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Photos by Cynthia Smith and Homer Marquez

This past Saturday, the Whirlwind and Longhorn Bands headed to Lubbock for this year's U.I.L. Marching Band Competition. (Right) Performing "La Tormenta", the Floydada Whirlwind Marching Band would receive a Division 2 rating in the 2A competition during Saturday's competition at Lowery Field. In the 1A division, the Lockney Longhorn (above) Band received a Division 1 rating during the competition. This will advance the Longhorns to the area competition this Saturday at Dick Bevins Field in Amarillo; the Longhorns are scheduled to march at 1p.m.



Rumor of an Alpha-Tex settlement leads to petitions

By Homer Marquez

The rumor of a possible settlement between Floyd County and Alpha-Tex Kennels has ignited a powder keg of backlash from several members of the community this past week.

The controversy began last week when County Commissioners and County Judge Penny Golightly met

with County Attorney Lex Herrington and Texas Association of Counties Attorney Matt Matzner in a closed session to discuss the impending jury trial with Alpha-Tex Kennels.

About a month ago, Floyd County Sheriff Paul Raissez seized around 250 dogs from Alpha-Tex Kennels after receiving tips on possible poor

conditions of the kennels.

Immediately after the seizure, Mark and Sandra Smith, who own Alpha-Tex Kennels, petitioned that the dogs be returned to Alpha-Tex claiming that Floyd County authorities "overreacted" by seizing the dogs.

On Oct. 13, the case was brought in front of Justice of the Peace Tali Jackson after Justice of the Peace Kelly Dunbar recused herself from the case.

At the hearing, the Smith's Attorney, Paul Holloway, requested a jury trial for the case, claiming it was the Smith's constitutional right. Following the request, Holloway then attacked the affidavit filed by Sheriff Raissez to get the Warrant of Seizure claiming that the affidavit did not properly describe the conditions of the kennels thus giving the sheriff no probable cause to seize the dogs. Sheriff Raissez rebutted that the description in the affidavit did give him probable cause, however a short argument from County Attorney Lex Harrington would eventually lead Justice Jackson to grant the jury

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Photo by Homer Marquez

Jimmy Burson and Texas in the Swing kept the crowd moving during the W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital Foundation's 2011 Fundraising Dinner and Dance this past Saturday night. The inaugural event was a huge success as close to 300 guests packed into the Unity Center in Muncy; "I am so appreciative of the support we received and for all that helped out or contributed to the fundraising dinner" commented Hospital Administrator Sharon Hunt. After expenses, the fundraiser brought in a much needed \$42,500; these proceeds will go to the purchase of a new cardiac telemetry system for the hospital. The Foundation plans to host the fundraising dinner every other year; in-between events the Foundation will continue to do various raffles and other things to raise funds.

AeroCare Air Medical Transport partners with City of Floydada to offer memberships

The 51 miles from Floydada to Lubbock can seem like an eternity when you've suffered a heart attack, stroke, or have been the victim of an automobile accident. Given the rural nature of our area, quick access to a level one trauma center is a challenge. Floydada is served by the AeroCare Air Medical Transport service based in Lubbock. The cost of transport on an aircraft can be expensive, not only due to the expense of the aircraft flight,

but also for the medical care that is administered by the Flight Paramedic and Flight Nurse during the transport. There is a solution that offers you the peace of mind that, should you or a member of your household require a transport, you will not receive a bill.

AeroCare Air Medical Transport has partnered with the City of Floydada to make Air MEMBERSHIPS
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Addresses needed for 'Soldiers' Packages'

APO addresses are necessary for the mailing of all packages to our men and women serving us in the military. Please call First United Methodist Church, 983-3706, or Linda Matsler, 983-3121, if you would like your family/friend soldier to receive a package. Packages will be mailed to Afghanistan and stateside during the week after they are packed, which will be on Sunday, November 6, 2011.

Items to be mailed will be collected at FUMC through Friday, October 28th. Donations of money are also needed to help purchase some of the items, as well as for shipping costs. Checks should be made to "First United Methodist Church - Soldiers' Packages." Please contact Linda or the church if you need a list.

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 We hope that these changes make for a more useable classifieds network for our readers and advertisers. If you have any questions or comments, please let me know by emailing us at ads@thecolossalclassifieds.com or by calling 888-400-1083.

First United Methodist Church Bazaar to be held Nov. 19

Fall is in the air. The leaves on the trees are wearing their autumn colors, which soon will litter the ground. The air has a smell of frost and football games create excitement.

The time for the annual bazaar and Thanksgiving dinner at the First United Methodist Church will soon be here. The date for the 2011 bazaar has been set for Saturday, November 19. The country store featuring homemade gifts and baked goods will open at 10 a.m.

The traditional Thanksgiving meal will begin at 11 a.m. The tickets for the meal are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children and may be purchased at the church office. Take out meals will be available, or anyone wanting a meal delivered should call the church at

983-3706.

The Mike Carter Estate donated the handmade quilt to be raffled this year. Raffle tickets for the quilt will cost \$5 and may be purchased at the church office also. The drawing for the quilt will be at 12 noon. Both meal tickets and raffle tickets may be purchased the day of the bazaar.

The proceeds of the 2011 bazaar will help support Dustin and Mallory Covington's mission to India. The Covingtons are devoting the next five years of their lives to their missionary work in Bihar, India, one of the poorest states in India.

Before they graduated from Texas Tech, Dustin and Mallory were active in the Wesley Foundation, which is sponsored by the United Methodist

Church. While they were at Tech, the Covingtons went on three short mission trips to India. The couple was inspired to return to India as permanent missionaries.

After they graduated from Texas Tech, Dustin and Mallory attend Asbury Theology Seminar in Kentucky where they trained for missionary work. They graduated from Asbury in May 2011. The Covingtons will leave for India in the summer of 2012 to make India their permanent home and to begin their mission work. They plan to start businesses in agriculture training for the men and handicrafts for the women. In so doing, Dustin and Mallory will be able to minister to the Indian people both economically and spiritually.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Renee Armstrong

Hello from the Lockney Senior Citizens Center. Hope you all had a great week.

THE NEW STOVE is here and installed in the Center. Thanks to Cecil Jones and Robert Armstrong for all your help getting it in the building and hooked up. The stove was purchased at Trex Restaurant Equipment and Supply.

Lynn Ray Smith is still in the hospital, but does get to go home a few hours a day. He is receiving IV antibiotics, and will be in the hospital four more weeks. Please keep Lynn Ray and Wanda in your prayers.

Congratulations to the Longhorn band on receiving a First Division Rating during their marching contest this past Friday. They advanced to the next round of competition. They will march again on October 29th at Dick Bivins in Amarillo. Good Luck Mr. Lovett and the band.

If you have any news for me please call me at the center 652-2745 or on my cell 983-4335. Hope you all have a great week.

MENU

- October 31- November 4
- Monday- Cheese Burgers
- Tuesday- Mexican Stack
- Wednesday- Chicken Fried Steak
- Thursday- Soup and Combread
- Friday- Grilled Chicken

Floyd County participating in County Wide Central Polling Places Program

Floyd County has been approved by the Secretary of State and the Department of Justice to participate in a County Wide Central Polling Places Program for the Amendments Election to be held November 8, 2011.

Participation in this program will mean that every voter in Floyd County will

be able to vote at any one of the three polling locations on Election Day. These locations are Massie Activity Center in Floydada, First United Methodist Church in Lockney and South Plains Baptist Church at South Plains.

This program should make it easier for voters to

cast their vote without having to vote specifically in the precinct in which they reside. Remember that a Voter Registration Certificate, driver's license, or some other form of positive identification will be required to vote in this Election.

Early Voting will be held in the County Clerk's Of-

fice in the Courthouse from October 24, 2011 through November 4, 2011, during the hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Requests for Applications for Early Voting Ballots by mail began on September 9, 2011 and continues through November 1, 2011.

Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

The Friends of the Library would like to give a big thank you to several groups of people who contributed to the successful book sale we had during the Punkin' Days weekend.

First we would like to thank all the people who donated books so that we would have a good variety of books to offer our shoppers for sale. We appreciate every book that was donated and would like to ask

you to keep saving your books for our future sale. You can bring them to the library any time between now and our next sale.

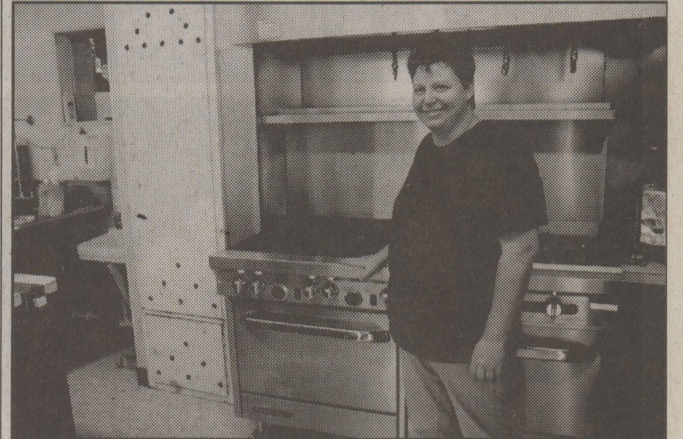
Next, thank you to all our shoppers. We sold a lot of books during our sale and we appreciate all of you who came in a purchased books from us. Keep in mind our next sale will be the weekend of Old Settlers.

Thanks to the PAC kids who came over and helped bring in our books and then take the unsold ones back to the storage shed after the sale was over. They are always such a

great help and we appreciate their help each time we have a sale.

Also a big, big thank you goes out to the members of the Friends of the Library who faithfully set up the sale, work during the two days we have the sale and then take everything down and get the unsold books ready for storage. We have a wonderful group of ladies and men in our organization who give of their time to help at all our sales.

The Friends of the Library are always looking for new members and would welcome anyone who would like to join us. Thanks again everyone.



