at 652-3386. There is plenty of work for everyone. A new event this year will be the Fair Queen Pageant. Ann Anderson is the chairman for this event and she is actively recruiting others to help her. If you are interested in helping, please let her know. She will have entrance forms ready soon for those girls who would like to be in the Pageant.

There will be an Old Time Auction again this year on Thursday night. If anyone has items they would like to donate, please contact Kay Martin or Carol Huggins, who will arrange for the items to be picked up. Ongoing any time of the year is the rental of the Entertainment Barn for other functions. Several groups have already taken advantage of this and several others are scheduled. Anyone interested in renting the Entertainment Barn, please contact Kay Martin and complete a contract. Also, if you would like to honor someone with a memorial donation or recognition, please send these to Floyd County Fair, Box 694, Lockney 79241. The person or family will be notified of your donation and it will periodically be published in the newspaper.

**Coach Gill's batters swing on the Biggest Stage in Texas**

**By Nick Long**  
 (Round Rock, Texas) Making it to the Texas U.I.L. State Tournament and the State Championship game in any sport is the dream of any athlete, coach, parent or fan in the Lone Star State. Coach Brandon Gilliland lived that dream as the First Assistant/Hitting Coach for the Lubbock Coronado Mustangs on June 10 and 11, 2011 at Dell Diamond in the Class 5A State Baseball Tourney. Gilliland is a former Floydada Whirlwind and former FHS Head Baseball Coach. Coronado got so close to capping off a remarkable march thru the largest classification in Texas with a prolific offense that had Coach Gill's fingerprints all over it. The Mustangs came out of District 2-5A as the runner-up to the Amarillo High Sandies. Coronado had

a lineup of some big bats with 4-starters carrying batting averages over .400 and the remaining 5 with .300 plus. The Mustangs were 11-5 in the State Playoffs run and in 9-playoff games they scored double-digit runs which is almost unheard of in Class 5A with the great pitching you have to face at this level. "Coach Gilliland made us what we are", said a disappointed Head Coach Gary Hix after losing the State Championship game 10-3 on Saturday. "He was the one behind the scenes. He is very disciplined, a fighter that won't quit, demanding, and an encourager. The kids love him. He made our players believe in themselves and the team. He earned their respect." Gilliland was one of three finalists for the Coronado job when Jimmy Webster took the Director of Operations



**Photo Courtesy of Carol Davis**  
 Assistant Coach Brandon Gilliland after winning a Runner-up (Silver) Medal at the U.I.L. Class 5A Baseball State Championships with the Lubbock Coronado Mustangs. Pictured (l-r) Bob Gilliland, Brandon Gilliland, Allie Gilliland (4 1/2 year old daughter) and Barbara Gilliland. Photo was taken by Brandon's aunt Carol Davis of Cumby, Texas.

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positions at Texas Tech last summer. Webster resigned after the 2010 Mustangs advanced to the Region I Semi-Finals. Gary Hix was picked as the Head Coach coming from Amarillo High, and he quickly asked Gilliland to be his first assistant. Webster was Brandon's coach at Floydada. Coronado started District play 0-2 with losses to Monterey and Tascosa. Reportedly Coach Gilliland asked permission of Coach Hix to speak to the team after the losses. Hix granted him his wish, and Coach Gill gave the team with one of his infamous speeches about not See GILLILAND on page 3



# Roadshow Comes to Plainview

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That's just one story Colleen Rivera likes to tell. Witnessing such impressive finds is part of her job as a show manager for the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery's traveling roadshow.

The Springfield, Ill.-based company is in Boerne through Friday looking to buy precious metals, jewelry, historical artifacts, antiques and other collectibles.

When someone brings in an item, The Ohio Valley Refinery & Roadshow evaluates it, makes an offer, then writes out a check sending that person home with some extra cash. Our job is to find buyers for items. We're the middle man. We try to find someone in that market interested," said Jeramy Weese, also a show manager for the Ohio Valley Refinery & Roadshow

Weese said that when an individual brings in an item, the buyers will enter the details into their online system which connects with over 10,000 collectors. Items can range from coin collections to vintage guitars and everything in between. "If we can get

someone to generate an offer, they agree to the terms and we give them a check on the spot. However, if more than one collector is interested, the offer can go higher," explains Weese.

David Ford, a buyer for the company, said he enjoys traveling to different towns each week and finding new and interesting items. Just a few weeks back he had a woman come in who had bought a coin from the casino she worked at for a dollar the night before. She walked out that morning with a check for \$50. She joked that this was the quickest \$49 dollars she ever made.

So search through your closets and bring down your items to the Holiday Inn Express this week. Chances are, you will walk out with a little extra money in your pocket.

Admission is free to the event. For more questions, call 217.787-7767



**ERBEY MOLINAR, JR. AND RENATA GONZALES**

## Molinar and Gonzales to wed

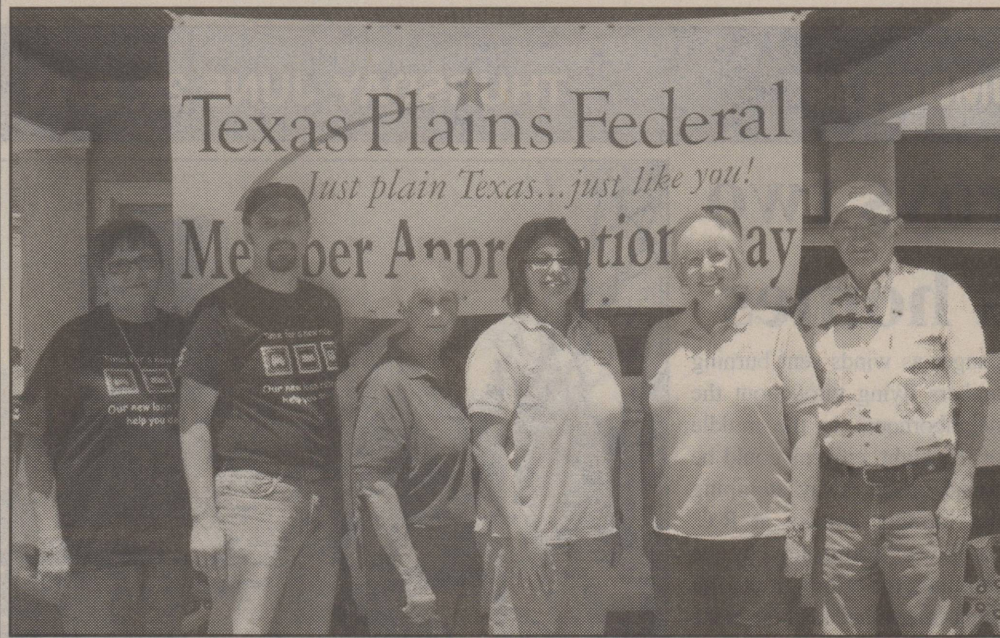
France Gonzales of Lubbock, Texas and Erbey and Mary Molinar of Floydada would like to announce the upcoming marriage of their, Renata Gonzales and Erbey Molinar Jr.

The bride-elect is a 1999 Lubbock High School graduate and a 2004 Texas Tech graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Marketing. She is also a 2010 Covenant Nursing school graduate and is currently employed as a Registered Nurse at UMC.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1999 Floydada High School graduate and a 2003 Texas Tech University graduate with a Bachelor's degree in Business and Finance and is currently employed with Molinar Roofing and Construction, Inc.

The wedding will be held on June 25, 2011 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church located at 3111 Erskine Street, Lubbock, Texas.

The couple will reside in Lubbock after a honeymoon to the Bahamas.



**Photo by Homer Marquez**

Last Friday, the staff of Texas Plains Federal in Floydada showed their gratitude towards their members by holding a Member Appreciation Day. Throughout the day, the Texas Plains Federal staff served refreshments outside as members competed for door prizes inside.

## FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

**By Margarette Word**

The Center's mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. We are located at 301 E. Georgia Street. If you are 60 years or older come eat with us at 12 noon. If you are homebound call the Center as you may be eligible for home delivery. Our phone number is 983-2032.

Our visitors this past week were Jimmy Pritchett of South Plains, LeAnn Collins of Lubbock and Alton and Frances Barnes.

We were happy to see Herman Graham at the Center last Friday. He has been out due to hip surgery.

Thank you for remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial donation.

