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Mini bulls to ride with PBR Touring Pro

By Homer Marquez

Contrary to what a name may suggest, there is nothing 'mini' about the success currently being reaped in by the Miniature Bull Riding circuit and its founders Cirildo Leal, also known as Junior, and his wife, Lillie.

Started almost two years in Lockney's own backyard, the MBR circuit has quickly grown both in size and popularity as the organization is rapidly becoming the biggest and only premier circuit for spring boarding young bull riders into the big leagues.

"It just blew up," commented Cirildo Leal as he described the MBR's growth in the bull riding scene this past year.

Designed to be ultimate starting point for Professional Bull Riding dreamers, the MBR gives youngsters, ages 5-14, a chance to show off their riding skills as they ride miniature bucking bulls in front of crowds of cheering fans.

2011 would be the inaugural tour for the MBR as they held a number of events in places like Amarillo, Lubbock, Iowa, Kansas and Utah. Throughout the tour, the MBR picked up momentum as well as diehard and dedicated riders from over 17 states; including Lockney's own 10 year old twins Gunnar and Tuff Araujo. Along with picking up regular tour riders, the MBR also picked up mounds of support, including support from two time PBR World Champion Bull Rider Chris Shivers who eventually partnered up with the MBR in 2011.

Recently, the MBR was invited to ride side by side with the Professional Bull Riders Touring Pro Division in Prescott, Arizona. The first of its kind, the event which is scheduled for April will have 50 MBR riders from

across the nation competing in the PBR arena the Friday night before the PBR Touring Pro event on Saturday. Finalists from Friday's MBR event will be able to buck and ride for the championship on Saturday during the intermission of the PBR event. "To do this, it's like a lotto ticket; this is something that nobody has ever been done before," added Mr. Leal.

As reported in the Hesperian-Beacon about a year ago during the organization's third ever event; the concept for the MBA first came about when the Leal family became fascinated with other miniature bull riding events that were going on around the country. Recognizing the potential in the idea, the Leal's started to buy and raise these unique miniature bulls which average around 400-600 pounds apiece and stand about 42 inches tall. With only a fraction of the aggression carried by their full-size counterparts; these pintsize bulls were the perfect size for pintsize riders.

Soon the Leal's would team up with other miniature bull raisers; JR Mercado, Ray and Alamar Mercado, and Steve and Matt McPherson to start the Miniature Bull Rider Tour. "We've really enjoyed seeing the enjoyment in the kids' faces, it's not just for big cowboys," commented Alamar Mercado who helps raise mini bulls in Floyd County with her husband Ray and her son Geraldo.

After holding their first event in at a Cowboy Church in Amarillo, the MBR was off and running.

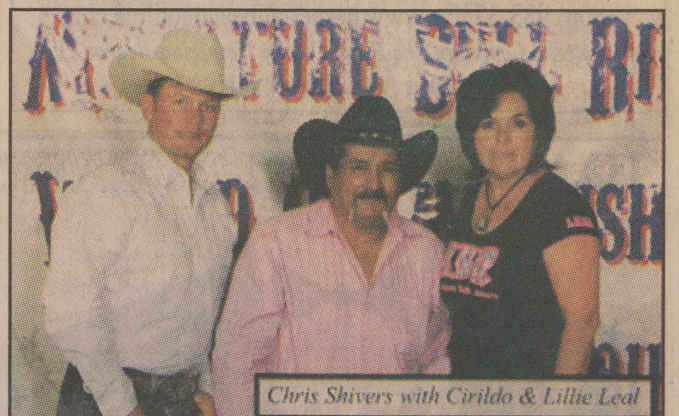
As the MBR held the their first events in places like Iowa, Utah, and of course Texas;

PBR TOURING PRO
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Courtesy Photos

Created a little over a year ago by Lockney's own Cirildo and Lillie Leal, the Miniature Bull Riding Circuit has grown in leaps and bounds becoming the premiere circuit for young riders. Within the year, the MBR has gained tons support including a partnership with two-time PBR Champ Chris Shivers and a chance to ride side by side with the PBR Touring Pro Division.



Chris Shivers with Cirildo & Lillie Leal

Floyd County Fair board members begin planning

By Carol Huggins

The Fair is around 8 months away; but, it takes lots of pre-planning to make it happen -- and lots of people to do the planning. The last Fair was the result of 10-15 people

doing most of the work. It is just not physically possible to keep everything going with so few people.

We must have more people to help during the actual Fair time, and we must have

more people on the Fair Board who are committed to the project and willing to devote their time to getting and keeping the Fair activities going. When a few people are trying to keep everything going, everything suffers. We have lots of good ideas, but no one to carry them out. It is hard to do things well when they all happen at the same time. With more people, we could build on what we already have in place and add more fun activities.

So, we on the current Fair Board are asking/begging for more people to get involved. This is a great community activity -- one of the few truly community-wide activities we have in Floyd County. The Fair has the potential to once again be something recognized throughout the area as an activity not to be missed each year.

If you are interested at all in keeping the Fair going, please come to the meeting on Thursday, February 9 - and invite your friends here and in the surrounding counties, too. Attendance at this meeting may determine the fate of yet another long-time tradition.

17th Annual Caprock Crop Production Conference draws 193 Participants

By Caitlin Jackson

CEA-AG
 Crosby County

The 17th annual Caprock Crop Production Conference was held January 24, 2012 at the Unity Center in Muncy. The conference is a joint effort between the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Crosby and Floyd Counties. Each county has an agricultural committee that arranged speakers and suggesting topics for the 2012 conference. Producers who attended Caprock received 7 CEUs.

Twenty-four companies set up booths in a trade show type environment. Melissa Brogan with the State Comptroller's Office in Austin presented information on the new Ag & Timber Registration number. Participants in the conference were issued registration numbers on site. Jason Woodward, Plant Pathologist, Texas AgriLife Research, presented information about cotton seedling diseases and possible problems producers may face in the 2012 growing season. Caitlin Jackson, County Extension Agent, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, educated



Photo by Homer Marquez

producers about equipment calibration and minimizing the drift of chemicals used on farms. Jim Conkwright, Manager, High Plains Underground Water District, shared information regarding the new rules for pumping and agricultural wells. Stephanie Bradley, Director, FSA Floydada, delivered updates about the 2012 Farm Bill and CRP Program. Mark Kelley, Cotton Agronomist, Texas AgriLife Research, illustrated the 2011 cotton year for the High Plains and gave incite on growing condi-

tions for 2012. Dana Porter, Irrigation Specialist, Texas AgriLife Research, offered information about irrigation scheduling and raising a profitable cotton crop in the year 2012. Steve Verett of Plains Cotton Growers moderated the morning session and kept the program moving smoothly.

After enjoying a pork chop lunch, participants entered the afternoon session, moderated by Lloyd Arthur. Jay Yates, Risk Management CAPROCK CONFERENCE
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Floyd County NEIGHBORS



Photo by Kat Wallace

Meet Sonia Murillo, she has been a resident of Floyd County now for 7 years. She is currently employed by Floyd County Sheriff's Office as a 911 dispatcher. Sonia graduated from Bovinia High School. She has two children Kayen-7 and Miley-3. Sonia attends St Mary Magdelene Church in Floydada. Some of her hobbies include spending time with friends and family, Sonia also likes to sing and dance.

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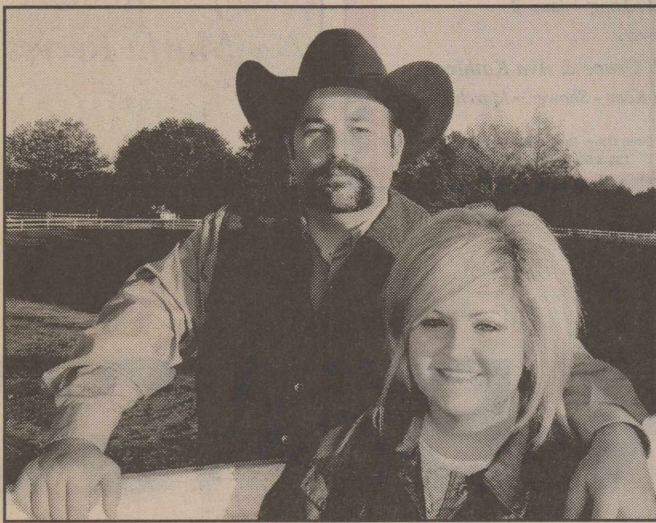
LIFESTYLES

Long and Jensen to marry

Nick and Melissa Long of Floydada, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter Molly Kaye Long of Big Lake, Texas to Wesley Jensen, son of David and Janell Jensen all of Sealy, Texas.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Floydada High School and Texas Tech University with a degree in Human Development and Family Studies. She is employed by Reagan County ISD as a first grade teacher.

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Katy High School and Sam Houston State University with a degree in Psychology. He is

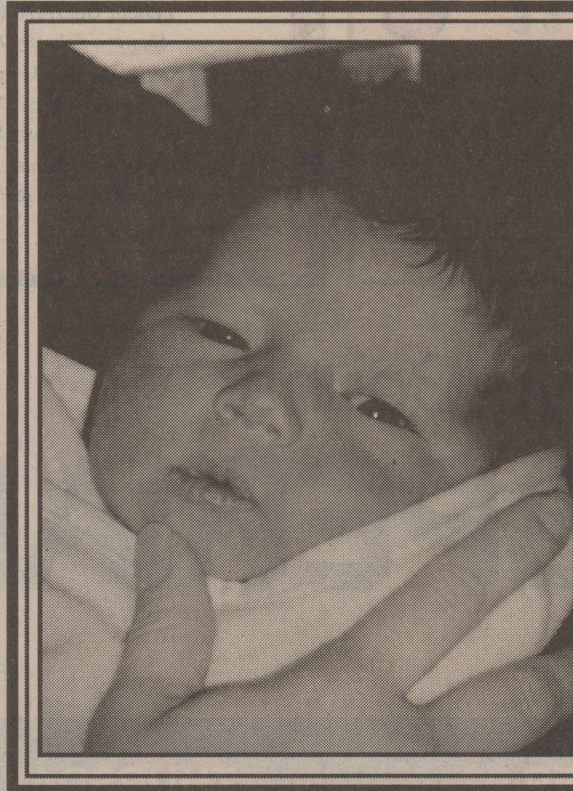


MOLLY LONG AND WESLEY JENSEN

the owner of Johnny Creek Cattle Company.