After a successful fundraiser, the Lockney Senior Citizens Center had enough funds to order a brand new stove; above Renee Armstrong shows off the new kitchen beauty.

Floydada Senior Citizen Center needs your support

By Margaret Jones

The Floydada Senior Citizen Center is struggling to keep open. Due to so many of our members being ill, having to go into retirement homes, losing members due to death or other problems seniors have, attendance has dropped dramatically in the past few months.

We must maintain an attendance set by the South Plains Association of Governments or we are subject to being closed down. We are not maintaining that set atten-

dance goal at this time.

The Board of Directors want to thank our regular attending members and encourage everyone who can to come whenever it is possible. We also need new members.

A hot, tasty, nutritious lunch is served Monday through Friday. If you are 60 years or older the cost is \$4 each day. If you are younger than 60 the cost is \$5 each day.

We need you to come and enjoy good food and good fellowship.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Margaret Jones

This last Monday, October 17, 2011, reminded me of weather conditions during my growing-up years of the 1950's. My daddy was a dry-land farmer in Crosby County and the wind and dust blew...day after day after day. There were no crops on our farm in 1954, when I was a senior in high school. Times were tough, but God was in control then just as he is now. My blessings were bountiful then just as the are now. I keep this thought in my head when times are tough....THIS TOO SHALL PASS.

Visitors in the home of Wayland and Margaret Jones this past week were Frances McClure (sister-in-law), Martha Gibbons (niece) and Owen Gibbons (great-nephew) of Margaret. They live in Ohio, where it is pretty and green and were greeted by the dust storm on Monday as they arrived. Good visiting and laughter calmed the storm as we enjoyed each other's company.

They attended the McClure Cousin's Reunion in Crosbyton on Saturday at the Mt. Blanco Fossil Museum, and visited family members in Lubbock during the week. On Wednesday, Martha, Owen and Margaret drove to Big Lake to visit with Amy Ferguson (Margaret's daughter) so Owen could enjoy ranch life at the J and J Cattle Company. Being an 8-year old city boy, Owen had a ball feeding the animals, petting the horses, learning to drive the Mule (4 wheeler) and exploring ranch life up close. He recorded memories while taking pictures of the cows and calves and will share them with his classmates when he returns home.

Margaret Word had an appointment with her doctor last week to determine the situation with her knee. Tests were run and she is waiting good news at this time. We need to remember her in our prayers.

In memory of Frank Cole - L. B. Stewart

In memory of Gene Reed - L. B. Stewart

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NEW TEXAS CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY LAW

Effective 9/1/2009

A child up to 8 years old, unless taller than 4 feet 9 inches, must ride in a child safety seat.

Most children between ages 4 to 8 will need a booster seat to be safe and comply with the law. Safety experts recommend that all children under age 13 ride in the backseat. Adults and children must be buckled up whether they are in the front or back seat.

4 STEPS FOR KIDS

Make sure all children in your vehicle are properly secured. Use a child safety seat appropriate for their age, weight and height. State law requires that you always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

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REAR-FACING SEATS
From birth to as long as possible, up to the weight or height limit of the seat. At a minimum, keep rear-facing until age 1 and 20 lbs.

2

FORWARD-FACING SEATS
From a minimum of age 1 and 20 lbs until the child reaches the upper weight or height limit of the seat.

3

BOOSTER SEATS
From about age 4 to about age 8, or up to 4 feet 9 inches.

4

SAFETY BELTS
From 8-years old or taller than 4 feet 9 inches.

Still not sure which safety seat is right for your child? Contact Safe Riders at 1-800-252-8255 for more information.

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Christian Volunteers Serving at Plains Baptist Assembly



Courtesy Photo

ROVING VOLUNTEERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE have been volunteering their services at the Plains Baptist Assembly located south of Floydada. These senior citizens provide their own support, travel, food, tools and time to Christian Ministries throughout the United States and Canada. Pictured above (l-r) Bob and Gail Hukill, Marvin and Jackie Mouton, Leroy and Arlene Martin, Leona and Mo Moreno, Jeanenne and Guy Scott and Zelma and Dennis Buchholz. Pictured below (l-r) Mo Moreno and Marvin Moutin are performing various building repairs, construction and painting. More information may be obtained from their website www.rvics.com and by calling 1-800-727-8914.



Are you wondering how your retirement years can be fulfilling and rewarding? Are you willing to give of yourself for others? Are you looking for a way of putting your faith to work? Then take a look at what is going on at Plains Baptist Assembly where the Roving Volunteers In Christ's Service are serving from October 10, 2011 through November 1, 2011.

These senior citizens live in motor homes, 5th wheel trailers, and travel trailers, traveling throughout the United States and Canada serving Christian Ministries such as camps, retreat and conference centers, schools and colleges, retirement centers, and similar ministries.

They provide their own support, travel, food, tools and time.

The work performed is varied and includes building repairs, construction, painting, sewing, cleaning, office and library work and similar labor. Although some of the men are professional tradesmen, most have acquired skills in carpentry, electrical work, appliance repair, plumbing or painting, and are willing helpers. The ladies' talents may be at a professional level but most have mastered the needed skills through personal experience. Approximately 100 couples serve annually in 14 teams across the United States and Canada.

In addition to work and

travel, each week includes Bible study, hymn sings, and table games. This on-going fellowship draws the members "closer than family." Working, worshipping, playing and serving together provide the cement of this close relationship. Persons interested in this type of life-style might like to make arrangements to visit the RVICS team by calling Dennis Buchholz at 605-999-4410 (leave message and we will return your call).

Information may be obtained by going to the website www.rvics.com, by email: rvics@rvics.com, by writing: RVICS Headquarters, 1800 S.E. 4th Street, Smithville, Texas 78957 or by calling 1-800-727-8914.

Floyd County Church Directory

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| <p>AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m..
*****</p> <p>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>CARR'S CHAPEL
Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship9:00 a.m.
Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.
*****</p> <p>CHURCH OF CHRIST
West College & Third,
Lockney
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
Lockney
Carl Moman, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min..
Phil Cotham, Music Min..
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth)....7:15 pm
*****</p> | <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor
Early Worship8:30 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.
*****</p> <p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School...6:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
*****</p> <p>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 Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.</p> | <p>POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.
*****</p> <p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
*****</p> <p>SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD
701 W. Missouri
Joe M. Hernandez
983-5286 (church)
..... Sunday School
English.....9:45 a.m.
Spanish.....11:00 a.m.
Spanish Worship.....9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Angelo Consentino
Phone: 983-5878
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.
*****</p> <p>TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>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.
*****</p> <p>TRINITY ASSEMBLY
500 W. Houston
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499 or 983-2887
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.
*****</p> <p>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Providence Community
on FM 2301 293-3009
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
*****</p> <p>WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Floydada 983-3548
Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.</p> |
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THIS WEEK'S

BOO CARNIVAL
A Boo Carnival will be sponsored by the Floyd County 4-H on Monday, October 31st. The carnival is from 5 - 7:30 p.m. at the Unity Center. Cost of admission is \$1. All proceeds go to benefit the Floydada and Lockney Volunteer Fire Departments. A costume parade will begin at 7 p.m.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL FAIRGROUNDS IN LOCKNEY
The Fair Board will again be sponsoring the Halloween Carnival on October 29 from 6:00 - 9:00 at the Fairgrounds. Booths will rent for \$10 to all school groups.

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.

Pray
for
Rain

Thank you for your many prayers, visits, food, phone calls, memorials, and beautiful cards. We would also like to thank all the caregivers from Floydada Care Center, Shepherd's Meadow, and Interim Hospice who took care of Mother.

*May God Bless All of You,
The Family of Lillie Maye Milton*

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The Floyd County 4-H Meats Judging Team recently practiced at the Texas Tech University Meats Laboratory in preparation for the District 4-H competition in December. Pictured (left to right) Trip Fortenberry, Luke Carroll, Grip Fortenberry, Mark Carroll, Lauryn Carroll and Rita Martinez. In preparation for the contest 4-H members are evaluating how to place beef, lamb and pork carcasses. The upcoming contest will also include retail meat identification and oral reasons.



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Floyd County 4-H members and Clover Kids participated in the 4-H Food Show on Sunday, Oct. 23. Junior and Intermediates will advance on to district competition on November 5 at Levelland High School. Clover Kids include (front row, l-r) Lindi Miller, Cristin Kemp and Kaden Weekes. 4-H'ers include (l-r) Catharine Kemp, Rita Martinez and Tasha Schlueter.

Football Contest Standings

	THIS WEEK	OVERALL
Matt Williams	23/30	181/238
Coy LaBaume	21/30	180/238
Keith Marricle	20/30	176/238
Chris Fulton	22/30	176/238
Jack Covington	22/30	175/238
Brent Sanders	19/30	175/238
Max Yeary	19/30	171/238
Franklin Harris	20/30	171/238
Lanny Barnett	21/30	171/238
Sammy Bradley	22/30	171/238
Ricky Ascencio	21/30	170/238
Martin Ramirez	21/20	166/238
Pam Fulton	18/30	164/238
Diane Ramon	22/30	162/238
Jane Pruitt	24/30	156/238
Nicholas Castro	16/30	153/238
Rachel Ramirez	21/30	153/238
Dale Minner	18/30	150/238
Paul Lopez	21/30	149/238
Johnny Dorman		148/208
Boyd Lee	19/30	146/238
Steve Stringer	17/30	139/238
Imelda Resendiz		92/148
Jared Lambert		89/118
W.L. Carthel	17/30	79/120
Charles Wall		45/90
Lance McHam		36/58

Deltapine® Cotton Commercial Contest for Students Expands

LUBBOCK, TX (Oct. 18, 2011) – Area students will once again have the opportunity to win cash donations for their FFA chapter or high school as Monsanto Company - on behalf of Deltapine® cotton - and Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. partner to present the Deltapine Cotton Commercial Contest.

