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## Lockney, Floydada baseball Bi-District champs



Photos by Homer Marquez and R.K. Hunt Photography

Floyd County Baseball brought home the hardware over the weekend as both Lockney and Floydada's baseball teams won the Bi-District Championship in their districts. Floydada would go the distance against Tullia, but would eventually pull off the championship after winning game three against the Hornets by a score of 12-7. Earlier that day,

Tullia forced a game three after winning game two 6-5. Floydada came close to sweeping the Hornets after winning their first game by a score of 9-4.

Lockney would win their Bi-District outright after sweeping the West Texas Comanche's on Thursday and Friday. The Horns would ten-run rule the Comanche's in their

first game by a score of 13-2. The next game would be a little closer, but Lockney would pull off the victory by a score of 10-8.

The Whirlwinds will now face Forsan in the Area Championship at Lubbock Christian High School. Game one will be Friday, May 11 at 7 p.m.; the second game will be Saturday at 1 p.m.; and if a game three is needed

that will start 30 minutes after the end of game two.

The Longhorns will play a one game series on Thursday, May 10, against the Stamford Bulldogs in Snyder at 6 p.m. A one game championship was decided after both teams had many other school engagements like U.I.L, class trips, and state track.

## POW Survivors Lay Wreath Commemorating 70 Year Anniversary of Surrender

By Alice Gilroy

There was a time in their lives when they felt their country had abandoned and forgotten them. Was it because the surrender brought shame to their country? Would anyone ever hear their cries for help? Would they ever see their families again? How much longer could they go without food and water... or protection from the cold? How many more times could they survive beatings, torture, the bayonets, and broken bones before they finally gave up.

The stories of the P.O.W. survivors from the fall of Bataan and Corregidor have something in common. The ones who survived never gave up hope. For some the love of family and sweethearts kept them going. For some it was revenge. For many it was a determination to live on just so they could tell what happened...to honor

the friends who didn't make it.

It has been 70 years since the fall of Bataan and Corregidor, on April 9th and May 6, 1941. Fewer than 300 former P.O.W.'s are still alive to tell the story. Fewer people are even asking them to tell the story. Japan history books are empty when it comes to teaching about the Japanese atrocities toward the defenders of Bataan and Corregidor. American history books mention it briefly. Children in U.S. schools know there was a WWII but the horrors of the Bataan Death March and inhumane P.O.W. labor camps have been sanitized to the point of passing references.

But not everyone has forgotten. Thanks to the generous donations of individuals and veteran's groups, former P.O.W.'s from Bataan and Corregidor were given the chance to travel to Washing-

ton D.C. April 24th, to lay a wreath at the Bataan and Corregidor stone at the World War II Memorial. POW's Making the trip were: Joseph Alexander, 85, of San Antonio; Olive Rosen, widow of Colonel Melvin H. Rosen; Ben Steele, 94, of Billings, Montana; Dr. Lester Tenney, 92, of San Diego, California; Roland Kenneth Towery, 89, of Austin, Texas; and Donald Versaw, 91, of Lakewood, California.

The group also met with Japan Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki. "This trip to Washington was as much about commemorating the defense of the Philippines as it was about reminding Japan, especially it's corporations of its international responsibilities," said Mindy Kotler of Asia Policy Point, a Washington non profit policy research center studying the **POW SURVIVORS** continued on page 10



Courtesy Photo

P.O.W. Roland Kenneth Towery (Ken) of Austin traveled to Washington, D.C. on April 24th to lay a wreath at the Bataan and Corregidor stone at the World War II Memorial. Also making the trip and standing in front of the memorial are his wife, Louise Towery (right) and his daughter, Alice Towery Gilroy (left).

## District 68 candidates looking for Floyd County Votes

By Homer Marquez

As it was recently reported in the Hesperian Beacon, it has been a mad house these past several months as state representatives rushed to draw up new state district lines after the 2010 Census reports.

With a sizable spike in Texas population, state legislators were forced to draw up new district lines for the Texas Senate and for the State House of Representatives.

Drawn up by mostly Republicans, the new

lines would initially move Floyd County out of Jim Landtroop's District 88 and into Rick Hardcastle's District 68. This new district would also include 21 counties spanning from Cooke County, just north of Denton to Floyd County; and from Fisher County to Wheeler County, which is two counties east of Amarillo's Potter County.

With District 68 coming up for election this year, **DISTRICT 68** continued on page 13

## Floydada Councilwoman Turner Resigns

Recently, Floydada District Three Councilmember, Alicia Turner announced that she will be resigning from the council position to pursue a new job opportunity. Although she didn't say what

the new job was, she did say that the job's schedule would make it very difficult for her to continue to make Floydada City Council meetings. Turner turned in her letter of resignation to the City, and

the council will accept the letter in their May meeting.

Next the city council will appoint a new member to the vacant seat until district three

comes back up for election. Mayor Bobby Gilliland explained that it is customary

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## Free food and free use of Floydada landfill

By Gary Brown  
 City Manager

The City of Floydada is providing an opportunity for the residents of Floydada to get rid of unwanted items, EXCEPT **LANDFILL** continued on page 10

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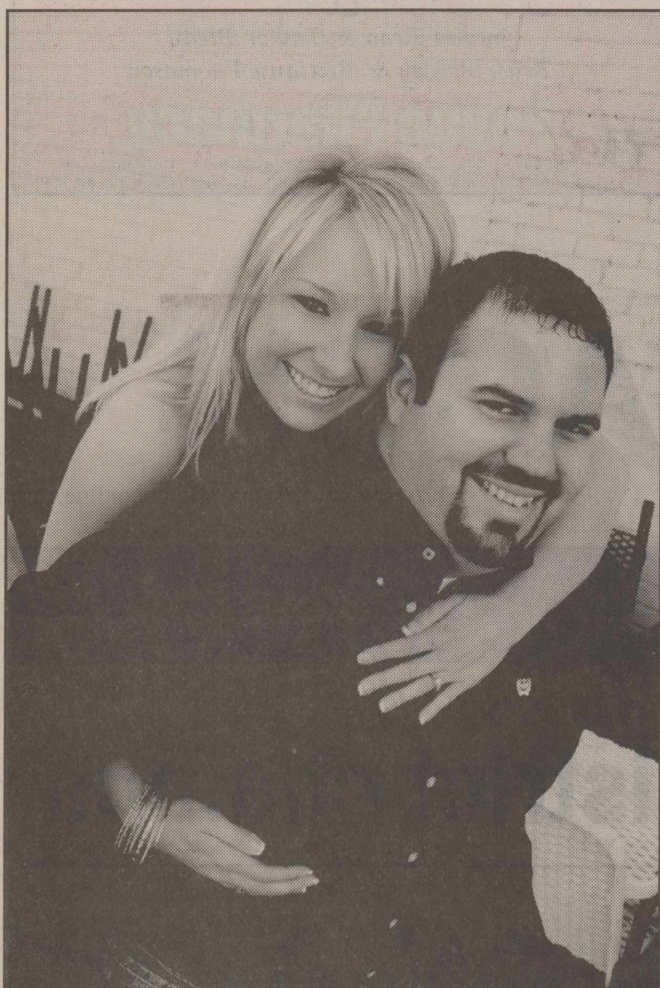
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# LIFESTYLES

## Bowley and Thomason to marry



BRYCE BOWLEY AND BRITTANY THOMASON

Vince and Melody Thomason, of Muleshoe, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Brittany Thomason, to Bryce Bowley. Bryce is the son of Randy and Brenda Whitten, formerly of Floydada, currently residing in Tahoka and is the grandson of Winona Allen and the late Harvey Allen.

Brittany graduated from Texas Tech University with a MBA and BBA in accounting. She is employed as a tax accountant at Martin Green CPA in Lubbock.

Bryce graduated from Texas Tech University with a BBA in accounting and later obtained an MBA. He currently holds a CPA and CFE license and is employed by Robinson Burdette Martin and Seright, LLP in Lubbock, as an Audit Senior.

The couple will marry July 28, 2012 at McPherson Winery in Lubbock.

## Floydada Chamber sponsoring contest to design "25th Anniversary Punkin Day" T-shirt

By Charla McHam  
Floydada Chamber President

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce would like to extend an invitation to the community, to help design the 25th Anniversary Punkin Day T-shirt. Get your designing cap on, because the best design will win a prize. The t-shirt design will need to include the following:

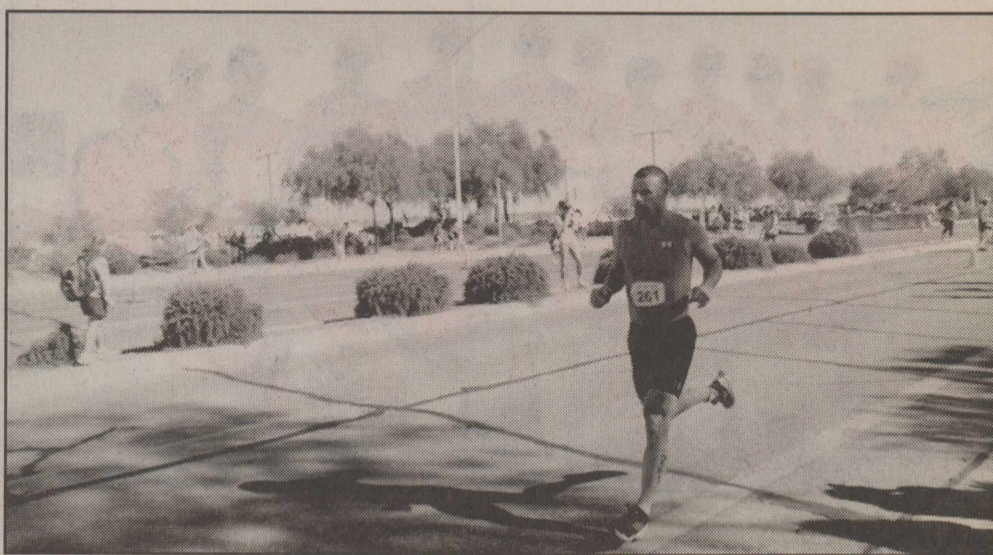
- It must say Floydada Tx, Punkin Capital USA**
- It must promote 25 years**
- It must have a pumpkin**
- It must be able to be adapted to all genders**
- Also, it must be extremely eye catching**

We reserve the right to combine 2 de-

signs to create the perfect one. If that happens, both designs will be awarded a prize. The contest is open to all ages. So, get busy and get your design in to The Chamber by June 30, 2012. You can drop them off at the Chamber of Commerce office at 201 W. California. For more information, please call the Chamber phone at 983-3434. We are looking forward to seeing a little creativity from the citizens of Floydada.

The Chamber has already started planning the 25th Annual Punkin Day. We're planning new games and activities to make the 25th anniversary an event to remember. We are looking for individuals and teams to participate in a number of activities. We'll have more info as it gets closer. **Punkin Day 2012 will be Saturday, October 13th.**

## Saens wins Invitation to World Duathlon Championship



Courtesy Photo

Bradley Saens, former resident and graduate of Floydada High School, competed in the USA Duathlon Championship in Oro Valley, Arizona and won an invitation to the World Duathlon Championships in Nancy, France on September 22, 2012.

By Darlene Torrez

Former Floydada resident and athlete, Bradley Saens, competed in the USA Duathlon Championship at Oro Valley, Arizona on Saturday April 28th, and won an invitation to the World Duathlon Championship taking place in Nancy, France on September 22, 2012. Winning this invitation was quite an accomplishment for the athlete, who has worked really hard to recover his physical health and competitive edge following injuries sustained in an auto/bicycle accident months earlier and who contends against much younger athletic competitors.

Brad, athlete and registered nurse, attended Floydada High School in Floydada, Texas, South Plains College in Levelland, Texas, Hesston College in

Hesston Kansas and graduated from Butler Community College located in Eldorado, Kansas. Brad actively participated in track during his school years and has continued his interest and participation in a variety of competitive sports.

Brad's success is due to his competitive skills, attitude and extreme interest in staying fit. Brad is a serious athlete with a strict regime and is presently training three to four hours a day, for the upcoming event, sometimes following a twelve-hour work day.

Brad resides in Kingman, Kansas with his wife, Julie, youngest daughter, Kayla, and Julie's son, Josh. All are very supportive in his athletic endeavors.

Friends, former teachers, coaches, classmates, fans of

the sport, as well as those who are proud of having a former home-town athlete competing in this World Duathlon Championship, have the opportunity and privilege of joining in to help sponsor his journey. If you wish to do so, please make out checks to, BRAD SAENS DUATHLON FUND and mail to Kanza Bank, P.O. Box 313, Kingman, Kansas 67068. All contributions, no matter how large or small, will be greatly appreciated and used for Brad's airfare and expenses while in France during final preparation and participation in the World Duathlon Championship.

You can learn more about Brad's recent sport activities through using the Google search engine or by locating him on Facebook.



Photo by Homer Marquez

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Month for May is Wright's Automotive. Owners Steve and Tarri Wright officially bought the business in Jan. 10 2010, however the crews years of experience has made the business a necessity in Lockney. Wright's Automotive specializes in agriculture; fixing everything from farm trucks to irrigation motors; "We love the farmers," commented Mr. Wright. Recently the business has even started working with electric generators; "We go with the flow, whatever shows up, that's what you do," added Mr. Wright.

Pictured above are Jim Gomez, Jessie Hall, Owners Steve and Tarri Wright, Kay Martin, Linda Garcia, Lesca Durham, and Sergio Solis.

## Wayland offering half tuition for summer classes

Plainview, Texas- May 2, 2012 - Plainview and area students wishing to pick up some college credits over the summer can do so at a bargain as Wayland Baptist University will once again offer its summer courses at half tuition.

According to representatives with the Wayland Business Of-

fice, the discount equals \$218 per credit hour for undergraduate classes and \$183 per credit hour for graduate-level classes, but is only for courses taken on the Plainview campus. On-line courses and those offered at satellite campuses are not included.

Summer classes are offered

over three-week terms and registration for each term is the first day class — May 7, June 4, and June 25.

For more information about Wayland's summer course offerings, contact the admissions office at 806-291-3500 or the business office at 806-291-3445.