The couple will marry June 24, 2012 in Maui, Hawaii.

A dinner reception will be hosted on July 21, 2012 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center.



Look Who's Here

Parents Levi and Sara Sisemore would like to introduce you to

JEREMIAH EDWARD SISEMORE

Born at 3:10 PM, Wed., January 25, 2012, Lubbock, Texas. 8lbs, 3oz., 21" long. Proud Grandparents are Jerry & Pam Sisemore of Traverse City, Michigan and James & Lenora Word of Greenwood, Arkansas.

THIS WEEK'S

FAIR BOARD TO MEET

The Floyd County Fair Board will meet Thursday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Lockney Library meeting room. Please make plans to attend.

SALVATION ARMY LOCKNEY

Despite current unfortunate circumstances, the Salvation Army Store in Lockney will continue to

be open and will still be taking donations.

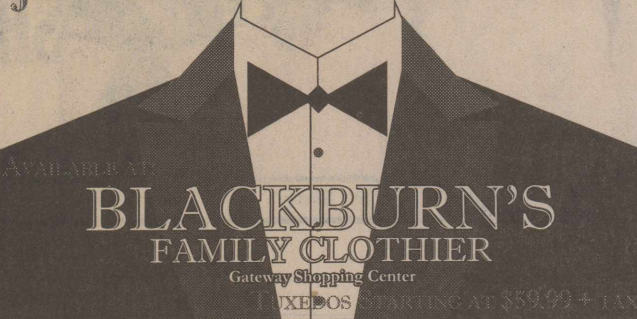
CALVERT HOME HEALTH BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

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.

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'Marriage On The Rock' Simulcast To Be Hosted By Silvertown Methodist Church February 10-11

This Valentine's weekend, give your spouse the gift that will change his or her life: an intimate, passionate, fulfilling and healthy marriage. Join Jimmy and Karen Evans for their Marriage on the Rock seminar via online broadcast/simulcast. On Friday and Saturday, February 10-11 the First Methodist Church in Silvertown, Texas will be hosting this 'Marriage On The Rock' online broadcast for area couples or soon to be married couples. Tickets are available, but not required for attendance. Times are Friday 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

and Saturday 9 a.m. - 12 noon.

Are you tired of a mediocre marriage? Do you and your spouse feel like you're only existing together—or growing apart? Has your relationship lost its spark? A better marriage is possible.

At this MarriageToday live event you and your spouse will learn (1) the four foundational laws of marriage. (2) elements of financial intimacy (3) how to disarm destructive behaviors of husbands and wives (4) keys to intimate fulfillment in marriage.

"My husband and I have been married for 39 years and this was the best marriage seminar we have ever attended. It included honest, practical information and insights that were so obviously God-inspired. Jimmy Evans has been a blessing and favorite of ours for many years. Getting to know Karen was also a treat. It doesn't matter how long you have been married, you can always gain wisdom to enhance your relationship. My thanks for spending your Valentine weekend enriching the lives of others!"— Vicki from Lubbock

Jimmy Evans is one of America's leading experts on family and marriage relationships. He is founder of MarriageToday and co-host of MarriageToday with Jimmy and Karen, the marriage ministry and national award-winning broadcast that airs to millions of homes each week. A popular church and conference speaker, he has also authored a number of books, including Marriage on the Rock and 7 Secrets of Successful Families. Jimmy and his wife, Karen, have two married children and three grandchildren.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

From the Floyd County Hesperian August 21, 1969

I REMEMBER, I REMEMBER

By Homer Steen

TIMES HAVE CHANGED

I get the impression there are some of The Hesperian's readers who doubt my report that the St. Louis Fur Company wrote a country bumpkin explaining away the boy's complaint about the two-bit gadget that would trap a coon.

In the "climate" we live in now so many people are so far away from the raw facts of pioneer days such a suspicion can be understood, even condoned. But since I knew of at least two men in that time who were making more money trapping than their stock—farmer and grocery—dealing contemporaries, it seems reasonable to me that St. Louis Fur Co. was just not overlooking any bets

It could have turned out that Jodie Day and his brother

Chester would be trappers (and customers of the fur company) instead of law man and lawyer. (Jodie early went to the west coast and made a career of the Los Angeles police force, and Chester carved out a distinguished career in the practice of law at Houston.)

The two boys were sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Day who came to Floyd County in 1887, three years before the county was organized. The Days "took up" land that lay across Blanco Canyon. Mr. Day's mother came with them from Grayson County (I think). Mr. Day preempted the ground that now comprises Floydada Country Club and his mother Sara, the quarter section lying immediately west of it.

The young fellow had boundless energy and ambition. He was strong and they lived frugally. As time went on he acquired other lands adjacent to the pre-emption surveys. And during those young days built two rock fences about three feet high, as I remember them, and probably sixteen inches thick, from canyon rim to canyon rim—each several hundred

yards long. It has been many years since I last saw those fences. Mr. Day had a reason for them, of course. But in later years of his life, when queried, he would say he built the fences "to keep from going crazy." There were many years of loneliness, hankering for neighbors to talk to, and the like. No telling how much energy and how many man-days of labor went into those fences.

The other children of Mr. and Mrs. Day were Melvin, now of Ralls, Myrtle, (Mrs. Charles Jones of Amarillo), Clara, (Mrs. O. E. Murry of Floydada), and Bertha (Mrs. Weaver Howard) of Pueblo, Colo.

I guess I ought to mention that Col. Mackenzie's pursuit of the Quahada Indians in the 1870 campaign was across the Day lands (into the canyon on the south side, out of it on the north) and the signs are still there if one knows how and where to look. But that another story for mayhap another day.

From the Floyd County Hesperian October 2, 1969

You are cordially invited to a Retirement Reception honoring Shirley Morton for her 42 years of service. Friday, February 3, 2012 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Lighthouse Electric Cooperative Community Room Highway 70 East Floydada Texas

I REMEMBER, I REMEMBER

By Homer Steen

JUDGE J. C. GAITHER

I wrote something a few weeks ago about Dr. M. F. Husky and the passing of Mayor W. T. Montgomery in the dreary, wintry closing days of 1918. As I wrote I was reminded of another character who played a part in community affairs for some 30 years and whose friendship I treasured.

This Was J. C. Gaither, who came to be known as "judge" due to his service of some years as justice of the peace in Precinct No. 1.

Born in 1849 Mr. Gaither passed on in 1939, being almost 90 years of age at his death. His son, W. C., giving vital statistical information for the record, said the judge was born in South Carolina. However, in all the conversations I ever had with Mr. Gaither, he spoke of Falls County, (Chilton) as his boyhood home. The family must have come to Texas in Mr. Gaither's early childhood. If I had to explain this assumption this is the only way I could do it.

He came to Floydada in 1909 (think, but maybe it was 1910), thus spending the last 30 years of his life here. He came to Floydada to assume the duties of secretary of Floydada Commercial Club and was active in this capacity for probably four years.

In those days we thought one of the best means of advertising a Texas county was to have an exhibit at the State Fair of Texas, particularly if the county could rank in the first three top exhibitors. Mr. Gaither had me go with him to Dallas twice, as I recall it, to help with the exhibit. I guess now this was in the years of 1912 and 1913.

After Mr. Gaither ceased to be with the Commercial Club he officed for a number of years with Geo. A. Lider in the county surveyor's office in the

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OBITUARIES



GREG CAMPBELL

William Greg Campbell, 58, of Floydada, passed away at his home on Monday, January 23, 2012.

A celebration of life service was held at 11 a.m., Friday, January 27, 2012 at First United Methodist Church in Floydada with Pastor Les Hall officiating.

Interment followed at Floyd County Memorial Park. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

The family received friends from 5 to 7 p.m., on Thursday, January 26, 2012 at the funeral home in Floydada.

Greg was born on June 17, 1953 in Matador, Texas to David L. and Dorothy (Wason) Campbell. Greg was a lifelong resident of West Texas. His family lived for a short time in Lubbock and Wichita Falls, and then settled in Floydada in 1958.

He was a plumber by trade and had reached licensed master plumber status. Greg was a very loving father and grandfather. He enjoyed cooking for friends and family, but his true passion was playing golf. Every Friday evening he could be found at the Floydada Country Club with his golf buddies, known as 'The Shed Bunch'. Greg will be greatly missed by all those who knew him.

Greg was preceded in death by his father, David Campbell, and his grandparents: W.B. and Artie Wason, and W.A. and Laura Campbell.

Greg is survived by his mother, Dorothy Schweitzer of Floydada; sons, Eason Campbell and Dylan Campbell, both of Floydada; daughter, Dea Higgins and her husband, Chris, of Stephenville, Texas; grandchildren, Caitlyn Campbell, Mea Higgins, and Baker Higgins; brothers, Gary Campbell and his wife, Nancy, of Gonzalez, Louisiana, and Gale Campbell and his wife, Carolyn, of Floydada.

The family suggests memorial donations to the Floydada Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas, 79235.

Online condolences may be made at www.moorerosefuneralhome.com.

JOYCE DAVIS MARTIN

Joyce Davis Martin, age 80, passed away January 24, 2012 in Lockney.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2012 at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Interment was held at 1 p.m. on Friday, January 27, 2012 at Oakwood Cemetery in Cisco, Texas. Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

GLENNA RODDEN
Glenna Rodden, 91, of Floydada, passed away on Thursday, January 26, 2012.

