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## Floyd County Grand Jury Returns 18 Indictments

A Floyd County grand jury returned 18 indictments on November 10, 2011 and is a state jail felony. Victor Tamayo, 18, of Floydada was indicted for unlawful restraint. The offense occurred on September 3, 2011 and is a state jail felony. Tony Perez, 44, of Plainview was indicted for burglary of a building. The offense occurred January 15, 2011 and is a state jail felony. Criselda Mata, 42, of Plainview was indicted for burglary of a building. The offense occurred January 15, 2011. It is a state jail felony. Michael Harriss, 33, of

Among those indicted were Gilbert Garza, 52, of Floydada, for failure to register as a Sex Offender. The offenses occurred on July 25, 2010 and August 30, 2011 and are a third degree felony. Keith Deshone Ledbetter, 30, of Floydada was indicted for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. The offenses occurred on May 20, 2011, May 24, 2011 and June 1, 2011. It is a state jail felony. Christopher Rushing, 26, of Floydada was indicted for evading arrest with a vehicle. The offense occurred June

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## Welcoming Game Warden Kyle Nevins



By Homer Marquez  
 Floyd County is pleased to welcome the county's newest game warden, Officer Kyle Nevins. Stepping in after the departure of former Floyd County Game Warden Mark Collins, Officer Nevins has now served the last four months as the Game Warden of Floyd and Hale Counties. Although born and raised in Sweetwater, Officer Nevins graduated in 2005 from Roscoe Texas where his mom, Debbie Nevins was a school teacher. Nevins' father, Ken, who grew up in Tulia, worked for 29 years as a Game Warden in Denton County and then in Nolan County.

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## Tuesday morning armed robbery leads to arrest

By Homer Marquez

A suspect is in custody after the Allsup's Convenience Store in Floydada was held up at gun-point early Tuesday morning. Seventeen year-old, Ben Alvarez was apprehended at 6:45 a.m in connection to the robbery after clues lead authorities

to his home.

The Floydada Police Department, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, Justice of the Peace Tali Jackson, and District Attorney Becky McPherson were hard at work this morning after responding to an armed robbery call from the convenience store.

According to authorities, at 2 a.m, the suspect first attempted to burglarize a shop in downtown Floydada. After a security alarm scared him off, the suspect then headed to Allsup's, where he robbed the cashier with a handgun. The suspect fled the scene with an undetermined amount of money.

Evidence found at both crime scenes would eventually lead authorities to the home of Alvarez. A search and arrest warrant was issued and authorities moved in for the arrest at 6:45 a.m; according to authorities, evidence inside the home linked Alvarez to the crime.

## Alpha-Tex denied jury trial

By Homer Marquez

Floyd County Justice of the Peace, Tali Jackson, has released an order to rescind the granting of a jury trial for the Alpha-Tex kennels case. After being hired on Monday to act as Floyd County's Attorney Pro-Tem after Floyd County Attorney, Lex Herrington, recused himself from the Alpha-Tex trial; Attorney Pro-Tem Don Feare requested this week that

Justice of the Peace rescind the order she made during the Alpha-Tex hearing on Oct. 13. The order would allow the Alpha-Tex case to be brought in front of a jury. Attorney Don Feare stated in his request that preexisting Texas legal statutes clearly mandated that a jury trial was not available in the civil animal seizure based in the Texas Health and Safety Code provisions.

On Wednesday, Feare, who is now representing the State in the case, made a motion for Justice Jackson to reconsider her decision to allow a jury trial. After examining the preexisting provisions and past court cases presented by Feare, the Court agreed that a jury trial was not appropriate and Justice Jackson moved to rescind the order to allow a jury trial. A hearing date has

been set for Thursday, Nov. 17 at 9 a.m. Attorney Feare explained in his motion that a jury trial could not be attached to this case, "It has been argued that the right to a jury trial is inviolate," explained Feare in his motion, "to some degree and in certain cases, that is a valid argument. However,

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Photos by Cynthia Smith and Homer Marquez

On Veteran's Day, Floydada and Lockney Schools showed their gratitude to Floyd County Veterans with several special programs in their honor. (Top) In Floydada, the Student Council held a special presentation for the veterans at the gym where they showed their appreciation with songs, tributes, and a meet and greet afterwards. Following the ceremony, veterans and students met at Floyd County Veteran's Memorial in Floydada for a retiring of the Colors and the wreath ceremony. (Bottom) In Lockney, the Elementary held a luncheon for Veterans and honored them with a patriotic assembly.

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## Santa coming to Floydada

**By Paulette Robison**  
The Floydada Chamber of Commerce would like to invite you to join them for Christmas on the Square, Thursday, December 8th, from 5 p.m. -8 p.m. Please make plans to attend the festivities, as we get ready to celebrate the Christmas season.  
The Live Nativity will serve as a reminder of the Reason for the Season, as local residents portray the events surrounding Christ's birth.  
Your senses will be in for a treat. Get in the Christmas mood as you listen to the sounds of the season, by local musicians, at the pavilion.

Savor the taste and smell of the holidays, as the service organizations provide refreshments for the evening.  
Come see Santa and have your picture made with him for \$1.00. Look for the "Sleigh" as Santa makes his entrance at 5:30. Feel the excitement in the air as the Community Christmas tree is lit. If you have an ornament you would like to donate for the tree, please bring your decoration and we will get it on the tree.  
Ride the train and play on the Bouncy House. Lots of fun for all the good little boys and girls, and the big boys and girls too!

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

**By Renee Armstrong**  
Hello from the Lockney Senior Citizens Center. There is not much going on here at the center this week.  
Dorothy Stapp had bypass surgery last week and I hear that she is doing well but still in ICU. Please keep her and her Family in your prayers.  
The center will be closed on Thursday and Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Please call the center by 9:30 on the mornings that you wish to eat. This helps in making sure enough food is prepared. Hope you all have a great Thanksgiving holiday.

**Menu**  
**November 21-23**  
**Monday-** Chicken Fried Steak  
**Tuesday-** Mexican Stack  
**Wednesday-** Chicken and Dumplings

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## Thanks For Giving...Soldier Packages Mailed



**By Linda Matsler**  
The community of Floydada and friends and members of First United Methodist Church once again mailed packages this past week to soldiers stationed in Afghanistan. This is the fourth year FUMC has sponsored this project! One hundred twelve packages were mailed on Monday, November 7.

Snack foods, tee shirts, toilet articles, DVD's, soup and cocoa mixes, packs of cards, puzzle books, etc., as well as many personal cards, were included in the packages.  
Sixth grade students at Duncan Elementary and Wacky Wednesday kids at FUMC made pictures and cards to express their appreciation to the service men and wom-

en. Floydada High School National Honor Society members assisted in packing the boxes.  
Thanks to all who donated time, money, items to fill the boxes, and to those who prayed for this project. Contributions in the amount of \$ 1,765.63 were received to aid in mailing costs and filling the boxes.