**In memory of Ozell Chappell -**

Herman and Bonnie Graham, Alton and Sue Higginbotham, Hope Crabtree

**In memory of LeAnn Bishop -** Charla and Roland Adams, Nell McClung, Don and Carolyn Hardy

**In memory of Jimmy Crader -** Charla and Roland Adams

**In memory of Tate Jones -** Charla and Roland Adams

**In memory of Bob Alldredge -** Alton and Sue Higginbotham, Hope Crabtree, Don and Carolyn Hardy

**In memory of Wanda Hickerson -** Don and Carolyn Hardy, Hope Crabtree

**In memory of Sue Lovell -** Hope Crabtree

**In memory of Margie Fowler -** Hope Crabtree

**In memory of Louise Fawver -** Hope Crabtree

**Thought for the Week -** Retirement is like a long vacation in Vegas. The goal is to enjoy it to the fullest, but not so fully that you run out of money.

**Jonathan Clements,**  
**The Wall Street Journal**

### MENU

**Monday -** Sausage, cabbage, pinto beans, cornbread, chocolate bars

**Tuesday -** Spaghetti w/meatsauce, Oriental blend, salad, garlic bread, bananas & oranges

**Wednesday -** Chicken fried steak, potatoes, green beans, roll, cobbler

**Thursday -** Burger w/trimmings, French fries, baked beans, fruit

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Due to the 4th of July holiday weekend, we will have early deadlines for our **ADVERTISING and EDITORIAL**  
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## Lockney Senior Citizens News

**By Renee Armstrong**

Hello again from the Lockney Senior Citizens Center. There has been no news these last couple of weeks so there was no articles. To turn in news, please call me at the Center at 806-652-2745, or on my cell phone at 685-7796. All news will need to be turned in by Sunday each week.

The Board of Directors this year are President- Jr. Brotherton, Vice President- Jerry Paul Cooper, Secretary- Gladys Bobbitt, and Treasurer- Claude Brown. Other board members are Gene Brotherton, Geneva Barclay, Wanda Barber, and Embe Douglas.

The Board informed me

that due to the increase of food costs, lunches will go up to \$4 at the beginning of August, and non-member meals will be \$5.

Remember exercise with Dorothy, is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9a.m. Pot Luck will be on Thursday night; bring a dish, we will eat at 6p.m and play games afterwards.

We still have Quilt tickets for sale, \$1 or 6 for \$5. Have a great week.

### Menu

**June 21-July 1**

**Monday-**Pork Chops  
**Tuesday-**Steak Fingers  
**Wednesday-**Fried Chicken  
**Thursday-**Spaghetti  
**Friday-**Enchiladas

## KFLP "Live from the Backroom" to host artists

Spotlighting the best in up and coming bands, KFLP 106.1 FM is proud to host these artists in their "Live from the Backroom" sessions. Scheduled for this summer's performances are:

Wed. June 29 - Charla Corn  
Wed. July 6 - Granger Smith  
Wed. July 13 - Bri Bagwell  
Wed. July 20 - Mark McKinney  
Wed. July 27 - Matt Stell & the Crashers  
Wed. August 3 - Mike Ryan  
Wed. August 10 - Chad Johnson Band  
Wed. August 17 - Brian Keane



# OBITUARY

## JOHN JAY JEFFERSON FREEMAN

John Jay Jefferson Freeman, age 67, of Floydada, passed away on June 9, 2011 in Lockney, Texas. Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 11, 2011 at Forest Lawn Cemetery with Elder John Williams officiating. Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Local survivors include his wife, Ora Lee Freeman of Floydada; his brothers, Ronald E. Freeman and James E. Freeman II; his daughter, Donnette W. Hearn and husband, Jerry and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends from the Floydada community.

# Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

The Friends of the Library would like to thank each and everyone who donated books during our latest book sale. We had a good sale and appreciate all of you who brought your books to us to use in our sale. If we didn't have you as friends, we would not be able to have a sale. Our next sale is Punkin' Days, so save your books and donate them.

We would also like to thank everyone who came and shopped with us during our sale. We really appreciate the purchases you made. The profits from our sales help us with the projects we plan to help our Floyd County Memorial Library be the best library in our area.

Our special thanks goes out to the boys and girls from PAC who willingly help us each time we have a sale. We really depend on you and are so happy that you are willing to help us.

To all our members who helped set up, work the sale and pack up after the sale, thank you very, very much. Without your help there wouldn't be a sale.

We would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join our wonderful group. Just contact any of our members or call the library and express your desire to be a part of the Friends of the Library.

Again, thank you everyone!

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playing up to their potential and they had to get tougher. It was message of tough love. Many of the players came to Coach Gill and said things like "thanks for caring and they needed that". The Mustangs responded with a 5-game winning streak in District and a giant had been awoken. Also, a great coaching combo was created of Hix's laid back style and Gilliland's aggressiveness. Brandon played his roll very well, plus he learned from the successful veteran.

Coronado started the playoffs by sweeping El Paso Hanks in 2-games. Then came 4-consecutive series where the Mustangs would lose game 1 on Friday, and forced to sweep a doubleheader on Saturday to advance. The Mustangs survived against powerhouses of Midland Lee, El Paso Franklin, Plano and Hurst L.D. Bell to claim the Region I title and earn the coveted trip to the State Tourney. Each series had their unique story, but there was one thing in common - an explosive Coronado batting lineup from top to bottom. The word was out that

Coronado was dangerous. Coronado took the worst record of the 4-team field of 32-15 to the State Tourney. They drew the defending State Champions Corpus Christi Carroll for Friday's Semi-Finals. Number 3 rated Carroll had 7 returning starters from the 2010 Championship team and were the favorites to win it again according to the "buzz" around Dell Diamond.

But the Mustangs came out swinging and jumped to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning. The quick start shocked Carroll and affected their play the rest of the game. Carroll was

pressing, and Coronado kept the pressure on by never letting up. The Mustangs cruised to a 10-0 shutout that was stopped in the 5th inning due to the mercy rule. The Underdogs had KO'd the best and the "buzz" had now switched to those gritty guys from West Texas.

After the semi-final win, former Monterey Coach Bobby Moegle told former Coronado Coach John Dudley that this Coronado team was one of the best hitting high school teams he had ever seen. Dudley relayed the message to the Coronado staff. What a compliment

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## To The Floydada Fire Department...

Thank you so very, very much for the wonderful job you did Saturday night and Sunday morning in fighting the huge fire in my neighborhood. As I watched I was amazed at the efficiency and origination in the way you conducted the containment of the fire. You saved my property from being burned and I will forever be grateful. My family and I will always sing your praises.

Thanks also to the other fire departments who joined you in helping to fight this horrible fire.

Another thank you goes to the policemen who came to check on me. I appreciate all of you and thank you again.

-Carolyn Cheek

## THIS WEEK'S

### LIPHAM FAMILY LOVE FUNDS

You may make donations to the Lipham Family Love Funds at:

First Baptist Church, 401 S. Main Street, Floydada, Texas 79235 (mark your check - Benevolence) or to the First National Bank of Floydada, P.O. Box 550 (124 S. Main Street), Floydada, Texas 79235.

### FAITH AND WORKS MINISTRIES

There will be guest speaker and live music from groups. June 25, 2011 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at Courthouse Pavilion. Food, drinks and more available. Everyone is welcome!

### CALVERT HOME HEALTH BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Calvert Home Health holds their blood pressure clinics 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.

### WEIGHT WATCHERS

Weight Watchers will meet Thursday at 5 p.m. at W. J. Mangold Physical Therapy building. Everyone welcome.

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The family of LeAnn (Evans) Bishop wishes to express our deepest and most heartfelt appreciation to the entire community for your tremendous outpouring of love and kindness to us during this time of LeAnn's passing. Your compassion and generosity has sustained us, and our sadness has been eased with each expression of love and sympathy.

Thank you one and all for ministering to us so thoughtfully during our time of grief.