The contest will highlight the regional cotton industry and how cotton is used. Contestants are asked to produce a video 80 to 85 seconds in length about the importance of cotton in their community, and its numerous uses, from textile production to by-products. Students are also encouraged to visit local cotton gins and growers when making their videos.

"Many people who live in urban areas don't realize the importance of cotton to Texas or the tremendous impact it has on the state's economy," said Dave Rhylander, Deltapine cotton marketing manager. "Many of them don't know - or they take for granted - all the things that come from cotton that we use every day. We believe this contest will help both the students and the public have a better understanding of the value of cotton to all of us."

Ten West Texas FFA chapters participated in last year's

contest. The winning FFAs included: Lockney FFA (first place), Plainview FFA (second place), Wellman-Union FFA (third place), Plains FFA (fourth place) and Floydada FFA (fifth place). After experiencing a large amount of response and participation last year, the contest is now open to all high schools and FFA chapters in the state of Texas.

"Deltapine is also proud to include Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers as a co-sponsor this season.

"We are excited to be a part of such a great contest that both teaches our local youth about cotton and promotes the industry among

growers and the public," said Steve Verett, executive vice president for Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. "We are committed to helping ensure that their videos tell the story of cotton in the most engaging way possible."

Students will submit their videos using the contest website, www.CottonVideoContest.com. In addition to accepting entries from FFA chapters in West Texas, any Texas high school student may also enter. The deadline to submit videos is December 7, 2011.

The FFA chapter entries and high school entries will be divided into separate categories, and prizes will be

awarded to the top three videos in each category. First place winners will receive a \$2,500 cash donation for their high school (if in the high school category) or FFA chapter (if in the FFA chapter category). Second and third prize winners in each category will each receive cash donations of \$1,500 and \$1,000 respectively for their high school or FFA chapter. Additionally, up to two videos may be selected from all entries received to air as a television commercial for the Texas cotton industry.

Submissions will be posted online for public vote. **DELPHATINE®** continued on page 11



Photo by Homer Marquez

The Longhorns would suffer a disappointing defeat in their opening district game last Friday as they fell to the Panhandle Panthers by a score of 60-6. At the beginning, the two teams looked evenly matched after the Longhorns answered the Panther's first play touchdown with a 14 yard touchdown pass from Riley Teeter to Marcos Bernal. However this wouldn't last too long as the Panther's running game ran away with the lead; the Panthers would score 34 points before the half and would put up another 12 in the second. Lockney's Luke Sherman led the Longhorns in offense with 128 rushing yards; Tyler Covington carried the ball eight times for 49 yards. By the end of the game the Horns put up a total of 281 yards of offense, 213 yards on the ground and 68 yard in the air. Lockney will look to snap a five game district losing streak this Friday as the travel to Clarendon to face the Broncos.

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Photo by Jim Covington

The Whirlwinds kept their playoff chances alive with a 32-0 win over Highland Park this past Friday. John Angel Yannis would run for 108 yards on 13 carries and would also throw for a touchdown; Rex Mathis ran for 106 yards on 13 carries. In the first quarter Floydada put 14 points on the board after 17 yard TD run from Rex Mathis and a 39 yard TD run from Cole Covington. Before the half, a 17 yard touchdown pass from Yannis to Ryan Chavarria would put the Winds up by 20 at the break. Floydada domination continued in the second half as Mathis would pound in another 5 yard TD in the third. Ending the game, Jordan Woody would return a 50 yard punt for a touchdown in the fourth. All together the Winds would put up a total of 399 yards of total offense; on defense, Floydada would snag three interceptions and forced the Hornets to punt nine times. Floydada will look to use this motivation to keep playoff hope alive as they host Dimmitt this Friday.

Floydada Eagles improve record to 7-0

The Floydada Eagles (Tiger League of 5th and 6th grade boys) improved to 6-0 on Saturday evening, October 15 after defeating the Plainview Tar Heels by a score of 28-0 under the lights at West-er Field.

The Eagles were back in action on Saturday afternoon, October 22 at West-er Field, playing against the Idalou Bears (4-1 season record).

The Floydada Eagles im-proved their record to 7-0 on Saturday after defeating the Idalou Bears by a score of 45-16 at West-er Field.

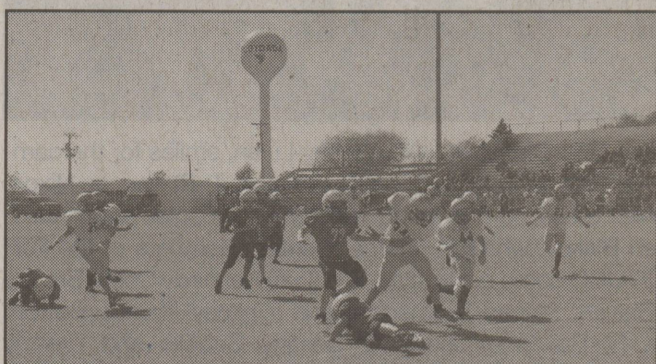
The Eagles will be back in action on Saturday afternoon at West-er Field, with kickoff at 3 p.m. against Ralls. Floydada defeated Ralls earlier in the season - coming from be-hind to win 6-2 in front of a hometown crowd.

The winner will move into the Tiger League Championship on Saturday November 5th at Bulldog Stadium in Plainview.



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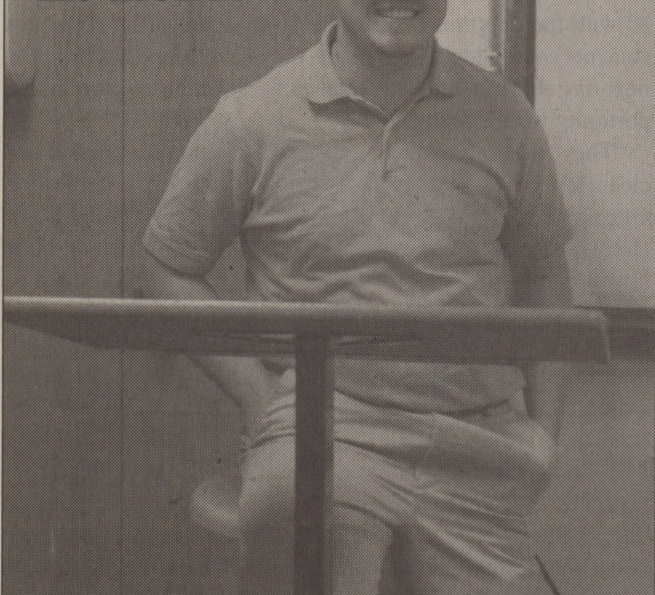
FLOYDADA EAGLES run over the Plainview Tar Heels 28-0. Pictured are #35-Jaden Lackey, #80-Remington Ricketts, #68-Alex Sanchez and #1-Destry Faulkenberry.



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EAGLES IMPROVE RECORD TO 7-0.... Miguel Pena breaks loose from three Idalou defenders to add to the Eagles lead. Pena receives support from #44 Caleb Whittle, #21 Cutter Smith and #35 Jaden Blakey.

Teacher of the Month



Our Fisd teacher of the month is Bobby Hon. This is his first year of teaching, and he teaches ninth grade math. He is the husband of Katie Hon. His hobbies include: watching movies, playing video games, reading books, and spending time with friends. "The most memorable moment of teaching high school has been winning the costume contest for superhero day dressed as 'Floydada Man.' I also have really enjoyed going to the football games and the marching band competitions to watch the kids have fun doing things they love," Bobby Hon said.

Jr. High Student of the Month



The student of the month for FJH is Albert DeHoyos. Albert is in the seventh grade and is thirteen years old. His parents are Serverino and Nancy DeHoyos, and he has three siblings. His hobbies include: playing football, basketball, baseball, and playing the drums. Albert's favorite class is Mrs. Trevino's math class. Albert wants to be a football or basketball player when he grows up. "Albert is a polite, hard working young man. It has been my privilege to teach him. I have watched his math skills develop over a two-year period. Albert wants to be successful no matter what he is doing," Mrs. Trevino said.

High School Student of the Month



The student of the month for FHS is Tucker Lowrance. Tucker is in the ninth grade and is fourteen years old. He is the son of Clay and Patt Lowrance and has two siblings. Tucker's hobbies include: playing sports, snowboarding, watching six-man football games, and hanging out with friends. His favorite class is English with Mrs. Cook. Tucker wants to either be a trainer or a coach when he grows up. "Tucker is a tremendous young man. He has strong people skills. He is polite, courteous, and he is considerate of others. Tucker is a positive role model for other students," Mr. Morren commented.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

Oct. 31 – Nov. 4

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| <p>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</p> <p>Tuesday
Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Barbequed chicken, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk</p> <p>Wednesday
Breakfast-Pancake & sausage on a stick or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk</p> | <p>Lunch-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk</p> <p>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</p> <p>Friday
Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, fruit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Pizza, tossed salad, fresh fruit, chocolate cake, milk</p> |
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7th Grade Whirlwinds win over Highland Park

By Coach Ayala
The 7th grade Whirlwinds traveled to Amarillo to take on the Eagles of Highland Park and came home with a 30-0 victory.

The Winds started off slow offensively, but one they got started it was no stopping them. Cory Mathis scored four touchdowns with runs of 55, 50, 60, and 55 yards. Jesse Segura connected on three extra point conversions, two to Albert DeHoyos and one to Alfonso Mendoza.

The Winds defense kept the Eagles from crossing the goal line with some good tough defensive stands. The front four of Robert Mora, Steven Cabrera, James Ponce, and Maxim Nunez kept the Eagles inside game at bay. It was a total defensive effort. Overall it was a good outing for the Winds.

The next game will be at home this Thursday when the tough Dimmitt Bobcats come into Floydada. Game time will be at 5 p.m. with the 8th grade Winds to follow.