## 60th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Reeves will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on November 17, 2011. Reeves and the former Peggy Janelle Hays of Plainview married in Plainview on November 17, 1951. After their marriage they lived in Corpus Christi, Kingsville, and Lubbock before returning to farm in

Floyd and Briscoe counties. Reeves served in the Korean War from 1951 to 1954. They are members of First Baptist Church of Silverton. Their children are Kerry and Karen Reeves of Idabel, Oklahoma, Jean Reeves of Petersburg, Janette Reeves of Lubbock, and Mark Reeves, who died in 1989. They have four

grandchildren, Kellas and Rhonda Reeves of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Kristy and Lamar Schmidt of Mustang, Oklahoma, Kacie and Phillip Braddy of Yukon, Oklahoma, and Cally Reeves of Lubbock. They have six great-grandchildren, Malachi and Chloe Reeves, Brayden and Kayla Schmidt, and Kylie and Haley Braddy.

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FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

Nov. 21 - Nov. 23

**Monday**  
Ham, au gratin potatoes, carrots, rice crispy bars

**Tuesday**  
Chili, pinto beans, cornbread, fruit

**Wednesday**  
Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, corn, roll, cake

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# FROM THE ARCHIVES

From the Lockney Beacon  
April 2, 1978

## RACE TRACK ENTHUSIAST JACKSON IS STOCKMAN, FARMER

By Felicia Applewhite

When you talk to Floyd Jackson, you talk horses. Specifically, you talk Hot Idea. It's not news anymore that Floyd's and Ted Bruce's quarter horse, Hot Idea, won the \$330,000 All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs in 1977. Hot Idea has also been selected as Champion Quarter Running Two-Year Old Filly for 1977 by the American Quarter Horse Association. All of this publicity makes Hot Idea a very stimulating subject for conversation.

Floyd will say, "All my life I have been interested in horses."

This may be the reason he understands Hot Idea's nature so well.

He will tell you, "She has a terrible disposition," but when he says it, his tone is tinged with an owner's pride. He will also, add right fast in order for you not to be misled, "She is just as gentle as can be. It's just that she has so much life, she has to do something."

"When you catch her, and put a saddle on her and get her out on the track, she wants to run. She loves it," he adds.

"One man always has to hold her when they work with her and they work with her all the time. When they wash and rub her, she kicks and bites," he throws in these additional words about her to be sure you get the whole picture.

Hot Idea's most recent title as World Champion Two-Year-Old Filly was the result of votes cast all over the United States. The owners were notified through the Amarillo Quarter Horse Association.

She is not the first horse that Jackson and Bruce have owned.

"Ted and I had Jet Away Deck. He was the son of Jet Deck. Jet Away was a good horse, but we had bad luck with him. He broke his neck on a leader, after we sold him," Floyd says.

They were at a sale when they saw Hot Idea. When she came through, the trainer nodded his head for them to buy her. She was a "little thing—pretty small." They looked again—"she was not very big." She was born with a crooked leg.

"We knew her breeding, but we were not too impressed because of her size. The trainer was quite impressed and explained why he was impressed by simply saying, 'I could just see something.' That was the way we bought her," Floyd explains.

The average price of the colts that went through was \$8,800. Floyd and Ted paid \$4,000 for Hot Idea. Over 400 sold at the sale. She was named by Ed Baker, her breeder, who received \$7,500 breeder's fee as a result as Hot Idea's winning the American Futurity at Ruidoso. Also, Lynn Pevler received \$10,000 nomination award for having nominated Hot Idea as a colt.

We went to Oklahoma City to a sale after Hot Idea ran. We saw her 14-year-old grandmother sell at that sale for \$96,000. Hot Idea's sister, one year younger than Hot Idea, sold for \$20,000. In order to enter the Ruidoso All-American Futurity, it was not only necessary to nominate Hot Idea when she was a colt but to nominate her every few months afterward. The nomination is nothing more than paying a fee to guarantee the entry of a horse in the races.

There is an option in nomination payments. It is possible for an owner to pay \$2,000 when the colt is a year old.

At Ruidoso this year, some owners paid \$15,000 late fee.

There were 13,000 nominations for All American Futurity this year. The colts were eliminated down to 244 head. Further elimination took place at Ruidoso on the final day. In the first trial, Hot

Idea won by three lengths.

The only worry the owners had about her race was that "she might get into trouble at the gates." Sometimes the excitement at the gates will cause one to run into another one or into a gate.

"I felt pretty confident that she would win. I didn't think that there was anything out there that could out run her," Floyd says.

A mare came out next in the race with a triple A time.

"We will probably run her one more year. This year, she will run Derby as a three-year-old. If she should run a pretty good race in Ruidoso, we hope she will be invited to run in Champion of Champions race."

Floyd Jackson was a farmer before he was a race horse owner, and he still is a farmer; the racing had not interfered. He grew up on a farm.

His parents moved here from Fannin County to McCoy about 20 miles south of Lockney in 1916. Floyd was born one year later, October 13, 1917.

"They named me Floyd, namesake of Floyd County. They could have named me that because they had run out of names; there were 14 children in our family. My parents came here because Johnson Grass was taking the country in Fannin County. Mama and Papa came on the train with some of my brothers and sisters. Dwight 13, Guy 11, and Ima Nell about 8 years old and Guy's dog came in a model T. Doc Peck followed behind them. They started about the same time as Mama and Papa but arrived a week later. They say Mama packed the floor looking for them, he recalls.

It was a well-improved place the Jackson family came to in Floyd County.

There was a large two-story house and a 49-acre orchard. They bought the place which was a section of land at \$30.00 an acre.

"We had every kind of fruit that you could imagine: peaches, apples, grapes, plums—all kinds of fruit.

"We had lots of apple fights when kids came to visit. The fruit trees gave us a place of protection from the flying apples because we could dodge behind them," he says.

Once when Floyd's father went back to Fannin County to visit, he came back to report, "There has not been a nail driven in that country since I left there."

"Dad wasn't too well satisfied with this country at first. It was too dry. He came with the intention of raising cattle. We had a drought in 1916 and 1917. He kept the cattle a year or so and fed them. Finally, he sold them for a loss. He farmed with mules. When he died in 1928, he had never owned a tractor.

Like everybody else, they raised cotton, maize and wheat.

"Dad did all the stacking. I was the scratcher. The scratcher scratched the side of a stack with a pitchfork to pull down loose stalks and fodder.

This made it possible for the stack to shed rain. The scratcher also cleaned up around the stacks. I was also water boy. Sometimes, I would get slow about getting back with the water, I was eaten out.

"One time we were stacking, and I was scratching. Mama was setting the table when I went in. I was the first one there. I laid my head on the table and went to sleep and missed my supper. I was six or seven years old. Mama got after Papa for working me too hard. That pleased me," he remembers.

Floyd started to school at McCoy. When he began, it was at the last of the school term. The teacher put him at a desk between two of his sisters.

He was so consistently late to school each day that the others in school would giggle when they saw him coming and say, "Here he comes."

"I never really had my mind on school. I was the youngest boy in our family with two younger sisters."