## Lockney Senior Citizens Center News

By Bettye Jackson

The annual fundraiser for the Senior Center will be held on June 10, 2012. A BAR-B-QUE lunch will be

served beginning at 12:00 noon. Included in this year's lunch activities will be a celebrity bake sale and auction. Mark the date on your

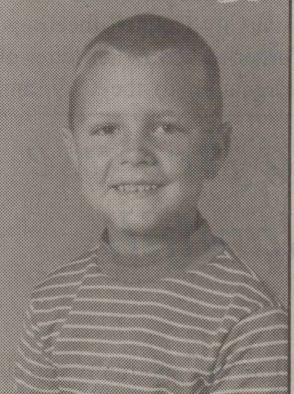
calendar and come and enjoy a good bar-b-que dinner with all the trimmings and stay for

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During Friday, the Hospice of Hands of West Texas staff served Lockney a Cinco de Mayo celebration by serving authentic Mexican food and culture. Pictured above is D'Lynn Pope, Kristi Carstensen, Rosie Rendon, Helen Teeple, Carrie Rendon, Melissa McWaters, Sandra Rendon, Nora Mendoza, Sheryl Rigby, Norma Zamora, and Isabel Pichardo.

## 1950 STUDY CLUB

By Carolyn Cheek

The 1950 Study Club met at the home of Margaret Jones for the final meeting of the 2011-2012 year on May 1, 2012.

The club celebrated the event with a salad supper. Co-hostesses for the occasion were

Joy Assiter and Martha Lotspeich. Lovene Moore presided at the meeting in the absence of President Sandy Forehand.

Following the supper Margaret Jones introduced the special guest for the evening. Sherre Cannon who conducted

an installation of new officers for the 2012-2013 year. New officers for the upcoming year will be: President - Margaret Jones, 1st Vice President - Shirley Morton, 2nd Vice President - Lee Battey, Recording Secretary - Fern Hartsell, Treasurer - Nancy Lawson and Reporter - Carolyn Cheek.

After the installation the new president appointed committees and conducted a short business meeting. Members attending were Joy Assiter, Betty Baker, Lee Battey, Carolyn Cheek, Gloria Fannon, Fern Hartsell, Margaret Jones, Martha Lotspeich, Lovene Moore, Sue Moore and Shirley Morton.

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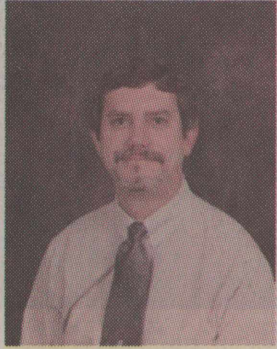
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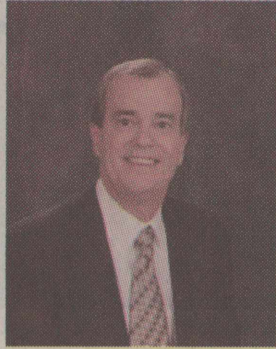
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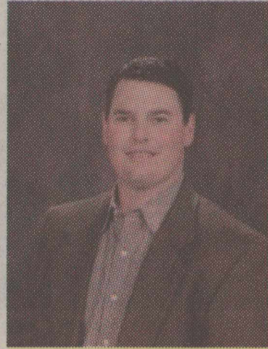
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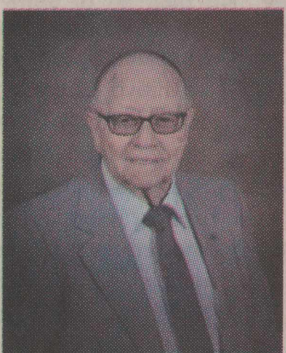
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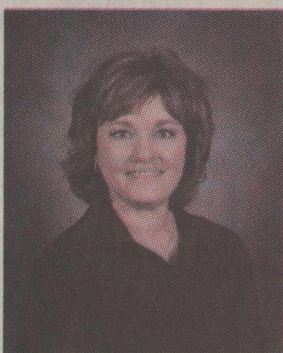
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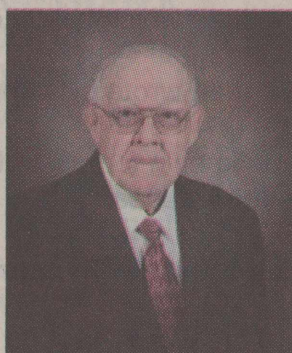
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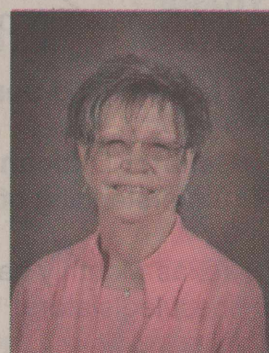
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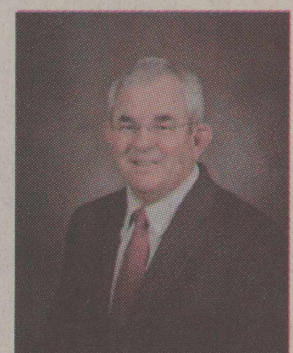
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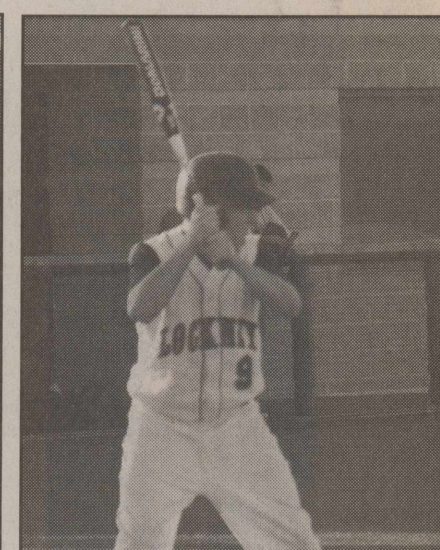
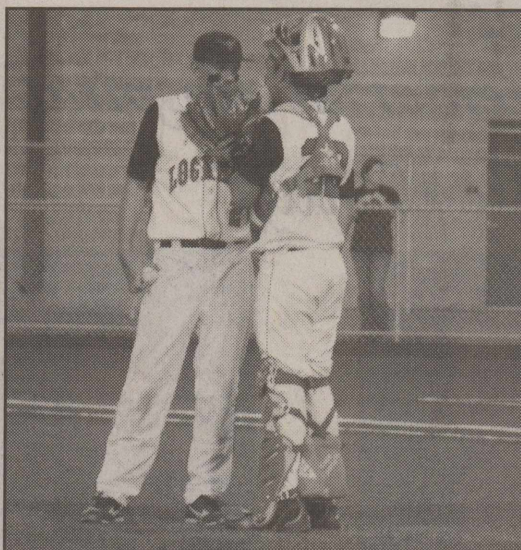
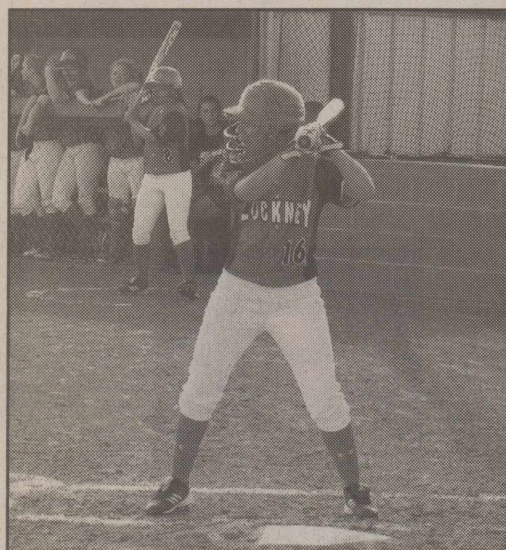


Terry Ellison



# Lockney Sports

## Lockney Stampedes in Bi-District



Photos by Homer Marquez

The Lockney Longhorn's are heading to the Area Championship after a convincing series sweep against the West Texas Comanche's last week. The Horn's would stampede past the Comanche's as they won the first game of the two game series 13-2 and the second 10-8.

During the first game at West Texas A&M's Wilder Park, the Horn's ended it quick as they managed to ten run rule the Comanche's 13-2 in the fifth inning; "We played very well," Lockney Head Coach Keegan Reynolds to media, "We played

fundamental ball."

Lockney's Landry Kidd would have a big night on the mound as his arm helped the Longhorns keep the Comanche's bats quiet throughout the game; especially in the first inning when he got out of a no-outs, bases loaded situation. Kidd would also have a two-RBI double that helped the Longhorns grab the lead in the second.

Senior Marcus Bernal and Sophomore Kameron Hunt also had a couple of big RBI's that helped push the Longhorns to the mercy rule wins.

In the second game, the Longhorns would have to overcome a little more adversity; especially with an ill Riley Teeter who would start on the mound.

It was obvious that the illness was affecting Teeter who had thrown up several times during the first day. Giving up four runs in the first inning, Teeter finally got a little help from Ian Dunbar who came and finished the inning. The Horn's would comeback in the second, tying the game up at four.

The lead would see-saw between the

two teams until the seventh when Lockney was able to get some insurance runs and run away with the lead. Catcher Marcos Bernal would have a big night going 4-4 at the plate and even throwing out pivotal base runners behind the plate.

The win crowned the Longhorns the Bi-District Champions and now Lockney will head to Moffett Field in Snyder to face Stamford. A one game 6 p.m. championship was decided after both teams had many other school engagements like U.I.L. class trips, and state track.

## Longhorn Softball comes to end in Vernon

It was a great run for the Lady Horn Softball Team as they dominated their district and earned the Bi-District Championship last week;

however Lockney would see the end 2012 season in the blistering heat of Vernon as they fell in a two game series against Windthorst.

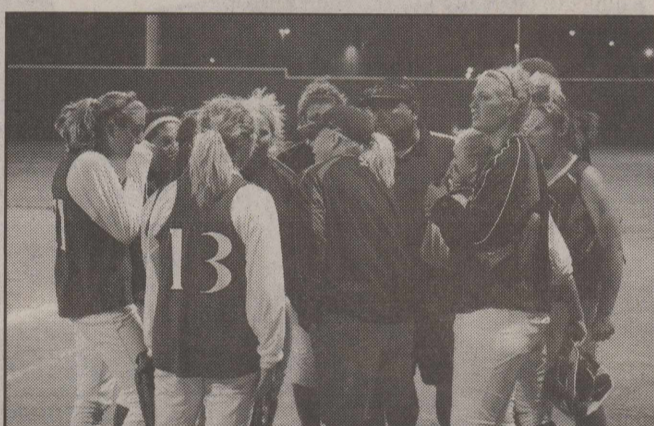


Photo by Homer Marquez

During the first Area game, the Horn's would succumb to the mercy rule as the Trojanettes beat the Ladies 11-1 in six innings.

Showing some hope in the game for the Longhorns were Sunny Williams who went 3 for 3 at the plate. Meagan Dunn and Dixie Williams both would go 2 for 3 with

pairs of singles; and McKenzie Kemp who also have a single.

However, even with base runners, Lockney had a difficult time bringing them home.

The Trojanettes did however take advantage of their hits as they tripled and doubled to bring runners

home. Windthorst's big innings would widen the point gap too far, forcing the umps to run rule the game in the sixth.

The second game would not be that much different, as the Trojanettes put the nail in the Horn's season with a 17-1 victory.

At first, the ladies looked to have it under control as pitcher Katie Jackson retired the first batters she faces. However big hits in the second and third innings put Windthorst up by seven.

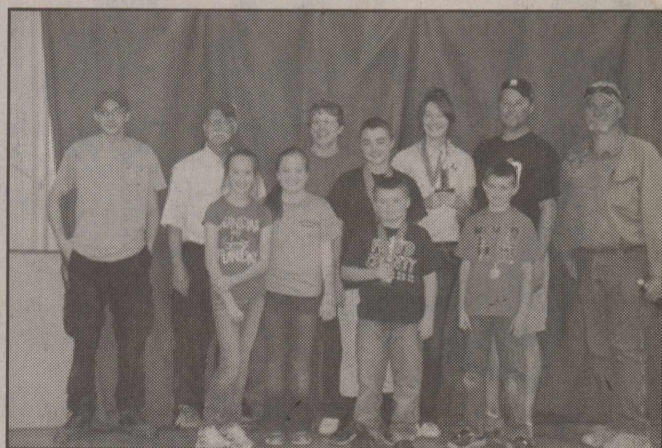
Dixie Williams, McKenzie Kemp and Gabby Peralez would get on the bags after several singles but just like

the first game, the ladies had a hard time bringing them home.

At the top of the fourth, the Trojanettes continued the punishment as they scored 10 runs off a couple of homeruns and several base clearing RBI's. By the time the Lockney could end the inning, the damage had been done, and Windthorst was able to pull off the victory.

Despite, the losses, the games in no way were a reflection of the hard work that the ladies had put in all year. It was a season to be proud of, and the Horn's will be looking for a rematch in 2013.

## Floyd County hosts 10<sup>th</sup> Annual 4-H District Archery Match



Courtesy Photo

Floyd County 4-H hosted the District Archery Shoot at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center, Saturday, April 28. Those participating included 4-H'ers (front row, l-r) Hannah Franks, Rachel Graham, Ryder Glass, Breck Thomas, Alex Glass and Jianna Davenport. 4-H Parent/Leaders who assisted with the Shoot were J. C. Chappell, Jerry Chappell, Patty Davenport, Bill Glass and Winfield Davenport. 4-H'ers also participating but not pictured were Carson Miller, Caitlin Bishop, Brett Moore, Clay Moore and Jaiden Blakey.