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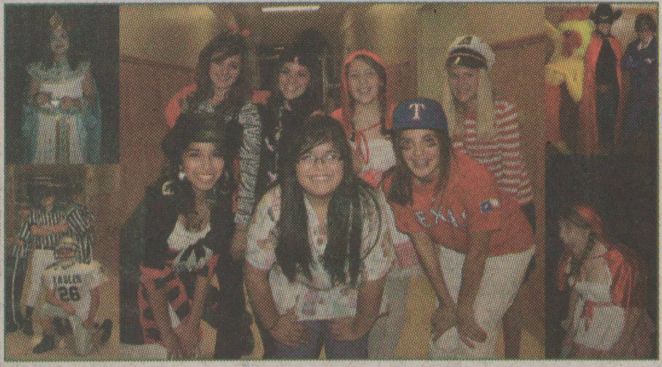
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Whirlwind News



Jr. High Students BOOgie at Halloween Dance



Top Left: Cleopatra, aka Mickey Lujan, smiles for the camera. Bottom Left: Sixth grade referees, (L-R) Keenan Nixon, Alex Glass, Jordan Mendoza, show the Eagles player, Jaiden Blakey, who's in charge. Center: Members of the FJH STUCO come out in style: Top (L-R) Kennedy Coon, Brooke Galvan, Macee Brotherton, and Whitney Renfro, Bottom (L-R) Roxanne Chavarria, Destiny Cabello and Destiny Thomas. Top Right: Costume Winners (L-R) Logan Everett, Kirby Nixon, and Brayden Campbell. Bottom Right: Macee Brotherton screams loudly at the sight of a spooky goblin.

By: Merritt Johnson
Staff Writer

Dance for sixth-eighth graders was held on Tuesday, October 18, from 6-9 pm. The tradition

of having at least one dance a year started back in 2006. The Floydada Junior High Student Council, sponsored by Tech Apps and Web Design teacher, Joann Chavarria, was in charge of the dance and did a great job of decorating for it and managing it. The students were charged \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 if they came as a couple. The dance even had refreshments such as sodas, candy bars, suckers, pickles, and cookies. There were also fun games to play, which included: A Minute to Win It contest, a screaming contest, and a costume contest.

"I believe today, we expect a lot from our kids, which is a good thing. We want them to do well in academics and be involved in athletics, but we also want them to be kids and have

fun and this will give them that opportunity," Joann Chavarria said.

The dance was a little different this year because of the combined campus policy. Although the sixth graders are a part of the elementary school, they could still attend the dance as well.

"This school dance is better because it is really exciting, and the sixth graders are here," seventh graders, Valerie Espinosa and Kaylee Morren agreed.

The Halloween dance was a great success this year. Lots of kids participated in dressing up, dancing, and playing games, making the event that much more special.

"I'm sad that this is my last Halloween Dance at Floydada Junior High," said eighth grader, Vicente Ramirez.

Education Start: Your Start to a Rewarding Future

By: Homero Ramirez
Staff Writer

Education Start is an organization that provides you with resources for information on higher education. This organization can help you search for the right university and provide you with scholarships and other financial needs. Education Start is offering the Nursing Scholarship. If you are certain that you want to be a nurse or an RN then this would be the ideal scholarship for which to apply. You must be 17 years of age or older to apply you must be enrolled into a university within a year to receive it. The scholarship value is approximately \$4,000 an-

nually. If you are not certain what your future career will be, you can also apply for the College Scholarship. You could be considered for a scholarship that can award you with \$3,000 yearly for up to four years. If you are interested in these scholarships, visit the website address below along with another useful scholarship website address.

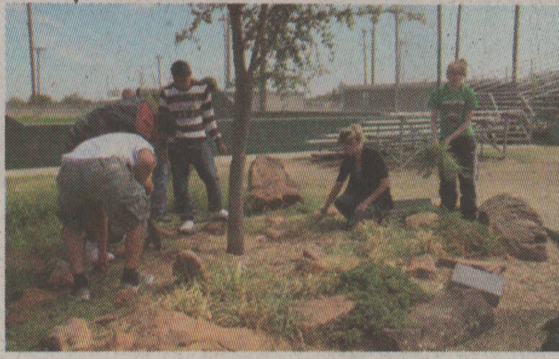
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Plant and Soil Science Students Cherish Moments While Collecting Plants

By: Taylor Orr
Staff Writer

What began as a class project ended in FHS students initiating a heartfelt gesture in remembrance of a dear friend. Ms. Brandi Ferrell's Plant & Soil Science classes have recently been gathering plant samples from around the high school for a national examination and classification of each plant. While out collecting plants, students found a few species they didn't find anywhere else on campus. The plants were covering the memorial for Dylan Thomas at the baseball field. The students were shocked and embarrassed by the lack of attention given to the site. Cole Covington, a senior at FHS,

asked Ms. Ferrell that they clean up the memorial. "Everyday, when I walk past the memorial, I would notice all of the overgrown plants. The memorial should be a place for friends of Dylan's to come and remember him. The condi-



tion it was in was becoming a distraction, so one day when we were out gathering plants, I asked if we could clean it up," Cole said.

Agreeing that this was a great idea, Ms. Ferrell, was present-

ed with the opportunity to get an assessment of how well the students could identify the plants they have been studying. The next day students took advantage of combining a learning opportunity with a good deed.

"They were so excited to get out and clean up the memorial. Once finished, they took pride in how it looked, and they were ready to share their experience with others. The time flew by, and I don't even think they realized they were being quizzed on the genus and species of the plants. All they cared about was doing something in memory of someone else. I hope this sparks something in them to continue to look outside themselves and do for others," Ms. Ferrell said.

From good to GREAT

Covered By: Taylor Orr
Staff Writer

Floydada Junior High received recent notification of the award of a Texas Title 1 Priority Schools Grant, Cycle 2. This opportunity coupled with the new consolidation and new facilities for the junior high campus gives the staff and students a new beginning and a host of opportunities to offer an innovative and research-based educational experience. "Everyone is able to see the physical changes at FJH but the most important changes that we are making are in the classroom. We must continue to prepare our students for their futures and also meet the standards of the new STARR exams. We are moving from "Good to GREAT at FJH," and the TTIPS grant serves as a critical component of our change," said Wayne Morren, the principal of Floydada Jr. High.

This grant addresses improving student academic performance at the junior high school campus. Through collaborative processes and staff development provided through the grant, the campus

staff will be exploring methods to maximize every student's potential. Floydada Junior High will follow a transformational model option and submit quarterly reports and progress throughout the year. Teachers are given leadership training and work to build collaborative professional learning communities.

"We are really excited about the new vision for the campus. Few schools have the opportunity we've been given to make bold changes with such targeted and specialized support and funding. We believe we can make a complete turnaround in this first year, and then work to build a successful model of instruction that can be sustained and increased in the future," said Anne Carthel, Curriculum Director and District Shepherd for the grant.

According to School Improvement Resource Center, the purpose of the grant funds are to support job-embedded professional development and increase effectiveness of leadership on campus, to develop a clear vision of success for the school to build

a positive school climate, to use student data to drive decisions and instructional improvements, to build strong and effective community and family involvement in all aspects of the school, and to afford the district operational flexibility to support a "whatever it takes" mentality to provide staff and students with the maximum support to build outstanding academic programs. The grant provides a little over \$350,000 in funding for the district in the first year. The following year will provide about \$260,000, and the possibility of gaining a third year of funding. These grant funds provide monies for payroll, training, support, technology, and supplies for the campus.

"With this grant, we have the opportunity to work closely with specialists from the Region 17 Educational Service Center in order to improve teacher quality so the we will be able to improve the academic performance of our students. We have to set new goals and higher standards for FJHS and in order for us to successfully meet those goals, we have raised

the level of expectations for our students and ourselves, said Pauline Cooper, seventh grade English Language Arts teacher at Floydada Junior High.

The grant provides funding to Local Education Agencies that have the capacity and commitment to implement rapid, dramatic reforms to turn around their campus. An assigned external evaluator, Dr. Vanessa DeLeon, works with the campus and staff to guide decisions and monitor and report progress.

"Floydada is ahead of schedule in the implementation of many of the requirements. They are going to do very well," said SIRC external evaluator, Dr. DeLeon.

This funding also focuses on building leadership capacity and support that arms teachers with skills and strategies to base teaching practices on research-based processes for improving low-performing schools. The school has been reorganized using the Transformational Model, and the goal will be to develop leadership within the staff to shift the school culture and sustain success

through a continual process of research and problem solving, book studies, and collaborative growth.

In the state of Texas, 462 schools in the state qualified for these funds, but only about 15% of those schools received this funding. The grant is currently

a two-year grant, however, each year is contingent on the prior year's progress. The junior high qualified in the performance levels of low socioeconomic reading and science sub-population scores. Overall campus scores were not qualifying factors.

Staff's Corner



By: Cynthia Smith- Editor

"The deadliest part of the human body is the tongue." ~Le'Nisha Rosemond

Proven fact: If your foot slips, you can easily recover your balance; but if your tongue slips, you can never recover your own words. How often do we make the mistake of saying the wrong thing at the wrong time? Or how common is it for us to say something that we know we would later regret? I know that I am guilty of allowing my emotions to do the talking for me. Depending on how I'm feeling at that very moment is generally how I convey my message. The bad part about that is, if I'm in a state of rage, hurtful words roll off my tongue faster than a lightning bolt; consequently causing me to feel worse than before I said

what I said to offend someone or hurt the feelings of another human being. For me, there's no worse feeling than saying something that I didn't mean to someone who means so much to me. With that being said, my message for this week comes from a very jovial and often, wise young lady, my niece Le'Nisha. She says, and I quote, "Think before you speak. You better make sure your words are sweet because you might have to end up eating them one day." If I have to say so myself, "That's the best advice that a twenty-year-old can provide." Always allow yourself to process the words that are coming out of your mouth because you never know just who will be listening. Until next time...