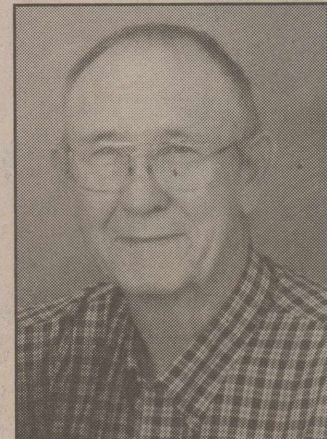
A celebration of life service was held at 4 p.m., Sunday, January 29, 2012 at First Baptist Church in Floydada with Pastor Tim Franks officiating.

Interment was held at 9 a.m., Monday, January 30, 2012 at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Glenna was born on September 14, 1920 in Tulia, Texas to John and Willie Adams.

Local survivors include her daughter, Sandra (Sandy) Forehand of Floydada

Online condolences may be made at www.moorerosefuneralhome.com.



IRVIN SEYMOUR

Irvin Seymour, age 73, passed away January 25, 2012 in Lockney.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m., Friday, January 27, 2012 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada with Pastor Tim Franks officiating.

Interment followed at Floyd County Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Irvin was born on December 23, 1938 in Turkey, Texas to Lee and Josephine (Richmond) Seymour. He graduated from Turkey High School. Irvin honorably served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1961-1963.

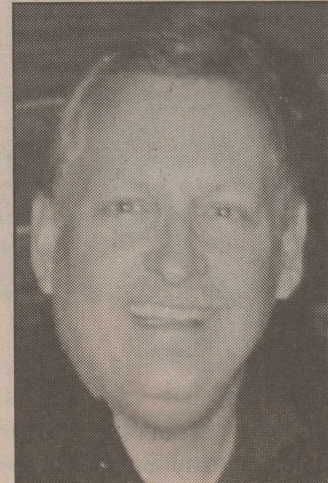
He married Lynda Faye Brannon in Amarillo, Texas. Irvin worked for Lighthouse Electric as a lineman until his retirement. He enjoyed woodworking and playing a round of golf. He also liked riding his bicycle. Irvin was a member of First Baptist

Church of Floydada. Irvin is survived by his loving wife, Lynda Seymour of Floydada; his sons, Monty Seymour and wife, April, and Dean Seymour and wife, Misty; his daughter, Shana Guthrie and husband, Chad; and grandchildren, Rance, Nikki and Monty.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

Memorials in Irvin's name may be made to First Baptist Church of Floydada, 401 S. Main, Floydada, TX, 79235.

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



DANNY WELDON SMITH

Danny Weldon Smith, age 53, passed away January 26, 2012.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, January 30, 2012 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada. Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home Floydada

Danny Weldon Smith was born March 23, 1958 to Jack and Sleata Hill Smith in Midland, Texas. He graduated from Midland Lee High School in 1976.

On July 31, 2000 Dan married Nikki Smith in Creede Colorado. They resided in Lockney, Texas. He was a wonderful husband, father and an even better Papaw. Dan worked at Conoco Phillips in Borger, Texas for 6 years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and he loved the outdoors. Many people knew Dan as a "jokester." Friends and family will always remember him as the type of person who loved to help others in need.

Dan is preceded in death

OBITUARIES
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Floyd County Church Directory

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

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
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Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship .. 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada

Sunday Bible Study.. 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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

Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
Lockney
Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth) .. 7:15 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service..... 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
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.

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.

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
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Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
310 E. Mississippi
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Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader

Sunday Bible... 10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise... 11:00 a.m.
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Early Worship 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday)..... 5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday).. 7:30 p.m.

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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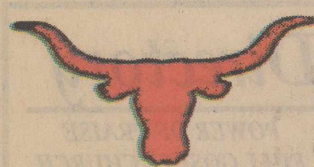
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Longhorn News



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Little Longhorns: Edwin Martinez, Journee Cienfugos, Aidan Bustillos, Justin Gonzalez, Alazay Salas, Gage Graves, Maria Perez, Nick Castro, Devin Deleon, Bryson Hallmark, and Jonathan Cienfuegos

Student Spotlight



Chris Luna

By Johnny Rose

Chris Luna grew up in Lockney, Texas, and has lived here his entire life. He has two sisters and one brother who have also attended Lockney schools. His hobbies are playing outfield on the LHS baseball team and hanging out with his family. What he enjoys most about school is that the building is brand new and he also gets to see his friends every day. His most memorable moment at LHS has been when Bishop played a Lil Wayne song instead of the bell during one of the passing periods. After school he enjoys practicing baseball and hanging out with friends. His friends describe him as funny, cool, and chill. His favorite thing about Lockney is that all of his family lives here. Something that people may not know about Chris is that he can play the drums and he wants to become a cop when he grows up. Ten years from now he wants to be out of school, working as a cop and raising his family.

Horns compete in power lifting

This week's activities at Lockney High School consisted of a powerlifting meet in Abernathy on Saturday, January 21st. The boys that placed are freshman, Michael Guerrero, coming in at 7th place and John Palomin in 6th place. Sophomore, Mariano Alonzo, came in 4th place, while junior, Marcos Mercado, placed 2nd. The girls that placed

are junior, Rayann Race, in 1st place, McKenzie Kemp, in 2nd place and Mary Sammann, came in 3rd. Sophomores, Paula Cuellar and Katie Jackson, placed 4th and 11th while freshman, Haley Dunbar, took 6th place. The next powerlifting meet will be at Amarillo Highland Park on Saturday, January 28th.

Teacher Spotlight

D'Lyn Morris

By Jessica Pena

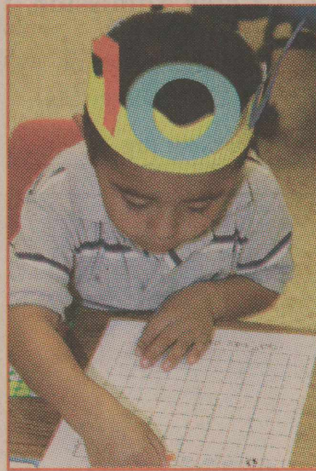
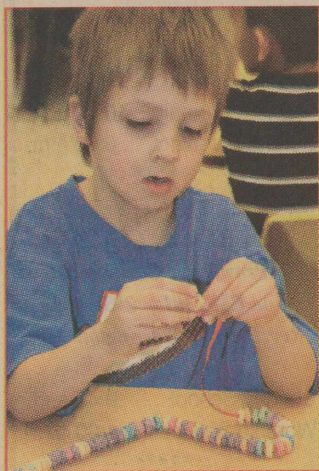
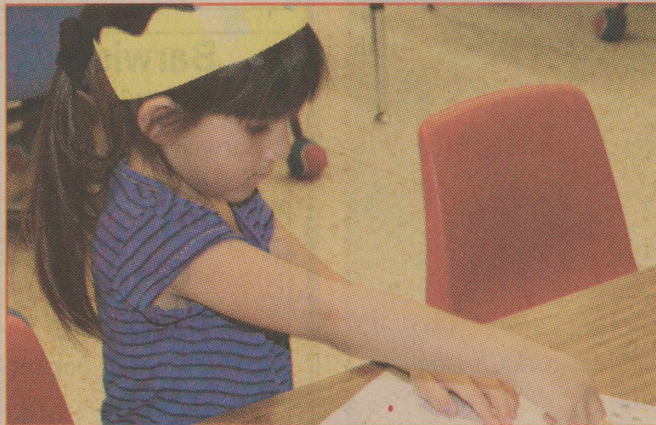
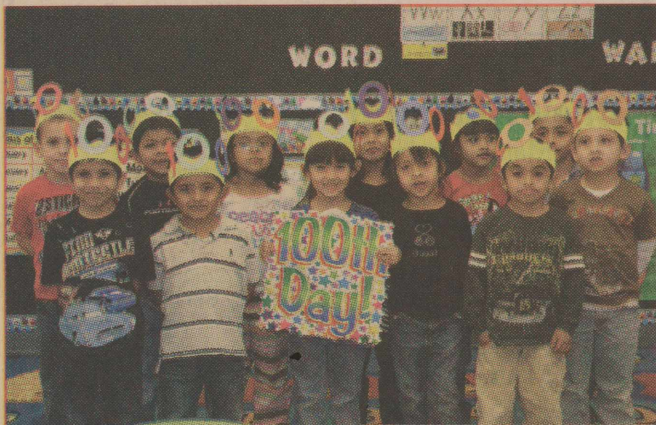
D'Lyn Morris grew up in Lockney, Texas, graduating from Lockney High School in 1976. She has worked in education for 18 years and has taught Earth Science, Physics, and Chemistry. She has also been a math assistant, substitute teacher and is currently the UIL coordinator at LHS. Some challenges to her job are finding just the right spark to excite students' learning. Mrs. Morris feels that students are unique and bring new and interesting ideas to her class every day. One of her former students has gone on to work at NASA which has been a great accomplishment for the student and a sense of pride for Mrs. Morris. Taking a chemistry class to view an autopsy and taking physics field trips to Six Flags has been some of her most enjoyable moments here at LHS. In her spare time she enjoys riding roller coasters and watching basketball.

Mister & Miss LHS

Feb 11th, 6:00 p.m. in Lockney Elementry Cafateria

100 days down and counting...

Last week, Lockney Kindergarten students celebrated the 100th day of school



Photos by Connie Barnett

Lockney School Lunch Menu February 6-10

- Monday**
Breakfast-Pancakes and Syrup or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Popcorn Chicken or Corndog, potatoes, broccoli, pears, roll, milk
 - Tuesday**
Breakfast-Eggs and Sausage or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Hotdog or Chlidog or Grilled Cheese, Baked Beans, Baby Carrots, Orange, Milk
 - Wednesday**
Breakfast-Oatmeal or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Roasted Chicken or Steak Patty, potatoes, green beans applesauce, roll, milk
 - Thursday**
Breakfast-Mini Corndogs or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch- Spaghetti or Ham, salad, peaches garlic bread, milk
 - Friday**
Breakfast- Cinnamon Roll or Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Cheese Pizza or Burrito, corn, apple wedges, milk
- Menu subject to change without notice; Peanut butter and Jelly Sandwich-3rd choice daily

Lockney High School calendar

- Friday, February 3rd Lockney Lady horns and Longhorns basketball games against Hale Center-there.
- Tuesday, February 7th Lockney Lady Horns and Longhorns basketball games against New Deal-here.