By Patey Davenport Shooting Sports Coach

Floyd County hosted the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual 4-H District Archery Match on Saturday, April 28. Sixty 4-H archers from around the district showed up to compete in the match. All the archers completed an indoor competition where they shot 6 rounds of

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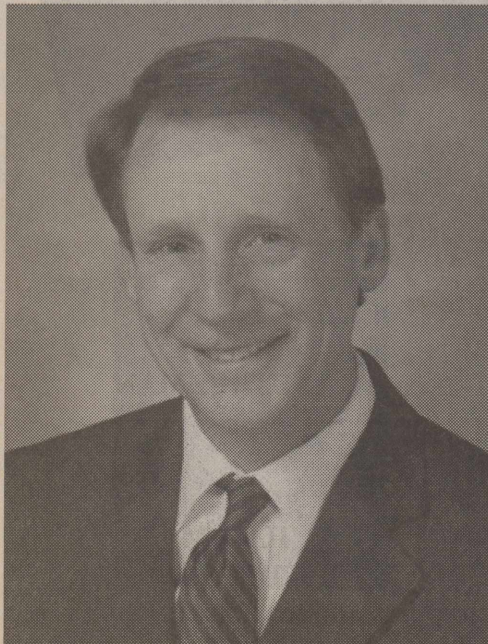
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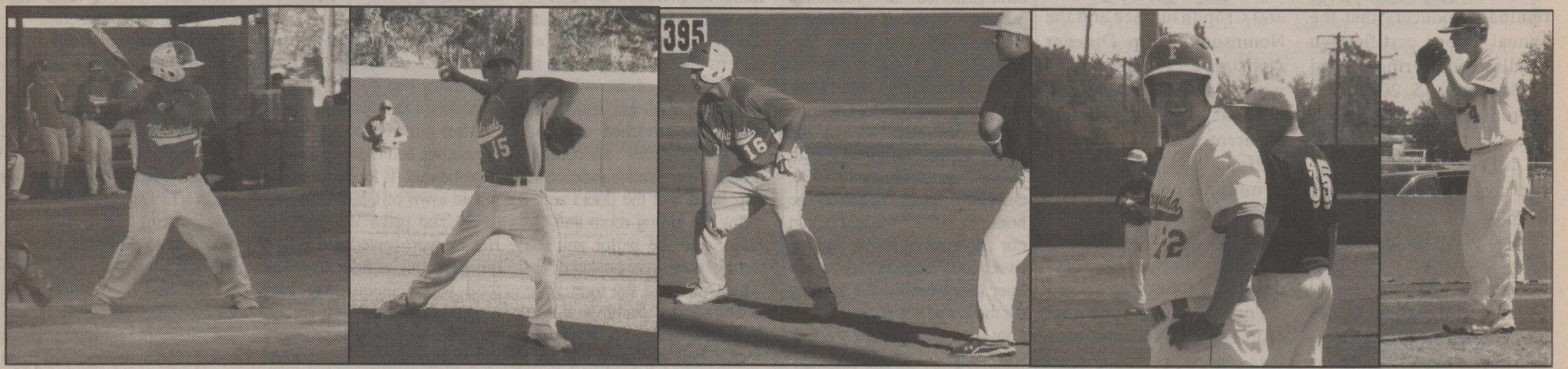
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# Floydada Sports

## Whirlwinds capture Bi-District Championship trophy with win over Tulia



Photos by Homer Marquez

**By Coach Seago**

With all the distractions of the outside world before the start of the state play-offs that just needs to be about the kids playing in a game that they have earned. The Whirlwinds and the Hornets took the series the distance, but at the end; Floydada was the last team standing as they took the series 2 games to 1.

In game one, Jose Martinez was the starting pitcher and he went the distance as he faced 25 Tulia batters while striking out 8, walking 3 and surrounded 2 hits while giving up 4 runs which were all unearned. The defense did a great job behind him by recording 13 putouts with only two errors that lead to all of the Hornets scoring. On the offensive side, Matthew McGowen, Jon Chavarria, and Danny Martinez lead all hitters with two hits a piece of the total 12 base hits the Whirlwinds had. "The kids did a great job of taking control of the errors Tulia made,

ran the bases well and did a great job of adjusting to the pitch philosophy of Tulia."

Game two, which took place, Sat May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 back at Wilder Field, saw the Whirlwinds fall behind early 1-0 before scoring 4 runs in the 6<sup>th</sup> to only have Tulia come back in the top of the 7<sup>th</sup> and hit a grand slam after one run had already scored to take a 6-4 lead. Floydada tacked on one run in the bottom half but lost game two 6-5. Seth Nielson was the starting pitcher and went 6 complete innings and 4 batters in the 7<sup>th</sup> before being pulled. Nielson faced 28 batters, striking out 9 on 8 hits with 1 walked batter but allowed 5 runs. Matthew McGowen faced 4 batters in relieve of Nielson and allowed 1 hit with 2 strike-outs and 1 earned run. The Floydada offense did a good job in game 2 collecting 10 hits as a team while Tyler Renfro led the attack with 3 base hits driving in 2 runs and scoring one. qGame 3 then commenced at

Bulldog stadium around 2:00 that afternoon. In that final game of the day, the Whirlwinds came out swinging and built an early 3 to 1 lead after one inning and never looked back as that took the game and the Bi-District trophy with a 12-7 win. In Game three, Floydada used three pitchers who combined for 7 innings of work while facing 28 batters, giving up 7 runs on 8 hits while striking out 4 and walking eight batters. Matthew McGowen picked up the win by going 2 innings, Danny Martinez pitched in the 3 and 4<sup>th</sup> innings and Jose Martinez shut down the Hornets by going three strong innings to close things out. The offense continued to stay hot by collecting 11 hits off of three different Tulia pitchers earning 7 of the 12 runs scored. Xavier Cervera, Jon Chavarria, Hunter Galvan, and Danny Martinez had two hits apiece, and accounted for 6 runs scored and 5 RBI's.

The Whirlwinds with the

series win advance to the Area Round of the play-offs where they will face District 3-2A District Champ Forsan who had a first round bye.

Game 1 will be at 7 p.m. Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at Lubbock Christian High School. Game 2 will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup>, back

at LCHS. If game 3 is necessary, it will be played 30 minutes after game 2. Prices for the game will be \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

## Davenport to serve as 2012 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador



**By Patty Davenport**

Jianna Davenport has been selected to serve as a 2012 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador. Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassadors represent 4-H and

specifically 4-H Shooting Sports for public relations purposes at special events such as donor/supporter functions and with the general public, peer groups, 4-H groups, community service groups, schools and media contacts. They serve as spokespersons for the 4-H Shooting Sports program, helping to make 4-H Shooting Sports programs more visible. The Ambassadors further develop their skills in leadership, public presentation, citizenship, community service, public relations and team building.

Ambassadors are selected based on leadership and community service in their

shooting sports project, other 4-H projects, school and community. The Ambassador Program is open to senior 4-Hers, age 14 to 19, who are involved in the shooting sports project.

Jianna recently traveled to the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood to assist with the 4-H Shooting Sports Extravaganza and to attend Ambassador Training. Her responsibilities include assisting with Extravaganza and the Texas State Shooting Sports Games held in July. She also is available to present programs on the opportunities provided through 4-H and 4-H Shooting Sports.

## Floydada ISD to give out door prizes at meeting

The Floydada Independent School District will be hosting a District Parent Meeting on May 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the FHS Auditorium. Tons of door prizes will be given out to those who attend, including Whirlwind Football Reserved Seats, Reserved Stadium Parking Stalls, and Whirlwind Athletic Passes.

## District 4-H Roundup Held



**Courtesy Photo**

Floyd County 4-H members participated in District 4-H Roundup held at the Levelland Middle School on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Those involved included (front row, l-r) Hunter Lefevre, Payton Teeple and Kaimee Webb; (middle row, l-r) Korleigh Webb and Kylie Ricketts; (back row, l-r) Jake Bramlet, Jianna Davenport and Kirby Nixon.

**By Melissa Long**

CEA-FCS Floyd County Eight Floyd County 4-H members participated in District 4-H Roundup held at the Levelland Middle School on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> with one member advancing to State to be held on the Texas Tech University Campus June 11 - 15.

Those participating included Hunter Lefevre in Junior Share The Fun Poetry/Prose - participation;

Payton Teeple in Junior Share The Fun Musical - 2<sup>nd</sup>; Kaimee Webb - Junior Share The Fun Vocal - 1<sup>st</sup>; Korleigh Webb - Junior Share The Fun Vocal 3<sup>rd</sup>; Kylie Ricketts - Junior Share The Fun Vocal - 2<sup>nd</sup>; Jake Bramlet - Senior Share The Fun Poetry/Prose 1<sup>st</sup>; Jianna Davenport - Senior Share The Fun Vocal 3<sup>rd</sup> and Kirby Nixon - Intermediate Share The Fun Musical - 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## TO THE CITIZENS OF FLOYD COUNTY....

We, the voters, would like to express our support for **MIKE ANDERSON**, in his re-election for Floyd County Commissioner, Precinct 1. Mr. Anderson has done an excellent job managing your money. When he started as Commissioner, there was only \$26,000.00 left in the fund. After three years, thru his good management, Precinct 1 has a fund balance of over \$200,000.00. This is a matter of record and is available on all the commissioners through the County Treasurer's office.

In the time Mike has been Commissioner, he has improved and maintained the county roads in excellent shape; through floods one year and drought the next. His fiscal management speaks for itself.

It is our opinion Mr. Anderson needs to be re-elected to a second term.

### Please vote in the May Primary!

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Election Day (Massie Activity Center) May 29

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**USDA Spring Seeded Crop Certification Deadline for Floyd County is July 15, 2012**

(Floydada, Texas), May 1 2012 –Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Bradley, reminds producers that the annual crop certification deadline for spring-seeded crops is July 15, 2012.

Producers who file accurate and timely reports for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage can prevent the potential loss of FSA program benefits.

"I encourage all producers to visit the Floyd County FSA office to file an accurate crop certification report by the July 15 deadline in order to comply with FSA program eligi-

bility requirements," said Bradley.

Producers are also reminded to report crop losses insured through Federal Crop Insurance and the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) within 15 days of the disaster or as soon as the loss is apparent.

Producers with interest in multiple counties should check the crop certification deadline for each county because there are three deadlines statewide.

For questions regarding crop certification and crop loss reports, please contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747.

**USDA Crop Certification Deadline for Small Grains is May 15, 2012**

(Floydada, Texas), May 1, 2012 –Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Bradley, reminds producers that the annual crop certification deadline for small grains is May 15, 2012.

Producers who file accurate and timely reports for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage can prevent the potential loss of FSA program benefits.

"I encourage all producers to visit the Floyd County FSA office to file an accurate crop certification report by the May 15 deadline in order to comply with FSA program eligi-

bility requirements," said Bradley.

Producers are also reminded to report crop losses insured through Federal Crop Insurance and the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) within 15 days of the disaster or as soon as the loss is apparent.

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For questions regarding crop certification and crop loss reports, please contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747.

**SOUTH PLAINS HOBBY CLUB NEWS**

By Sandra Lass

The South Plains Hobby Club had its first out-of-town meeting in Clarendon on March 14, 2012 for lunch and visits to three historical sites. Members present included Charlyne Baker, Mary Lou Zinck, Virginia Taylor, Carolyn Marble, Janis Julian, Mary Carter, Margie Young and Sandra Lass.

Our first stop was at the Lowe House. Originally built by the Martin family in 1906, the Lowe family acquired the house in 1926. We had begun our trip mid morning and arrived in Clarendon about an hour later. As we were looking for the Lowe house, we noticed how many more trees were in leaf, and lots of flowers and bushes were blooming, much more so than in South Plains. (I was later told that since Clarendon sits in a valley, it has better protection than where we live on the open plains.) We parked at the curb in front of the house and from the moment we stepped onto the brick sidewalk we knew that the house and surrounding yards were all things Victorian.

We were first greeted on the wraparound front porch by two large cats. They merely stretched and yawned when we knocked on the screen door. As Sarah SoRelle invited us inside she explained that the Lowe house had had five owners and was purchased by her parents in 1982. Sarah said that her mother (Zell SoRelle) spent the rest of her life restoring the house and yard to their Victorian origins. Sarah said the house had an area of 3300 square feet and that the ground floor consisted of an entryway into a sitting room, a parlor, a dining room, kitchen, enclosed back porch, a library, several pass through areas, a bathroom and two stairways leading to the second floor: one large stairway with a landing located in the front of the house and another smaller narrow stairway next to the kitchen. The second floor consisted of two large bedrooms and two large baths. As Sarah guided us through the house, she said a particular kind of cedar had been imported and transported by covered wagon from Louisiana to build the house. We also learned that the door and window frames were made of cedar wood as well. She said that the interior furnishings

included teardrop lamps from Chicago, many oriental rugs as well as antique furniture from the Victorian era.

As we went from room to room we noticed that most of the walls had wainscot panels half-way to the ceiling. Sarah told us the wallpaper used to cover the rest of the walls was not paper at all but fabric that had to be stretched and had miles and miles of cording around the wall fabric. She explained that the doors separating the sitting room and the parlor and the parlor and the dining room were pocket doors which replaced the long gone double doors. Sarah said that both the parlor and the dining rooms had coal burning fireplaces but were no longer in use because of the possibility of soot damage to the rest of the house. Sarah pointed out the two transom windows over the passage way between the dining room and kitchen and between the kitchen and the enclosed back porch.

As we looked through the window from the passage way, we could see a huge hackberry tree and persimmon tree in the beautifully landscaped backyard. Sarah said that the persimmon tree was possibly 100 years old. Sarah led us into the kitchen where we could see that the kitchen and adjacent back porch floors and walls had been hand painted and had borders that were complimentary. As we sat in the library, one of the last rooms we visited, we noticed a large collection of books and numerous photographs of Sarah's family as well as various certificates and honors, her parents and other relatives had achieved. Sarah said that her mother was a remarkable woman. Zell SoRelle completed her Masters and a PhD and taught at what is now West Texas A & M University. She taught until mandatory retirement. Sarah added that her mother became one of the first women in the Panhandle of Texas to receive her pilot's license. (Move over, Amelia.)

While sitting on the enclosed back porch, we noticed two cat cages, feeding bowls and water for the cats we had seen earlier. Sarah explained that the cats slept there at night, but that under her supervision, she let them in the house periodically for mouse and rat control. As we were leaving, Mary Carter

asked about a knob on the outer side and in the middle of the front door. Sarah told her that it was the doorbell and sure enough, when Mary turned it, it said ding-a-ling. We thanked Sarah for the tour. Since we knew that the Lowe House was for sale, several of us remarked that if we had the money we would love to buy it.

After our visit to the Lowe House, we had lunch at the Bar H restaurant. It looked like the whole town of Clarendon was there. The place was packed. But we were seated and served quickly and efficiently. The food was delicious. We later learned it was the best restaurant in town. Everyone there seemed to know one another, except us. We also learned that many of them knew we would be coming to Clarendon and were not surprised when we visited the Donley County Courthouse, our next stop after lunch.

Our tour guides at the courthouse were Judge Jack Hall, who has been the Judge for the past 15 years and his Secretary Rhonda Aveni. Judge Hall said that the courthouse was originally built in 1870, and the original cost was \$36,000, and that restoration was begun in 2002 and completed 2003. It cost 4 million dollars to restore. Upon entering the courthouse we looked at photographs displayed in a showcase illustrating the construction of the original building as well as during the restoration period. Our tour guides told us that the interior woodwork was long leaf pine, an extinct tree that used to grow in east Texas. We toured the first floor and were told that the wooden chairs in the Commissioners Courtroom had been found in the attic in 1937 and we saw that all of the interior windows were transom windows. There were numerous plaques on the walls commemorating previous courthouse officials and their length in office.

Next we took the elevator to the second floor and into the large courtroom. The courtroom has a tall metal ceiling. The trim is plaster, but that everything else in the room is original: the chairs, banisters, tables and with few exceptions original hardware. Judge Hall said that there is a third floor and an attic, but they have yet to be restored, although they

have found some interesting artifacts and old records in the attic. We thanked Judge Hall and Mrs. Aveni for the tour and traveled to the outskirts of Clarendon for our third stop, the Saints Roost Museum.