# Floyd County Church Directory

### AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Dennis Butler, Pastor  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
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Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
983-5278  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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### CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada  
Armando Morales, Pastor  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study .....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.  
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Service Every Sunday:  
Morning Worship ....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.  
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### CHURCH OF CHRIST

West College & Third,  
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Steve McLean -Minister  
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ...5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.  
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### CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Levi Sisemore, Minister  
Floydada  
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.  
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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor  
Terry Simmons,  
Minister of Ed./Music  
Josh Burgett -Minister of Students  
Sunday School .....9:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m.  
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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Lockney  
John Franklin, 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.  
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Early Worship ....8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m.  
Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m.  
Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m.  
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### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney  
Rev. Ricky Carstensen  
Pastor  
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Jr. High .....5:30 p.m.  
Wed. High School...6:30 p.m.  
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### GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH

OF GOD IN CHRIST  
Joe Bennett, Pastor  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m.  
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### MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister  
Bible Study .....9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.  
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### MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
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 ...7:00 p.m.  
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### 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.  
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### OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

310 E. Mississippi  
Floydada  
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor  
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader  
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.  
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Praise ....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
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Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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### PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

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Pastor Lupe Rando  
Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.  
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Wed. Evening .....7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
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Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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Rev. Angelo Consemino  
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Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
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Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.  
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### TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

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Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
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Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m.  
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Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.  
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Children's Church .....10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....5 p.m.  
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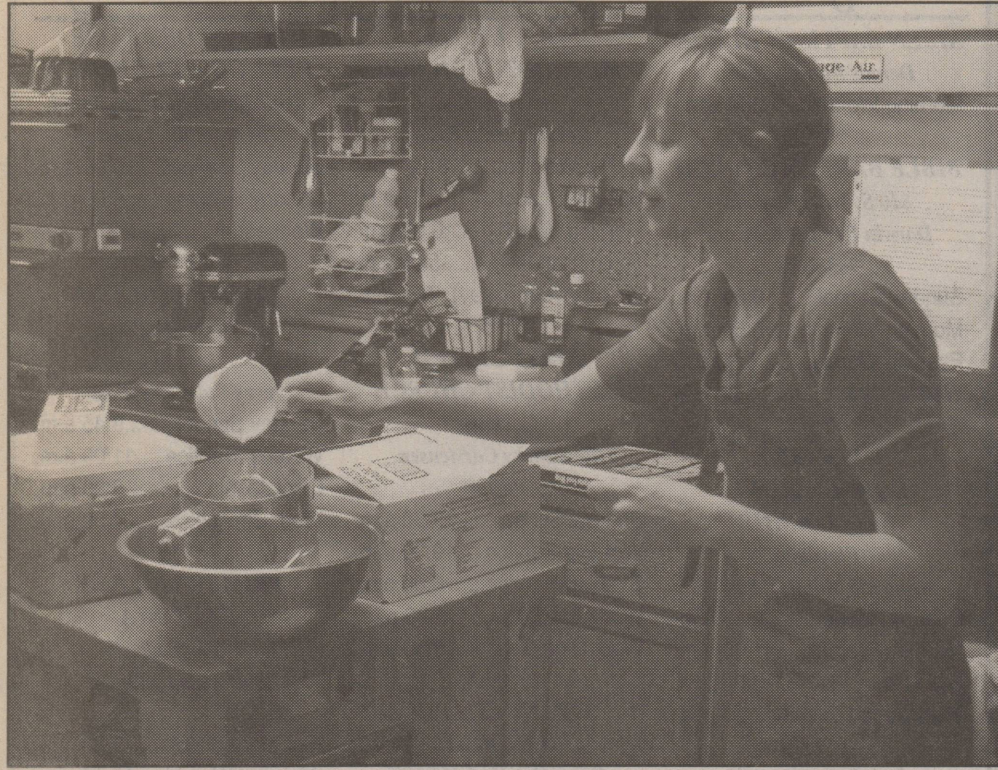
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# Wayland Baptist University grads keeping kitchen warm with baking success



Courtesy Photo

Jessica Young sifts flour for the morning's batch of chocolate cupcakes with ganache frosting.



Courtesy Photo

Alexis Hall mixes up her cupcakes for the day during a morning shift at the Broadway Brew.

**By Teresa Young**  
**PLAINVIEW** – Years ago when she first enrolled at Wayland Baptist University, Alexis Hall had visions of opera halls and grand stages, not sifters and mixers. But today, just a few weeks after she earned her Bachelor of Music degree from WBU, Hall finds herself surrounded more by bowls and beaters than by pianos. A talented vocalist, the Lockney native is the daughter of WBU Executive Vice President Dr. Bobby Hall and wife Laurie, a home

health nurse. And while she enjoyed her musical training, she learned she really didn't want to make a career in the cut-throat opera industry. Luckily for her, a few sweeter options came along. One is the children's minister at First United Methodist Church in Plainview. Another is as the center director of the Music Together center in Plainview. The other is as one-half of the cupcake divas at the Broadway Brew. Hall and fellow WBU graduate Jessica Young, who earned a religion degree in

December 2008 and then served on the mission field for a year, are the primary creative minds behind the baking side of "the Brew," as the downtown Plainview coffee shop is known. Hall has worked for the local hangout since January 2010, and she was approached about doing some baking during her interview. She was excited to add that to her job description shortly after she was hired, and the process started small. "At first we had a few baked items but only the scones were homemade," Hall recalls. "Sometimes David (Splawn, owner) would come in and say, 'Let's make brownies' and we started realizing that the baked stuff would sell really well."

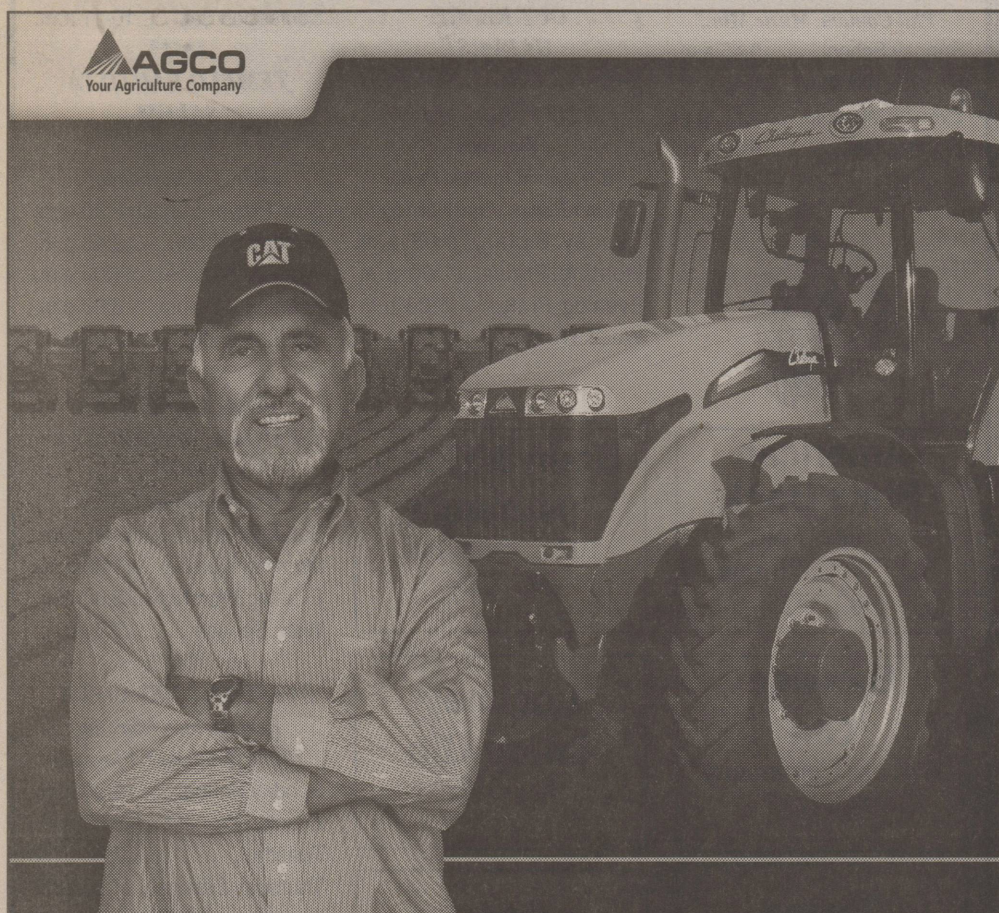
co-owner, was her kitchen helper at the time. "We were planning for the future, and we talked about cakes, but I had my doubts," she said. "I thought with the cupcake craze going on, those might be better." She began making simple cupcakes from a white cake recipe found online, tweaking it from time to time to perfect the taste. At first, the varieties were plentiful, but that got to be too much. "We started doing cupcakes in June (2010) and we made six flavors to begin with and would do all six every day," she said. "That lasted about three weeks because people would get bored."

Eventually, Hall decided to narrow the field to a "flavor of the day" and she'd change it up regularly just to keep folks on their toes. Some days the flavor choices were made when the girls arrived at the shop for their early morning shift around 5:45 a.m. Now, though, they make a weekly plan for flavor offerings. Shortly after the baking began to take off in late summer, the Splawns let Young, who had worked at the shop for a while already,

step into the kitchen and work with Hall. The duo began experimenting with flavors and original creations, working through trial and error most of the time. They also tried new combinations and other ideas to build up their baking empire. It worked. The Brew has a following on Facebook, and Hall and Young keep up a blog tracking their flavor creations and adventures in baking. They post the cupcake of the day online and patrons keep up with their favorites. But Hall believes the secret to their popularity has simply been the taste. "We don't cut corners; we do it all homemade and use natural ingredients," Hall said. "Our cupcakes aren't really frou-frou; they're just simple flavors that people like to eat. We've tried to keep our offerings to things you'd make at home."