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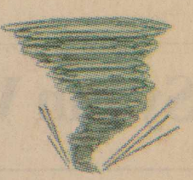
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Whirlwind News



FISD Students Blow Away Competition at All Region Band Tryouts

By: Sarah Jo Miller and Taylor Orr- Staff Writers

Hearts pounding. Hands shaking. Mind racing.

These are typical symptoms of being nervous before any performance. There's no doubt that the band students who tried out for the junior high and/or high school All-Region bands felt nerves before their auditions that took place in the last two months.

On December third, the Junior High All-Region Audition took place with over 400 kids auditioning. From the junior high's band, Kirby Nixon who plays the trumpet, and Kailee Jackson, who plays bass clarinet, were selected as members of the All-Region Band. The alternates were trombone player, Mark McGowen and alto saxophone player, Kaylee Morren.

"It was my first time to try out, and I advanced, so I was pretty excited," said Mark.

Making it to the All-Region band didn't come easily, though. Mr. Ogden helped ready the students for tryouts by handing out the music 3-4 months before.

"I had to take my instrument home and practice every night so I could be prepared for the All-Region tryouts," explained Kailee.

The audition for the high school students was on January 19, 2012. In these audi-



Photo By Cynthia Smith

All-Region Band Qualifiers: Back Row Junior High Students (L-R) Kailee Jackson, Kirby Nixon, Kaylee Morren, and Mark McGowen. Front Row High School Students (L-R) Carly Carthel and Sean Morales

tions, there were over 600 students. Clarinet player, Sean Morales earned first chair and Carly Carthel, who also plays the clarinet, earned thirteenth chair out of 92 other players.

"When I found out that I got first chair, I was really, really excited because last year I got fourth chair. My friends were really excited for me too," exclaimed Sean.

Sharing in his excitement while celebrating a little of her own, Carly Carthel had a slightly different reaction when receiving her chair.

"I didn't think I did as well as I could have; I felt like I messed up a few times," stated Carly.

The concert for the All-Region band was held on Saturday, January 28, 2012 at 2 p.m. for the junior high band and 3:15 for the high school band.

"The day before our performance, the whole band got together and practiced for about nine hours," Carly said while describing her weekend. "Saturday morning, we practiced again and then performed."

Stock Show Brings Family Together

By: Taylor Orr- Staff Writer

It is interesting to see how FISD students, who are all of different ages and grade levels, can come together at one event and compete. With over 77,526 animals validated to show in Texas in 2011, it's obvious that families around the state are very supportive of the life lessons that competitive stock shows instill in participants. The Orr's are one of these families. Taylor (16), Jared (14), and Allison (10), have shown every year since they were eligible, and they are supportive of the shows and what they get out of them.

Being able to be sociable and friendly is very important in today's society and work force. Through livestock shows, participants are able to meet people who share the same interests as they do and are able to make relationships that could potentially lead to future careers.

"I've met many of my very best friends through stock showing and 4-H events. To me, winning ribbons isn't the most important thing about stock shows; it's the friendships that you will have for the rest of your life," said junior, Taylor Orr.

Character and life skills are definitely one of the biggest things that livestock shows help teach children. Participants have to be responsible for caring for their animals for many months before the show. Stock showers get to see how hard work and determination can pay off in the end.

"There's been times when I wanted to stay home and watch a movie or play a game,



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but I had to go work with my pigs. It takes a lot of hard work to get you where you want to be," commented fifth grader, Allison.

Livestock shows are one of the few activities where parents can actually help and participate with their children, rather than just watch. Parents have the opportunity to be a teacher and a role model to their children.

"I feel really lucky to have had the support from my family in the 8 years that I've been showing. It's different than playing basketball or any other sport because the whole family is there and involved. That's what I love about it. Being the oldest, I've had the opportunity to help teach my little brother and sister how to show and how to take care of their animals, which makes me feel pretty awesome," added Taylor.

Competition and good sportsmanship in livestock exhibition is something desired by those

who compete and competition isn't about who is the strongest or the fastest. Exhibitors must accept it when they don't win and be humble when they do.

"Sometimes you think you've worked the hardest and you deserve first place but that doesn't always happen. Stock showing has taught me that you just do your best and know that you tried your hardest," stated eighth grader, Jared.

Even though livestock shows cost a hefty amount of money, they're a good way to win and secure funds to pay for your education.

"Stock showing has helped me meet a lot of people in the agricultural community, which will definitely be beneficial to me when I go to college. FFA and 4-H give thousands of scholarships every year through stock shows, which will also be beneficial in helping me pay for my education after I get out of high school," concluded Taylor.

Staff's Corner

By: Cynthia Smith-Editor

"When righting your wrongs may seem insignificant, always remember it takes courage to grow up and become who you really are."

~Anonymous

There are so many times people lose friendships because they have wronged someone or vice versa. Unfortunately, we find ourselves in the predicament of blaming others and not accepting responsibility for the part we play as well. Eventually, our consciences force us to right our wrongs, but our prideful natures hinder us from taking the initial step. We later convince ourselves that we no longer need those people in our

lives, and we continue to live regretting the day when we allowed our stubborn dispositions to ruin what could have been an eternal friendship.

We can avoid this situation by simply knowing how to "right our wrongs." 1) Admit that you were wrong. "It takes two to tango" and in knowing this, we should never place sole blame on another without first assuming responsibility of the role we have played. 2) Enjoy a

large slice of humble pie. Make a humble apology and accept any humiliation with an open mind. 3) Open the lines of communication. Discuss the issue to ensure that it will never happen again. And, last but not least, 4) Never take anyone for granted. Life is too short to walk around daily harboring any ill will toward family and/or friends. It only takes a few steps to right your wrongs. It's never too late to take the first step. Until next time...

Media Madness

Importance of Independent Broadcasting Creates Opportunity

By: Homero Ramirez-Staff Writer

The Society of Professional Journalists wants to increase high school students' awareness and understanding of the importance of independent media in our lives. All U.S. students enrolled in grades 9-12 must submit an essay answering the question, "Why is it important that we have news media that is independent of the government?" Essays must be between 300-500 words, they may be typed or handwritten and double-spaced.

Students must submit original work and have a sponsoring teacher sign the contest entry form. The national winners of this essay contest will receive scholarships worth up to \$1,000. The deadline for this contest is March 8, 2012. For more information relevant to this scholarship and others refer to the web addresses below.

<http://www.spj.org/a-hs.asp>
<http://www.dellscholars.org/Default.aspx>

NHS Induction Ceremony

By: Emily Hall- Staff Writer

On February 2, 2012, ten students will be inducted into the Floydada Chapter of the National Honor Society. The event will be held in the High School Auditorium at 7 pm. The students were chosen based on their

leadership, citizenship, scholarship and service. All family members of current and new inductees are invited. Following the induction service, a reception, in the library, will be provided to all NHS members and their families.

Radical Restaurant Reviews



By Merritt Johnson: Staff Writer

In need of a scrumptious meal? Ray Ray's is the place to go! It is a recently opened

restaurant in Floydada located on the main highway (Second Street). The food can be categorized as Mexican and American. The diner has a variety of

special dishes, which include the mouthwatering fajiladas. Ray Ray's also has delicious burgers, enchiladas, burritos, and much more. They are open early in the morning too, so go ahead and stop in for some tasty breakfast that will get the day started off right. The restaurant has a cozy feeling and is welcoming to residents in town and visiting strangers. If you are in a rush, there is the option of dining in and being waited on, or calling in and just picking up the food you've ordered. Service is prompt, either way, and will not cause any delay. So, the next time while out and about, stop by Ray Ray's and try an exquisite meal!

Upcoming Events for Floydada ISD

By: Emily Hall- Staff Writer

- February 2: NHS Induction, 7 pm in High School Auditorium
- February 3: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Muleshoe Here, 5:00/6:30 pm
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Muleshoe Here, 5:00/8:00 pm
Senior Recognition Night
- February 4: Softball Scrimmage TBA
- February 6: 7/8/9 Girls Basketball VS Idalou There, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
7/8/9 Boys Basketball VS Idalou Here, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
- February 7: JV/Varsity Girls Basketball VS Tulia There, 5:00/6:30 pm
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Tulia There, 5:00/8:00 pm
- February 8: High School UIL Cross Examination (CX) Debate
- February 9-26: San Antonio Stock Show
- February 10: JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Friona There, 5:00/6:30 pm
- February 11: Softball Scrimmage TBA
- February 13: 7/8/9 Boys Basketball VS Muleshoe Here, 5:00/6:00/7:00 pm
Baseball Scrimmage VS Lubbock Trinity
- February 14: JV/Varsity Boys Basketball VS Dimmit Here, 5:00/6:30 pm
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LOCKNEY SCHOOL NEWS

Syann Wins at Fort Worth Stock Show



FORT WORTH — Syann Foster a 4-h member from Floyd County, exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Simmental in the Junior Heifer show at the 2012 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo on January 23. The 2012 show is proud to be hosting nearly 10,000 junior exhibitors from across Texas, competing for prizes and \$94,065.00 in premiums.

Since 1896, the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo has remained a prominent figure in the livestock

industry. The nation's oldest livestock show will see nearly 22,000 head of world-class livestock roll through "cowtown" between January 13 - February 4. While the show is continually looking ahead, the focus on the livestock industry and our youth is unwavering.

"One of the Show's main priorities is our commitment to the livestock industry and the agriculture leaders of tomorrow," said Bradford S. Barnes, President and General Manager of the Fort

Worth Stock Show. "Junior exhibitors learn many valuable life lessons during their years of showing livestock, which will serve them well throughout their lives. Our Show ensures a progressive future for agriculture by assisting in the development and education of 4-H and FFA students."