Upcoming Events for Floydada ISD

By: Emily Hall-Staff Writer

- October 27:** District JV Football VS Dimmitt There, 6:00 pm
District 7/8 Football VS Dimmitt Here, 5:00/6:00 pm
- October 28:** District Varsity Football VS Dimmitt There, 7:30 pm
All School Pep Rally, 2:45 pm
Whirlwind Band Pre-Game Supper
Senior Recognition Night
- October 29:** Girls Basketball scrimmage VS Seagraves, 2:00 pm
- October 31:** Happy Halloween
FFA Plainview District Conference
- November 3:** District JV Football VS Abernathy Here, 6:00 pm
District 7/8 Football VS Abernathy There, 5:00/6:00 pm
- November 4:** District Varsity Football VS Abernathy There, 7:30 pm
High School Pep Rally, 12:10 pm
- November 5:** Regional Cross Country
- November 7:** FFA Plainview District LDE Contest
- November 8:** FFA Lubbock District LDE Contest
- November 9:** FFA Littlefield District LDE Contest
- November 11:** Veteran's Day
- November 12:** State Cross Country

New Scare in Town: Floydada Theatre Arts Program Hosts Haunted House

By: Sarah Jo Miller
Staff Writer

Year after year, people are scared in the same places and in the same theatrical manner. However, this year, there are new terrifying faces in town! Floydada's Theatre Arts are presenting an original haunted house in the high school's auditorium. It will be from 6 to 9 pm on October 29. The fees are \$2 for kids 10 and under and it will be \$3 for ages 10 and above.

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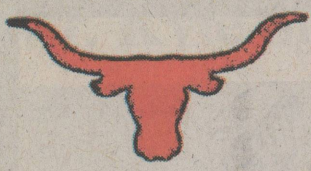
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Longhorn News



Lockney Cross Country on the Run

Reported by: Jasmine Pena

On Monday October 16, 2011, the Lockney Cross Country team competed in their district meet held at Plainview's Kidsville Park. The High School boys varsity team put forth a great effort, placing first as a team. Coach Ray Jimenez stated that since the team placed first overall at the district meet, the entire team has earned the right to compete at the regional cross country meet, taking place the first weekend in November. Helping the team achieve a first place in district were the performances of Ivan Davila and Marcos Bernal. Ivan finished overall in 5th place and Bernal finished in 7th. The boys varsity team is made up of: Bishop Zombrano, Ivan Davila, Marcos Bernal, Eli Guerra, Ryan Poole, and Mauricio Davila.

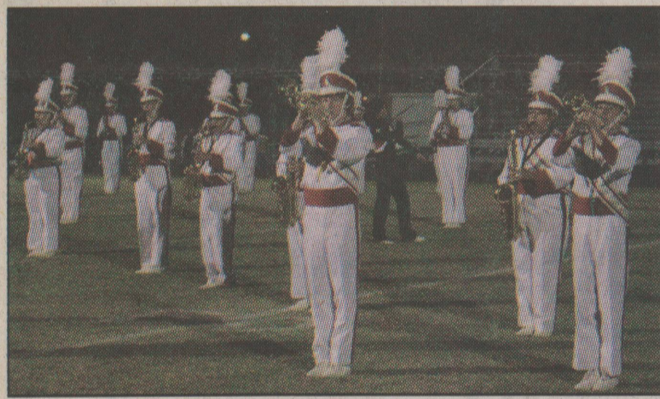
Also standing out during the district cross country meet was 8th grader Samantha Salas. Samantha finished 5th overall in a very large field of participants.



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Playing selections from the hit movie the "Wizard of Oz", the Lockney Longhorn Band was able to pick up a one rating at this past Saturday's Marching Contest.

Teacher Spotlight

Reporter: Jessica Pena
This week's Teacher spotlight is on Coach Jeff Dunn.

Coach Dunn grew up in Greenwood; outside of Midland, Texas, and graduated in 1993. He has worked in education for over thirteen years, where he has held a number of different responsibilities. Throughout his career; Coach Dunn has taught math, coached football, basketball, baseball, and track in addition to serving as UIL sponsor in Number Sense and Calculator.

He cited his biggest challenge in the classroom is teaching all levels of students and getting them to be successful.

Coach Dunn stated one of his greatest moments in his career was coaching in the State Championship in 2002. Outside of school, Coach Dunn enjoys spending time with his family while helping his girls with their Ag projects and raising their animals for show. Coach Dunn's family is a big part of the Lockney school district where his wife Laura teaches at Lockney Junior High, and his daughters attend school. Meagan is currently a Senior at Lockney High School, Ainslee is in the 4th grade and Emma is in the 2nd grade. Coach Dunn states that he enjoys the Lockney community and his daughters have lots of friends that come over to play and visit.

Coach Dunn we appreciate all that you do for our students in the classroom as well as on the field/court. Thank you for your service to the community and the district.

Lockney Crossword

Crossword Clues

Across	Down
3. peanut butter	1. apples
5. pickle	2. juicy and seedy
7. buns	4. pie
9. sticks	6. tomato
10. fried steak	8. dogs
13. pepper	9. potatoes
14. cheesy and saucy	11. wings
	12. salsa
	13. ranch

Student Spotlight: Dylan Aufill



Dylan Aufill is a senior at Lockney High. He is involved in UIL science and Art. His favorite thing about school is that he's almost done and the way the teachers teach. The fire is the most memorable moment in school. He enjoys playing video games and hanging out with friends outside of school. After high school he plans on practicing culinary arts at the Art Institute of San Antonio. He was second at state in UIL number sense last year and plans on getting 1st this next year.



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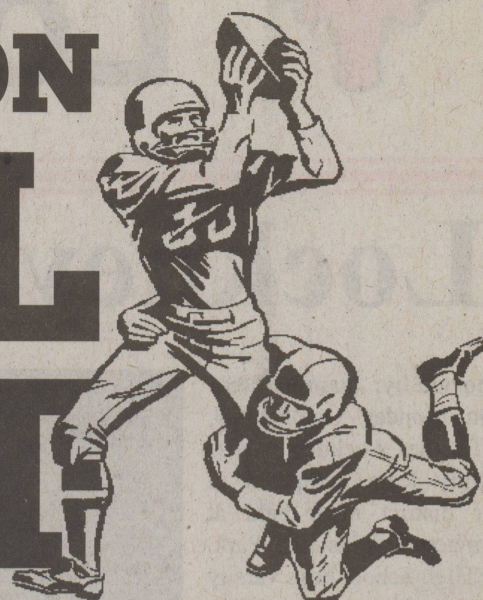
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2011 HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST



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

A grid of 50 football-shaped graphics, each containing a sponsor name and a list of two teams to be selected for the contest.

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- Raceway Fuel**: 57. Saints, 58. Rams
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Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

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57	58	59	60										

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

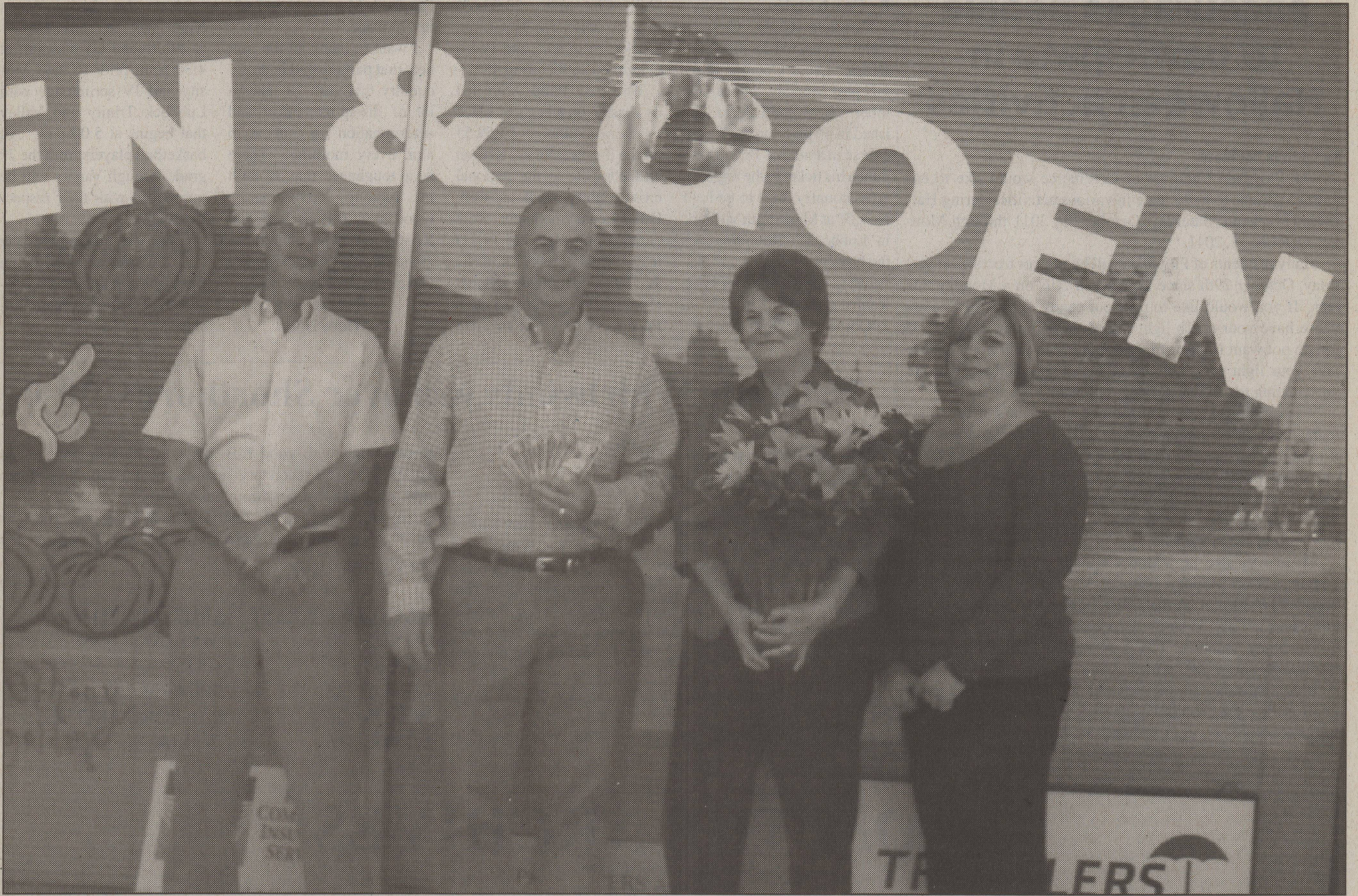
To play, circle the number of the teams you believe will win on the official entry form.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one per person per week.