**Lockney Band supporters will be hosting a meeting Thursday, June 23, 2011 at 7:00 at the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria to discuss raising funds to replace 19 year-old band uniforms for Lockney High School Band.**

**This a community wide effort--not just for Band Boosters parents. For more information contact Michealle Stennett at 652-2571, Kay Martin at 652-3386 or Ginger Mathis at 652-2960.**



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**Lockney Elementary Summer Lunch Menu June 27-30**

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**Tuesday**  
 Lunch-Baked potato with Cheese, salad, peaches, roll, milk

**Wednesday**  
 Lunch- Hamburger, tater tots, salad, orange, milk

**Thursday**  
 Lunch- Pizza, salad, applesauce, milk

**Menu subject to change without notice; Peanut butter and Jelly Sandwich- 3<sup>rd</sup> choice daily**



# Floydada High School Class of 1961 holds 50-Year Reunion



Courtesy Photo

FHS CLASS OF 1961 REUNION – (front row, l-r) Randy Hollums, Elfa Womack Turner, Jerry Battey, Pat Allen Battey, Kenneth Mankins, Glenda Morgan, Addie Adkins Hartline; (second row, l-r) David Hull, Ted Allen, Verna Pate Six, Donnie Barbee, Norman Ferguson, Earl Holmes, Beth Scott Kozan, Helen Foster Masters, Tiny Copeland Lowrance, Joan Meek Gross; (third row, l-r) James Huggins, Elwyn Pierce, Freddie Morren, Susie Reue Broome, Mary Alice Withers Davis, Carolyn Dunavant Redding, Mary Grace Dunn Parks; (fourth row, l-r) Linda Golightly Hall, Shirley Gregory Woodson, Pat Tucker Platt, Jimmy Huckabay, Joyce Leatherman Anderson, Barry Kinslow, Martha Dyer Kinkade; (back row, l-r) David Crawford, Tommy Ogden, Bud Edwards, Ed Parks, Larry Orman, Melvin Lloyd, Pat Ginn. Not pictured was Melvin Green. 39 class members attended the 50-year class reunion June 10-11 in Lubbock.

By Jim Huggins

Thirty-nine members of the Floydada High School class of 1961 attended the 50-year class reunion June 10-11 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Lubbock and at the home of Melvin and Barbara Green near Idalou. Several spouses and other guests also attended.

Reunion activities began with casual visiting Friday evening at the hotel and continued with registration and more visiting on Saturday.

During the afternoon business meeting, it was decided to have the next reunion in five years, possibly in conjunction with the 2016 FHS homecoming celebration.

At the meeting, 20 deceased class members were remembered. They were Joe Allred, Gary Cantrell, Billy Colston, Don Davis, Wallace Denning, Doug Emert, Gene Franklin, Tony Grubbs, David Hutchins, Billy Kinard, Richard Marler, Janice Noland, Kenneth O'Neal, Phillip Owens, Sally Parks, George Patton, Grace Ann

Potts, Kenneth Rimmer, Jasper VanCleve and Helen Whitfill.

Also recognized were 17 Class of '61 U.S. military veterans, including Donnie Barbee, Jerry Battey, Wayne Cage, Wallace Denning, Doug Emert, Norman Ferguson, Jimmy Huckabay, Kenneth Mankins, Freddie Morren, Tommy Ogden, Larry Orman, Gary Cantrell, Billy Colston, Tony Grubbs, Royce Leatherman and Kenneth Rimmer who all served in the Army; Gene Franklin, Earl Holmes, David Hull and Ray Walker, Navy; Randy Hollums and Jerry Hodges, Air Force; George Patton, Army National Guard; and Jasper VanCleve, branch of service unknown.

Special guest Saturday was Mrs. Diana Gresham Glover, sixth-grade teacher for the class.

The Greens hosted a steak dinner for classmates and their guests Saturday evening.

The reunion ended with the presentation by classmate Verna Pate Six of awards and

gag gifts, including these:

Attended most FHS homecomings and reunions - Helen Foster Masters

Longest distance traveled - Ed and Mary Grace Dunn Parks

Earliest retiree - Ed Parks

Email countdown man - Kenneth Mankins

Getting the ball rolling for the reunion - Jimmy Huckabay

Host/hostess for the evening dinner - Melvin and Barbara Green

Longest military career - Randy Hollums

Memory book - Elfa Womack Turner

See REUNION on page 9



Courtesy Photo

COVINGTON AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP--Each year the Floyd County Farm Bureau Board of Directors holds a scholarship essay contest for graduating seniors whose families are members of Floyd County Farm Bureau. The essay topic was "How does Farm Bureau affect agriculture". Lexi Covington of Floydada was chosen as this year's winner. Pictured (l-r) are RN Hopper, Matt Francis, Ian McIntosh, Floyd County Farm Bureau President Tanner Smith, Lexi Covington, Dan Smith, Matthew Rainwater, Dane Sanders, and Todd Hinsley.

## Chappell graduates from basic military training



Air Force Airman Bobby J. Chappell graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete ba-

sic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Jerry and Darla Chappell of Floydada, Texas.

Chappell graduated in 2005 from Floydada High School.

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# Farm Service Agency Announces Accepted CRP Contracts

Floydada, Texas – June 16, 2011 - Stephanie Bradley, Executive Director for the Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA), announced that contracts for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) for fiscal year (FY) 2012 have been awarded. In Floyd County, 9,827.3 acres have been accepted into CRP.

During the 41<sup>st</sup> general CRP signup conducted in the spring, more than 38,000 CRP offers were received on approximately 3.8 million acres nationwide. USDA accepted enrollment of 2.8 million acres bringing the total

program enrollment to 29.9 million acres including 597,082 acres in Texas.

"These newly accepted CRP contracts perpetuate the past quarter century of program success by providing a low risk opportunity to implement a variety of conservation practices on environmentally sensitive land right here in Floyd County," said Bradley. "CRP practices improve water and air quality, increase wildlife habitat and prevent soil erosion," she said.

How successful is CRP? According to

Bradley, since its inception 25 years ago, CRP acres have resulted in an eight billion ton reduction in soil erosion, restoration of two million acres of wetlands and adjacent buffers, vegetative protection of more than 200,000 stream bank buffers and significant increases in upland wildlife numbers which translates to recreational dollars for many rural economies.

Landowners enrolled in CRP receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving

covers on eligible farmland. Accepted contracts are effective October 1, 2011.

All CRP offers were evaluated and ranked using an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) that indicates the environmental benefits, of enrolling land in CRP. There are five environmental factors that make up the EBI: wildlife, water, soil, air, enduring benefits and cost.

For more information about the Conservation Reserve Program, please contact the Floyd County FSA Office at 806.983.5747 or visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/crp>.

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coming from a Hall of Fame Coach with the most wins (1,115) in the Texas High School baseball history plus he won 4-State Championships in 13-trips to the State Tourney while at Monterey. What a compliment to Coach Gill who was the hitting coach.

But the luck changed for the Mustangs in the Championship game against Clute Brazoswood, which is located south of Houston. Brazoswood jumped out a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning similar to what Coronado had done in upsetting Carroll the previous day. Coronado answered with a pair of runs in the next at bat in the top of the second to cut the lead to 3-2.

Both teams exchanged blows for several more innings in a true Championship bout, but Coronado could not get the lead. The score was close at 5-3 in favor of the Bucs when the bottom fell out on a 5-run burst in the bottom of the 6<sup>th</sup> inning. This pushed the Brazoswood lead to 10-3 and Coronado had just one more shot to overcome the deficit. The Mustangs had comeback before, but another rally was not meant to be against the sound pitching of Brazoswood. Coronado left 11-bases runners stranded for the game with 7 of them in scoring position. The opportunities were there, but the Mustang's bats could not muster enough timely hits as the Bucs continually squelched the big rallies. Good Pitching won out over Good Hitting.

"Unfortunately you live and die by the bats in baseball", said Coach Gilliland. "I tip my hat to the other guys. They did what you had to do. They were the best team today." It was a tough pill of experience to swallow for everyone involved.