The 116th edition of the legendary Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo offers visitors a chance to experience the unique western lifestyle along with a one-of-a-kind combination of history, tradition and Western heritage. For more information and a detailed daily schedule, visit www.fwssr.com. This thing is legendary.

Horns get first district win

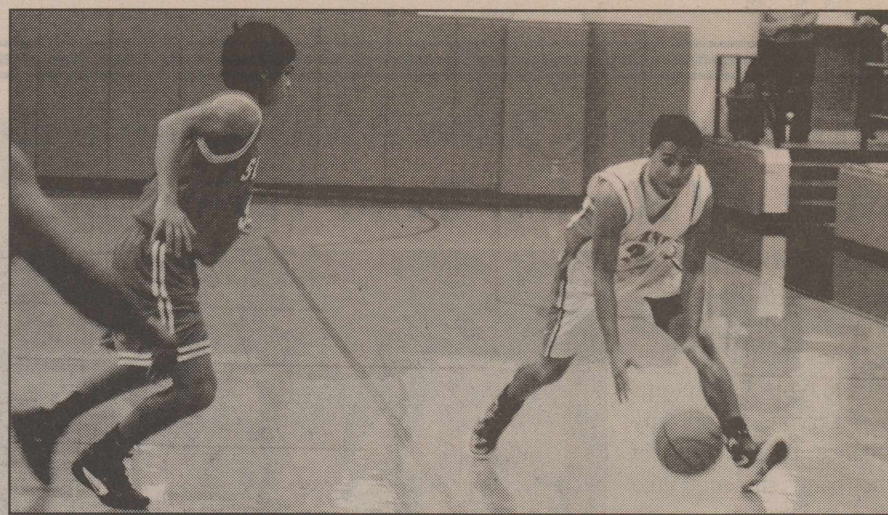


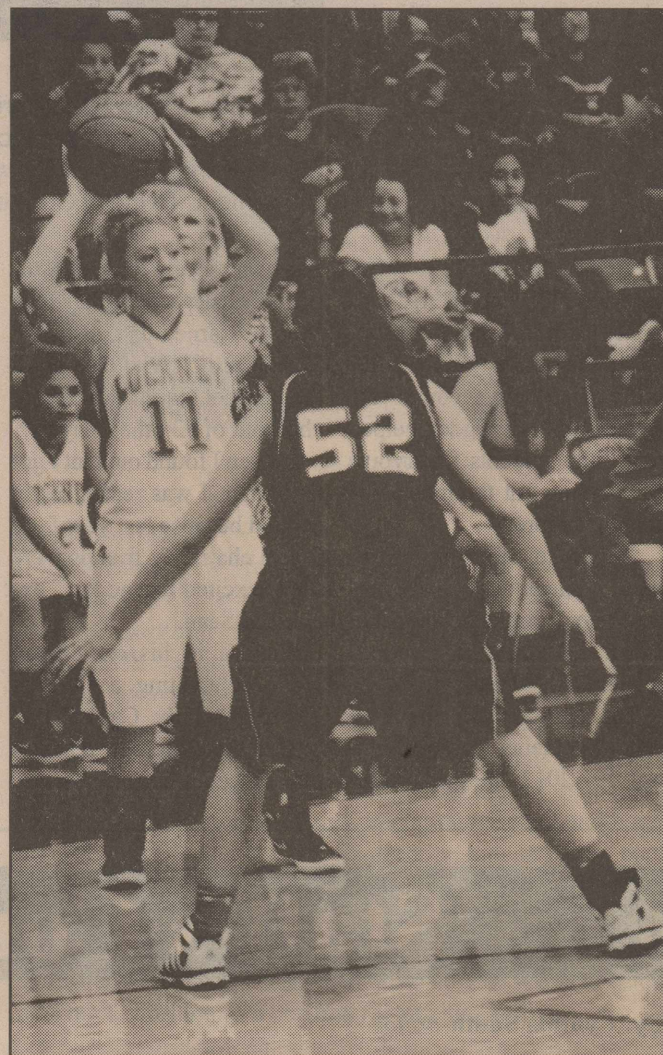
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The Lockney longhorns won Tuesday night 53-36 vs. the Ralls Jackrabbits. Erik Cortez led the horns in scoring with 13 points; Riley Teeter added 10 and Laundry Kidd had 9. The win brings the Horns record to 7-17 and 1-3 in district. In JV boy's action, the horns fell to Ralls 38-27; Eli Guerra led the team in scoring with 8 points and Mauricio Davila followed with 7.

Lady Horns Battling For First

Photo by Homer Marquez

A win over the Ralls Lady Jackrabbits kept the Lady Horns in a first place tie with New Deal after a 69-34 victory. Leading in scoring during Tuesday's game would be Tanae Ramos with 17 and Anissa Reyna with 16. The win improves the Ladies to 4-1 in district and 15-12 overall.



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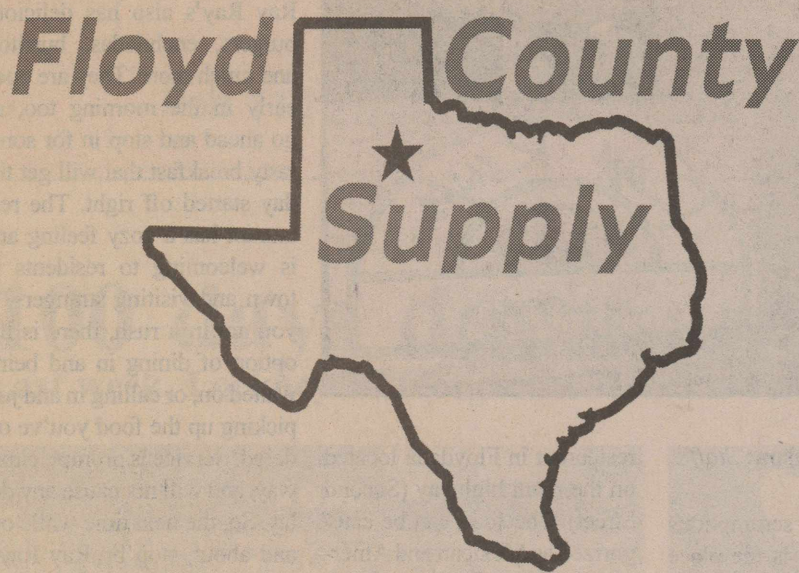
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7th Grade Boys Basketball

The Lockney 7th grade boys' basketball team recorded their 7th win of the season by beating Crosbyton 30-18.

The Horns got off to a slow start but finished strong. "We started off slow but then picked it up in the 2nd half; I was very pleased at how they came out and played after halftime." **Coach Kyle Browne**

The Horns where lead in scoring by Tavian Walrath with 11, Trevor Ascensio with 9, Johnathan Rodriguez with 5, Josh Guerrero with 3 and Ethan Fernandez with 3.

The Horns next game will be Monday January 30th in Hale Center with tip coming at 5.

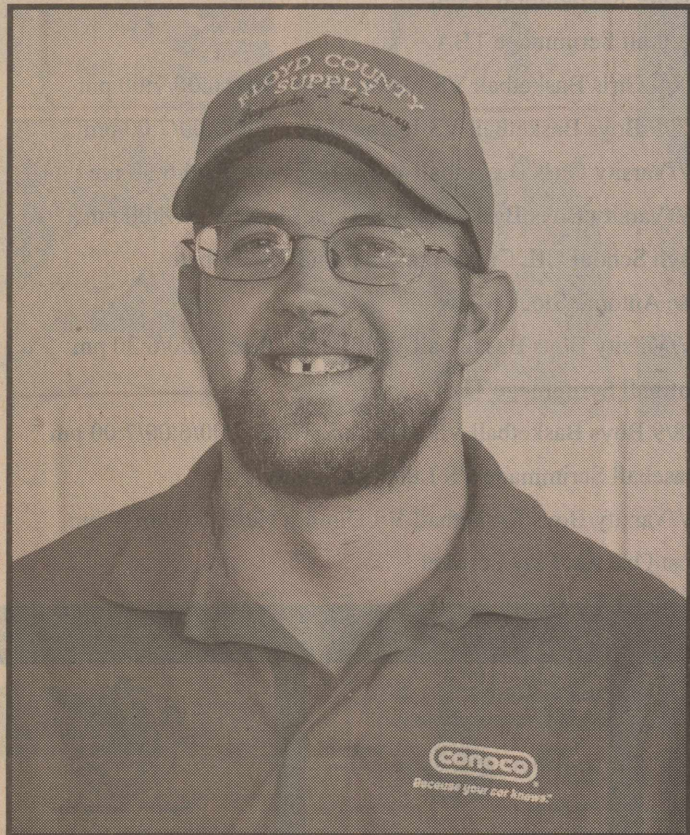
Boys Red Team

The Lockney Longhorns red team fell to the Crosbyton Chiefs 20-10.

The Horns played really hard and as a team. "I was very proud of the way the kids fought in this game, they could have given up but they kept on fighting and it showed on the court." **Coach Kyle Browne**

The Horns where lead in scoring by Grip Fortenberry with 8 and Jeremiah Bernal with 2.