The Saints Roost Museum used to be a hospital and was built by Cornelia Adair in the early 20th century for use by the cowboys of the JA ranch. She was the sole owner of the ranch from 1888 until her death in 1921. She usually resided in England and Ireland, but came to the ranch for several months annually. When we entered into what used to be the waiting room we first observed a tiled fireplace much like what we had seen at the Lowe House. We saw a check-in area, a Doctor's office with an old-fashioned cane-backed wheel chair and an old-fashioned telephone. The museum has two wings. On one wing there is a music room, a bedroom and mannequins dressed in late 1800's clothing. In another room, we saw sitting room furniture, an adult bed and a baby bed with a baby doll in it. On the other wing, there is a ranch display room with quilts, boots, saddles and old photographs of ranch hands. In the center of the museum adjacent to the check-in area we were shown an old Western Electric Telephone switchboard. This is an upright board with lights and places to plug a cable into a hole next to each light. Then when the light came on a live operator would plug in the cable and say "Number Please." When the caller replied, the operator would say, "that number has been changed to" and give the new number, or say "sorry, that number has been disconnected." (Both Mary Carter and I had worked for telephone companies with this type of switchboard during our salad days.)

After a long but very rewarding day we arrived back in South Plains around 6 p.m.

Sadly, over the past two months we lost two of our own: Scotty Gilbert and Joe Taylor. Our thoughts and prayers go to the two families. We know that their loved ones are happy and with our Lord and Savior.

For the next Hobby Club meeting the group plans a trip to Groom on Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

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A book of memories (letters/cards/pictures) will be presented after the reception. If you would like to contribute, please bring your items to the reception or mail them to Donna Keaton at 110 S. Wall, Floydada, TX 79235 or Beth Bramlet at 1451 FM 97, Lockney, TX 79241

**Floydada Jr. High Tennis District Meet**

By Coach Regina Smith

Floydada took 23 students to the Jr. High District meet on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

They worked hard the past three weeks between tutorials and testing. There were 130 kids participating in the district meet from seven of our district schools.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place behind Tulia and Muleshoe in the overall team points.

Those competing were:

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Singles:** Selena Espinoza - 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Macee Brotherton - 3<sup>rd</sup> place,

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Doubles:** Brook Galvan/ Whitney Ren-

fro, Carly Weems/ McKayla Jackson, Kennedy Coon/ Valorie Espinoza

**7<sup>th</sup> Boys Singles:** Max Nunez

**7<sup>th</sup> Boys Doubles:** Brayden Campbell/ Esteban Lerma - 2<sup>nd</sup> place,

Cassy Cage/ Jerry Jasso

**7<sup>th</sup> Mixed Doubles:** Kennedy Coon/ Cory Mathis - 3<sup>rd</sup> place

**8<sup>th</sup> Girls Doubles:** Reagan Hughes/ Dakota Whalen, Allyson Perez/ Destiny Thomas

**8<sup>th</sup> Boys Singles:** Michael Riojas - 4<sup>th</sup> place, Kyi Baker

**8<sup>th</sup> Boys Doubles:** Logan Everett/ Kirby Nixon



Courtesy Photoa

2012 FLOYDADA JUNIOR HIGH TENNIS TEAM members are (top row, l-r) Carly Weems, Max Nunez, Cory Mathis, Cassy Cage, Jerry Jasso, Kyi Baker, Kirby Nixon, Brayden Campbell, Michael Riojas, McKayla Jackson; (bottom row, l-r) Whitney Renfro, Macee Brotherton, Brook Galvan Selena Espinoza, Kennedy Coon, Allyson Perez and Destiny Thomas. Not pictured were Logan Everett, Reagan Hughes, Dakota Whalen, Valorie Espinoza, and Esteban Lerma.



FLOYDADA JUNIOR HIGH TENNIS TEAM members to place at the District Meet held in May 3<sup>rd</sup> were Cory Mathis and Kennedy Coon (3rd mixed doubles), Macee Brotherton (3rd Girls singles), Selena Espinoza (2nd girls singles), Brayden Campbell and Esteban Lerma (2nd boys doubles).

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May 14 - May 18

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**Lunch-** Hot dog, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast-** Sausage, toast/jelly, or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk  
**Lunch-** Cheese enchiladas, refried beans, garden salad, cinammon apples, milk

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast-** Waffles with syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk  
**Lunch-** Philly steak sandwiches, baked beans,

pickle spears, baked chips, fresh fruit cups, milk

**Thursday**  
**Breakfast-** Breakfast sausage, roll and cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk  
**Lunch-** Ultimate taco, seasoned corn, snowball salad, brownie, milk

**Friday**  
**Breakfast-** Scrambled eggs, toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk  
**Lunch-** Hamburger, lettuce, tomato & pickles, western beans, sliced peaches, crispy cereal treat, milk

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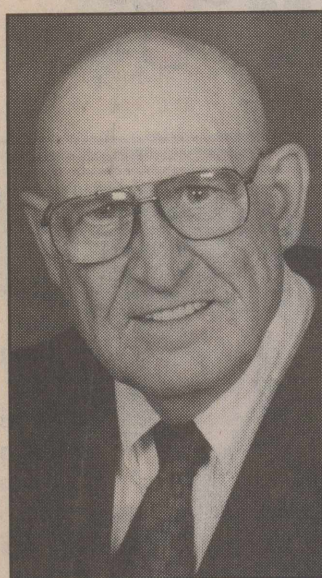
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OBITUARY



**GALAND HOWARD**

Funeral services for Billy Galand Howard, age 81, of Lockney, Texas, were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney. Ministers Jay Don Poindexter and Van Bradley officiated, and Francis Montandon led the song service.

Burial was held in the Lockney Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Lockney. Visitation was held at 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at the Main Street Church of Christ, 501 South Main Street, Lockney, TX 79241.

Mr. Howard was born November 26, 1930 in Chillicothe, Texas to T.D. and Willie Ora Armstrong Howard. He married Doris Jaunell Pendergrass on November 11, 1949 in Chillicothe. He went to meet his father in Heaven May 5, 2012 at his home in Lockney with his wife of 62 years at his side. Galand moved with his wife to the Lockney area 6 years ago. He was a member of the Main Street Church of Christ where he enjoyed the fellowship of Christian friends and was always interested in sharing something he had made or one of his many special recipes.

A man of his hobbies was woodworking, cooking, gardening and planting fruit trees. Prior to moving to Lockney, he had lived in the Dallas area for about 30 years and then in the Ben Wheeler area for about 20 years. He was employed during that time at Chance Vought, Frank's TV and Radio Service, which he owned, and then retired from Davis Hawn Lumber Company in Dallas after 26 years of service.

Survivors include his wife; son, Glen Keith and Debra Howard of Cedar Hill, Texas; daughters, Karen Janice and Paul Compton of Ashtabula, Ohio and Sharen Annette and Nick Scott of Sugarland, Texas; son, Dewey Todd and Angela Howard of Lubbock, Texas; daughter, Galanell and Kim Pamplin of Abilene, Texas; and son, David Wade and Selina Howard of Buda, Texas; 19 grandchildren, Britni Hayes and Jeremy, Briana Campbell and Matt, and Devan Howard; Valerie, Valene and Valaina Compton; Nicholas Scott and Leslie, and Chase Scott; Kayla, Matthew and Lori Howard; Madison, Landon and Ashlen Pamplin; Xavier and Sierra Howard; and one great-grandchild (due next month).

Galand was preceded in death by two brothers, Thurman and Hilton Howard and two sisters, Ora Dee Jones and Leatrice Howard.

Pallbearers will be his seven grandsons. Honorary pallbearers are his 12 granddaughters.

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

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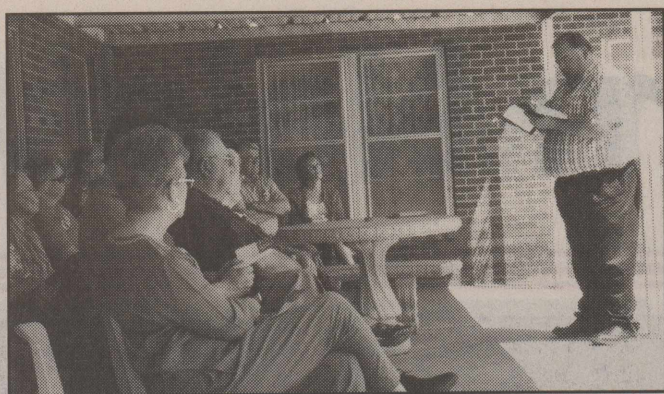


Photo by Homer Marquez

On Thursday, May 3, community churches in both Lockney and Floydada came together in observance of the 61st annual observance of the National Day of Prayer.

The Floyd County churches joined hundreds around the country whose congregations met to pray for our nation.

According to flyers handed out at the event, the national observance was started by President Dwight D. Eisenhower after he challenged "citizens of this great nation to remember the God of our fathers as those two words [Under God] captured 'the characteristic and definitive factor in the American way of Life.'"

Above, Lockney's faithful met at the First Methodist Church to observe the day and to pray for local and national concerns.

**THIS WEEK'S**

**LHS HOMECOMING MEETING**

There will be a Lockney High School Homecoming meeting on Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. at the Main Street Church of Christ Fellowship room. All address and email address changes need to be taken to Kay Martin at J & K Insurance Agency.

**WILDFLOWER SHOW - OLD SETTLERS DAY**

Yes, there will be Wildflower Show in conjunction with Old Settlers Day, May 26th. Entries will be accepted between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. There will be more info coming soon about the categories, cash prizes and ribbons. After some showers in the area recently, there should be some really pretty and unusual blossoms...so be on the lookout for your entries and make plans to attend!

**MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE**

The Floyd County Historical Museum will hold Open House on Friday, May 25th with refreshments served from 1 to 5 p.m. Museum Board Members, staff and volunteers will be on hand to greet visitors. Constructed in 1912, The Surginer Hardware and Implement Building which houses the Museum and the adjoining Barrow Building are making their 100th Anniversary.

**FLOYD COUNTY OLD SETTLERS REUNION**

Old Settlers Day will be held Saturday, May 26 in Floydada and will have the traditional activities on the square. The Wildflower Show and Quilt Show will be held in the Barrow Building. Ropemaking will also be conducted by the museum volunteers who will provide instruction and assistance.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Editor,

On May 6, 2012, the American Nurses Association and Lockney Health and Rehabilitation are sponsoring National Nurses Week, which is held every year during May 6-12. The purpose of National Nurses Week is to raise public awareness of the value of nursing and to help educate the public about the vital roles registered nurses play in meeting the health care needs of the American people.

To celebrate National Nurses Week, Lockney Health and Rehabilitation would like to pay tribute to the number of registered nurses in the nation (nearly 3.1 million), and other registered nurses who provide highly skilled, safe and quality care in a variety of settings, and who encounter increased challenges to their professional and ethical commitment to deliver essential health care.

Lockney Health and Rehabilitation is soliciting stories that pay tribute to these registered nurses. Perhaps, for example, an individual may

want to thank the registered nurse who cared for him/her or his/her family member; or perhaps a registered nurse was involved in saving a particular individual's life and the individual would like to show his/her gratitude. Lockney Health and Rehabilitation would like to hear from your readers and we ask that your newspaper print these testimonials during May 6-12, 2012. Or maybe later in the month since I know this is late notice.

Please help us recognize our area's registered nurses and give an individual the opportunity to share his/her story and pay tribute to a particular registered nurse or to all indispensable registered nurses on this special day.

All stories can be sent to Lockney Health and Rehabilitation, P. O. Box 1060, Lockney, TX. 79241. THANK YOU!

Sincerely,  
**Pamela J. Pollard, MSN, RN**  
Director of Nurses  
**Lockney Health and Rehab**  
Lockney, TX 79241  
806-652-3375

*A love fund has been set up for Paul McIntosh at American State Bank. These donations will help defray medical expenses.*

*A love fund has been established for Regina Adams at American State Bank. You can make donations at any ASB location. You can also make memorial donations to the Floydada Chamber of Commerce.*

**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 Evening 7:00 p.m.  
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**CARR'S CHAPEL**

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Morning Worship .... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
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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**

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

Lockney  
Rev. Ricky Carstensen, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Jr. High ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.  
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**GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**

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

Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister  
Bible Study ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.  
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Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
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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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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
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Sunday Singing ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
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Floydada  
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor  
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader  
Sunday Bible... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Praise .. 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Praise .... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday 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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Joe M. Hernandez  
983-5286 (church)  
..... Sunday School .....  
English..... 9:45 a.m.  
Spanish..... 11:00 a.m.  
Spanish Worship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
English Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.  
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**ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Floydada  
Rev. Angelo Consemino  
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**

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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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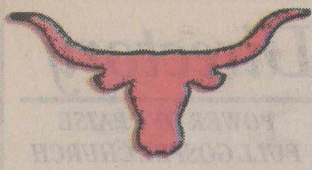
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Worship Service .... 11:00 a.m.  
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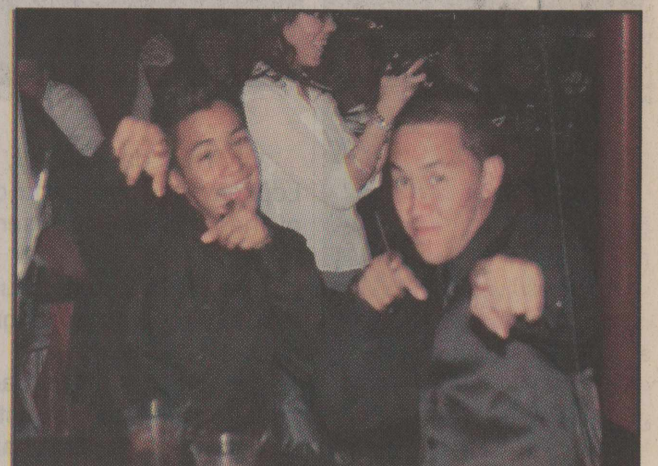
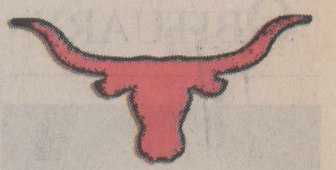
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Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m.  
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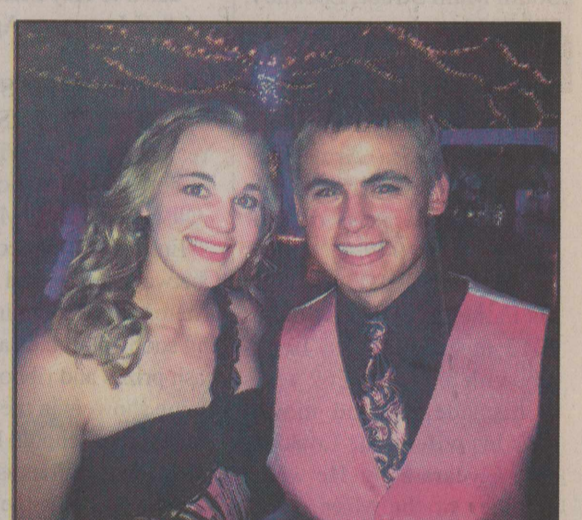
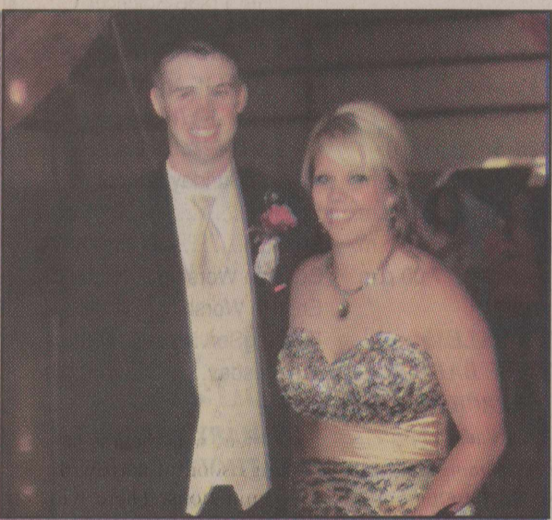