Brandon has already put his mark on baseball in this area by the young age of 34. He was the starting catcher when Floydada re-started high school baseball in 1991. He was named All South Plains by the Lubbock Avalanche Journal as a player. Then as a Head Coach, Gilliland brought Floydada out of an approximate 4-year losing drought of district games in 2001 and lost a seeding game to qualify for the playoffs. He guided the Whirlwinds to consecutive Area round playoffs in 2002 and 2003. Gilliland then moved to Dallas Christian HS where he took them to two consecutive TAPPS Large School State Tourneys followed by taking Lubbock Christian to the TAPPS Small School State Tourney. Gilliland was honored again by the Lubbock A-J, this time as the "Lubbock Coach of the Year" while at LCHS. Coach Gill then got out of coaching. The next year his previous assistant coaches Tim Leslie and Rick Furr led LCHS to winning the State TAPPS Championship.

"Winning a State Championship is very hard", said Coach Hix. This was his second try at State in his 23-year career of being a Head Coach. When asked to summarize the Coronado team, he said, "they have character, they are class kids and never give up." Similar things he had said about Brandon in a previous remark. Coach Gill was the guy in the dugout talking to each player as they left for the on-bat-circle with the last few words of encouragement and tips on what the pitcher was trying to do.

In the State Championship game when the third out was made, I looked at a glassy eyed proud father Bob Gilliland who said, "this is hard. They got

so close". I patted him on his broad shoulders and told him Brandon was the best hitting coach in the State of Texas. The Floydada Mayor softly nodded his head and said, "Thanks, I agree". Despite Brandon's successes, he has not been void from adversity that life sometimes deals. Thanks to a loving family and a slew of friends, Brandon has received the same kind of encouragement he dishes out to his players - don't quit and believe in yourself. Brandon is back and doing what he does best.

Brandon will keep trying to get his Championship ring someday like another former Whirlwind player Tyler Helms that did twice this year at Idalou as a coach. Helms was an assistant Coach when Idalou won State in football, and Head Coach when the Wildcats added another State Championship in basketball in the same school year. It was a very rare achievement in the large state of Texas, and first time ever in Class 2A. Coach Gill has 4 State Medals from 3 different teams to show for his efforts and talent, which is pretty remarkable itself.

It has been a special year for a pair of Whirlwind alums. It's been great moments for their families. It's been fun for the community who helped raise them and see them turn in to productive citizens who are giving back to their community. Floydada is proud of you Brandon, Tyler and MANY OTHERS who are out there making a difference in their special way! Just keep being you.

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## NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DOWELL BREWER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **Dowell Brewer**, Deceased were issued on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May, 2011, in Cause No. 5881 pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to:

**Terry Brewer**

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to such Independent Executor in care of the attorney of said Independent Executor:

**Brent Hamilton**  
LaFont, Formby & Hamilton, L.L.P.  
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DATED the 6<sup>th</sup> of May, 2011.

**Terry Brewer**  
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## Lockney ISD Board discusses single member voting district, approves bank depository

By **Homer Marquez**

Members of Lockney's ISD School Board met last Thursday, for what would be their first meeting of the summer. During the regular school board meeting, the board discussed several agenda items including the final selection for a bank depository service and approving a fund balance policy.

As usual, the board opened up action by unanimously approving the payment of last month's bill and the financial report. In the financial report, the district reported that as of May 31, the district had a bank balance of \$3,387,839. This balance would not include the \$374 that the district had made through investments this month, or the \$652,905 that the school still had in insurance money from the school fire.

Following the passing of the consent agenda, the board would unanimously vote to keep the single member voting district for Lockney ISD the same. Last month, the board reviewed the possibility of re-districting after new information on the district's population became available through the 2010 Census. After reviewing the data with their lawyer, the group agreed that the need for redistricting was not necessary because the average difference in population between each district was less than 10 percent. Also with an even amount of minority representation in the voting district, the lawyer reviewing the data for the school district suggested that the status of the districts were still fair and viable. This month, the board officially voted to keep the voting district the same.

Moving on to the next agenda item, members of Lockney's School Board

would vote to approve the proposal for a bank depository service from Happy State Bank. After taking a little extra time to review and clear up the bank's investment policies, the board would eventually approve the use of Happy State Bank for their banking needs.

Following that decision, the school board would vote to adopt a new general fund balance policy for the district. The policy would give new definitions to the different types of fund balances that are available. According to the policy, this would insure Lockney ISD against any unanticipated events that would adversely affect the financial condition of the district or jeopardize the continuation of necessary public education service. The policy would basically establish and maintain categories of the Fund Balances in each of the various governmental and proprietary type funds of the district. Categories would include; the basic fund balance, the non-spendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and the unassigned fund balance which will usually be where the remainder of monies will go. After the district uses these categories to tailor fit a custom plan, the district would need to retain the minimum requirement in each fund, and additional funds would be retained in the unassigned fund balance, so monies are available. Basically, the goals for the new policy categories would be to regulate the use of the general fund balance so that district will still have a safety net in case the fund balance needed to be used for things like budget cuts and so on.

After the approval of the new fund balance policy, the board would sign a resolution that would suspend portions of the EIE (local) policy for the next school year only. The suspension would be for the requirement of students in grades five and

eight, to meet the passing standards on the applicable, state-mandated STAR test for those grade level students to be promoted to the next grade. The main reason for the suspension would be because the test that the school will be taking next year, the STAR test, is a benchmark test only, and fifth and eighth graders who usually got two more opportunities to pass the test in the past will only be given one chance to pass this year's test. So the suspension would give students a better opportunity to move on to the next grade in case they don't pass the test the one time it's given.

After the resolution, the board would vote to approve TASB local policies; EHBB, EIA, and EIC. Included in these policies would be changes in the gifted and talented program, which would introduce furloughs in case a student needed to be taken out of the program for a while. Policies would also include some changes in the guidelines of grading and the weight of the End of Course test that will be given at the end of each semester. Changes in the guidelines would include the accumulation of points in a subject throughout the four years of high school to determine if a student can graduate.

Closing out the meeting, the board would approve the property and casualty insurance from the TASB Risk Management Fund.

During the Superintendent's monthly report, Mr. Cotham reported to the board that the Lockney Marching Band was looking to receive new uniforms to replace the 20 year old uniforms that they are currently using. The all wool uniforms that band students are currently using have seen better days, as the uniforms that were bought in 1992 are now being held together by safety pins and duct tape. The conditions of the uniforms were the main reason that band students only wore uniforms twice last year. The board agreed that the uniforms needed to be replaced and assured that they would look into financial options to cover the bill; however no action was taken yet, because the matter was not an agenda item.

Also the board approved the hiring of a new head basketball coach, Josh Strickland, out of Sanford-Fritch, and new Junior High basketball coach, Lauran Nickels. More information on the new coaches will be reported in the near future.

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# OPINION



## The Paperboy

# Spy flies and bird drones may be a scary proposition

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Our government has some pretty powerful tools at their disposal.

I don't want to alarm you, but before long, perhaps within the next year, it will be virtually impossible to drop of the grid, or simply disappear.

Now I'm not suggesting you need, or even want to disappear, but it's nice to have that option, or freedom.

From facial recognition software to flying drone insects to GPS phones, about the only way remaining to get away from it all is to leave everything behind, get a disguise and walk off.

According to the New York Times this week, the U.S. military is busy developing the next generation of drones. They are the size of birds and insects.

Unmanned drones have become a mainstay for the military on the border. They are used for surveillance, to carry weapons or both. They are much less expensive than manned aircraft and there is no risk to the pilot, whom is ground-based.

The indoor flight lab at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base is home to drones which are designed to replicate the flight mechanics of moths, hawks and other insects. "We're looking at how you hide in plain sight," said Greg Parker, an aerospace engineer.

Over in Afghanistan, U.S. Marines are getting to use blimp-like spy balloons that float from a tether 15,000 feet above the ground in Sangin in Helmand Province. The balloon can transmit live video from up to 20 miles away. It

is hampering the insurgents' efforts in planting homemade bombs.

The Pentagon has approximately 7,000 aerial drones. There were less than 50 a decade ago. And many more are on the way. The Air Force is training more remote pilots, 350 in 2011, than fighter and bomber pilots combined.

"It's a growth market," said Ashton B. Carter, the Pentagon's chief weapons buyer.

And they're paying off. According to the Times article, the Central Intelligence Agency spied on Osama bin Laden's compound in Pakistan by video transmitted from a new bat-winged stealth drone, the RQ-170 Sentinel. More than 1,900 insurgents in Pakistan's tribal areas have been killed by American drones since 2006.

One other major factor in using the drones is they save human lives.

Beyond the drones, "spy flies" and "birds" are on the horizon. "Flapping wing" technology is being developed and scientists say robotic insects will be able to use sensors and microcameras to detect enemies, nuclear weapons or victims in rubble. And of course, these drones will be able to spy on us.