The Horns next game will be Monday January 30th against Hale Center



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Lady Winds Stay Perfect in Second Round

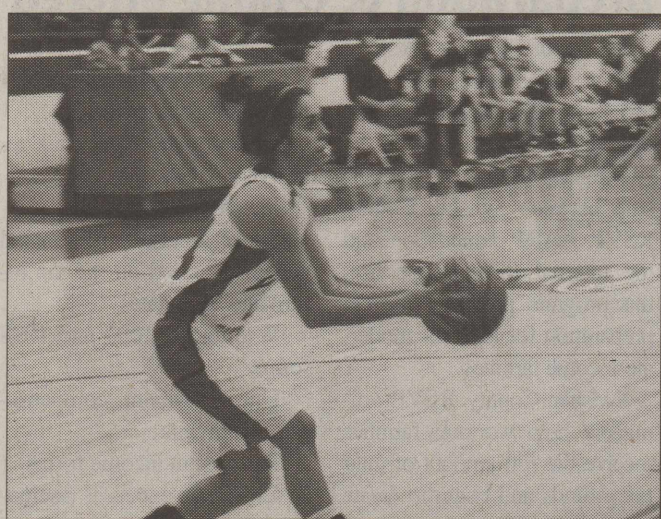


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By Coach Styles

The Floydada Lady Winds kept their playoff hopes alive with a 58-49 victory over Littlefield and a 66-33 win over Abernathy. The Lady Winds are now 18-9 on the year and 8-3 in district play. They are now 4-0 in the second round of district play.

Tuesday, January 24, we traveled to Abernathy. The Lady Winds came out aggressive and held quarter leads of 19-5, 36-17, and 46-25 to a 66-33 victory.

Scoring: Avery Miller 20, Rebekah Hall 11, Liz Suarez 10, Sarah Sanders 8, Kristan Sanchez 6, Sarah Jo Miller 4, Emily Hall 3, Nikki Seymour 2, Amelia Gonzalez 2.

Rebounds: Sarah Sanders 9, Rebekah Hall 9, Amelia Gonzalez 4, Emily Hall 4, Avery Miller 3, Liz Suarez 3, Sarah Jo Miller 2.

Assists: Liz Suarez 6, Sarah Jo Miller 5, Avery Miller 3, Emily Hall 3, Sarah Sanders 1, Nikki Seymour 1, Amelia Gonzalez 1, Rebekah

Hall 1

Steals: Rebekah Hall 5, Nikki Seymour 3, Avery Miller 3, Sarah Jo Miller 3, Kristan Sanchez 2, Liz Suarez 2 Sarah Sanders 1, Amelia Gonzalez 1.

Deflections: Rebekah Hall 8, Sarah Jo Miller 5, Sarah Sanders 4, Avery Miller 4, Emily Hall 4, Nikki Seymour 3, Kristan Sanchez 1, Amelia Gonzalez 1, and Liz Suarez 1.

On Friday, January 27, we were hosts to Littlefield. The Lady Winds came out and shot the ball very well. We were 16 of 31 from the field, which included 3 for 3 behind the three-point line. The Lady Winds were also 23 of 28 from the free throw line. The Lady Winds led 15-12 and went into halftime with a 27-18 advantage.

Littlefield came out on fire starting the 3rd quarter. They put together a 8-0 run that cut the lead to 27-26. After a timeout, Floydada regrouped and the teams traded baskets

as the Lady Winds held on to their one point advantage of 39-38 entering the fourth period of play. Floydada built their lead to double digits and held on to take a 58-49 win.

Scoring: Avery Miller 18, Rebekah Hall 14, Liz Suarez 11, Sarah Jo Miller 10, Sarah Sanders 5.

Rebounds: Rebekah Hall 15, Sarah Sanders 5, Avery Miller 2, Liz Suarez 2, Emily Hall 1, Sarah Jo Miller 1.

Assists: Sarah Jo Miller 4, Avery Miller 3, Rebekah Hall 2, Liz Suarez 2, Emily Hall 1.

Steals: Sarah Jo Miller 5, Rebekah Hall 2, Liz Suarez 2, Avery Miller 1, Amelia Gonzalez 1, Emily Hall 1.

Deflections: Sarah Jo Miller 6, Sarah Sanders 4, Rebekah Hall 4, Liz Suarez 3, Avery Miller 2.

The win kept the Lady Winds tied for second with Idalou, at 8-3, entering Tuesday game at Idalou. The loss dropped Littlefield back to 7-4 just one game back with three games to play. Tulia still leads at 10-1 with Dimmitt still alive at 6-5. These five teams are battling for the three playoff spots.

This Friday will be the last home game of the year that the Lady Winds and Whirlwinds will play together. Muleshoe will be here to play on Senior Night.

Senior Night festivities will begin between the JV girls game and the Varsity Girls game. Come out and support the Lady Winds and Whirlwinds as they try to secure a spot in the playoffs and to honor our seniors Friday.

Whirlwinds battle Abernathy and Littlefield

The Floydada Whirlwinds gained some ground in the District 2-2A race with a 69-56 win over Abernathy last Tuesday. The winds' lead at the half 41-37 and finished off the antelopes outscoring them 28-19. Leading scorers in Tuesday's game included; Woody with 19 points, Renfro and Lipham with 14, and Deleon with 12.

On Friday, the Wind would drop a close one to Littlefield by a score of 51-53, leading in scoring in that game were Woody with 12 points and Deleon with 10.

Last week's play gave the Whirlwinds a district record of 4-5 and 12-11 overall; remained fifth place in the standings. as of Tuesday the wind's



Photo by Homer Marquez

Floydada 4-H Club holds meeting

By Alex Glass

The regular meeting of the Floydada 4-H Club was held at the Massie Activity Center on Tuesday, January 17th at 6 p.m.

The President, Kirby Nixon, called the meeting to order. Members and parents signed in at the door.

The pledge to the American flag was led by Ryder Glass and the Texas pledge was led by Kylie Ricketts. Remington Ricketts led the members in the 4-H Motto and Pledge and Brayden Campbell gave the inspiration.

The project report was presented by Kortney Campbell. She mentioned the dog project and stock shows.

Upcoming events that were brought up were the major stock shows and project opportunities. Storyboard will meet on January 19th at the CEO. Clothing will meet at 5:00 on January 23rd at the CEO followed by the Baking project at 7 p.m. Shooting sports will

have their safety meeting and kick off with a potluck supper on Jan. 26th and 6. The Parent Leader Association will meet on Jan. 30th and dinner will be provided. RSVP please if you are attending.

Community service for this month was donations for Spirit of Sharing. Please drop off any canned food by the extension office.

Alex Glass led the mini demonstration on pitching a baseball.

Door prizes provided by the Wesley Campbell and Bill Glass Family were presented to Remington Ricketts and Robin Nixon.

The program for the night was provided by Bill Glass and it was on scuba diving.

The president announced the next meeting would be held on February 20th at 6 p.m. at the MAC.

Refreshments were provided by the Wesley Campbell and Bill Glass families.

Lady Winds JV Basketball

By Coach Eddleman

The Floydada Lady Wind JV team played the Idalou JV team on January 6th and came up short at the buzzer by a score of 40-36.

Scoring results as follows: Jianna Davenport - 10 points; Kelsey Nutt - 8 points; Merritt Johnson - 6 points; Braxton Turner - 4 points; Annette Pena - 4 points; Anna de la Fuente - 2 points; Micheala Jackson - 2 points.

On January 17th the Lady Winds played against the Lady Squaws came away with a big district win.

Scoring results: Merritt Johnson - 12 points; Annette Pena - 9 points; Braxton Turner - 8 points; Jianna Davenport - 4 points; Kelsey Nutt - 4 points; Micheala Jackson - 2 points.

On January 13th the Lady Winds played the Lady Hornets from Tulia and won by a score of 51-45.

Scoring results: Annette Pena - 21 points; Anna de la Fuente - 9 points; Jianna Davenport - 8 points; Kelsey Nutt - 7 points; Bethany Morales - 4 points; Braxton Turner - 4 points.

The Floydada Lady Wind JV team played the Lady Cat

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The Lady Winds JV bas-

ketball team played against the Dimmitt JV girls on January 20th and lost by a score of 46-33.

Scoring results: Annette Pena - 9 points; Kelsey Nutt - 8 points; Merritt Johnson - 6 points; Bethany Morales - 3 points; Braxton Turner - 2 points.

On January 24th the Lady Winds lost to the Abernathy JV girls by a score of 39-29.

Scoring results: Annette Pena - 14 points; Anna de la Fuente - 5 points; Braxton Turner - 5 points; Lindsey Deleon - 3 points; McKenna Johnson - 1 point; Bethany Morales - 1 point.

SEASON RECORD: 13-9

DISTRICT RECORD: 5-5

Angelo State Dean's List for 2011 Fall Semester

The Dean's List for the 2010 Fall Semester has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and main-

tain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

The honorees include the following from this area: Dillon D. Chesshir, Dusty J. Hicks, Lezlie K. Jackson and Jennifer L. Leatherman.

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Floydada Business of the Month



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The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that the First National Bank of Floydada has been chosen to represent Floydada as Business of the Month for January and February. Please stop by the bank and say thank you for being such a vital part of our community. Pictured are (l-r) Charla McHam -- Chamber President, Sarah Segura, Emma Pate, Amanda Hinsley -- FNB Vice President and Floydada Chamber of Commerce Treasurer, and Kay Wilson -- Chamber Director.

Floydada Chamber Ribbon Cutting



Courtesy Photo

On Monday, January 9, 2012 the Floydada Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Graham's OK Tire Store owned by Ronnie and Jill Graham. Pictured are (l-r) Chamber President, Charla McHam, Chamber director, Roland Comacho, Chamber Vice President, Paulette Robison, Jacob Graham, Rachel Graham, owners, Ronnie & Jill Graham, Mallory Graham, and Chamber director, Kay Wilson. The Graham family invites everyone to stop by and have all 4 tires on your vehicle balanced and rotated for a chance to win an iPad 2.

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Swisher County RSVP volunteers help working families receive the full amount of their tax refunds and begin to create savings by taking advantage of the Earned Income Tax Credit and other tax credit opportunities. Last year, Swisher County RSVP volunteers helped to e-file 85 tax returns with a total refund amount of \$79,595.

Confidential tax return preparation will be offered by APPOINTMENT ONLY at Swisher County RSVP/Community Computer Lab located at 321 SW 2nd Street, Tulia beginning February 2nd through April 12th. Assistance in Spanish will be available.