# Longhorn News

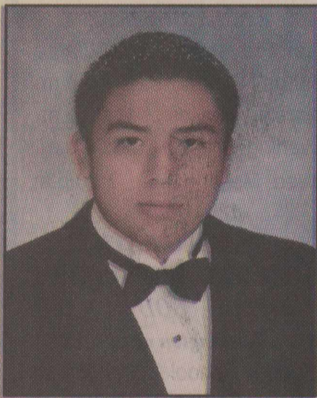


Lockney Prom  
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## Student Spotlight: Aaron Salazar



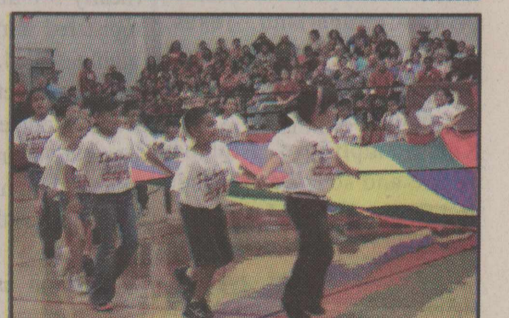
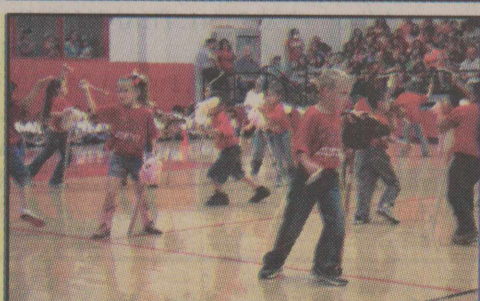
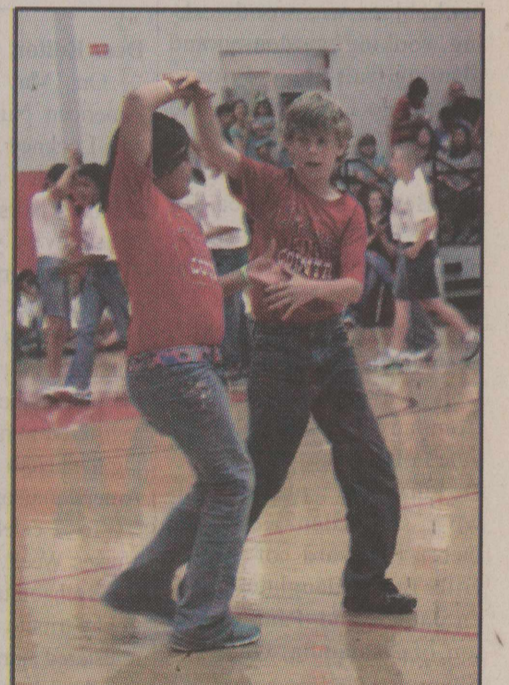
By Johnny Rose

He grew up in Lockney and has lived here all his life. He has 5 brothers and sisters and they all have attended Lockney schools

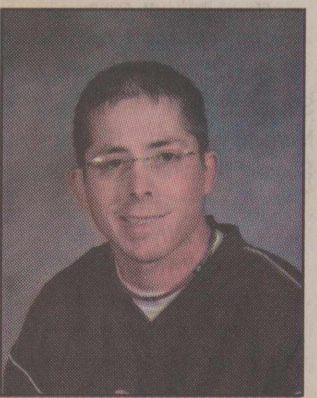
at some point. Some of his hobbies and interests are working on and racing cars. What he enjoys about LHS is the new school and teachers. He is excited about he is upcoming graduation and that he is passing his classes. Outside of school he enjoys working and hanging out with his friends. His friends describe him as quiet, funny, and hardworking. His favorite part about Lockney is that it is a small town. He describes himself as studious, strong, and courageous. In ten years he sees himself having his own business.

## Lockney Pure Country...

On Tuesday, Lockney's Elementary put on a boot scootin physical education program in front of a packed house of parents and teachers. Directed by Julie Dorman and Alecha Sheppard the show featured second graders using Lummi Sticks, kindergarteners riding stick horses and boot dancing, first graders putting on a parachute show, third graders using hula hoops and ribbons, fourth graders showing off their dribbling skills, and fifth graders using tinkling sticks. The finale featured Kinder through fifth singing "Happy Trials to you"



## Teacher Spotlight: Keegan Reynolds



Keegan Reynolds grew up in Hamlin, Texas where he graduated from Hamlin ISD. He has been working in education for five years and has

had multiple jobs including teacher and coach. What he enjoys most about his job is seeing the kids succeed. Some of Keegan's most memorable moments of his career are playoff baseball games. He enjoys doing anything athletic outside of school, and also enjoys hunting, and golfing. What motivated him to get into education and coaching as a child was having some good coaches along the way. He came to Lockney in August of 2008 and what he enjoys the most about it is the small town atmosphere.

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# Whirlwind News



## A Day in the Life of...

By: Shari Ross-Staff Writer

Floydada School District is a 1:1 computer technology program where every student receives his/her own laptop on which to complete school assignments. Students rely on their Apple MacBooks to get them through their day, but when something goes wrong they turn to the TIP room for help. The TIP room is designated for receiving help from certified assistance. Kelly Pachiano is one person who assists students with any computer issues from a simple program question to a complete reboot of

their system.

"With technology constantly changing, flexibility is key. I really don't have a set daily routine," commented Mrs. Pachiano when asked about her daily work.

Just like any other school employee, everyday has positive aspects to make up for the negative ones.

"It brightens my day when another district calls, and I can tell them about Floydada ISD's technology," added Pachiano.

Even when there isn't a big highlight to cancel out the low points, Pachiano never



misses a step.

"Most everyday something unexpected comes up, and we will go with the flow," concluded Pachiano.

## Farewell to FHS Faculty



By: Taylor Orr-Staff Writer

Last week we profiled three teachers who will be leaving FISD at the end of the year. This week we invite you to get a glimpse of the teaching experiences of two more teachers at FHS as they prepare to say farewell to FHS.

Building relationships with teachers, students, and people in the community and the classroom environment are a few things that teachers might miss the most once they leave their teaching positions.

"I will miss my relationships the most. I will miss my co-workers, our stories, and our lunch. I will miss the students and the relationships I have with them as well," said Biology, Anatomy, and Dual Credit Biology teacher, Aimee Teeple.

The relationships with their

students are very special to these teachers.

"I'm going to miss teaching and being in a classroom. I feel so lucky to have had the group of students that I had this year, and loved them all," stated Spanish teacher, MaryBeth Aycock.

While it is a difficult decision to choose to leave a job, in most cases, other needs in their lives are more important.

"My husband and I are moving to Chicago so he can attend college at Wheaton College," said Mrs. Aycock.

Instead of moving away, one teacher is needed more around her home.

"I will be devoting my time to my family. My husband is going to turn over some of the farming responsibilities to me so I can be more helpful. I am also going to be 100% avail-

able to my kids," noted Mrs. Teeple.

Some teachers have been employed at FISD for a long time and some for a short while, but no matter the amount of time they've spent here, the contribution they have made to the education of the students is greatly appreciated.

"I have been at Floydada ISD for 14 years, eight of them were spent at Floydada Jr. High as an 8th grade Science/ Gifted and Talented teacher. The past six years I've spent here at the high school teaching Biology, Anatomy and Physiology, and AP and Dual Credit Biology," commented Mrs. Teeple.

Mrs. Aycock and Mrs. Teeple have both been great members to the teaching staff at FHS, and they will both be greatly missed next year.

## Retraction

There was a misunderstanding in a quote in the "Choosing the Right College For Your Future" story in last week's paper. The quote by Imelda Reséndiz was printed as, "I chose to attend University of Texas because of their academic program and because it's farther away from home." The corrected quote is, "I chose to attend the University of Texas because of their academics but NOT because its farther from home." Additionally she said, "Whenever I inform people that I will be attending UT they assume I want to get away from home; that is not at all my intent. I am sorry for whomever the previous quote may have offended, especially my parents. It will be hard for me to leave next year. Floydada is my home, but I have leave one day in order to gain the education I need."

## A Special Thanks to You

On behalf of the family of Cynthia Smith, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to the students, parents, faculty and staff of Floydada ISD. We are grateful for all of the love and support that you have shown our sister throughout the years. Your kindness will always be appreciated. It means so much to us that you all have taken Cynthia in and accepted her as one of your own. We thank you for all of the thoughts, prayers, gifts, and kind words of encouragement during this difficult time in her life. We ask that you please continue to keep Cynthia and our family in your prayers.

Sincerely,  
The Smith Family

## Sophomore Puts FHS on the Map while Visiting the "Windy City"

By: Emily Hall-Staff Writer

As part of being elected Regional President of the local BPA chapter, sophomore, Hunter Schwertner attended the National Leadership Conference located in Chicago, Illinois. While there, he attended various meetings and was a voting delegate for the state of Texas to elect the national officers.

"My experience in Chicago was amazing," said Schwertner. "I've never really been to the city before so it was like being on a different planet."

One thing that seemed "off this planet" was the food.

"While I was there, I ate Chicago pizza which is basically like a pie. It was very different from what we eat here in Texas."

In addition to all the required meetings and seminars he took

part in, there were also spectacular sights to be seen all throughout Chicago.

"During our time there, we attended the art institute, which had amazing famous paintings like the American Gothic and various other pieces of art," said Schwertner. "We went to Jersey Boys, and it was probably the most amazing play or production I've ever been to in my life."

Tasha Hughes, BPA Sponsor, accompanied Schwertner in the journey to Chicago. She has had previous students as Regional Presidents and also State Officers.

"Every year the BPA makes the conference special and holds special events," said Hughes. "This year the special event was at Navy Pier. Overall, it was a great experience."

## Make Your Nominations Today

By: Sarah Jo Miller-Staff Writer

Don't forget nominations of FHS alumni for the Hall of Fame are needed by August 1, 2012. Don't delay! For nomination forms, contact Bob Dempsey by email, rdemp601@gmail.com or by phone at (806)-683-

2052, or you may also call Lee Battey at (806)-983-3021 or (806)-778-2153. Alternatively, you can find these forms at the Floydada County Museum, on the Floydada Ex Students group Facebook page, or at [http://floydadawhirlwinds.org/contact\\_us.html](http://floydadawhirlwinds.org/contact_us.html). The Hall of Fame

committee will begin having meetings soon to narrow down the nominations. There will be a booth available at the Old Settlers' Day parade where you will be able to find out more information regarding the Hall of Fame and other exciting homecoming events.

## Staff's Corner

There is no better friend than a sister. And there is no better sister than you.

~Author Unknown

To me, sisters are like fire and rain. One moment one sister may be mad or in a rage of fire while the other sister is the rain that washes away the flames and makes it all better. That's how I would describe my sister, Anna and me. Usually I'm the rain, and she's the fire; but here lately, somehow we seemed to have switched roles.

This week's staff's corner is dedicated to my friend, my backbone, my sister, Annie Smith. It makes me laugh whenever I think about that time you said, and I quote, "You've written an article about everybody but me!" Do you remember what my response to that was? I said, "Yours will be the last article I write this year." Then for brownie points I added, "I'm saving the best for last!" So here it is.

This has been the hardest article to write because no one knows how much you mean to me, and not even my smooth way with words could ever express how grateful I am to have you in my life. Other than losing mom two years ago, being diagnosed with breast cancer has been one of the most difficult things that I have had to go through. Yet, you have been there every step of the way. You've done so much for me, and not once have you complained about anything. That signifies your genuine love for me.

Not many people can say they have a sister who will drop everything and run to their aid



at the drop of a hat. For example, the day I found out that I had cancer, you stopped in the middle of your workday and came to my rescue. You have no idea how that made me feel. You're amazing. I will admit though, even though you are amazing, I have to keep it real with my readers; you can be harsh at times. Now come on, you, I, and practically anyone who knows you can vouch that you have a tendency to be a little rough with your words quite often. And although I gripe about that, I can honestly say, I wouldn't have it any other way. Your tough love is what has kept me from making the same mistake twice. And even today, your tough love keeps me going, and it pushes

me to keep fighting for my life. I am forever indebted to you. You're the best sister this side of Heaven and God gave you to me. I'm beyond lucky... I am blessed.

As I close, I wanted to say one more thing: You know how you always say that there is no need for me to thank you for helping me because that's what family is supposed to do? Well I just want you to know that that drives me crazy. Everyone needs to know that they are appreciated, even you "Tin Woman." Yet, to make sure that you're happy, I won't end this letter by saying thank you; I'll say I love you because those three words say it all. Until next time...

## Top 5 Texas Universities

By: Taylor Orr- Staff Writer

With so many universities, degree plans, departmental schools, and other things, it's easy to see how juniors and seniors can easily become overwhelmed when starting to plan their future. Everything's bigger (and better) in Texas and there are great options for everyone for education after high school. From large public schools to small private schools, there is something for everyone.

**No. 1- Rice University**  
Rice University, which is located in Houston, Texas, is a private college that was founded in 1891. The undergraduate student population is 2,886, but don't let that fool you. The undergraduate division is known as a leader in research with strengths in applied sciences. Rice offers a school of Architecture, school of Engineering, school of Music, and many others.