So when do the apocalyptic nightmares begin? When will our sophisticated engineering and technology get the better of us?

If you're a science fiction fan, it's when the machines start controlling the machines instead of humans. It will happen when artificial intelligence takes root. Of course, these things won't happen overnight, it will take years.

What's that you say? We're too smart to ever let com-

puters take over? They will have to.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks, the hours the Air Force devotes to flying missions for intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance have gone up 3,100 percent, most from increased operations of drones. Every day, the Air Force must process almost 1,500 hours of full-motion video and another 1,500 still images from drones on around-the-clock combat air patrols.

The pressures on humans to keep up with demand in realtime will eventually give way to computers. Soon the military to the new "Gorgon Stare" technology that can capture live video of an entire city. It that requires 2,000 analysts to process the data feeds from a single drone, compared with 19 analysts per drone today. Simple to see why humans will not be able to manage the kind of technology we're producing.

I'd feel better if I knew we had a fail safe. If there was a plug we could pull on the chance that machines will get a mind of their own.

No doubt some of you probably think I'm overreacting. Maybe I am. But, it seems our technology is increasing so rapidly, we don't even know what we have or where it's headed. One thing is for sure, you send a "spy fly" into my house and my wife is going to cost the government a chunk. She's a deadeye with a fly swatter.

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## Other Opinions

# Bailouts Erode Confidence in Value

By BILL WILSON

What is the price of a bailout? Nominally, it's how much a central bank or legislature has to print or spend, respectively, to save a failed institution from its own stupidity.

For example, the Treasury has dedicated more than \$150 billion to bailing out Government Sponsored Enterprises (GSEs) Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Or, the Federal Reserve printed \$1.25 trillion to buy mortgage-backed securities from financial institutions all over the world.

However, the cost of the many bailouts that have taken place since 2008 may be more far-reaching than just adding the national debt or blowing up the Fed's balance sheet.

The ultimate cost may be in eroding any confidence at all in the value of money.

When institutions bet poorly, whether it be on housing or sovereign debt, and stand to lose hundreds of billions of dollars, and then a printing press intervenes to save them, it takes risk out of the equation when assessing the value of these and other assets.

When your neighbor gets a bailout on his mortgage, what is the value of your own mortgage payments? Why make any payments at all? What is the value of the taxes you pay when the banks that lend governments money are made whole even when those governments cannot refinance those loans? Why bother paying taxes?

After the United States officially came off of the gold standard under Richard Nixon, the value of the dollar has been said to be in the productivity of the American worker. Money, then, was a unit of measure of how much an employee's work shift is worth to an employer.

In extension, workers, when they use their wages to purchase goods and services, are then exchanging their time spent at work for the things they need and want. Therefore, the more valuable an individual is deemed by his or her em-

ployer, the greater that person's purchasing power is. And, the more productive the American workforce is as a whole, the more valuable the dollar would become.

But these bailouts — and the fractional banking system that has necessitated them in the eyes of public officials — have thrown all of that into question. How?

Systemic risk. Because financial institutions have overleveraged themselves on loans, investments, and other securities, and because there is an interconnected counterparty risk between these institutions, the collapse in the value of a particular asset or of a particular institution is thought to threaten the solvency of the wider financial system.

That is the only plausible explanation for the 2008 bailouts, and it is certainly the only explanation for what is taking place today in Europe, where any proposal that unsecured creditors take losses on sovereign debt is kyboshed.

So overleveraged and interconnected is this system, a default by Greece, which accounts for less than 1 percent of the global economy, now threatens to take down the entire financial system. How can this be?

Greece carries a gross debt of €340 billion. Of that, German and French banks own about €15.5 billion and €10.28 billion, respectively, meaning a default would hit them particularly hard, too. The European Central Bank (ECB) is on the hook directly for over €120 billion in Greek debt, including tens of billions of Greek debt it accepted as collateral when making other loans.

If these international financial institutions take losses of that magnitude, it will mean less money to lend to other sovereigns. Their failure will mean the defaults of other sovereigns like Ireland, Portugal, Italy, Spain, and so forth. Those defaults will in turn take down other financial institutions that lent them money.

So, the European Union, International Monetary Fund, and the ECB have all intervened to bail out the creditors of these

troubled sovereigns — with yet more printed money.

The people ask: If central banks like the ECB or the Fed can just print trillions to paper over these debts, without any risk of default, what is the sense of paying taxes at all? In the case of a bank, what is the sense of asking for any collateral on a loan? Why even bother charging any interest on these loans?

If a printing press is all that is necessary for a government to spend unlimited amounts of money on social spending or for houses to be bought and sold, why even make loans at all? Why have any debt? Why not just print all of that money and let everyone live debt free? Why even work?

If failure is no longer allowed in the economy, then there is no risk.

But we know that there is risk, huge risk, for the average person. The worker or the small businessman or the professional face stiff penalties for mistakes or failure to pay their obligations. So, the real question is who is freed of any risk and loss for mistakes and who is forced to pay the bills — for themselves and for the anointed elite? And the bigger question yet, who decides?

The current crisis we find ourselves in will not begin to honestly repair itself until real value is returned to our money. And to do that, risk must be applied across the board. There must be a risk faced by those international bankers and financial gurus. If they bet wrong, they should pay. It applies to nations as well. If Greece cannot afford its semi-socialist welfare state, then it must pay the piper. So too the United States. The good-intentioned, ill-conceived welfare state is killing us.

The printing presses at the Federal Reserve and elsewhere are devaluing our money and thereby stealing our time spent in labor and productive activity. Value and risk must return or we are surely headed over the cliff.

# Assessing the EPA's Moral Case for New Rules

By VICTOR MORAWSKI

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recently proposed two controversial new rules that set a national standard for emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Since these rules are part of the Clean Air Act, it must follow that Act's Congressional mandate to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of the societal impact of any such proposed standard. This analysis shall "consider all of the economic, public health and environmental benefits" as well as "the effects... on employment, productivity... [and] economic growth" caused by compliance with the standard.

It is mandated by law not just for economic but for moral reasons, following the utilitarian assumption that a policy is morally justified if on balance it produces more good than bad results for society as a whole. A long-accepted way of gauging these results is with a cost-benefit analysis which justifies a policy morally if, on the whole, its economic benefits outweigh its costs.

Ideally, one should be conducted from a disinterested perspective where the person or agency functions as an impartial observer, fairly weighing costs and benefits against one another from what ethicists call "the moral point of view."

All too often, though, these analyses can be unfairly skewed by omitting or deliberately misinterpreting relevant data.

According to the EPA, its new emissions standard will require the installation of new pollution control equipment on 44 percent of existing coal-fired power plants along with its ongoing maintenance.

Astonishingly, the EPA estimates the total costs to society

of what it calls its "toxics rule" to be equivalent to the yearly costs to the power plants affected of installing and maintaining this equipment, about \$10.9 billion: "we estimate the societal costs of the proposal to be... identical to the compliance costs." Are these truly the only societal costs of these new rules?

What about the effects of the new rules on employment? Here again it considers the direct employment impacts of the proposed rule to be only those associated with installing and maintaining the new pollution control equipment and sees only beneficial effects: "EPA estimates this proposed rule will provide employment... by supporting 31,000 short-term construction jobs [for those building and installing the equipment] and 9,000 long-term utility jobs [for those maintaining it]."

Stated differently, the rule would increase employment by 31,000 job years in 2015.

Of the indirect employment impacts of the rule it sees virtually none that are statistically significant and concludes that, "pollution abatement expenditures do not necessarily cause economically significant employment changes."

But a very different picture emerges from an alternative analysis done by NERA Economic Consulting for the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity. It concludes that because of increased coal unit retirements and decreased demand for coal from the electricity sector, "Net employment in the U.S. would be reduced by more than 1.4 million job years" between now and 2020.

The relatively small number of jobs gained through pollution equipment installation and maintenance pales by com-

parison with this figure yet the EPA does not even consider these impacts.

Another significant discrepancy exists between the EPA's projected effects of its rules on residential electric costs and NERA findings.

The EPA claims, "these proposed standards will result in relatively small changes in the average retail price of electricity... resulting in a consumer electricity price increase of... \$3-4 per month."

By contrast, NERA concludes that "Average U.S. retail electricity prices in 2016 would increase by about 12 percent, with regional increases as much as about 24%" — far more than a few dollars a month!

The EPA makes various claims for the health benefits of its rules: "Each year the standards will prevent serious illnesses and health problems: up to 17,000 premature deaths, 11,000 heart attacks, 120,000 asthma attacks..." And, "for every dollar spent to reduce this pollution, Americans get \$5-13 in health benefits."