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

Mr. Kyle Smith awarded Agent of the Month



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STROUD NATIONAL AGENCY is proud to present their September 2011 "Agent of the Month" award to Mr. Kyle Smith of Goen and Goen Insurance. The award signifies that Kyle wrote more new farm business than any of the other 700 agents located in 10 different states that represent Stroud National Agency. His accomplishment is recognized by the delivery of a cash award and a floral arrangement presented by Cathy's Floral and Gifts. Stroud National Agency, Inc. has done business with Goen and Goen Insurance for 45 years. Again, congratulations.

Punkin Day Tractor Pull Results

By Debbie Montandon

The Floydada Punkin Days were held Oct. 8, 2011. We were so blessed with a good amount of rain. We thank God for this and for that reason we will not complain about the delay in the pedal pull. Several kids aging from 4 to 12 participated in the event. The results are as follows

Age 4

Haygen Lefevre - Lockney- 1st Place

Age 5

Maddison Clark - Lubbock - 1st Place - Daughter of Kayla and Shannon Clark of Lubbock. Granddaughter of Barry and Lillian Atchison of Dickens
 Michael Broadway - Floydada - 2nd place Tie
 Celeo Backlind - Lubbock- 3rd
 Sammy Zapata - Lubbock - 3rd

Age 6

Marcus Collins- Floydada - 1st
 Matthew Plankett - Lubbock - 2nd
 Hayley George -Lubbock - 3rd

Age 7

Joel Roberts - Lubbock - 1st
 Chloe Jungman - Plainview - 2nd
 Mikey Valderas Lubbock - 3rd

Age 8

Tristan George - Lubbock - 1st

Age 9

Breck Thomas - Floydada -1st
 Amber Morales - Floydada - 2nd

Age 10

Isabella Vargas -Floydada -1st
 Zack Plunkett - Lubbock - 2nd

Age 11

David Moreno - Floydada - 1st
 Hunter Smith - Floydada - 2nd

We would like to say a special thanks to Ray Lee Equipment for sponsoring this special event for Punkin Day.

Texas beef producers exploring use of whole cotton plants

By Mark Carroll

CEA-AG—Floyd County

College Station: - Texas beef producers are exploring the use of whole cotton plants as a protein source for cattle due to extreme drought conditions, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert. "Due to the continued extreme drought, many cattle producers are examining new options for feeding cattle instead of traditional grass hay," said Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension state forage specialist in College Station. "One new item with little nutritive value information is grazing unharvested cotton plants, (which) are simply baled cotton."

Several livestock producers have inquired about crude protein value in cotton plants as well as energy content, Redmon said. "In many places where cotton int yield was so low, many people were considering baling their whole cotton plants and feeding it to their cattle or grazing the standing cotton."

Redmon said he had never had the question before, but received some fresh cotton plant samples for analysis. Additionally, Dr. Tryon Wickersham, Texas AgriLife Research nutritionist in College Station, began testing cotton plant samples that he collected as well. Wickersham's samples had already been defoliated or had been baled and were being fed directly as the cotton module.

The preliminary results were quite interesting, Wickersham said. "Although a non-traditional feedstuff for cattle, the presence of the cotton seed with its high fat content and cellulose (lint) provides for a fairly high quality feedstuff," Wickersham said. "The fat content is quite a bit higher than would normally be fed to beef cattle and some scouring may occur, but the animals do well with the cotton diet."

Preliminary results included the following:

- Fresh whole cotton plants, including stems, leaves and bolls: crude protein 13.3 percent, total digestible nutrients 62.4 percent.
- Whole cotton plants including stems and bolls, but minus the leaves: crude protein 11.2 percent, total digestible nutrients 58.8 percent.
- Cotton and seeds from a harvested cotton module: crude protein 15.6 percent, total digestible nutrients 59.4

percent. Wickersham suggests the cotton could be used as a source of supplemental energy. Meanwhile, Dr. Gaylon Morgan, AgriLife Extension state cotton specialist, notes most cotton defoliation or desiccation products prohibit grazing or feeding to livestock feed for at least 30 to 45 days. "We recommend referring to the product level to ensure the minimum labels restrictions are met," Morgan said.

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Floydada Chamber encourages people to participate in Halloween activities

By Charla McHam

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce would like to encourage parents to participate in various activities during Halloween weekend, Saturday, October 29, 2011 through Monday, October 31, 2011.

Many residents of Floydada will be trick or treating on Saturday, October 29th since Halloween falls on a Monday this year. If you would like to pass out candy to trick or treaters please have your porch light turned on Saturday evening. If you do not want trick-or-treaters coming to your home please have your light off. This is the best way for those that are participating to tell which houses they are welcome at.

We would also like to encourage the parents of the trick-or-treaters to please go with your kids for door-to-door trick or treating. It is getting dark much earlier now and this is the best safety precaution to take for your children. Also, please make sure that your kids carry some sort of light with them while they are out because many Halloween costumes are very hard to see in the dark.

There will also be a Boo Carnival sponsored by Floyd County 4-H on Monday, October 31, 2011. The carnival is from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Unity Center in Muncy. Cost of admission is only \$1 and all proceeds benefit the Floydada and Lockney Volunteer Fire Departments. There will be a costume parade at 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us by email at floydadachamber@yahoo.com, leave us a message on Facebook or call us at 806-983-3434.

District 2 -2A Cross Country Meet

By Coach Styles

Floydada Cross Country teams competed at the 2-2A District Cross Country Meet this past Monday, 24th of October. Benseledo Perez finished in 4th place on the 3 mile course in a time of 18:31.00 to punch his ticket to the regional cross country meet to be held Nov. 5th at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. Rounding out the boys team was Ryan Chavarria (21:29.00) in 28th, Tyler Renfro (22:24.88) in 35th, R. J. Gomez (22:28.47) in 36th,

Josh Chavarria (23:03.63) in 38th, Matthew McGowen (26:42.53) in 44th, and Pedro Guerrero (26:53.58) in 45th.

The Lady Winds were led by Kristan Sanchez's 6th place finish in a time of 13:59.55 on the 2-mile course. Kristan will compete at the regional cross-country meet as well. Other team members were Amelia Gonzalez (15:19.71) in 26th, Emily Prisk (15:36.61) in 30th, Esmeralda Garza (16:45.20) in 40th, Anna de la Fuente (17:53.11) in 46th, and

Elizabeth Morales (18:17.69) in 47th place.

I want to thank all the runners that participated in cross-country this year. It takes a lot of discipline, effort and determination to run at 6 a.m. every morning. There is a toughness that is built in running cross-country. Good luck to Benseledo and Kristan as they prepare to run at the Region I Cross Country Championships on Nov. 5th.

Meet the Lady Winds Night

Meet the Lady Winds Night will be Tues, Nov. 1 at Whirlwind Gymnasium at 4:30 p. m prior to their Varsity and JV scrimmage with Lubbock Trinity and Valley that begins at 5:00 p.m. All basketball players from the 7th grade through Varsity will be introduced with their respective team.

Come out and support the Lady Winds as they begin their quest for their 4th consecutive District Championship.

7th Grade Whirlwinds win over Shorthorns, 30-0

7th Grade Whirlwinds 30

7th Grade Short Horns 0

By Coach Ayala

The 7th grade Whirlwinds traveled to Lockney last Thursday to take on the Short Horns of Lockney. The Winds won the game, Winds 30, Lockney 0. The Winds offensive line opened up some big holes for our running backs to run through. Corey Mathis and Albert Decoys had some big runs that led to some scores. Jesse Segura connected for 3 extra point scores, two for Albert Decoys, and one for Braden Campbell.

The Winds defense held a tough Lockney offense from crossing the goal line.

It was a complete defensive effort. With good front four

forces along with good L.B. play the defense stopped the Shorthorns. The secondary secured any missed short Horns running backs that got through the fronts.

Come on out and be a part of the Whirlwinds. The fans have been great and we appreciate all the support you give to our Whirlwind teams.

RECORD OF PAST GAMES OF 2011

WINDS 20	WELLINGTON	6
WINDS 6	POST	12
WINDS 38	SPEARMAN	6
WINDS 28	SANFORD FRITCH	8
WINDS 16	TULIA	0

FROM THE ARCHIVES

From the Lockney Beacon
February 12, 1978

RAILS WITH NUMBER 10 ON HEAD DATE MUNCY SWITCH

By Felicia Applewhite

"I was just a 13-year-old kid when the railroad came through our place. I remember that a nail, about two and a half inches long with the number 10 on its head was driven into each cross-tie. This was the Santa Fe's way of remembering 1910 as the year the cross ties and rails were laid. I still have one of those nails," Clay Muncy of Lockney says.

This railway spur, coming from Plainview through Lockney to Floydada first was a project of a group of interested individuals headed by Bill Massey of Floydada who wanted railroad service in Floydada.

Bill Massey and others first bought the right-of way and put a grade through. Then Santa Fe bought all rights from this group and put the cross ties and rails on the grade that was there." Says Clay.

The Santa Fe came in with the track-laying machine and created such an interest that crowds came to watch.