**No. 2- University of Texas**  
Austin, Texas is the home to the

University of Texas, which was founded in 1883. UT has a much larger undergraduate population of 36,878 and is known as an ivy school because of the opportunities it offers to students. There are sixteen different colleges within UT such as schools of Architecture, Business, Communication, Education, Engineering, Law, Pharmacy, Nursing, and many more.

**No. 3- Texas A&M University**  
Founded in 1871, Texas A&M was the first higher educational institution in Texas. TAMU is found in College Station, TX, and hosts a vast 37,357 undergraduate population. Although Texas A&M began as an agricultural and mechanical college, it now offers students a wide variety of areas to study in. Agriculture and Life Science, Architecture, Business, Liberal Arts, Science, and Veterinary Medicine are six of the ten college Texas A&M offers.

**No. 4- Southern Methodist University**

SMU is a private college that was founded in 1911 in Dallas, Texas. SMU has 6,208 undergraduate residents. There are seven schools within SMU; Humanities and Science, Business, Arts, Engineering, Education, Law, Theology, and Education.

**No. 5- Baylor University**  
Baylor is a private Baptist college located in Waco. It was founded in 1845 and is home to 11,831 undergraduate students. Baylor is nationally well known for its schools of Law, Music, Theology, Business and Science. Other colleges at Baylor are Arts and Science, Computer Science, and Nursing.

With over 208 institutions of higher learning in Texas, there is something for everyone, no matter what size university you're looking for or where your interests lie.

## Upcoming Events for Floydada ISD

By: Emily Hall- Staff Writer

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| May 9: STAAR Biology                   | May 17: STAAR World Geography/Chemistry |
| AP Calculus Exam                       | Catholic Church Senior Supper           |
| Academic Banquet                       | May 18: Senior Trip                     |
| May 10: STAAR Geometry                 | JH Awards Assembly                      |
| May 11: STAAR World Geography          | May 18-19: Area 1 FFA Convention        |
| May 11-12: State Track                 | May 21-22: State Academic UIL           |
| May 15: Methodist Church Senior Supper | May 22-23: 1:30 Student Dismissal       |
| STAAR Algebra 1/Geometry               | May 24: 12:00 Dismissal                 |
| May 16: STAAR Biology                  | Graduation at 6 pm                      |

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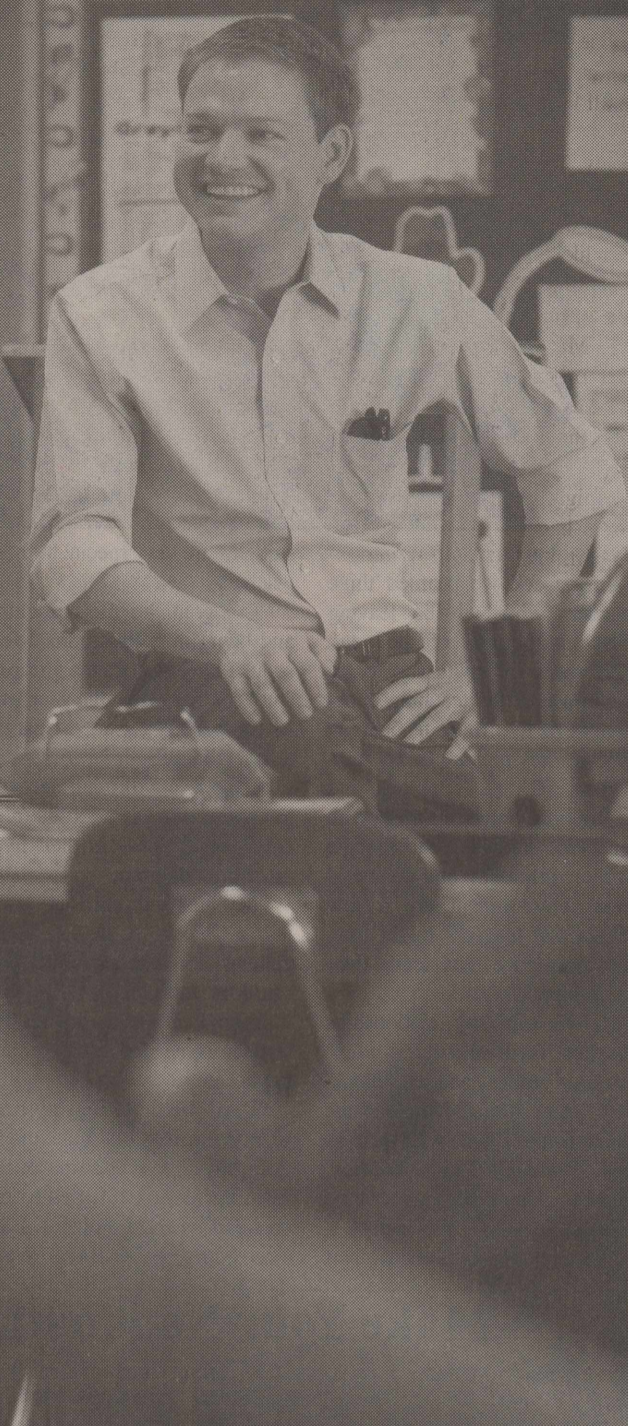
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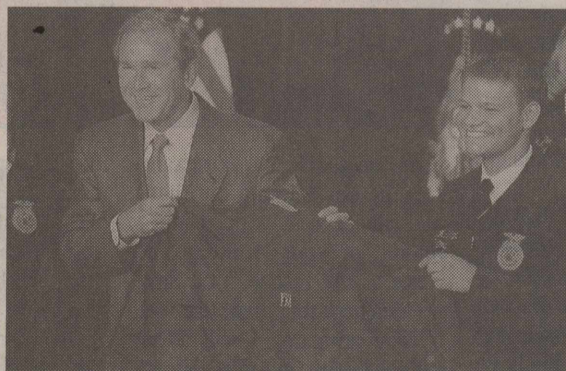
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### TURNER

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to appoint an interim councilmember until the district's election. Gilliland said that people who are interested in becoming a councilmember will need to be put on the city council's agenda. From there, the council will hear

why that person would be a good Floydada councilmember. The city council will then appoint the new councilmember.

The new member will serve until May 2013, when the position is up for elec-

tion. Then, the interim councilmember and anyone else wanting the district three position can enter the race.

Turner has served on the council for a year after she gained the seat running unopposed last May.

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TIRES, from around their houses for no landfill charge. The residents also have the opportunity to receive a free hot dog, chips and drinks courtesy of Atmos Energy.

The residents must make their own arrangements to get their unwanted items to the landfill. The food and drinks may be picked up at or near the pavilion on the south side of the court-

house.

The above activities will take place on Saturday, May 12th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For additional information please call the Floydada City Hall at 983-2834.

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U.S. relationship with Japan and Northeast Asia.

Although the highlight of the trip for the P.O.W.'s was remembering their fallen comrades at the WWII Memorial, they were also touched by a luncheon co-hosted by the Heritage Foundation and the Disabled American Veterans on Wednesday, April 25th. Joining the aging P.O.W.'s were wounded and disabled veterans from places such as Vietnam, Korea, Iraq, and Afghanistan. It was mutual admiration between the contemporary warriors and the former P.O.W.'s.

A DAV press release soon after this luncheon stated, "The DAV has joined these heroes in asking Japanese companies that used American POW slave labor, which include Mitsui, Hitachi, Mitsubishi, Sumitomo, and Kawasaki to follow the example of their government and apologize to the American POWs and establish a meaningful program of remembrance.

"These American heroes are not seeking compensation," said DAV Washington Headquarters Executive Director Barry Jesinoski. "They just want their due respect, an apology and the preservation of their history."

One POW, Roland Kenneth Towery (Ken), of Austin, and former owner of the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, focused his attention on staying strong enough to travel and honor his fallen comrades at the wreath laying. It was the only reason this POW made the trip.

"I have nothing in the world but respect for the Asia Policy Point and their efforts to bring about apologies," said Towery, "but I see no need for apologies. I know I may look at it different than others because all camps were different. Some of the men were treated much worse than others."

Towery's ill feelings have mellowed through the years and he tries to live with no ill feelings toward the country of Japan or the people. Although he does say he wouldn't want to be treated like that again. He remembers the horrible cold at his prison camp near Siberia, with no coal for fires and no blankets. He remembers the Japanese refusing to release the Red Cross packages or letters from home. He remembers no medical treatment and starving from lack of food. He remembers being transported to China aboard "Hell Ships" and rail cars where hundreds more died. He remembers dodging bayonets and rifle butts. He remembers laying in the hospital ward waiting for his turn to die as one body after another was removed from each side of him. And he knows if the atomic bombs had not been dropped he would not have lasted any longer.

"But", Towery says, "my camp was not as bad as some." Hoten Camp #1 in Mukden, China was a model camp, according to Towery, where prisoners labored at the MKK factory (some believe to have been owned by Manchuria Mitsubishi Ma-

chine Tool Company, Ltd). His job was to disassemble and reassemble American machinery. Other camps in Mukden manufactured steel and wire, or sent men into the coal mines.

An estimated 27,000 American troops were prisoners of Japan during the war. Some 40 percent died in captivity. In one camp the survival rate was 1 in 10. The majority of those Americans were forced to work on military projects or for private Japanese companies producing war material. Although Japan issued an official apology for the abuse and misuse of the Americans, no Japanese company has acknowledged or apologized for the use of POW forced labor.

The POW's were also treated to a tour of the National Guard Museum which also included a boxed lunch. A commemoration dinner was also provided to the veterans by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a reception at the U.S. Visitors Center was hosted by U.S. Senators.

Several of the former P.O.W.'s also attended a roundtable discussion on the legacy of the Bataan Death March at the Rayburn House Office Building. This was moderated by Timothy Ruse, author of "We Volunteered. A Biography of Carl Robert Ruse, Survivor of the Bataan Death March and Prisoner of the Japanese".

The wreath laying at the WWII Memorial, April 24th, began with the posting of the colors by the Old Guard. The attendance of the Old Guard was in itself a salute to the P.O.W.'s. The Old Guard is the Army's official ceremonial unit with responsibilities including escorting the president, security in D.C., and protecting the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The sight of the Guard marching toward the Pacific fountain brought in the crowds who had gathered to tour the WWII Memorial. Questions were asked, "What are they doing?" "Who are those men?" Whispered answers traveled quickly. "They are former P.O.W.'s...defenders of Bataan and Corregidor... here to honor their comrades on the 70th Anniversary of the surrender."

A hush fell over the crowd as the prayer was given and the wreath was placed. Then one by one the crowds formed a line and shook each former prisoner's hand. Over and over the veterans heard, "Thank-you." "God bless you." Tears flowed from the veterans and the visitors. A 5th grade class from Alabama, dressed in orange T-Shirts, made their way through the line and went home with a new understanding of the Pacific campaign. Another young girl, perhaps 12 or 13 years old, left the line in tears after hearing just one of the stories from a former P.O.W.

There was a time when the defenders of the islands had only each other to depend on. Feeling left behind and seeing the end coming soon an unknown soldier penned this poem:

"We are the battling bas-

tards of Bataan,

"No mama, no papa, no Uncle Sam,

"No aunts, no uncles, no cousins, no nieces,

"No pills, no planes, no artillery pieces,

"And nobody gives a damn".

Perhaps the author of that poem, and those who died on the island, during the death march, and in the camps, would be pleased to know they haven't been forgotten. Perhaps those who witnessed this ceremony will tell others.

*Making the Commemoration trip and laying the wreath were:*

**Roland Towery, 89,**

**lives in Austin, Texas.**

Born in 1923 in Smithville, Mississippi, he moved with his mother to Texas where Ken grew up on a farm in Willacy County near Raymondville.

In 1937 they moved near San Antonio where they farmed land on the Medina River. On his 18th birthday, Towery enlisted in the Army. He was sent to the Philippines in

April 1941 and assigned to Battery C, Chicago Battery, 60th Coast Artillery (Anti-Aircraft) on Corregidor Island in Manila Bay where he received his basic and advanced individual training and served as a member of the crew of a 75mm anti-aircraft gun. When Pearl Harbor was attacked, he had been in the hospital recovering from

recent injuries, but returned immediately to his battery. He was wounded on May 6th shortly before General Wainwright surrendered on that day. He stayed on Corregidor as a POW for several weeks burying the dead and cleaning up the island. He was then sent to Cabanatuan Camp #3. He was shipped to Mukden, China (today's Sheiyang) via Korea in Mitsubishi's Hellship **Totori Maru** in October 1942. When he arrived, he was so seriously ill with tuberculosis and pneumonia that he was unable to walk. Towery eventually recovered sufficiently to join others as a slave laborer at the MKK factory (Manshu Kosaku Kikai, which some researchers believe was owned by Mitsubishi and known as Manchuria Mitsubishi Machine Tool Company, Ltd.), disassembling and reassembling American machinery. After the war he continued to suffer from tuberculosis and the after effects of malnutrition. In 1953, he became a journalist for the *Cuero Daily Record*. He discovered fraud and corruption in the Texas Veterans Land Program and published a series of articles exposing that scandal in 1954, which won him the Pulitzer Prize in 1955. In 1963, he went to Washington to work as an aide and press secretary for Senator John Tower. In 1968, he managed Richard Nixon's presidential campaign in Texas. During the Nixon Administration, he was Deputy Director and Assistant Director of the United States Information Agency (USIA). In 1981, he

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# FROM THE ARCHIVES

## OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

From the Lockney Beacon  
July 2, 1978

### 'I LIKE HAULING GRAIN AND CROSS-STITCHING QUILTS AND SAMPLERS' — MARY GRIFFITH

By Felicia Applewhite

Mary Griffith "can do anything." This statement is made of her in explaining her strong-willed nature that doesn't allow her to accept defeat in the face of seemingly impossible odds.

However she does have preferences in what she does. "I like hauling grain and I like cross-stitching quilts and samplers," she will add after she talks a bit about all she does.

She really hesitates before naming the things she enjoys most because she enjoys it all. She has enjoyed "holding elections, at Lone Star, north of Lockney 12 miles, for 15 or 20 years.

"I can't remember just how many years I've helped at voting times on local and national issues." This last year she was promoted from a "helper" to a deputy over the voting at Lone Star.

She also worked at the old Lone Star Grocery Store when the owner wanted "to take a trip" or for other reasons. During that time, the ownership passed from the time it was first built and opened in 1924 to its closing.

She participated in all school activities all through the rural education of her three sons and even afterward until the time the school became a part of Lockney Independent School system.