A serious scientific challenge to these claims has been mounted recently by Willie Soon and Paul Driessen who conclude that emissions from coal-fired power plants account for only one half percent of the mercury in the air we breathe. So even if many of the above health problems are caused to some extent by mercury in the air, EPA rules address so little of it that it is highly doubtful the health benefits it cites will follow from their implementation.

Thus, its moral case seems significantly wanting, ignoring important costs and over exaggerating benefits.



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## GOT GOLD OR SILVER? CASH IN DURING RECORD HIGH PRICES... COMPANY IN PLAINVIEW PAYING CASH ON THE SPOT!

*They are paying out right on the spot for my stuff. Unbelievable!*

By David Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

A spokesperson for the event said he expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week for vintage items and precious metals from local residents.

**At previous events, these transactions stood out:**

One person sold an old Gibson guitar that was purchased in the 1960's for less than \$250.00. A collector at the event paid him \$2,175.00 for it.

Another person had a pocket watch collection that sold for \$4,600.00, with one of the watches making up \$375.00 of the \$4,600.00 total.

A husband and wife brought in a box of old jewelry, wrist watches, coins and 2 German daggers from WWII and left \$785.00 richer.

This is cool that something like this would come here to our town. Where else would this stuff ever be sold? The Refinery has teamed up with the collectors for a 24 month tour of the United States, both big and small towns, to dig up hidden gems.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST



**COINS:** All coins made before 1965: silver and gold coins, dollars, halves, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

**VINTAGE GUITARS:** Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos & others

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**JEWELRY:** Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken and early costume jewelry)

**ANTIQUE TOYS:** All makers and types of toys made before 1965: Hot Wheels, Tonka, Buddy L, Smith Miller, Nylint, Robots, Battery Toys, Mickey Mouse, Train Sets (all gauges, accessories, individual cars), Barbie, GI Joe, German & others

**WAR MEMORABILIA:** Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI, WWII, etc: swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters.

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.



Above: Refinery representatives will be on hand through Saturday to purchase all gold, silver and platinum items, as well as coins. Public welcome!

## SILVER AND GOLD COIN PRICES UP DURING POOR ECONOMY.

*Collectors and Enthusiasts in Plainview with \$200,000 to Purchase Yours!*

By Ken McIntosh  
STAFF WRITER

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. This week, starting Tuesday and continuing through Saturday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with the Ohio Valley Gold & Silver Refinery will be purchasing all types of silver and gold coins direct from the public. All types are welcome and the event is free.

Collectors will be on hand to identify and sort your coins. Then the quality or grade will be determined. The better the grade the more they are worth, according to collectors I talked to. With the silver and gold markets high, prices of older coins are too. Any coins minted before 1965 in the U.S. are 90% silver, except nickels and pennies.

The coin's worth is determined by the rarity and the grade. Old silver dollars are worth a great premium right now, even well worn heavily circulated ones are bringing good premiums. Franklin and Kennedy half dollars, Washington quarters, Mercury and Roosevelt dimes are all worth many times the face value. While older types like Seated Liberty, Standing Liberties, and Barber coins are worth even more.

Gold coins are really worth a lot right now, according to Brian Eades of the International Collectors Association. "This country didn't start minting coins until 1792" says Eades. He explained, "Before that, people would trade goods using gold dust and nuggets. Some

shop keepers would take more gold than needed to pay for items purchased. There was no uniform system of making change."

The government opened the first mints and began distributing the coins in 1792. By the beginning of the 19th century, coins and paper currency were wide spread and our monetary system was here to stay. In 1933 Roosevelt required all banking institutions to turn in all gold coins. Once all banks turned in this gold, the president raised the gold standard from \$20.00 per ounce to \$33.00 per ounce. This was his way of stimulating the economy during the great depression. However, gold coins were never redistributed after the recall. But not all gold coins were turned in. "Many folks during that time didn't completely trust the government and chose to keep their gold" said Eades.

These gold coins are sought after by collectors today and bring many times the face value. Any gold coins with the mint marks of CC, D or O will bring nice premiums. Collectors at the event will be glad to show you where to look. Other types of coins will also be purchased including foreign coins, Indian cents, two cent pieces, half dimes, three cent pieces and buffalo nickels to name a few.

Collectors warn people against trying to clean their coins, as significant damage can be done and the coin's value lessened.



Above: "I'm glad I came in! I really needed the money.", said Claudia McDonald, who received \$825 for a gold coin minted in 1986.

## Dozens cash in yesterday with jewelry, railroad watches and guitars. An estimated \$200,000 in Plainview.

By David Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

The first days of the 5 day reclamation drive in Plainview were a hit with those looking to sell their gold and silver coins. An estimated 55 people left the event with over \$200 from old class rings, wedding bands, herringbones and gold teeth. Coins dated 1964 and earlier were bringing big premiums as well. Silver dollars, halves and quarters arrived in large quantities. Lots of gold coins were also brought in.

On the other side of the room were representatives from the Antique Association. They were purchasing all

types of guitars, large currency bills dated before 1923, military items and pocket watches. One watch was purchased by a collector in Montana for \$835.00. There were piles of sterling silver items like old silverware sets and tea pots. Company officials reported spending over \$90,000 the first day of the event, alone. Brian Eades, with the Ohio Valley, said, "We have had an overwhelming turnout this first day, and we expect to get more busy every day this week." The event continues today and runs through Saturday. It is free and the public is encouraged to attend.

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## LOCAL RESIDENTS ARE READY TO CASH IN! International antique buyers in town this week and ready to stimulate economy!

By David Morgan  
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of phone calls from local residents poured in to the corporate office of the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery this week—inquiring about items to be purchased by the team of antique buyers that is on site with OVGSR.

The team of buyers this week are purchasing a vast array of vintage items, along with the coins, gold jewelry and sterling silver items that the Refinery usually deals in. It is a local shot in the arm for our economy—the spokesperson for the event expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week at the **Holiday Inn Express**, paying local residents on the spot. The spokesperson for the company has explained that these collectors are paying collector prices for the vintage items and it is great way for people to get a great value for their items.

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**GRADS**  
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at lunch and during that time, the small kitchen was getting pretty tight with three people working. So at the end of May, the crew knocked out part of a wall to make room for a larger, renovated kitchen for the workers.

While customers tend to have their own favorites, even the bakers admit to being partial to some flavors. Hall said she really loves the "enjoy" cupcake, a basic white with chocolate buttercream frosting, but she also loves the bright yellow lemon cakes. Young said lemon is her favorite, with birthday cake as a close second.

With creative minds and vision, along with the fact that they get along and are good friends, both Hall and Young are excited to see what sweet rewards the future at the Brew holds for them. Their dream would be to appear on the TV show Cupcake Wars.

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Memory video presentation - Beth Scott Kozan  
Married longest - Linda Golightly Hall  
Most children - Mary Alice Withers Davis  
Most grandchildren - Jerry and Pat Allen Battey  
Most great-grandchildren - Earl Holmes  
Most states lived - David Crawford  
Most surprising/unique career - Earl Holmes, offshore electrician; Martha Dyer Kinkaid, clown  
Most tattoos - Tiny Copeland Lowrance  
Speedy Gonzales (first to get biography in for memory book) - David Hull  
Pokey Joe (last to get biography in for memory book) - Tiny Copeland Lowrance  
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**Lockney City Council discusses sales tax increase**

**By Homer Marquez**

It was in and out for members of Lockney's City Council as they reviewed and discussed the only three items on June's agenda.

The first item up for discussion was the matter of selling a lot that was recently put up for bid by the City. After a quick review, Council would unanimously vote to award lot 31, which was located on the Second block of the Tuttle addition, to the sole bidder, Felix Hernandez, for \$300.

Next on the agenda, the Council would deliberate on taking action on a proposed \$.25 sales tax increase in Floyd County. Initially,

the tax increase was drawn up by the County, so there would be extra funding for the fire departments, but what didn't seem to sit well with either Floydada's or Lockney's City Council was the fact that the revenue from the increase would first go into Floyd County's general fund. As described by Mayor Stapp, this was the main reason that the proposed tax increase was denied by Floydada's City Council. Lockney's City Council would follow suit and would unanimously vote to deny the \$.25 sales tax increase.

The last item on the agenda was the discussion on whether to pass a resolution denying.