First, the ties were placed, then the rails were dropped from each side of a carrier. When the rails had been fastened together, men with specially-made hammers drove the spikes in to anchor the rails. Half-way between Lockney-Floydada the switch was on Muncy land so became Muncy Switch, named for R. E. L. Muncy.

R. E. L., a pioneer preacher-teacher, came with his wife and child in 1895 to settle at Cedar Hill north east of Lockney. They lived in a half dug-out while he taught school in Fairview for some years.

In the year of 1896, he taught three different schools, all in the same year. In 1897, they moved to the Muncy place between Lockney and Floydada. They found that rattlesnakes tried to live with them in a half dugout, so they built a two-room house. Clay and his brother, Ed, were born there. Muncy waited until 1899 to file on his land at a dollar an acre.

During this time, R. E. L. Muncy had church appoint-

ments over the county. He traveled horseback with a pair of saddlebags behind his saddle. He preached over most of the Plains and along the Caprock.

Times were hard then since there was no farming, so Muncy freighted bones to Childress to make his living. The Plains were covered with horse and cow bones then.

At one time, this preacher-teacher preached at about 40 school houses in Floyd and adjoining counties.

The nearest school was Mayshaw one and one-half miles from the Muncy home. Before the coming of the railroad, Mayshaw had promise of becoming a pretty good little town. Besides the school, there was a post office and other buildings.

"We walked that mile and half to school regardless of weather. Each fall, I went barefoot as long as possible in order to save my shoes. On cold mornings, I would run to the fire to warm my bare feet. By going without shoes as long as I could, I saved the one pair of shoes that had been bought for the school year. Always there was the possibility that worse weather was ahead and shoes would be needed. Goatheads were no problem for bare feet then. Car tires scattered them later.

"I always had two pairs of overalls. Mother washed one pair and patched them while I wore the other pair. If a kid didn't have patches, something was wrong. Sometimes, the patches were patched. We had school four months during the year. Mother boarded the teacher for \$1.50 a month. He came on Sunday night and stayed until Friday afternoon.

Other than remembering his first spanking, Clay doesn't remember much about school at Mayshaw, because the coming of the railroad "split the Mayshaw community into two others: Muncy and Ramsey. Mayshaw soon disappeared.

Besides school, Clay had "real recreation". He milked cows, carried kindling and "slopped hogs."

All this while, and until 1977, "Grandmother lived with us. At first, in the small two-

room house, three of the boys slept with grandmother while the other two slept in a trundle bed that rolled out of sight in the daytime under a bed in the corner of the kitchen."

The beds had oat straw mattresses. Going to bed meant "hitting the hay" at the Muncy house. Once when a neighbor was threshing oats, Mrs. Muncy emptied the old straw out of the mattresses, washed the empty ticking and drove to the place of threshing and filled the clean ticking with fresh straw. Wheat straw would not do for mattresses because wheat straw had beard.

When Clay was about eleven, he witnessed his first prairie fire. About nine that morning, they saw smoke "way back" in the west. About three in the afternoon, it had already passed. It was boosted by a 70-mile wind. It came close to the Muncy house.

Another fire was when Clay was about 13.

"This fire was about 6 or 7 miles wide. It burned our field west of the house. We saved very little of our grass. Luckily we had a tank of water, so we carried buckets of water to the feed stacks. Just the minute we saw a feed stack on fire, we dashed it with water," he says.

During this time, a man's success was indicated by the horses he owned. A farmer who used the same horses on Sunday that he had worked all week was looked upon as less successful than the one who had an extra team. The average farmer looked on extra teams for the "buggy as impractical. Extra teams had to be fed so

needed to earn their way.

Clay Muncy had the most practical locomotion of all. He had a burro. In riding the burro bareback, Clay learned early that far back on the burro's hips was the best place to ride.

That burro became necessary when Clay's father leased three sections of grass land for five cents an acre. It would have been next to impossible to drive the cows in from that much territory without that donkey. Even though his father paid only five cents, it was hard to fine the \$96 a year for three sections.

Around 1915, free grass was being fenced in. The country was settling up.

"We never did farm very heavy until 1915. The whole country was being broke out. We farmed with horses and mules. We planted kaffir corn and maize.

"I remember on year Dad hired Roe Bryant, who had four mules and a lister to work for him. Arch followed with a one-row planter. Both men walked behind their equipment.

"I have helped gather that old standard maize that had fallen down on the ground and I have picked cotton, but don't ask me how much," Clay laughingly remembers.

The Muncy family had the usual water source—the windmill.

"One time, we had a shallow well—about 50 feet to water. We found one afternoon that it was not pumping. Well, you don't do without water when there are stock around.

That night we began work on the windmill. We had to pull the sucker rod and pipe together because we had a bastard cylinder. When we had it out, we found we had a little stick stuck in the lower valve. All we had to do was get the stick out of the valve. The next morning we had the windmill pumping before breakfast.

The Muncys' like other people had another type of windmill trouble because of frogs. Sometimes, one would get in the well, if he could find an opening at the top. Naturally, the sucker rod pumped up and down all the

time. If the wind was strong, the pumping was vigorous. The result was that the frog would be found in pieces floating in the water barrel. Sometimes it was necessary to "work on the Windmill" to get out of the water.

The Muncy family had its part with burros, straw beds, one-room school houses, once-a-month preaching and all the other pioneer day experiences. They made a family contribution to advancement and development of the Plains. The five sons with the mother and father "always took part in county affairs."

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Commissioners talk burn ban and transit tax

By Homer Marquez

Floyd County Commissioners reconvened for their October court session; in the session, commissioners discussed several agenda items including the possibility of a Goods-in-Transit Tax Exemption and the possibility of lifting the burn ban.

As usual, the county commissioners and County Judge Penny Golightly began the court session by unanimously passing the consent agenda. The consent agenda would include the payment of this month's bills and approving the minutes from the previous commissioner's court. A farm contract was awarded to Bill Quattebaum for hauling three yards of dirt for soil conservation at his land 17 miles north of Floydada.

Following the consent agenda Texas Agrilife Extension Agents Mark Carroll and Melissa Long took the floor to give their monthly department reports.

Mr. Carroll reported that a recent Ag Tour that was held at the beginning of the month was a success one with around 27 producers in attendance. A Youth Tour that was held at the Unity Center brought out around 350 kids, including Lockney and Floydada students.

The Agrilife Office also held a Lawn and Garden Workshop at the Library, as well as workshops in Tree Care, Water Conservation, Rain Water Harvesting, and Insect ID. Mr. Carroll also added that 4-H was participating in the Quality Counts Program. The program is now a requirement for 4-H students who want to show livestock at major shows. The program focuses on teaching student not use steroids on their livestock; the program requires each student to pass a test before completing their training.

Elaborating on the 4-H, Agent Melissa Long took the floor to explain other 4-H activities. Mrs. Long commented that some 4-H students were currently participating in activities like Fashion Story Board, the Nutrition Quiz Bowl, Food Nutrition, Archer, and Rifles. Mrs. Long also commented that 4-H President, Jake Bramlet, had attended the 4-H State Honors Award Banquet at the State Fair. Mrs. Long also informed the court that the Pink Event was another great success with about 160 people in attendance. Upcoming events for the department include a First Responders Appreciation Banquet that will be held on Sunday, Oct. 30; a Halloween Party for elementary kids at the Unity Center on Monday, Oct 31, all proceeds will go to a first responders fund; a cooking well for diabetes class and a food safety class.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion on the possibility of instituting the Taxing Tangible Personal Property Transit Texas Tax Code.

Under the provisions of senate bill one, a new property tax exemption will be granted to goods in transit, unless a tax entity, including the County, adopted a resolution by Dec. 31 to continue taxation on these types of properties. The definition of Goods in Transit are tangible personal property imported into Texas and then forwarded to another location in Texas or some where out of Texas no later than a 175 days after the acquisition was imported into Texas.

So in other words the Goods in Transit

tax is a tax on items that are imported into Texas, assembled or improved upon in Texas, and then is shipped off somewhere else within 175 days. An example of goods in transit could be seen when cabinets were being made in Lockney several years ago at the TY building. Since the cabinet materials were shipped to Lockney, workers assembled and shipped the cabinets to other locations; the cabinets were subject to the tax.

Several years ago, prior County officials approved a resolution that prevented the exemption, meaning that goods in transit were subject to tax. The resolution brought to the commissioners at this meeting asked if the commissioners wanted to continue the taxation on goods in transit.

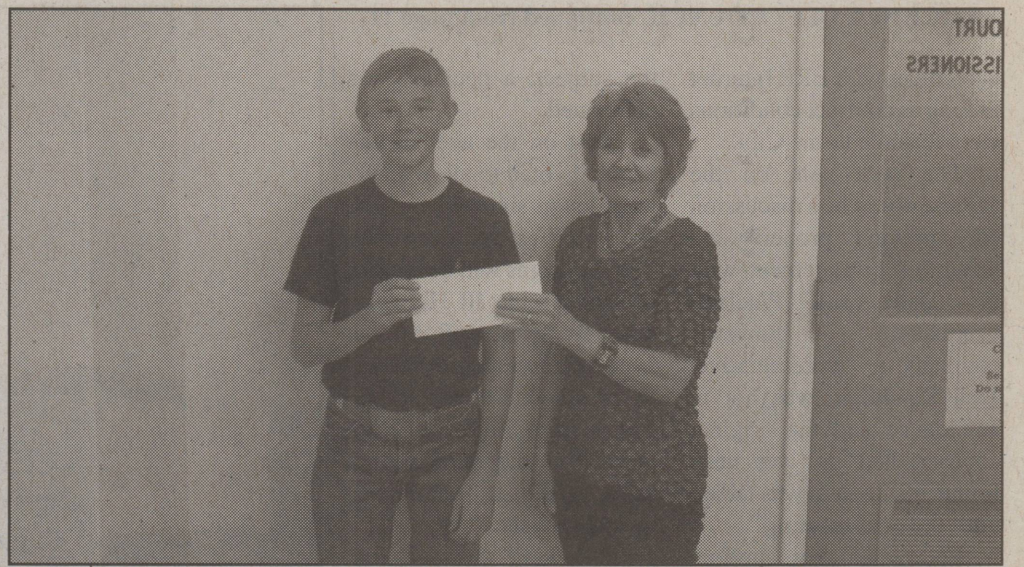
During the public hearing portion of the discussion, Floyd County citizen, Manuel Mendoza, asked if this tax would apply to say someone like Don Hardy who assembles engines in his Floydada shop. Commissioner Lindan Morris explained that the tax would not apply to Hardy because he believed that the majority of his motors went into agriculture products which are subject to some tax exemptions this tax included. Commissioner Morris explained that Ag comities and businesses are tax exempt, so cotton seed that is treated in Floyd County would not be taxed because it is an agriculture product.