Appointments fill up fast and are required, so call Swisher County RSVP at 806-995-2104

to book a session. **Here's what to bring to get help with a tax return:**

- a copy of last year's tax return (if available)
- Picture ID (required)
- Social security cards for all persons claimed on the tax return and birth dates
- W-2 forms, 1099 and 1098 forms
- Unemployment compensation statements
- Retirement income forms
- Child care expenses (including provider name, address and employer number)
- Proof of property taxes paid.

"Bringing needed information to your appointment will speed the process, save you time and also can save money," said Dorthy Norris, RSVP volunteer with the Tax Aide program. Norris said that residents who are due a tax refund will get them much faster using e-filing compared to mailing the forms. "Also, if you allow the IRS to make a direct deposit into your bank account, the refund could be in your account in two to three weeks."

Lockney Senior Citizens Center Menu

February 6-10

MONDAY
Hamburgers
TUESDAY
Salmon

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Fried Steak

THURSDAY
Chicken and Dumpling
FRIDAY
Pork Chops

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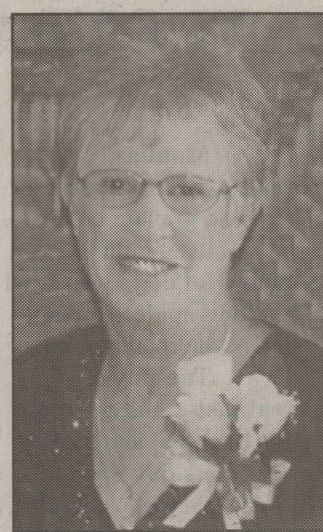
by his mother.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories: his father, Jack and wife Lois of Midland; wife, Nikki of the home; five children, Matthew Smith and wife, Manda, and daughter, Amanda Kleeman, all of Sherman, Texas, Tobi Ann Splittgerber and husband, Matt of Lewisville, Texas, Samantha Disney-Harper and husband, Brandon of Irving, Texas, and Tod Duncan and

Friday, January 27, 2012. Rilla Sue was born on March 7, 1942 in Plainview, Texas to Albert and Lucille (Cox) Duncan, and graduated from Floydada High School in 1960. Rilla Sue and C.O. Woody were married on December 24, 1960 in Floydada.

She served as a bus driver and teacher's aide in the Floydada ISD for many years and touched the lives of many students. She treasured them all, was a second mother to them all, and sought out the students that needed help. She traveled the world with her husband, who was in the military, and they still loved to travel. Rilla

of Ada Oklahoma; and five grandchildren, Giana Smith, and Jonah and Jazmine Kleeman, all of Sherman, Texas and Brandon and Dylan Disney-Harper of Irving and a host of nieces and nephews.



RILLA SUE WOODY

There was an open visitation at the funeral home on

interment followed at Carr's Chapel Cemetery in the Harmony Community. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

in, and aunt. She was very proud of her children and grandchildren, and would keep records of sport statistics of her grandchildren. She was an avid fan of John Wayne, the Dallas Cowboys, the Texas Rangers, and Coca-Cola. Rilla Sue always gave without taking or asking anything in return, was very sentimental, and she never met a stranger. She will be greatly missed by all those who knew her.

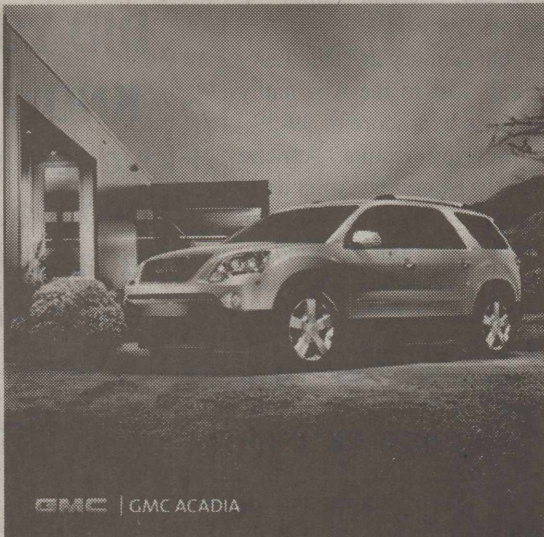
Rilla Sue was preceded in death by her parents, an infant sister, Thelma Lucille Duncan, and a grandson, Kody C.O. Woody.

She is survived by her husband of over 51 years, C.O. Woody, of Floydada; son, Duncan Woody and his wife, Sherri, of Iowa Falls, Iowa; daughters, Carrie Sue Summers and her husband, Randy, of Henderson, Nevada, Pam Meador and her husband, John, of Gatesville, Texas, and Zora Woody and her husband, Eber Blakey, of Floydada; and grandchildren, Keith Woody, Kellie Woody, Randa Summers, Matthew Meador, Mahanna Meador, Jordan Woody, and Jaiden Blakey.

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Jones

The days of January are dwindling down and the first thing you know, February, the month of Valentine's Day and Flowers, will be here with Cupid poised to shoot his arrow and strike the Heart of Lovers of all ages. Be Aware or be Prepared for this special time of year. I wonder if school children still make Valentine Boxes and have as much fun exchanging Valentines as I used to? Have I left anyone out? Will I get that Special One? OH, My! Where have the days gone....?

As I prepared to write the news of this past week, my heart saddened by the many losses of Family, Friends and Loved ones this community has experienced. May we take the time to enjoy each day as it comes and be reminded that we have no promise of tomorrow. Let us take time each day to "Smell the Roses" and keep others in our prayers.

Our thoughts and prayers

are with the families of Greg Campbell, Irvin Seymour, Rilla Sue Woody, Glenna Rodden and Danny Smith.

Update on Margarette Word....She hopes to get better and be back with us at the Center real soon. We miss your smiling face and look forward to visiting with you soon, Margarette.

MEMORIALS:

In memory of Greg Campbell – Mary Shurbet

In memory of Rilla Sue Woody – Mary Shurbet

In memory of Irvin Seymour – Mary Shurbet

In memory of Floyd Bradford – Darty Gin and Donna Pernel

In memory of R. G. Hicks – Kay Hicks

In memory of Emagene Haenisch – Gloria Fannon

In memory of Ethel Mae Price – Mrs. Walter E. Bloys

RECIPE OF THE WEEK....

CAKE MIX COOKIES

By Guy Ginn

1 cake mix (any flavor),

2 eggs, ½ cup oil (I use

Canola). Add if desired....nuts, chocolate chips, dried fruit, etc. Bake 15 minutes at 350 degrees.

I have made these and they are very good!

"Thought for the Week"

– Cheer UP! If it's cloudy today, only six more weeks 'til Spring.

MENU

FEB. 6 – FEB. 10

Monday – BBQ chicken filet, baked potato, sour cream, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, low fat milk

Tuesday – Roast pork, sweet potatoes, succotash, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, low fat milk

Wednesday – BBQ beef sandwich, tator tots, carrots and zucchini, ambrosia, low fat milk

Thursday – Hot dog on bun, mustard, baked potato/sour cream, seasoned broccoli, pineapple gelatin, low fat milk

Friday – Beef stroganoff, noodles, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, winter fruit cup, low fat milk

SOUTH PLAINS HOBBY CLUB NEWS

By Sandra Lass

The South Plains Hobby Club met on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 to elect officers and plan activities for 2012. Members present included Carolyn Marble, Virginia Taylor, Ann Hartman, Brenda Walls, Edith Muncy, Margie Young, Peggy Roberts, Janis Julian, Mary Lou Zinck, Wanda Lane, Char Baker, Betty Olive (visitor) and Sandra Lass. Janis thanked the officers for doing a fine job during 2011 and said that each year just gets better and better. Janis read the note from the Floydada Senior Citizens Center thanking Hobby Club members for their contributions. Margie gave the Treasurer's

report and reminded members about dues for 2012. Sandra reported on the status of the Hobby Club Scrapbook and said that it included newspaper reports from 2002 through December, 2011. Janis said that she had collected pictures to include in the scrapbook and agreed to insert them along with the articles.

The following officers agreed to serve again for 2012: Janis Julian, President; Virginia Taylor, Vice President; Sandra Lass, Recorder; Ann Hartman and Margie Young, Telephone Committee; and Peggy Roberts and Mary Lou Zinck, Year Book Committee.

The group spent the rest of

the meeting discussing activities for 2012. As in previous years, more activities were proposed than the nine monthly meetings each year, January through May and September through December. This year the group plans to visit the Boston Terrier Museum in Floydada, the Crosbyton Museum, O.S. Museum in Post and to revisit Groom as well as the Clarendon Museum and Wayland Museum in Plainview. As with all of the out-of-town meetings, the group will have lunch.

The next meeting will be in Floydada on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 in Floydada for lunch and visiting the Boston Terrier Museum.

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court house.

The thing which made me associate his name with that of Mayor Montgomery was that he was named administrator of the estate of the mayor. After two or three other capable men had served in this capacity for a time, and each had given the tangled estate up as hopelessly insolvent, beset with tax titles and other obstacles to successful termination, Mr. Gaither accepted the appointment and in the course of four or five years, made his final report of the affairs of the estate, appraised at a value of \$11,000. That does not mean anything in 1969 but in those days \$11,000 was \$11,000.

Mr. Gaither was interesting in that he never appeared to be in a hurry or to be flustered. He spent much time "reflectin'," and though at his passing he was practically penniless, he served capably in any number of private and public trusts.

From the Floyd County Hesperian October 16, 1969

I REMEMBER, I REMEMBER

By Homer Steen

THEY DONE HIM WRONG
Says I to Dan '1 Skinner, Oh, I think you're mighty mean To send me up the river with A seven dollar Team

–Old Ballad

I have been telling myself all these years that I never saw Walter Griffith again after he left Floydada in November of 1902

to attend the Northwest Texas Conference of the Methodist South. It is of record, of course, where the conference was held. It seems to me my father said Walter was catching a train at Estelline for Fort Worth. In those days and until about 1910 the Northwest Texas Conference covered an area extending as far east as what we now call central Texas.