Boys wore short britches until they were 15 or

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# Floyd County Church Directory

## AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Dennis Butler, Pastor  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
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## BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

810 S. 3rd, Floydada  
Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
983-5278  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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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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Morning Worship ....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.  
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## 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.  
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## CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

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

Carl Moman, Pastor  
Chad Cook, Youth Min.  
Phil Cotham, Music Min..  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ....10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday (Youth)....7:15 pm  
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## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor  
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

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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Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.  
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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
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Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m.  
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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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## POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor  
704 N. Main, Lockney  
Sunday Services.....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.  
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## PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney  
Jesus Caballero, Pastor  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship .....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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## 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. Evening .....7:00 p.m.  
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## SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lockney  
Jim McCartney, Pastor  
Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
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## SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Joe Weldon, Pastor  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ....11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## 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.  
EveningService.....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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## ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Floydada  
Rev. Angelo Consemimo  
Phone: 983-5878  
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.  
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.  
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## TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney  
Rev. Joe Hernandez  
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School .....9:45 p.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m.  
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## TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St.  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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## TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA

Rev. Herman Martinez  
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday .....7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.  
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## TRINITY ASSEMBLY

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

Providence Community  
on FM 2301 293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
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### THIS WEEK'S

**SALVATION ARMY JACKET DONATIONS**  
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# Whirlwind News



## Floydada High School Honors Floyd County Veterans



By: Journalism Staff

Along with the passing of the anniversary marking ten years since the tragic terrorist attack at the World Trade Centers, so shall another important date come and go. Last Friday was the Veterans' Day Assembly, celebrating all of the veterans who have served or are still serving the country. The National Honor Society and Student Council students hosted the assembly. The organizations' sponsors and a couple veterans were interviewed prior to and on Friday.

"The Veterans' Day Assembly really started with 9-11. After that year, we were really aware that it was something that needed to be done," said Student Council sponsor, Mrs. Willson.

After the terrorist attack a decade ago, a day celebrating all those who have served our country means so much more.

"It means that we're free to do as we please, come and go,

worship as we want and do whatever comes to mind," described Steve Hendrix.

When people feel that way about Veterans' Day, it's hard not to be exuberant, especially when it's a day celebrating heroes.

"I believe the veterans are really thrilled about it," Mrs. Willson responded. "I think most veterans feel forgotten by younger generations. By having this assembly with high school students, they really understand they're not forgotten."

The veterans never fail to show their gratitude to NHS and the Student Council.

"We get notes back from the veterans and their family members telling us how much they appreciate it," said NHS sponsor, Ms. Crossland. "Everyone that comes in the door gives a hug and they just tell us how nice it is."

Since the tradition of having a Veterans' Day Assembly, the presentation isn't the only thing that the veterans enjoy.

"You can just see the light in their eyes when they see the students," Ms. Crossland said. "It just means so much to these older people; it doesn't matter their age, just any adult and they just love to see children involved in things."

Not only are the veterans and their families excited for the assembly each year, but the whole high school is, too.

"I have never had a year when students were not excited to be a part of the assembly. Not

only Student Council students, but students of the school are also very well behaved," stated Mrs. Willson.

Mrs. Willson isn't the only person who has noticed how polished the whole event always is.

"It's an honor to these men and women who have served and y'all do a good job as a high school," complimented veteran, Bill Glass.

Each year, the NHS and Student Council work hard before, during, and after the assembly

to make it as nice as possible.

"The NHS students act as greeters at the door and also help with valet parking," explained Ms. Crossland. "We'll help them out of their cars and then go park it in the parking lot."

Student Council members handle all of the speaking during the honorary event.

"Imelda Reséndiz will do the opening, followed by the presentation of the wreath by Malorie Alaniz. Sarah Jo Miller will announce a moment of silence before the naming of local veterans by Hunter Galvan, Joseph DeOchoa, Hector Rodriguez, and Taylor Orr. Jordan Woody will lead the invocation and Imelda will close the ceremony."

If anyone knows of any veterans or people serving from Floyd County, please contact Mrs. Willson at FHS so they may be recognized for their hard work in next year's assembly.

## Being Born in 1996 Creates Opportunities

By Homero Ramirez-Staff Writer

The I was Born in 1996 Scholarship is being offered to students needing financial help for college. Students must be legal residents of the fifty United States and plan to enroll in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education no later than the fall of 2016. Candidates must

submit an online, short written response (250 words or less) to: "You were born in 1996. Tell us what will be going on in your life in 2026." For more information regarding this and other scholarships visit the websites below. <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htm#1996> <http://www.militaryvaloo.com/disability-scholarships.html>

### Upcoming Events for Floydada ISD

By: Emily Hall-Staff Writer

- November 17: Jr. High Thanksgiving Meal, 12:15-1:15 pm  
Jr. High One Act Play for Public at 6 pm in High School Auditorium
- November 18: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Brownfield Here, 5:00/6:30 pm  
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Brownfield Here, 5:00/8:00 pm  
High School Thanksgiving Meal, 12:40-1:15 pm
- November 19: Area 1 FFA LDE Contest  
JH UIL OPA Contest at Friona  
Fall Fandango at Texas Tech University  
7/8/9 Girls Basketball tournament at Roosevelt
- Nov. 21: 7/8 Girls Basketball VS Abernathy Here, 5:00/6:00pm  
7/8 Boys Basketball VS Abernathy There, 5:00/6:00 pm
- Nov. 22: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Slaton Here, 5:00/6:30 pm  
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Slaton Here, 5:00/8:00 pm
- Nov. 23: 12:00 Dismissal
- Nov. 24-25: No School, Thanksgiving Holidays
- Nov. 28: No School  
7/8/9 Girls Basketball VS Littlefield There, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm  
7/8/9 Boys Basketball VS Littlefield Here, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
- Nov. 29: Basketball Open Day



## Staff's Corner



By: Cynthia Smith-Editor  
"On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free."

- Dan Lipinski

On November, 11, 2011 we proudly celebrated our veterans who have bravely put their lives on the line to make sure

that you and I can live freely. Not only does that make me proud, but it also gives me a sense of security each and every morning that I awake. Can you imagine going to work everyday knowing that it was your job to learn the skills needed to protect your country? That's a lot of responsibility for any one individual. Yet, thousands of men and women have devoted and some have even given their lives to guard the lives of others knowing that they are not only keeping their own families out of harm's way, but they are also keeping the families of the others safe as well. This week's staff's corner has a special dedication. I would like to express my gratitude to my own brother who has humbly served his country for almost twenty years now. In my eyes, my brother is the epitome of an honorable man. He takes pride in the job he does, and he knows that in order to get to where he is going in life, he

must never forget from where he came. I can remember the times he would surprise my family and me during Christmas, as he would save up his "leave time" to come home from duty just to be with us. Of all the presents that I could have received, nothing was better than seeing my mom's face light up when he walked through the door. He now has his own family and even to this day when he walks through the door of his own home, his daughters' faces light up at the sight of their daddy coming home. As I close I would like to say to my brother: Terry, thank you for being the brother that you are to me. You have taught me discipline, bravery, and most of all, you have encouraged me to reach my goals in life because you've shown me that the opportunities are limitless; and because of this, I can say that I am proud to be a sister of one of "the few, the proud, the Marines." Until next time...

Support your school!

### Student Profile

By: Sarah Jo-Staff Writer

Along with attaching another name to the list of new students at High School, freshman Chelsea Byrd is also adding her smarts to her classes and speed to her sports. I'd love to introduce you to Chelsea.