However, despite the added tax revenue, Commissioner Morris commented that the tax could deter businesses from moving to Floyd County. At the time, the court could not think of a particular business currently in Floyd County that would be subjected the tax; but Mr. Mendoza pointed out that if someone wanted to order materials online to make a dress and the materials were shipped from out of state or county and then the dress was sold and shipped somewhere else, the tax could be an additional tax on the dressmaker.

Commissioner Morris suggested that more information would be needed about the issue before a decision could be made; the commissioners also wanted to know what the past revenues from the tax where. The commissioners planned to more research on the subject and tabled the item until the information was obtained; the item was table by a vote of 4-1 with Judge Golightly voting against.

Following that motion, the commissioners discussed continuing the burn ban. Judge Golightly commented that the Texas Forest Services still had the county under a drought classification. However, Commissioner Nathan Johnson commented that even though they were still in the drought, recent rains had given CRP grass lots of moisture; Commissioner Johnson made a motion to lift the burn ban; Commissioner Morris would second the motion. Judge Golightly warned that if the county lifted the burn ban while under the drought conditions and a fire were to happen, the County could face a possibility of not receiving relief funds from the state. The motion was defeated by a vote of 2-3; with Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Morales, and Judge Golightly voting to oppose the motion.

Also passed at the closing of the meeting would be a resolution to approve safety training.



Courtesy Photo

Lions Club President, County Judge Penny Golightly presents Floydada 4-H President Kirby Nixon with a \$200 to the Floydada Fire Department. Floyd County 4-H is collecting money for the Floydada and Lockney Fire Departments as a part of the One Day ... 4-H Statewide promotion and will be honoring all Floyd County First Responders with an Appreciation Luncheon for Oct. 30.

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trail.

With a date for the jury trial not yet set, Floyd County officials met in a closed session last week to discuss the County's next steps in the case.

Customarily, media outlets are not allowed in closed sessions and discussions in these types of sessions are kept confidential unless some sort of action is passed. However over the weekend, Commissioner Nathan Johnson spoke with a reporter from the Plainview Herald who then released the story in their Sunday paper.

In the article, Commissioner Johnson told the reporter that the Smiths were in the process of filing a lawsuit against Floyd County.

Commissioner Johnson also added that some Floyd County officials were looking to dodge the lawsuit by offering a \$200,000 settlement;

something that the Commissioner didn't agree with.

Commissioner Johnson explained that he didn't know who exactly would be the target of the lawsuit, but the Commissioner did tell the Plainview Herald, "Our county judge (Penny Golightly) and our county attorney (Lex Herington), they want to settle out of court," said Johnson, who disagrees with any kind of settlement. "The taxpayers in this county had rather pay an attorney a lot more money rather than reward these people for cruelty for animals."

News of the possible settlement spread like wildfires as news channels rushed to cover the story. Once the story hit the air, concerned citizen hit the internet to comment and blog their disapproval over a possible settlement. From news websites to Facebook sites, many people expressed

their opinions by posting comments pleading Floyd County officials to pursue the trial.

This spontaneous public outcry would eventually lead to the start of several petitions asking Floyd County officials not to settle. One of petitions is being spearheaded by Floydada's own T.V. and movie dog trainer, C.J. Jacobs, who has set up a petition as a way to encourage Floyd County officials to follow through with the trial, "We started the petition because we want the county to know that there is a lot of people in support of the animal cruelty laws," explained Jacobs.

On Monday, the Hesperian-Beacon tried to contact Floyd County officials but we were told that attorneys had advised against any comments to the press until more details are known.

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Representatives from AeroCare will be at the Town Hall Meeting Tuesday, **November 1st at 7:30 pm** at Floydada City Hall to present

ent the membership program, answer questions, and accept enrollments. Refreshments will be provided.

Lockney City Council meets for October agenda

By Homer Marquez

Lockney City Council members met recently to discuss items on their October agenda; items discussed at this meeting would include the possibility of hiring an additional police officer and the possibility of allowing a new internet provider to put up an antenna in the city.

Opening up the meeting, after unanimously voting to approve the consent agenda, council members gave the floor to Richard Garner for a proposal from his company ERF Internet Service. In his presentation Mr. Garner explained that is his company, ERF Internet,

wanted to provide the city of Lockney with a new option in internet service providers. Based out of Houston, ERF provides broadband internet to a number of locations in Texas; including Lubbock and Midland. Currently, ERF Internet has been available in some rural areas of Floyd County; however those signals were not strong enough to carry over into the city. In Mr. Garner's presentation, ERF was asking the City if the company would be allowed to install an antenna on the water tower above the police station. The addition of the new antenna would allow

a strong enough signal to be beamed into the homes of Lockney subscribers. Council members did like the idea of allowing a new competing internet provider into the city, but members did tell Mr. Garner that the police tower needed to be inspected first, so it would be beneficial if they picked another spot for the antenna; Mr. Garner expressed that this would be no problem. Council members would unanimously vote to enter an **LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL** continued on page 12

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agreement with ERF Internet as long as contract conditions were feasible to the City.

The next item on the agenda would be a discussion on a previous property and water bill arrangement with the Delta and Pineland Company; however company representative, Jack Randolph, was not in attendance and the original contract had not yet been found, so the item was tabled until the next meeting.

Following that motion, Council members discussed the possibility of hiring a new police officer for the city of Lockney. Police Chief Casey Wallace expressed that it made no difference to him whether or not the City chose to hire an additional officer, but the Chief did request that if the City chose to hire a new officer that the City raise the starting pay from \$25,000 to \$28,000 to attract better officers. To get a better perspective on the decision, Mayor Stapp appointed a special sub-committee to gather more information and to also meet with Chief Wallace on

the subject; a decision was postponed.

Next on the agenda, the Council voted to allow LISD to add stop signs on the 400 block of West Willow Street. The stop signs will be located in-between the JR High and the new gym, 168 feet in from Southwest Fourth Street for westbound traffic and 60 feet in from Southwest Fifth Street for eastbound traffic; between the stop signs will be a crosswalk.

Following that decision, the Council unanimously voted to amend their personal policy on tenure and vacation for Charlotte Hooten; this action would allow Mrs. Hooten to combine her time working for the City so she could get the policy's scheduled vacation time. The City would also vote to compensate Abel Luna for his firefighter position with the City of Lockney.

Closing out the meeting, the City allowed Joe Castro a variance for a carport as long as he followed city ordinances and the Council accepted a bid for their 1994 GMC pickup.



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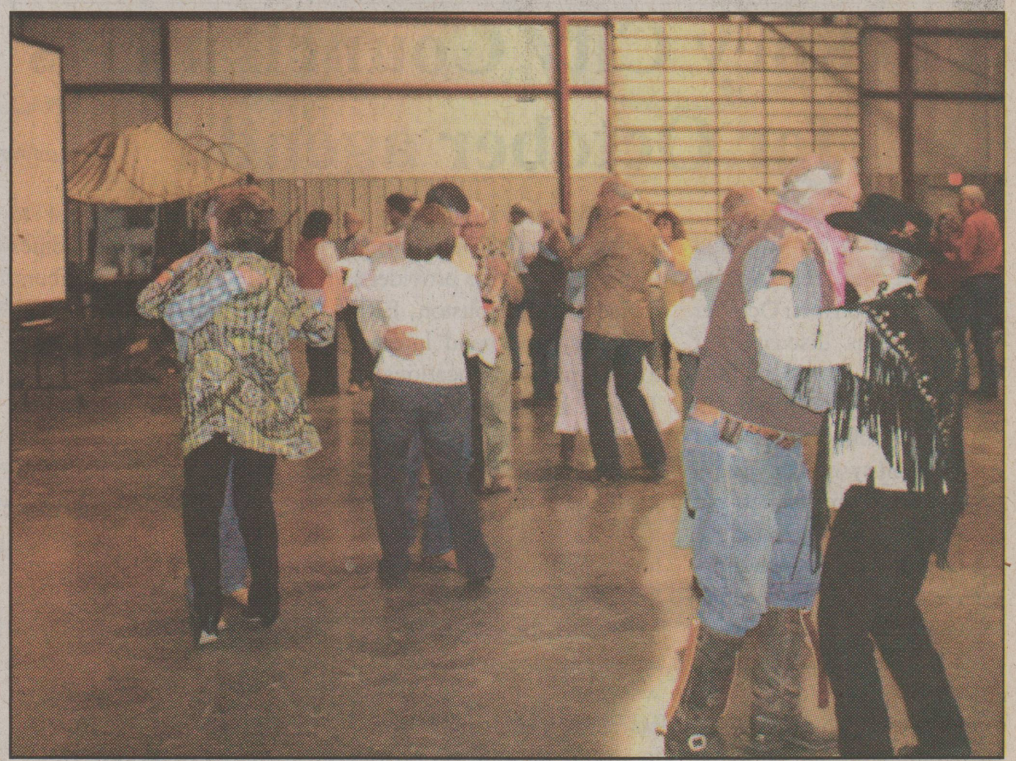
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