Any way, Walter Griffith helped finish the church house after dark the night he left for annual conference. I thought it was his last day in Floydada. The fact is, however, he came back in the spring of 1903—on June 6—to officiate at a triple wedding. The contracting parties at this wedding were W. A. Gound and Miss Lula Miller, C. W. Gound and Miss Kittie Wilson, and W. A. Robbins and Miss Emma Miller. This is a matter of public record.

It must have been after this event that I went to work for the Methodist church as a janitor. My impression had been that I began there in 1902, but that could not have been, and I have no recollection of working at the church when the wedding was solemnized. It could have been the women who had charge of the decoration and arrangements just shooed me out of the way.

They Were Transferred

Walter Griffith was transferred to Silverton Church when the appointments were read out by the bishop at the conference, I note by reading the history of it. He was succeeded here by T. W. Sharp, who came over from Hale Center. Sharp built

a church at Hale Center in 1902 while Griffith was building here. It used to be that a preacher had to leave town as soon as a church was finished, without getting to enjoy it. That is the way it seemed to me.

Reminds me of the time when C. A. Hartley spent all his spare time one year at the Cone Methodist Church, helping build a parsonage there. He put a great deal of effort into it. I feel sure he gave more man hours to the job than did than anyone else. This was about 1945.

It was a brand new home Mrs. Hartley walked into and was she happy with it—for a few weeks or months. Come annual conference and her husband was transferred to another field, where there was nothing but a place to begin again.

Wherever Mrs. Hartley and her grown-up daughter may be now, they still boil to think of it, I know. It was Hartley's first year at Cone and the transfer caught him by surprise. He was happy with his situation and thought everything else was also. But he knew the rules of the game he was in and—although he had to gulp twice—he took it like a good soldier.

I was with the family for 30 minutes or an hour a day or so after he conference—on train or somewhere enroute. There wasn't any rebellion but there was household sorrow to the point of indignation. I must have absorbed some of the disappointment, for ever since I have felt toward that presiding elder like a teamster said he felt toward Dan '1 Skinner.

PBR TOURING PRO continued from page 1

news of its creation spread like wildfire as kids traveled hundreds of miles to compete in one of the MBR's four divisions which ranges from their Tiny Tots 4-5 year old division to their 11-14 year old senior division.

The MBR gained popularity as their reputation focused on big buckin' shows and safety; as the MBR made sure to correctly match the temperament and age of the bull with age and experience of the riders. Soon crowds and riders flocked to participate in the MBR, as events mirrored the excitement and thrills of those events held by the professional 'big boys'.

"You treat them like a professional bull rider; even though they are little," commented Lillie Leal.

As 2011 rolled on, the MBR got a big break after hiring two time PBR champ Chris Shivers to guest star at an event in Ogden, Utah. After seeing the show, PBR champ immediately fell in love with the concept, and it wasn't long before Mr. Shivers eventually partnered with the MBR. "I think it's a great opportunity for the kids to learn and not be beaten around as bad as previous bull riders," commented Chris Shivers as he talked interviewers. "Bull riders in the past would get on whatever was ran through the chutes and that broke a lot of bull rider's hearts and they quit at an early age. I think this will give the kids and opportunity to get on some bulls and really learn how to ride without getting banged around."

With the Shivers partnership, the MBR's shows and recognition got bigger as they became the talk of the bull riding crowd with trade magazines like 'Humps N' Horns' and the 'Buckin' Stock' running features and results of the MBR's past events.

In October, after around eight shows, the MBR held

the 1st Annual Chris Shivers Miniature Bull Riders 2011 World Championship at Golden Spike, Utah. Over 120 riders and 150 bulls traveled to the beehive state as riders looked to bring home an unprecedented \$32,900 in cash prizes as well as awards, buckles, and prize saddles.

The two day event was a mini bull riding Superbowl as ceremonies featured a professional grand entry from Piranha Productions which provides pyrotechnics for the CBR and PBR events as well as musical entertainment from Justin McBride. Along with explosive entertainment, interviews, and photographs; the finals event also provided a who's who of PBR superstars including Chris Shivers, Paulo Crimber, Sonny Murphy, Cody Wright, Bert Davis, Jed Mortensen, and Chris Pyle. Throughout the event, pro riders Chris Shivers and Paulo Crimber, who also had their kids riding in the finals, worked the chutes as they gave young riders priceless tips and strapped kids to their bucking bulls; "Kids told us that was a dream come true," commented Leal daughter, Alyssa.

The entire championship show took around six months to plan and set a precedent for future MBR shows; "What we're trying to do is get these kids ready for the PBR," commented Mr. Leal.

A successful 2011 for the MBR would grab the attention of many within the PBR organization. And this past November the Leals were invited to bring four mini bulls to a PBR Tour Pro event in Hgber City Utah. Without missing a beat the Leal's loaded up some of their prized mini bulls, including

Cannonball, and headed to Utah. Once there, PBR Touring Pro officials provided riders for a small entertainment sideshow during the event's intermission. "It was great," commented Mr. Leal as he described the show's positive reception, "nobody was sitting down". Responses to the show was so positive that the MBR was invited back to host a side by side show with the PBR Touring Pro in April; this time the MBR will get the opportunity to bring in their own riders and bulls.

In the meantime, the Leal's and their six daughters who are extremely active in the MBR, will be preparing for the 2012 season which will start this weekend with the Brand Shivers Invitational at the C Bar Ranch Arena in Jonesville, Louisiana. The Leals are also planning to work with school districts to maybe incorporate bull riding into the curriculum as many colleges offer riding scholarships.


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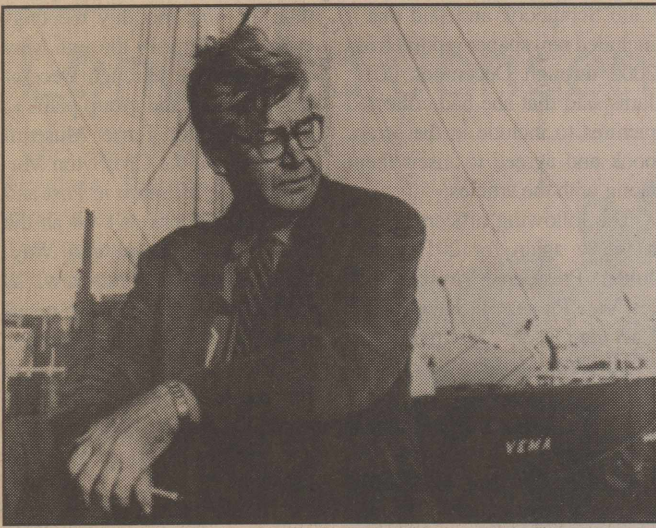
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Lockney Geophysicist remembered at University lecture



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In a recent lecture at Hardin-Simmons University, famed oceanographer, geophysicist and Lockney native Maurice Ewing was featured in a series of great scholars of West Texas.

By Hanaba Munn Welch

A famous oceanographer from the land-locked Texas Panhandle took center stage last week in Abilene.

The late Maurice Ewing, native of Lockney, emerged as the primary subject of a lecture at Hardin-Simmons University by Tai Kreidler, Texas Tech University archi-

vist and executive director of the West Texas Historical Association.

"He was an irrepres- sible force, a questing mind," Kreidler said, describing how Ewing essentially invented his discipline by combining physics and geology.

"Geophysics was born," Kreidler said.

Kreidler's topic was "Great Scholars of West Texas," and Ewing wasn't the only scholar mentioned, but he was Kreidler's focus.

Ewing, who died in 1974 with many earth-shaking discoveries to his credit, was at the forefront of 1930s plate tectonics seismic research that introduced the concept of continental drift.

"They begin to get a sense that somehow the earth wasn't set ... that there might be some plate movement going on," Kreidler said, describing the beginnings of research in the ocean depths.

Born in 1906 in Lockney, Ewing's first major accomplishment was gaining admittance to Rice University, all the way across the state in Houston.

"Back in the old days, if you got in (to Rice Institute), it was free," Kreidler said.

Rice propelled Ewing into a life of scholarship and accomplishments in the scientific realm, including significant oil discoveries.

Beyond the nurturing

academic setting at Rice -- indeed, before it -- growing up in Lockney and Tulia must have given Ewing "his know-how, his can-do spirit," Kreidler said.

"He got a ship and made it a research vessel," Kreidler said.

He read Ewing's thoughts:

"There's probably oil out there."

And the rest is history. Ewing discovered salt domes in the deep in the Gulf of

Mexico. He was aboard the "Glomar Challenger," a research ship, for the discovery of oil under the domes.

"Not bad for a West Texas farm boy," Kreidler said. "He valued education. He sought to understand the world."

In Kreidler's audience, hearing about Ewing's successes and also the achievements of other famous West Texans, were many HSU students, there for history class and chapel credits but

listening intently.

"Dream the big dream," Kreidler told them. "Follow your vision, your heart, your mind."

Kreidler's secondary motif was encouragement aimed at the entire crowd -- an urging for everyone to consider him or herself a historian and to conserve all sorts of information to leave as a legacy for future generations.

"You've got a charge to be 'citizen historians,'" he said.

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Specialist, Texas AgriLife Research, educated participants on financial risk management in agriculture. Dustin Patman, IPM Agent, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, presented information regarding bollworms and fall army worms. He also informed participants of a new pest- Kurtomathrips. Shawn Wade, Director of Policy, Plains Cotton Growers, brought participants up to date with new crop insurance information. Casey Summers, Field Inspector, Texas Department of Agriculture, presented information on laws and regulations regarding pesticide application.

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- Lockney - Business of the Month



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The Lockney Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Month for February is Davis Lumber. Davis Lumber has been operating in Lockney for over 60 years. In 1991 Ricky Griffith who had been at the store for 39 years bought the store with Roger Stapp. Pictured above are chamber representatives Cindy Cotham and Julie Dorman, along with Davis Lumber owner, Ricky Griffith, and employee Jerry Miller; not pictured is Linda Griffith.

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