**Sarah Jo: Were you named after anyone?**

Chelsea: Bill Clinton's daughter

**Sarah Jo: Where did you move from?**

Chelsea: Lubbock

**Sarah Jo: Do you have any brothers or sisters?**

Chelsea: A sister named Brandy Byrd

**Sarah Jo: If you could be any famous person who would it be?**

Chelsea: A movie star or a professional track athlete

**Sarah Jo: What is your favorite hobby?**

Chelsea: Track

**Sarah Jo: What quality about yourself do you like most?**

Chelsea: My speed

**Sarah Jo: Are you involved in any school extracurricular activities?**

Chelsea: Track and powerlifting



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# Longhorn News

## Veterans day luncheon



Photo by Connie Barnett

Last Friday on Veteran's Day, Lockney's Elementary held a special luncheon in honor of Floyd County's proud Veterans. Students had an opportunity to eat and visit with these American heroes; (top left) Singer Lyndee Setliff opened the luncheon with a rendition of "America the Beautiful"

### Courtesy Photo

During Lockney Elementary's recent trip to Austin, fifth grader Joshua Pena (above) got an opportunity to visit the Texas Peace Officer Memorial where his uncle, Kellie Pena, has his name engraved. Kellie passed away a little over a year from complications after an attack while he was working as a guard at the Neil Unit Prison; Kellie was 34. On April 29, Kellie Pena was inducted into the Peace Officer Memorial. According to Joshua's father, J.C. Pena,



Kellie was very close to all his kids. Kellie graduated from Lockney in 1994 and

graduated from Wayland in 1999 with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

### Junior high students tryout for honor band



Levi Kasner

Junior High Honor Band tryouts were held last Saturday at Lubbock-Cooper Middle School. Bands from Class A, Class AA and Class AAA schools were auditioning for places in this Band. This was a very competitive audition with over 300 students participating. Levi Kasner earned a chair in the 2011-12 Honor Band. His competition was students from much larger

schools. B.J. Jimenez missed making the Band by one chair. Also auditioning from Lockney were Scott Lass, Luke Kasner and Jonathan Rodriguez. The Jr. High Honor Band will present a concert on January 28th at the Lubbock Civic Center. Levi is the first Lockney JH Band member to earn a spot in the Honor Band.

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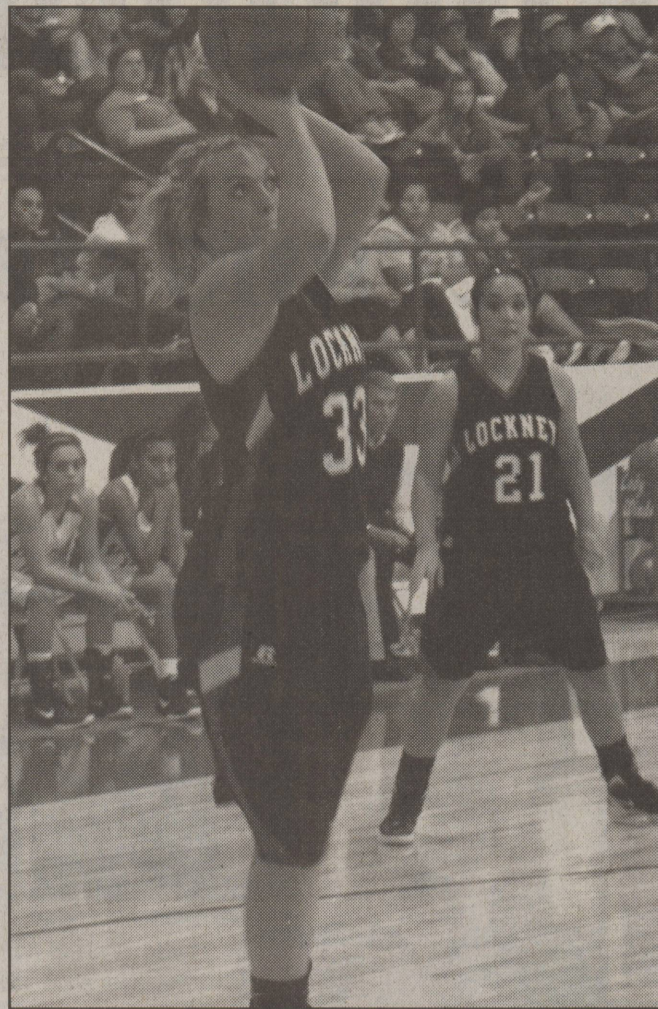
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# Lady Horns off to a great start after two big wins last week

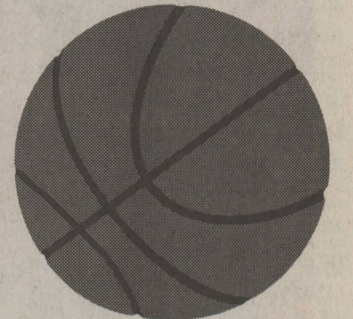


Photos by Homer Marquez

The Lady Horns are off on the right foot after two big wins last week; pictured above are Lady Horns Ivette Davilla (21), and Meagan Dunn (33). Also pictured is JV Lady Horn Kennedy Hallmark; the JV girls would fall to Floydada 48-22 in their last game.



The rivalry didn't disappoint fans and the Lady Horn and the Lady Winds battle on the court this past Tuesday. After a hard hitting game, the Lady Horns grab the win by a score of 57-40. The Lockney Ladies would lead the entire game as the cruised past the Wind's; top scores for the Lady Horns were Tanae Ramos with 14 points, Anissa Reyna with 14 points, and SyAnn Foster with 9 points. On Saturday, the Ladies continued their winning ways with a heavy 82-38 win over Petersburg.



**Little Longhorns:** Anahi Ascencio, Sebastian Perez, Tabitha Hernandez, Bryson Walker, Korleigh Webb, Christina Sanchez, Ariel Alvarado, Alyssa Casillas, Clare Smith, Anson Rendon, Dahlen Silva.

## Lockney 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys beat Jackrabbits

By Coach Ragland

The Lockney 8th grade boy's basketball started off their new season Monday night against the Ralls Jackrabbits in Lockney. The team scored early and often defeating the Jackrabbits by the score of 52-29. Lockney was led in scoring by Daylon Gatica who scored 14 followed by Ruben Ascencio with 12, Derrik Patel with 11, Levi

Kasner with 7, Josh Cruz and Justin Suarez finished out the scoring with 4 points each. The Longhorns will travel to Smyer on Saturday for a Tournament where they once again will play the first game against Ralls and the second game will either be against Smyer or Hale Center. They return home next Monday to host Lubbock Harmony.

## SPC to offer basic computer class in Post in late November

South Plains College will offer a Basic Computer Skills course in late November. The class will include an introduction to computer hardware, software and daily computer use.

The cost is \$30 per student. The class will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. at Post Middle School Computer Lab.

The class dates are Nov. 29, Dec. 1, Dec. 6 and Dec. 8.