Too, she has been actively engaged in community-sponsored social life at the school house following the closing of the school, when the school house has become a community center meeting place.

Maybe, more than anything else, she has "always worked in the field" and helped in the growing of grain and cotton. After the boys left home, she has done all the hauling for 25 years on 575 acres of farm.

Over a period of years, Mary devoted much time in caring for her and her husband's aging parents.

That isn't quite all that there is to say concerning Mary Griffith's 44 years of married life that began in a one-room house on the southeast corner of the Griffith section.

Her story takes on additional meaning when it's known that she continues her busy life in spite of two artificial knee joints. This part of her story began about four years ago when she realized she had knee trouble.

"When I first felt pain, I got out and walked. I thought I needed exercise. It was snowy weather; I just put my over shoes on and walked a mile. From then on, I didn't do that!" she stated emphatically. "The doctor says that it was the worst thing that I could have done. He said that every step I took bone rubbed against bone."

It just meant that the knee joints were worn out, so about four years ago, the first artificial knee joint was put in. The other was put in one year later. In the meantime Mary resorted to crutches and part time to a wheel chair following the surgery until her exercises "built up the leg muscles" to where she could "lay aside the crutches."

Now she goes about her usual life thinking one day she'll have one knee operated again in order to do away with a brace she uses.

She came to Floyd County in 1923 from Wise County when she was nine. She remembers little about Wise County other than she "had lots of fun in going to the creek to swim". She remembers that when it rained, they ran through the fields. More than anything, she remembers a playhouse built on a large rock under beautiful shade trees.

Her father Vic. D. Harris "moved to the Plains to make a living." His relatives were already here.

All of Mary's school life except the senior year in high school was in Floydada.

Her senior year was in Lockney

where she graduated in 1932. The next year she and Harold were married.

That one-room house they moved into had cozy possibilities even though it had no running water. They did add a room. Years after they had moved to the larger house (a part of which was put there in 1912) the one-room and its addition burned. Mary grieved over the loss because "it was still home" to her and she lived it.

Even now, she will say, "We've been living in this house since Harold's father died in '49, but the place on the corner east of here seems more like home."

It might seem that hauling grain and cross-stitching quilts is a peculiar combination. It's simple to Mary; she just takes her work basket of thread and material along and makes use of the time while she waits for the truck to be filled.

At the same time it might seem that her truck driving would have to stop with the coming of the artificial knees, nevertheless, she continues hauling.

She will admit, "there are lots of things I can't do like I used to do. One thing, I can't get down and scrub baseboards. Maybe I shouldn't have done that anyway."

"I have always had all confidence and faith. I was not afraid to go through surgery or anything because I knew that God would keep me"

"Since this happened, I have found that I have been able to help a lot of people through difficulties. After I accepted the fact that I had to have artificial joints.

"People have come out here and others have called me over the telephone. I feel that I have been a help."

A man with bad joints came to the Griffiths once just to talk. He said he refused to have surgery. After he had talked with Mary, he did have surgery. His story, like many others, had a happy ending. In his process of readjustment, his self-sympathy disappeared.

"Yes," she admits, "self-sympathy will show up. You wouldn't be human

if it didn't, but you can do nothing but try harder and pray harder. The first efforts to put self-sympathy down are a slow process, but I always knew to stay with it and things would get better."

It's a little unusual that with Mary's talent in hand work that she did not have it as a hobby before she did. She had a reason for beginning when she did start.

She "began handwork by making quilts as gifts for young relatives who were graduating from school. Those first ones were nine-patch quilts. She says, "I don't know where the name came from. They are simple to make."

"I have found that I can cross stitch all day, but I can't quilt. When I tried to quilt, I made the biggest mess."

Once when she was hauling maize to the elevator in a two-ton truck, the 16,000 pound load slipped off the electric winch that lifted the dump. There was a terrible jar when it fell. Gas flew out because the tank plug was ruined. A neighbor whittled off a stick and put it in the gas tank. It served as a plug for her to drive home, but she was thinking of the chance of fire all the way.

On these trips to the elevator, "I always had something along with me: quilt, sampler, baby quilt, or maybe Christmas cards to address. I always got up early in the morning in order to give me enough time around the house."

To date, she has cross-stitched 12 quilts, but she has kept only three for herself. She estimates it takes six months to make one cross-stitched quilt top—by just "picking it up to work on in spare time." It might take some less than 100 skeins of six-strand thread seven yards long. The strands are split which doubles the yardage.

Mary's quilts have such names as "Remembrance" or "Baltimore Brides."

It costs \$35 to get one quilted and bound. It's necessary to "get someone who knows how to quilt because it's the quilting that makes it pretty."

The lining and the polyester cotton that's between the lining and the top

costs around \$50.

Her next quilt is to be a baby quilt called "Bamby and Friends". The material for the quilt is "already quilted." That will be a new experience.

"I have done lots of wedding samplers for gifts. These have both names and dates of marriage.

"My sampler "To Err is Human, To Forgive is Divine" won first place at the Floyd Fair.

"My favorite one is "23 Psalm." The one with the largest lettering is "God Bless Our Home." All of these were already stamped patterns. All of them are done in cross stitch. Some people say that cross stitching is hard on the eyes, but it has never hurt my eyes."

Not all the samplers and not all the quilts that Mrs. Griffith has cross stitched have been gifts to other people. The Griffith's walls are decorated with samplers. A cross stitched quilt with tulips coming out of a red heart might be found on a bed.

I have enjoyed every bit of it—the hauling and the cross stitching. As for the knee joints, that has made me more aware of what we have and made me have a new awareness of God. It makes me more aware of life and how precious it is. Even through it all, I can look back and know there is always something to be thankful for. Life is more precious after you have had difficulties."

Today or tomorrow, she may walk into a neighbor's house carrying a bucket of rocks weighing "as a can of corn" (doctor's prescription) to show the neighbor how in lifting the rocks by the foot it is possible to "increase the strength in leg muscles." On the other hand, she might be somewhere having something in a truck and having a basket of cross stitching on the truck seat beside her.

You will know that in between times she will be "busy at something."

She will say, "With God's help, you can do anything. Without God, you can do nothing."

## FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Margarette Word

The Center is open 5 days a week. Lunch starts at 12 noon. Please come and support the Center. It is here for people 60 years and older. It is great fellowship and really helps break your day up by visiting friends and eating a hot meal. I don't like to cook for one person so I really enjoy the Center.

Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. the Center will have a "fund raiser". It will be

a Rib-eye steak dinner with a salad, potatoes, bread and ice tea. The price is \$10 per ticket per person. You may come and eat at the Center or come and pick up a plate. There will be a drawing with gifts from local businesses. Be sure and write your name and phone number on the back of your ticket. You do not have to be present when the drawing starts. Gary Brown will be cooking the meat. Many members are selling tickets. I

am selling tickets so call me. Hope to see you Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup>.

We are going to miss Melissa Long, Floyd County AgriLife Extension Agent due to retirement. She comes to the Center real often and talks to us about the kinds of food seniors need in their diet. We will miss her. We thank her for the help she has given us through the years.

We have lost so many of

our friends recently due to death, moving to care centers and larger towns to be closer to their families and doctors. Please continue to pray for our friends who are in bad health and the families of those who lost a family member.

Our Center is hurting with our membership decreasing. We need you to help us keep the Center open.

We do appreciate you remembering the Center when

you need to make a memorial donation. If you want to contribute financially to the Center by giving a donation, we are happy to receive that. We do have people who give monthly and that is a big help to us.

Please send your donations to Floydada Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 573, Floydada TX. 79235

In memory of William Bertrand - Harold and Vivian Snell, Guy Ginn, Alton

and Sue Higginbotham, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bean, Eva Parker, Kel and Teresa Becker, Don and LaNell McCandless, Roy and Neva Baxter, Charlene Alldredge, Genelle Breed, Sue Daniels, Ruby Gooch, Q. D. and Joyce Williams, Janice Lloyd, Jerry and Sherre Can-

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the auction.

The Board of Directors have made the decision to raise the price of daily meals served at the center from \$4.00 for members and \$5.00 for non-members to \$5.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members.

Memorials have been made to the Lockney Sr. Citizens in honor of Chris Patterson, Lucille Frizzell, Paul McIntosh, Joe Rigby, Nelda Widner, Mary Jean Moore, Patsy Byers, Barry Barker, Vickie Scheaffer, Mae Willis and Joyce Martin.

Annabelle Bramlet fell and hurt her knee. She has been recuperating at home for a month. Jean Brotherton is back at her job at the front desk after spending several weeks receiving daily treatments in Lubbock.

Betty and Jerry Mickey visited at the center. They were back in Lockney for the class of 1958 girlfriends' week-end. Carolyn Hardy hosted a 1958 girlfriend's get together at the Covey in Floydada on Friday night.

Larry and Sunny Hammitt returned to Lockney for a stay, having spent the winter months at their home in Pittsburg, PA. Sunny hosted the 1958 girlfriends' weekend.

They are returning to Pittsburg Tuesday, May 8

Sunny gives the following account of the girlfriend's weekend. On Friday afternoon everyone met at the house and then went to Floydada to eat at the Covey Restaurant. We returned to Lockney and spent several hours

"catching up" with everyone's lives. After breakfast on Saturday morning we went shopping: Clark's Pharmacy,

Heart's Desire, and Schacht's Flowers. Back home for lunch and more visiting. At 6:00 we went out to the Unity Center to watch the Prom kids arrive.

Back home to eat supper and more visiting. (We spent a lot of time EATING and VISITING.)

Senior Center Menu  
May 14-18  
Monday-Meat Loaf  
Tuesday-Mexican Stack  
Wednesday-Fried Chicken

Thursday-Pork Chop  
Friday-Grilled Chicken

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6 arrows at different distances dictated by their age. They then completed on outdoor 3D range consisting of fourteen 3D animal targets set at different distances. Floyd County ended the day in second place overall with several 4-Hers taking home individual awards.

Junior archers competing were Ryder Glass, 2<sup>nd</sup> place

recurve and 1<sup>st</sup> bare bow; Clay Moore, bare bow participation; Brett Moore, bare bow participation; Breck Thomas, 2<sup>nd</sup> bare bow and 2<sup>nd</sup> compound unaided; and Carson Miller, bare bow participation.

Intermediate archers were Alex Glass, 2<sup>nd</sup> bare bow and 2<sup>nd</sup> compound unaided; Jaiden Blakey, bare bow participation; Hannah Franks, compound unaided participation; Caitlin Bishop, bare bow participation; and Rachel Graham, bare bow and compound unaided participation. Jianna

Davenport placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in bare bow and 1<sup>st</sup> in recurve in the senior division. Ryder Glass was also the top shooter overall. His bare bow score was higher than any other bare bow score posted. His combined score was the top total score of the match.

The 4-H Parent/Leader Association manned the concession stand with the proceeds going to fund two new projects being offered in Floyd County, the Hunting and Wildlife Project and the Sportfishing Project.

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non, Max and Nancy Campbell, Jimmie Lou Stewart, Crosbyton Independent School System, E. S. Back Trucking - Earnest and Sheryl Back,

Keith and Lodema Thomas, Nick and Melissa Long, Gene and Nancy Lawson, Greg and Mona Bond. In memory of Judy Turner

Stanley - Jana Borchard In memory of Paul McIntosh - Harold and Vivian Snell, Ruth Hammonds

In memory of Laurita Bertrand - Q. D. and Joyce Williams In memory of Frances Rose - Tracy and Laura Turner

In memory of Wanda Withers - Ruth Hammonds In memory of Regina Ware Adams - Leonard B. and Kathy Johnson

sauce, garlic bread, seasoned lima beans, tossed salad w/dressing, mandarin oranges w/whipped topping, low fat milk

Thought for the Week - Remember, you too will be a senior citizens before you know it and will enjoy a place to go to see friends and eat a hot meal.

Wednesday - Herb roasted chicken, potato wedges, whole wheat roll, margarine, peas and carrots, strawberries w/whipped topping, low fat milk

Thursday - Beef tack bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, tossed salad w/dressing, country apple crisp, low fat milk

Friday - Crispy chicken on bun, tomato & lettuce, mayonnaise, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail, low fat milk

MENU

May 14 - May 18

Monday - BBQ beef sandwich, tator tots, carrots and zucchini, ambrosia, low fat milk

Tuesday - Rigatoni w/meat

JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE

COUNTY OF FLOYD

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DATED the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2012, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Floyd County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2012, seized, levied upon, and will on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Floydada, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Floyd County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V\_\_/P\_\_) or document number of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax record and may or may not be completely accurate.

CAUSE # 5581TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARTIN MEZA

Lot 25, Block 74, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 278, Page 532 of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000000855

CAUSE # 5581TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARTIN MEZA

Lot 26, Block 74, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 278, Page 532), Account #R000000856

CAUSE #5581TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARTIN MEZA

Lot PT 27-28, Block 74, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, (Volume 278, Page 532), Account #R000000857

CAUSE #5581TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARTIN MEZA

Lot 32, Block 74, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 278, Page 532), Account #R000000858

CAUSE #5732TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARIA CAMACHO ET AL

Lot 12 and the East 1/2 of Lot 13, Block 107, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Texas, Floyd County, Texas, (Volume 3, Page 262 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000001223

CAUSE #5750TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS GEORGE RATLIFF ET AL

Lot 10, Block 29, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 285, Page 952 of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000000371

CAUSE #5750TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS GEORGE RATLIFF ET AL

Lot 15 & 16, Block 42, Original Townsite of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 226, Page 847), Account #R000000497

CAUSE #5753TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS NOE ROBLEDO ET AL

The South 70' of Lots 6, 7 and 8, Block 17, Bartley Heights Addition to the City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 280, Page 892 of the Deeds Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000001802

CAUSE #5771TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS CONSUMERS FUEL ASSOCIATION OF LOCKNEY

a 330' x 250' tract of land, more or less, out of the W. E. Brogdon Survey 6, Block SC, being known as Lot 2, Block 8 in Abstract 551 and lying in the City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 152, Page 354 of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000005671

CAUSE #5772TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARIA D. SEGOVIA

the South 2' of Lot 5, all of Lot 6, and the North 26' of Lot 7, Block 27, Original Townsite of the Town of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 3, Page 646 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000002801

CAUSE #5774TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS ANGIE LEANN GUTIERREZ

Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 3, Pickle Addition City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 51, Page 781 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000003292

CAUSE #5776TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MATT J. WHITTLE ET AL

0.500 acres of Land, more or less, out of the Northeast corner of Block K, Price 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 8, Page 837 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account # R000002221

CAUSE #5778TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS R. L. GIESECKE ET AL

the East 8-1/2' of Lot 27, and the West 1/2 of Lot 28, Block 84, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 228, Page 340 of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000000957

CAUSE #5781TS FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS MARIA FERRER ET AL

Lot 24, Block 84, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 280, Page 287 of the Official Public Records, Floyd County, Texas), Account #R000000954

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment (s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale has been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2012, at Floydada, Texas

Paul Raissez Sheriff, Floyd County, Texas

You may contact the attorney for the taxing units at 325-672-4870.