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**TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
**AMENDED NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT**  
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NUMBER 96123

**APPLICATION** Texas Crusher Systems, Inc. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit Number 96123, which would authorize construction of a Rock Crushing Facility located approximately 5.5 miles north on SH 207 from the intersection of US 62/70 and SH 207, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas 79235. The facility will emit the following contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, organic compounds and sulfur dioxide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 1, 2011. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Library, 111 South Wall, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper notice is published.**

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

The executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments. If a hearing request is timely filed in Response to this Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Air Permit, the time period for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to thirty days after the mailing of the executive director's response to comments.

**After the final deadline for public comments following the Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. **Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decisions on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues raised by you or others during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

**A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing"; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns.**

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

**MAILING LIST.** In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION** All public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html), or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you choose to communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at [www.tceq.texas.gov](http://www.tceq.texas.gov).

Further information may also be obtained from Texas Crusher Systems, Inc., 2402 FM 1958, Floydada, Texas 79235-7900 or by calling Mr. Chester T. Carthel, P.E., Owner, Carthel Engineering Solutions at (806) 687-8322.

Amended Notice Issuance Date: June 14, 2011

**COMISIÓN DE CALIDAD AMBIENTAL DE TEXAS**

**ENMENDAR AVISO SOBRE SOLICITUD PARA UN PERMISO ESTÁNDAR DE CALIDAD DE AIRE PARA TRITURADORAS PERMANENTES DE PIEDRA Y CONCRETO**

PROPUESTA INSCRIPCIÓN DE CALIDAD DE AIRE NÚMERO 96123

**SOLICITUD.** Texas Crusher Systems, Inc., 2402 FM 1958, Floydada, Texas 79235-7900 ha presentado una solicitud a la Comisión de Calidad Ambiental de Texas (TCEQ) para un Permiso Estándar de Calidad de Aire, inscripción número 96123, que autorizaría la construcción de una trituradora permanente de piedra y hormigón. Se propone ubicar estas instalaciones en 5.5 miles del norte en SH 207 desde el intersección de US 62/70 y SH 207, Floydada, Texas, Condado de Floyd, Texas. Esta solicitud fue presentada a la TCEQ el 1 de Junio de 2011. El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ determinó que la solicitud estaba administrativo completa.

**COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS.** Se pueden presentar comentarios públicos escritos sobre esta solicitud en cualquier momento durante el período de comentarios públicos. Puede presentar comentarios públicos a la Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, o en forma electrónica en [www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/about/comments.html). La fecha límite para presentar comentarios públicos es 30 días después de que se publique en periódico el aviso.

**RESPUESTAS A COMENTARIOS.** Después de que cierre el período de comentarios, el director ejecutivo de la TCEQ preparará una respuesta escrita a todos los comentarios relevantes. La respuesta, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo sobre la solicitud, se le mandará a quienes hayan presentado comentarios públicos y que hayan pedido que se les añada a la lista de correos. La respuesta a los comentarios se colocará en el expediente del permiso para que pueda ser leída.

El director ejecutivo de la TCEQ dará su aprobación o denegará la solicitud a más tardar 30 días después del final del período de comentarios públicos, tomando en cuenta todos los comentarios recibidos durante el período de comentarios, y basará esta decisión en si la solicitud reúne todos los requisitos del permiso estándar.

**OFICINA CENTRAL/REGIONAL.** La solicitud estará disponible para ser leída y copiada en la Oficina Central de la TCEQ, ubicada en 12100 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas, y en la Oficina Regional de Lubbock de la TCEQ, ubicada en 5012 calle de 50th, durante las horas de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m., de lunes a viernes, empezando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso.

**INFORMACIÓN.** Para mayor información sobre esta solicitud para permiso o la tramitación del permiso, por favor llame sin costo a la Oficina de Ayuda Pública de la TCEQ, al 800-687-4040. Puede encontrar información general sobre la TCEQ en nuestro sitio web en [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

También puede obtener más información de Texas Crusher Systems, Inc., 2402 FM 1958, Floydada, Texas 79235-7900, o llamando a Mr. Chester T. Carthel, P.E. al 806-687-8322.

Aviso expedido por la TCEQ el: 14 de Junio de 2011.



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ing Southwestern Public Service Company's application for approval to renew Interruptible Credit Options and Saver's Switch tariffs. As explained by City Attorney Lanny Voss, the application that was filed by SPS to the Public Utility Commission was to approve the renewal of two tariffs that are currently in effect, The Interruptible Credit Option and the Commercial and Industrial Controlled Air-Conditioning and Residential Controlled Air-Conditioning Saver Switch Tariffs. The purpose of these options are to allow Excel to, both a residential and commercial level, allows eligible customers in member municipalities, which Lockney is in, to receive an annual bill credit for allowing SPS to remotely turn on or off air conditioning during the highest peak periods of operations. The idea behind it is to level out utility costs for the consumer as well as lessen the need for SPS to ramp up their facilities and increase energy production costs. Currently, the tariffs for the ICO and the Saver's Switch are under an expiration date of Dec. 31.

However, as of right now, the signaling device that allows the remote control access for the Saver's Switch Option is only available in the immediate area of Amarillo. SPS does plan to extend the option further out into its other member cities, but in order to make the expiration deadline to keep the tariffs; SPS had to apply for the renewal of the tariffs in order to extend the tariffs for another two years. However, since SPS had to apply to renew the tariffs, SPS is asking member cities to adopt a resolution opposing the tariffs because SPS wants to be able to expand the power capacity of the Saver's Switch so that everyone in their member cities can have the Saver Switch option. By opposing the resolution, SPS would have enough time to expand their coverage of the Interruptible Credit Option and the Saver's Switch Option. The Council would unanimously vote to pass the resolution.

Closing out the meeting, the Council would vote to approve the consent agenda and the payment of this month's bills.



At around 9 p.m. on Saturday, high winds and an arched power line lead to a fire that destroyed two homes in Floydada.

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As a heat wave sends West Texas thermometers into the triple digits, local kids in Floydada find relief by heading to their local pools for a dip.

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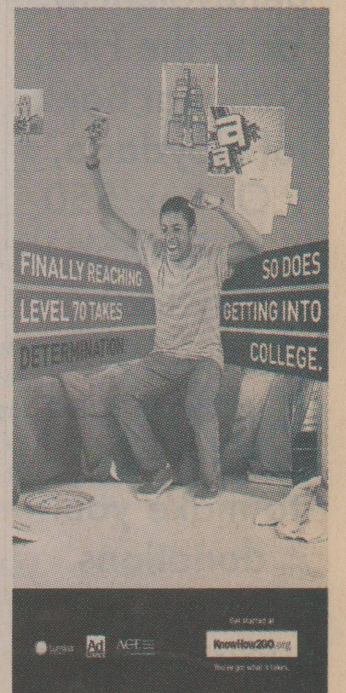
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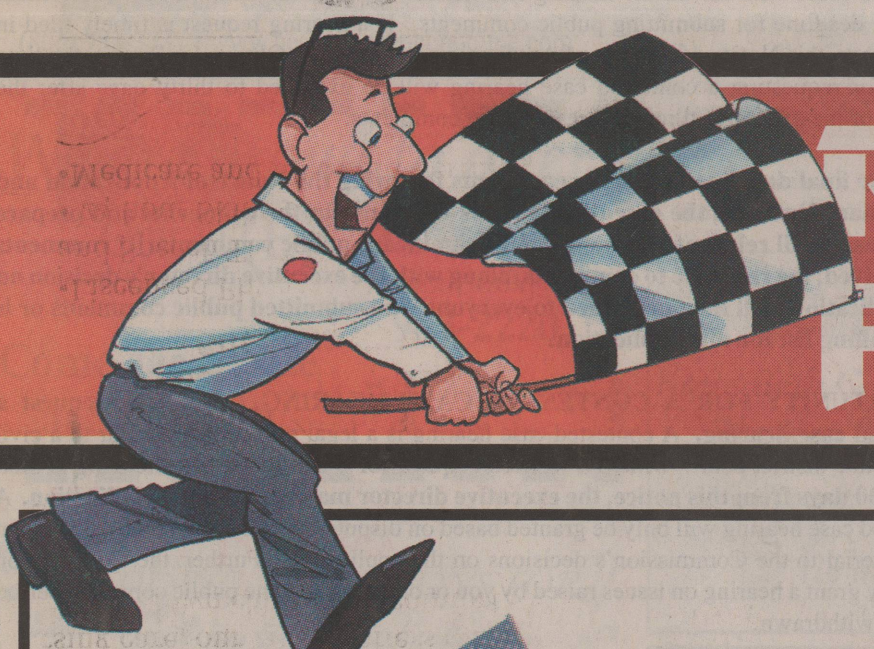
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