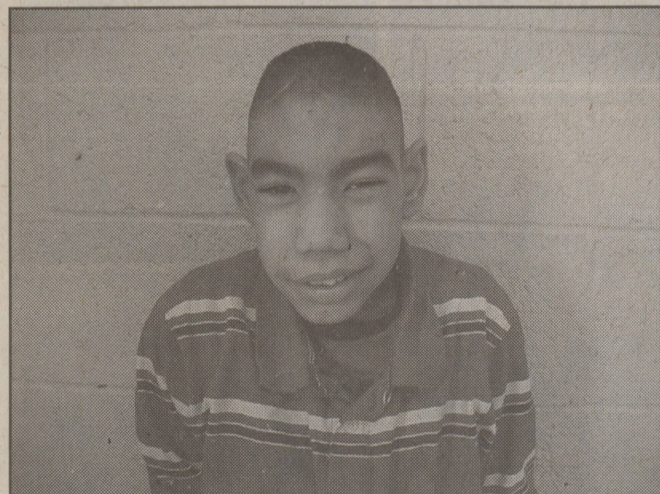
Carol Hester will be the instructor.

To register for the course, contact Kasey Reyes at (806) 716-2341 or on-site registration will be conducted on the first night of class. Pre-registration is encouraged.

At the end of the course,

participants should be able to identify the components of a computer system, demonstrate basic operating system functions and install as well as use common applications.

For more information, contact Ron Spears, Associate Dean of Dual Credit, at (806) 716-2504.



Courtesy Photo

Angel Felan, a 5<sup>th</sup> grader at Lockney Elementary, participated in the South Plains Area Bowling Competition for Special Olympics Texas on November 5, 2011. He earned a silver medal in his division. Angel is on Blue Thunder Special Olympics team and the child of Maria Segovia.

### Lockney School Lunch Menu

November 21-22

Monday

**Breakfast**-Mini Corndogs and Syrup or Cereal, toast, juice, milk

**Lunch**- Chicken Nuggets or Steak Fingers, potatoes, mixed vegetables, peaches, roll, milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast**-Sausage Biscuit or Cereal, toast, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Cheese Enchiladas or Grilled Cheese, refried beans, salad, applesauce, milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast**-Banana Bread or Cereal, toast, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Corn dog or Burrito, salad, apple slices, milk

Thursday

**Breakfast**-Holiday

**Lunch**- Holiday

Friday

**Breakfast**- Holiday

**Lunch**-Holiday

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

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## Floyd County Soil and Water Conservation District now accepting applications

The Floyd County Soil and Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for Water Quality Management Plans. Applications may be made at the USDA Building in the NRCS office.

The deadline to apply is 4:30 p.m., December 12, 2011. The applications will be prioritized and chosen in a drawing to be held December 13, 2011, at the regularly scheduled board meeting. Applicants are invited to attend the meeting. Please call the NRCS, 983-2352, ext. 3, with any questions.

The priorities for cost sharing are as follows:

- \* High - Replace leaking pipeline/Chemigation with system
  - \* Medium - Pivot Conversations/Converting cropland to pasture/Fencing
  - \* Low - Drip irrigation/Full circle pivots
- The maximum cost share rate is 50%.  
The cost share limit per WQMP is \$10,000.  
The completion date policy for cost share practices will be 12 months from cost share approval date.



## The Paperboy

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

I saw a story on the news Monday about a 68-year-old man with heart failure. He was a study subject for stem cell treatment for his heart.

Near death and weak, stem cells were injected directly into his heart.

Two years later, he is a new man. He can run, climb stairs, and do just about anything else he wants. His heart muscle has improved by 60 percent and he is healthy.

I was completely blown away by the results. This man did not have two years to live

when he received the injections. Heck, I bet he didn't have two months left.

The story went on to inform the viewer of the future of stem cell treatment on a variety of diseases including cancer. It was pretty incredible stuff.

Without going into the repercussions of such treatments should they be able to cure people, it's obvious it would dramatically change our world.

If people can be cured of cancer, heart failure, Alzheimer's, etc., people will live much, much longer. If the average life expectancy grows to 100, or 125, think about the challenges and opportunities that creates.

Unfortunately, it is not easy to get such treatment at this time. You have to be near death or very wealthy to benefit. There is also plenty of research to do. And, to be honest, probably too much money to be made in the short term to move quickly.

My son asked me the other day how long I was going to live. I told him to as long as God lets me. Well that wasn't enough information for him.

I went on to explain if that or that happens and so on. I wound up telling him if everything went well (no accidents,

etc.), I'd be doing pretty good if I lived to 85.

Then he asked me how long he would live if things went well. I told him people of his generation could live to be in their 100s.

Such things are not easy for children to comprehend. They are not easy for me to understand either.

Age is a funny thing. We weren't meant to live forever, but most of us aren't ready to go or let go of those we love.

Humans have used science and we are living much longer. One thousand years ago, you were doing well to make it to 20. Two hundred years ago, 40 was getting on up there. And 50 years ago, 70 was pretty old. Today, we hear about and even know people in their 100s. Times change.

The reality of life is that we don't know what's in store for us. Just consider each day a blessing and be thankful for another day to love and be loved.

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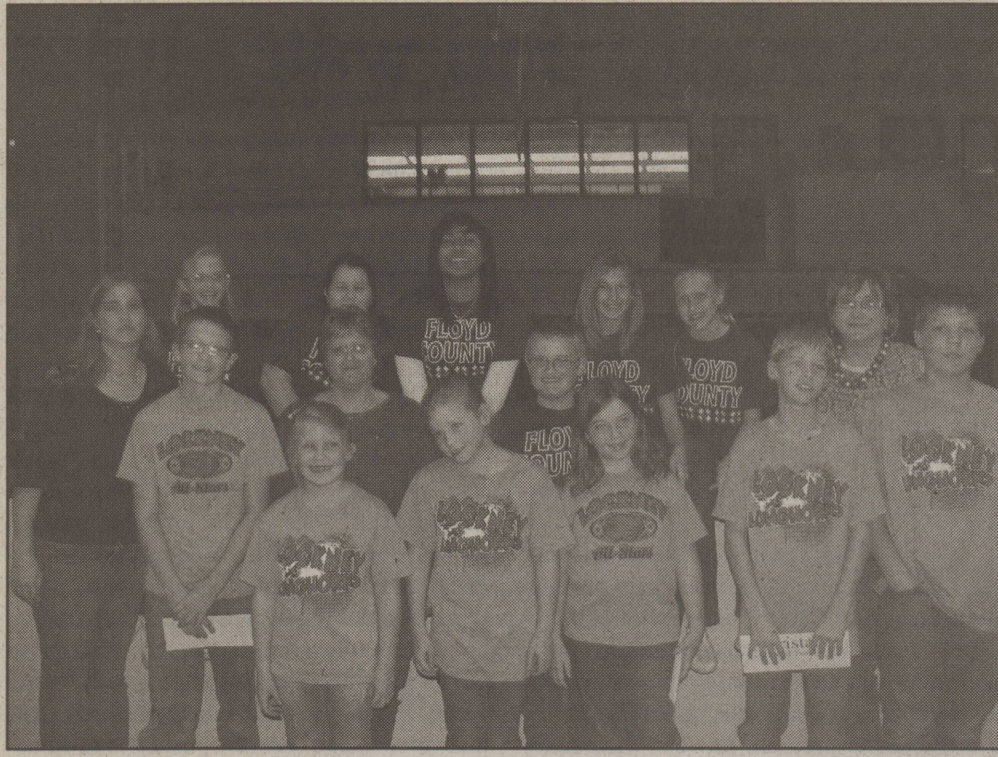
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Floyd County 4-Hers participated in the District 5-H Food Show and Nutrition Quiz Bowl on Saturday, November 8, at Levelland High School. Participants in Food Show included, Tasha Schlueter, Catharine Kemp and Rita Martinez. Nutrition Quiz Bowl participants and leaders were (front row, l-r) Audrey Rexrode, Tasha Schlueter, Lyndee Setliff, Tristan Schlueter and Austen Rexrode; (middle row) Cynthia Schlueter, Trip Fortenberry, Kristie Carroll, Luke Carroll; (back row l-r) Lauryn Carroll, Catharine Kemp, Rita Martinez, Kortney Campbell, Kylie Ricketts and Sammie Setliff. The team of Catharine Kemp, Kortney Campbell and Kylie Ricketts placed third out of fifteen teams and were coached by Kristie Carroll.

### FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

**Lunch Menu for  
November 17 – November 18**

**Thursday - Thanksgiving Dinner for Jr. High**  
Turkey, dressing with gravy, green beans, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, hot rolls.

**Friday - Thanksgiving Dinner for High School**  
Turkey, dressing with gravy, green beans, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, hot rolls.

**NOVEMBER 21 – NOVEMBER 23  
Monday**

**Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast, jelly or**

cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk  
**Lunch- Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches, milk**

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk**  
**Lunch-Pigs in blanket, corn, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk**

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast-Pancake & sausage on a stick or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk**  
**Lunch-Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, fancy gelatin, milk**

**Thursday  
HOLIDAY**  
**Friday  
HOLIDAY**

## Floydada ISD Board Discusses Local Policies, Reviews Audit Report

By Sara Sisemore  
Correspondent

The Floydada Independent School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on Nov. 10, 2011, to discuss LOCAL Policies and review the audit report performed by Robison, Johnson, and Patton.

After considering possible action on Policy Update 91, affecting LOCAL Policies, board member John Woelfel made the motion to "add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as recommended by the TASB Policy Service and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 91 with the following changes: In FO (LOCAL), 'Corporal punishment shall be administered by an employee who is the same sex as the student if an employee of the same sex is available.'" Board member Charles Tyer seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Board member Marty Lucke made the motion after consideration on Local District Updates, affecting LOCAL Policies, to approve changes to DED (LOCAL) policy to state "vacation days shall be forfeited if not taken prior to the end of the 2nd semester." Tyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The approval of EIA Local Policy as proposed by TASB was postponed indefinitely and the board unanimously approved board member Freddie Morren's motion that Policy EIAB (Local) be rescinded because its provisions would be more appropriately addressed in the district's grading guidelines in the student handbook.

A representative from Robison, Johnson, and Patton was present to review the audit report with the board. Morren made the motion to approve the audit report; the vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the current tax report which showed M&O Current Tax Roll at \$2,755,720.26 with net collections of \$1,755,457.81, and I&S Tax Roll at \$298,086.51 with net collections of \$185,219.78. This makes for 63.7 percent of the current roll collected compared to last year's 34.5 percent.

After a presentation by Superintendent Gilbert Trevino, Lucke made the motion to accept the district and campus improvement plans as presented. The board unanimously approved the plans.

The board unanimously approved the minutes from their Oct. 11, 2011 regular board meeting and approved payment of the October 2011 bills.

In other business, the board received Superintendent Trevino's presentation of the district's Highly Qualified Teacher Report and set a date for a public meeting for AEIS and Annual Performance Report for January 12, 2012 at 6:30p.m.

### SANTA LETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for children's Santa letters is December 5th.

All letters must be turned in to the Lockney or Floydada office no later than Monday December 5th. If your child's class does not do Santa letters, you may bring the letter to the newspaper and we will make sure Santa receives them.

## Lady Winds Begin Season Against Lockney and Caprock

By Coach Styles

The Lady Winds opened up the 2011-2012 basketball season at home against Lockney.

Floydada got off to a slow start and were playing catch up the entire game. Lockney led 12-4, 26-11, 43-27, and 57-40 was the final score.

Avery Miller led all scorers with 17. Rebekah Hall had 14. Avery led the Lady Winds in rebounding with 9 boards. Sarah Jo Miller came up with 7 steals.

Amarillo Caprock invaded Whirlwind Gymnasium last Friday and came away with a 60-45 win.

Leading the way for the Lady Winds was Avery Miller with 17 points. Sarah Jo Miller had 11 points. Leading rebounder was Emily Hall with 5 rebounds. Avery Miller and Sarah Jo Miller had 5 steals apiece.

The Lady Winds' next opponents are Olton on Tuesday and Brownfield Friday.

Good Luck Lady Winds.



Photos by Homer Marquez

Despite strong performances, the Lady Winds are looking to get back to their winning ways after a loss to Lockney and Amarillo Caprock; Lady Winds pictured above giving it their all are Sarah Jo Miller (21) and Emily Hall (15). Also pictured is JV Lady Wind Anna De La Fuente (12); the JV team would beat the Horns 48-22.

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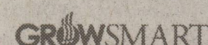
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# City of Lockney discusses AeroCare and water bills

By Homer Marquez

Members of the Lockney City Council convened last Thursday to discuss agenda items in there November agenda.

Opening up the meeting, council members gave the floor to Jack Randolph who is the Plant Manager at Delta and Pine Monsanto in Aiken. Mr. Randolph explained that his sole purpose for his visit was to ask if the City of Lockney had ever made a property and water bill agreement with the Delta and Pine Company. Mr. Randolph explained that a while back ago, he had a conversation with Councilmember Bil Anderson, who told him that prior to Randolph's arrival in Aiken, the plant had donated a water well to the City. It was the council member's understanding that the Aiken plant had donated the water well, which is located on the plant, in exchange for the City to maintain it. Along with the donation, Anderson believed that the agreement had also given the plant free water because

it was technically their water and because they used so little of it. It was found out later that the plant actually uses as much water as a single household would use. For the past several years the Aiken plant has paid a water bill every month.

Council member Anderson explained that he had originally orchestrated the water well agreement years ago; however he would step off the Council before he could see any paper work go through.

On Thursday, Anderson and Randolph merely wanted to know if the official agreement with the Plant had included an exemption of a water bill or if that conversation had just fallen to the way side years ago. Randolph explained that the water bill was no big deal and Delta Pine was happy to continue paying the bill, but for at least everybody information and incase he was asked, he wanted to know what the agreement stated.

During the meeting, the Council pulled up

the past agreement which revealed that there had not been a water bill exemption provision included with the agreement. Randolph explained that it was fine; however Anderson and the current Council felt that the plant should not pay for the water that the Delta Pine gave to the City as a gift. The Council began the process of granting the exemption, but first the Council wanted to know if anybody else was tapped into that well and if that would pose any legal or future concerns; the motion was tabled until next month's meeting.

Next on the agenda, the Council gave the floor to the medical emergency helicopter service AeroCare. The purpose of AeroCare's visit was to present the City with their new membership program. According to AeroCare officials, the program offered a membership program for their emergency services. AeroCare explained that the cost for an emergency airlift could run a patient around \$20,000; however with the new program, that airlift cost would be covered for members. AeroCare explained that for \$60 a year, a member's emergency airlift bill would be covered by AeroCare. AeroCare also explained that the \$60 membership coverage would be extended to an entire household and not just an individual member; so once you are a member, everyone with that physical address would be covered by the program.

The AeroCare program has already established itself in other communities like Petersburg and Floydada. The purpose of AeroCare visit to the Council was to talk about setting up a payment plan for the program through the water bills of volunteering members. The Council expressed that they liked the plan and felt it would be a great option for their citizens; however the item to set a payment plan system would be tabled, until the Council examined the contract; but regardless to the payment system, the program will be offered to all citizens who are interested.

Following this motion, the Council transitioned to the report portion of the meeting. In the street report, City workers explained that they were filling potholes and fixing streets lights when time allowed. In the police report, Police Chief Casey Wallace explained that eventually the City would need to strengthen

their kennels because people were going their late at night to break out their dogs. City employee Abel Luna suggested a design that would be more efficient and would comply with the health department codes; the Council asked Mr. Luna to draw out the design and submit it in a proposal so the council can make a decision.

In the Lockney Economic Development Corporation report, Councilmember Anderson explained that the LEDC was currently looking into applying for a grant for a skate park/walking trial with exercise stations along the way. A design is being drawn up by Heartland Parks and Recreation out of White Oak, Texas. The LEDC also briefly talked about installing a splash pad. The LEDC also talked more about setting up a system for the newly completed Farmer's Market on Locus and voted to add concrete planters and wooden benches at J.D. Copeland Plaza.

Following the reports, the council moved into a closed session to discuss the citation from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Several months ago, a new representative from the TCEQ visited Lockney for an expectation. During his expectation, the TCEQ would find several minor infractions; for example, cat tails growing at the sewer pit; a the back flow alarm not properly working at a sewer lift and not having the right type of fence around water storage tanks. The City would eventually be cited by the TCEQ; while heavy citations were also given to other small communities around the area.

According to Mayor Stapp, since then, the City has been able to get the TCEQ to drop the violation on the fence, explaining that state required them just to have a single strand electrical fence, however the city would still be cited for the backflow alarm and cat tails.

The amount of the fine has not been determined since the City of Lockney and the TCEQ are currently deliberating over options that the City could take to settle the matter. Thursday's closed session would be a continuation of discussions as the City discussed a letter they received from the TCEQ. No decision was made on Thursday, however the Council will be voting openly on a solution in the very near future.

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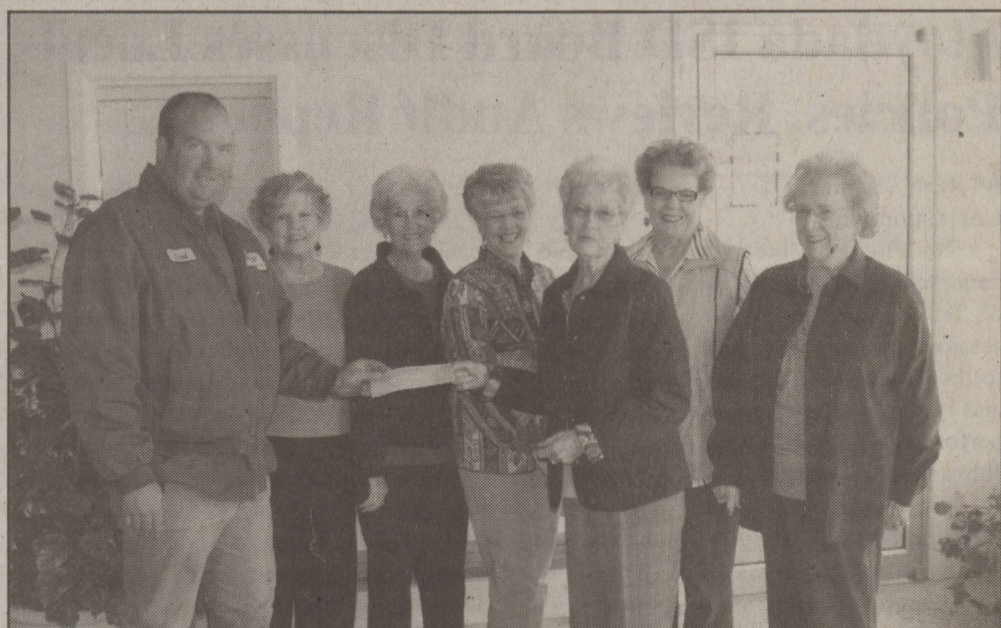


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Plainview was indicted for burglary of a building. The offense occurred January 15, 2011 and is a state jail felony.

Robert Cuba, Jr., 33, of Floydada was indicted for possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver. The offense occurred on June 6, 2011 and is a state jail felony.

Melinda Boatright, 39, of Anson indicted for possession of a controlled substance. The offense occurred on May 29, 2011. It is a state jail felony.

Kevin Eugene McGill, 31, of Plainview indicted for evading arrest with a vehicle. Offense occurred on July 8, 2011. It is a state jail felony.

George Sanchez, Jr., 47, of Floydada indicted for

burglary of a habitation. Offense occurred on October 2, 2011. He is charged with a second degree felony, enhanced to first.

Clarence Edd Pope, 44, of Floydada indicted for deadly conduct which occurred on October 26, 2011 and is a state jail felony.

Kimberly Peralez, 42, of Floydada indicted for possession of a controlled substance. One offense occurred on July 16, 2011 and is a state jail felony. The second offense occurred on July 16, 2011 and is a third degree felony.

Rhonda Milne, 45, of Petersburg was indicted for possession of a controlled substance. The offense occurred on July 16,

none of the Texas constitutional provisions used to support that argument apply in this case."

Feare would then elaborate his points by citing several past provisions.

In his first argument, Feare explained that the Smiths were not entitled to a jury trial because of the exact language written by the Texas Legislature in the applicable statute sections of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

Focusing on the Legislature's exact words in the Texas Health and Safety Code 821.023 which stated "if the court finds that the animal's owner has cruelly treated the animals", Feare explained that when writing this statute, Legislatures intended that the Court alone determine if the animals were treated cruelly and not a jury. Feare explained that if the Legislature had meant for this type of case to be tried in front of a jury, they would have written it in the statute; "Had the Legislature desired to mean otherwise, it was certainly capable of using the usual term "trier of fact" or even "jury" but it did not," explained Attorney Feare.

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Feare would then cite the case of Williams v. Williams and explained that the presiding court would hold to the decision that when the governing statute did not contain the word "jury" or the phrase "trier of fact" and the omission of such language; "make it clear that the legislature intended that courts, not juries, have the responsibility of making the findings necessary of the issuance of a family violence protective order."

Feare would then explain that the same language is used in the Health and Safety Code. The statute describes that the "courts" would determine cruelty and because the legislature had not included "jury" and "trier of fact" in the statute, the law would not allow a jury to determine cruelty.

Referencing the cases of McBride v. Clayton and Wichita County v. Hart, Feare explained "the Texas Supreme Court had long ago noted that all statutes are presumed to be enacted by the legislature with full knowledge to the existing condition of the law and with reference to it...the Supreme Court of Texas, has directed that the court presume that the Legislature

wrote the statute with full knowledge of all other law, statutory and case law relevant to the statute... Therefore, we presume the Legislature know of the laws governing jury trials but wrote the Health and Safety Code provisions to intentionally exclude the right to a jury trial."

Attorney Feare would add to this point that in similar cases, the appellate court had held that the word "court" as used in the Act meant "judge"; in the case Central Power and Light Co. v. Caballero the court pointed out that the legislature had continually stated that "the court" meant "judge" and does not include "jury".

In the argument that the right of a jury trial was inviolate, Attorney Feare argued that the Seventh Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and Texas Constitution guaranteed the right of a trial by jury; but those provisions were enacted to protect right known at common law; however Feare explained that Texas courts have continually held that statutory actions are not covered under those guarantees. Feare would

cite the case of Rouw v. Harrington where the San Antonio appellate court held that when the proceeding is statutory, neither the constitution nor the statutes require that it be tried by a jury. Also according to his motion, Feare would also cite the case of Baca v. City of Dallas which stated "The United States Constitution does not guarantee the right to a trial by jury in any state court in any character of civil action".

In his last argument in his motion for denying a trial by jury, Feare would explain cases of receivership by citing the case of Bergeron v. Sessions; according to Feare, "Those cases apply when certain property has been taken under control of the court, just as has occurred in this cause. The right to trial by jury does not extend to cases where the property is under the control of the court. The reason for that is that jury intervention would impermissibly transfer control and management of the property from the court to the jury."

Thursday's trial will be the final ruling in the Justice of the Peace's court; however the case could be appealed to the County Court.

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Before his father retired, Officer Nevins would frequently go out on patrol with his dad; it was here that Officer Nevins decided that he wanted to follow in his dad's footsteps.

"It's probably the only thing that I ever wanted to do," commented Kyle "as far back as I can remember anyways."

After high school, Officer Nevins headed off to West Texas A&M University where he studied criminal justice. While attending school, Officer Nevins would get his foot into the academy door after a summer internship at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Officer Nevins graduated from West Texas in 2009. Shortly after graduation, he would be accepted into the Texas Game Warden Academy where he spent seven months in training.

Immediately after completing the academy, Officer Nevins was assigned to be the game warden in Hale and Floyd Counties.

So far, Nevins has really enjoyed his time in Floyd County as he commented that the communities were similar to where to where he grew up.

Officer Nevins is an avid hunter and attends the Garland Street Church of Christ in Plainview.

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16 year old. When he was 8 or 9 his brother, Guy, told him if he would run a go-devil for him for a week he would buy him a pair of long britches. Floyd ran the go-devil and Guy bought the britches. They were the popular whip-cord pants all boys were wearing. They cost \$1.25.

"I was light which was the main reason Guy wanted me on the go-devil. I remember I worked two mares to that go-devil. Because I was light, the go-devil stayed on the row and didn't rock back and forth as it would have with more weight. It was a one-row go-devil.

"Having older brothers, I was in on some experiences I might never have had. I remember, one time Guy and Roy Stewart let me go with them to Ralls in a Model T that had curtains on it. We stuck in the snow several times and we would have to get out and push. The radiator froze up and we had to stop two or three times to get water for it. I thought I would freeze. I don't know why I went along. I was six or seven years old.

"I broke a Shetland for a neighbor when I was six years old. He had two of them. He kept one, and I kept one. That horse threw me a hundred times. She was gentle, but when she got tired, she would buck.

When I was eight or nine, my dad gave me a paint horse. Once in town he told me to come, go with him. He took me around to where they sold saddles and harness. He bought me a saddle and threw it on the hood of a Model T and took it home. I still have that

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saddle. I got rid of the paint when Oscar Stansell was trading tractors for mules. He was going to send a car load of mules back East. Oscar told me to bring my horse to him to see if we could make a trade. It was my first horse trade. I was 14 or 15.

"The mare I traded for didn't know a thing. I couldn't get her away from the rest of the horses. They threw cloths at her to make her leave. I rode her for ten or twelve miles. That was a pretty long ride—made long because she didn't know a thing.

"E. M. and I were the only boys at home when Dad died. We had a little experience working cows. Dad had started us pretty young. During the drought, we herded cows up and down the bar ditches. There was always a few feet of grass on the bar ditches where it had not been razed.

"What hurt us worse than anything during the depression was the drought. With rain, we could have fed the cows and it would not have hurt us.

"Also, when the banks were closed twelve months, we were in trouble.

"During the war, I was working for Dwight for Jackson Tire Company in Lockney, I worked for \$25 a month for a while. When my pay was raised to \$65 a month, I got a commission on the tires. That was good until the government froze the tires and I had no commission.

Dwight Jackson sent the tires back and bought a fourth-section of land with what they brought. Dwight and Floyd farmed that

land for several years.

There was so much "stuff" going on at Jackson Tire Company when Floyd worked there for his brother. Too many friends remembered the spark plug tester tied to a hot wire that led to a chair with a nail in it.

Floyd thought up all kinds of things.

Once a man came in with a new tube that needed a patch. He patched the spot, but while he wasn't looking, Floyd and others made a new hole in the tube with a safety pin. This was repeated several times. The man could do nothing but keep adding patches because he had no money for a new tube. When he left the tube was spotted with patches.

The same man bragged about black-eyed peas he had grown. Floyd phoned him in a disguised voice and asked him how much he wanted a bushel for the peas. Floyd told him to deliver two or three bushels to the lumber yard. When the peas were delivered, and the man at the lumber yard said he had not ordered them, the car door was slammed with considerable force. The black-eyed pea grower knew who had tricked him.

Another man bragged about his tomatoes. Floyd told him that it would freeze that night. Of course, there was no freeze. The next day the man came in to ask if they knew of anybody who wanted

ed green tomatoes for chow chow.

From Jackson Tire Company to farming has taken Floyd from the quarter-section with Dwight to a 1,446-acre farming business and the running of his 4-J Ranch at Dickens.

For 23 years Rodrigo Rodriguez and Santos Gonzales have been a part of the Jackson farming operations.

E. M. lived on the home place the Jackson family came to in 1916 until last year when he built a new home in Floydada. In the new home is the stair rail and fireplace mantel from the house the Jacksons first settled in in McCoy.

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Gary Clinton of Silverton won the gun raffle from Hospice Hands of West Texas. Gary's name was drawn on Nov.1 from over 160 tickets that were sold. The raffle was a fundraising effort on behalf of the Advisory Board, to assist hospice patients that have no funding and cannot pay for their care. Congratulations, Gary!

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 1% of Americans try to avoid getting caught in an ambush.



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