5-10, 5-17, 5-24c

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING City of Floydada

Condemnation Proceedings

for

the following described properties:

227 E. Tennessee St. - Lots 27-30, Block 104,

Original Town

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT FLOYDADA CITY HALL IN REGARD TO CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR THE PROPERTY LISTED ABOVE. PERSONS WHO NEEDS SPECIAL ASSISTANCE WISHING TO ATTEND THIS MEETING SHOULD CONTACT CITY HALL AT 983-3834 AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST

THE ESTATE OF BARRY WAYNE BARKER

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Barry Wayne Baker, Deceased, were issued on April 26, 2012, in Cause No. 5914 pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to:

ANGENE O. BARKER

The address of such person is:

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Persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Law Offices of BAKER, BROWN & THOMPSON A Professional Corporation By Norton Baker State Bar No. 01602000 Attorneys for the Estate

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CAUSE NO. 5912

IN THE MATTER OF § IN THE COUNTY COURT  
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THE ESTATE OF § OF  
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UNA CHRISTINE § FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS  
PATTERSON,  
DECEASED

PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of UNA CHRISTINE PATTERSON, Deceased, were issued on April 2, 2012 in Docket Number 5912 pending in the COUNTY COURT, FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS to DAVID ROY PATTERSON, Independent Executor.

The address of record for DAVID ROY PATTERSON is HCR 4, BOX 29, LOCKNEY, TEXAS 79241.

All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2012.

DAVID ROY PATTERSON, Independent Executor 5-10c

CAUSE NO. 5909

IN RE: JOE CARRICK REID § IN THE COUNTY COURT  
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§ OF  
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§ FLOYD COUNTY, TX.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an Application to Determine Heirship in Estate of Joe Carrick Reid has been filed in the probate court of Floyd County, Texas. All persons having claims as an heir of Joe Carrick Reid are hereby requested to present the same to the court within the time prescribed by law at the following addresses:

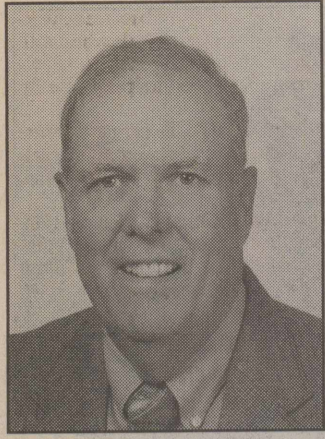
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# District 68 Candidate profiles



**DAVID ISBELL  
FAMILY AND  
EDUCATION:**

I have been married to my wife Sherry for 42 years; I have two sons Jeff and Brad and four grandchildren. I received a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Texas in 1970 and my Master's in Civil Engineering in 1973.

**WHY DO YOU WANT THIS JOB:**

I want to be of service to the people of this District and the State. I love this State and want to do my part in making it even better. I am a non-political concerned citizen who stands up and says "I will go, send me."

**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO "DO" OR "Change" IF YOU ARE ELECTED:**

I want to make the office of the State Representative accessible to everyone. I also want to make wise, moral and informed decisions which are free from political pressure, greed, or made from a lack of information. I want to make a significant impact on the lives of the people in my district and the state.

**WHAT ARE YOU QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS JOB:**

I am a professional engineer, business owner, rancher, farmer, Boy Scout leader, and Christian. I am semi-retired and have the time to devote to this job. The fact that I have never worked in politics or held any elected office makes me a great choice because I am not a politician. I also am a worker, brain stormer and willing to work at this job more than the majority of our legislators.



**DREW SPRINGER  
FAMILY AND  
EDUCATION:**

I married Lydia Walter-scheid of Muenster 20 years ago; we have three children Austin, Grant and Kate. I went to Weatherford public schools, after graduation I attended the University of North Texas where I received my accounting degree.

**WHY DO YOU WANT THIS OFFICE:**

I want Texas to go back to the freedoms that made us great. We have too much government involvement in everyone's life. We need less government regulations for agriculture, business, health-care, and education. More local control for our schools and less state mandated testing. End handouts for illegal aliens, defend our State's rights and keep Obamacare out of Texas.

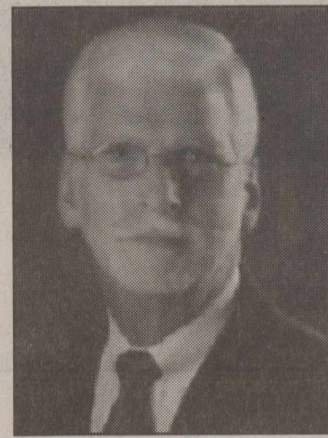
**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO OR CHANGE IF YOU ARE ELECTED:**

Stop those that want to see an income tax in Texas and those that want to raise other forms of taxes. Give control of the schools back to the districts, without the unfunded mandates, so they can provide a better education at a lower cost. End the federal partnership on Medic-

aid and have it block granted back to the Texas where we could provide better care at a much lower cost and go after the massive amounts of fraud. Instead of writing 50 new laws and regulations I want to work to eliminate thousands of regulations that interfere with our daily lives while serving no real purpose other than to create work for bureaucrats.

**WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS JOB:**

I am the most qualified candidate because of my combination of life experiences. 1) Married for 20 years and raising a family. 2) 15 years in manufacturing where I started as an accountant worked my way up to running three companies and having over a thousand employees. I've been paid a paycheck and I've written paychecks. 3) 7 years in the agriculture industry specializing in livestock with McVean Trading one of the top firms in the country. 4) One of two candidates that is top rate by the NRA/TSRA for stance on gun rights. And 5) my understanding that more government is not the answer, its less government and more personal freedoms.



**LANHON ODOM  
FAMILY AND  
EDUCATION:**

Married; graduated from R. L. Turner High School 1968. Served in the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1972 in Vietnam 1970. Bachelor of Science from University of Texas in Arlington. I retired from Southwestern Bell as Manager of Computer Operations to attend law school at South Texas College of Law. I was admitted to practice law in Texas in 1988; I've been in the private practice of law since that time except for five years when I was an attorney for the Texas Department of Public Safety.

**WHY DO YOU WANT THIS OFFICE:**

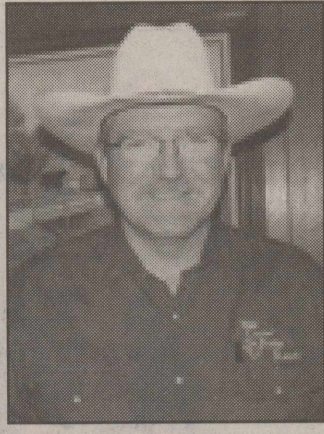
It is time for Texas to make a course correction. Public education must be properly funded and the Teacher Retirement Fund must be protected; Period. It is one thing to say you support public education, and it is another to be willing to buck the political bosses in Austin and vote to fully fund public education.

**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO "DO" OR "CHANGE" IF YOU ARE ELECTED:**

It is time to sit down and find solutions to the challenges Texas faces and not legislate merely for political advantage. We must fully fund public education and insure access to health care in rural Texas through adequate compensation for services provided under Medicare/Medicaid.

**WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS JOB:**

I have sixty two years of life experience. I am not looking to make a career in politics. We don't need another politician in Austin; we have plenty. We need representatives that will stand up to political bosses, big city power brokers, and outside interest groups. I will represent only the citizens of House District 68. That's a promise.



**PAUL BRASWELL  
FAMILY AND  
EDUCATION:**

I am privileged to be a fourth generation Texan. I graduated from Pampa High School and received a Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry from Texas Tech University in 1983. My wife, Mari-Kathryn, and I live on our cattle ranch in Forestburg, Texas

**WHY DO I WANT THIS OFFICE:**

With the retirement of Representative Rick Hardcastle, we are losing a strong advocate for rural Texas. Rick's replacement should be someone who will continue to serve the people and our community's interests and not a personal agenda. Rural Texas needs a strong advocate; someone to fight for our hard-working people and our unique way of life, which are all-to-often overlooked by Austin. My life and experience has prepared me to serve and protect the place I am proud to call home.

**WHAT DO I WANT TO DO OR CHANGE IF YOU ARE ELECTED:**

If elected as State Representative for District 68, my immediate focus will be on three key issues: education, water and energy.

Simply put, our education system is no longer working, for our students or our teachers. The system must be improved to provide the best education for our students and to allow our teachers to best provide this education. I want to pass legislation to simplify the funding formulas for education. I want to return control to the local school districts and I want to encourage our school districts to bring vocational education back into their curriculum.

Texas' population growth over the last decade has over-run our water supply. Some regions of the state have established thorough water reserve plans, while other regions have not made adequate preparations. We must develop new surface reservoirs now to provide adequate supplies. We also need to improve our water system infrastructure. We need to address these water issues immediately as there is no simple or quick solution.

Texas faces a shortfall in electrical generating capacity for the foreseeable future with no solutions on the drawing board. With the assault on Texas by President Obama's administration and a shortsighted statewide policy, our State Legislature needs to take a look at current policies with a focus on future needs and growth.

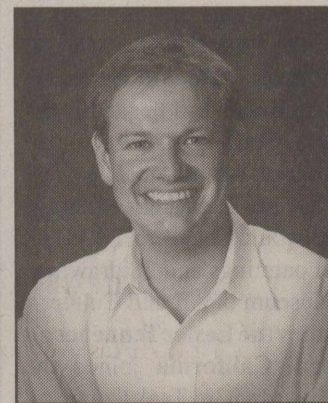
**WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS JOB:**

I have been involved with the Republican Party for over 30 years and I am the best conservative choice for District 68 as I have more experience with the Republican Party than all three other candidates combined. My first experience was in Senator John Tower's 1978 re-election campaign. I also had the honor of working for President Ronald Reagan's 1980 and 1984 campaigns. Since that time, I have worked with numerous other local and state candidates and have been elected to serve as a delegate to the Texas Republican Convention twice. I have served the Texas Republican Party and Montague County

as a Precinct Chairman and most recently as Montague County Chairman.

While Chairman, I worked with State lawmakers during the 82nd Texas Legislature on issues that were important to the region, advocating directly for rural Texas. I collaborated with a group of local landowners to successfully oppose the positioning of a transmission power line in Montague County. I have also been effective in fighting against property tax increases in Montague County.

Success in business and in politics is defined with a plan that is on time and executed in the most cost-effective way possible. I will apply that same philosophy in Austin, capitalizing on my already-established relationships with Texas lawmakers to advocate for issues that are important to rural Texas. I promise to work to solve the problems that we are facing and advocate for the issues that are important to you, the constituents of District 68.



**TRENT MCKNIGHT  
FAMILY AND  
EDUCATION:**

Throckmorton High School Valedictorian; Bachelors of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from Oklahoma State University; Masters of Science degree in Comparative Politics from The London School of Economics; single

**WHY DO I WANT THIS OFFICE:**

I want to be the voice for rural Texas and agriculture in Austin.

**WHAT DO I WANT TO DO OR CHANGE IF YOU ARE ELECTED:**

I want to ensure that rural Texas has water, good schools, and job creation so that we may thrive, well into the future.

**WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THIS JOB:**

Former National FFA President, rancher, businessman, community developer (raised \$5.5 billion for rural economic development in Throckmorton), Agricultural Advisor to the US military in Iraq, Agricultural Advisor to the United Nations in West Africa

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Hardcastle announced that he would not be seeking re-election.

As candidates for 68 began to prepare for their campaign runs; minority groups, mostly around the San Antonio area, cried foul; stating that the new district lines didn't accurately represent minority voters. The case would eventually be brought to a three panel Federal judge court.

The panel would release an interim district map that moved Floyd County into District 83 with Lubbock's Charles Perry as our new state representative.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott and other original map creators opposed the new maps and fought to get the maps changed back.

Time was of the essence, as legislators looked to find solution so candidates around the state could know

where they needed to file for their primaries.

Eventually, about two months ago, legislators agreed to use the original maps which moved Floyd County back into District 68.

Since then candidates have been hitting the streets hard looking for votes.

For right now, the Republican Primary has been the only battleground, as four candidates look to run under the Republican ticket during the November election.

The candidates looking to win the Republican primary election on May 29 are Trent McKnight, Drew Springer, David Isbell, and Paul Braswell.

Initially, we all thought that the winner of the Republican primary would be the new state representative because no one had yet signed up for the Democratic ticket for the November election.

However, just in the nick of time, a Democratic candidate emerged by the name of Lanhon Odom. We have received profiles on the candidates so our readers can make a better informed decision in both the Republican primary election which will be held on May 29, and the general election that will be held in November.

Early voting will start Monday, May 14 for the Republican primary and will last till Friday, May 25. Early Republican voters can vote at the Courthouse Room 101 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and the general primary election will be held at the Massie Activity Center for Precinct 1; the South Plains Baptist Church for Precinct 9; Lockney Methodist Church for Precinct 18; and the Floydada County Courtroom for Precinct 23 and 24.

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was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. He served ten years as a member of the Board and was twice elected Chairman of the Board. In addition to his government service, Towery has been the publisher of four Texan newspapers – the *Belton Journal*, *Lockney Beacon*, *Crosbyton Review*, and the *Floyd County Hesperian* in Floydada. **POW #858**

**Joseph Alexander (Joseph Trejo), 85, of San Antonio.** Alexander lied about his age and enlisted in the Army at the age of 14. He was assigned to the Army Air Corps and stationed at Clark Air Field in the Philippines as a member of the 440th Ordnance Aviation Bombardment Squadron. He became a POW at the age of 15. He was sent on the Mitsubishi's Hellship Tottori Maru to Japan, via Korea, in October 1942. He became a slave laborer for a Mitsui steel mill in Kawasaki (Tokyo 2B Kawasaki aka "Mitsui Madhouse") turning out structural components for ships. Later, he was transferred to a number of POW camps working as a stevedore or in steel mills. He ended up in the Tokyo Base Camp #1 Omori were POW's mainly engaged in constructing the camp. Alexander was liberated August 25, 1945 at the age of 19 and spent 2 years in hospitals recovering. Alexander retired from the Army at the age of 37 as a tech sergeant, but continued to work at Kelly Air Base in civilian capacity.

**Olive Rosen, widow of Colonel Melvin H. Rosen who died August 1, 2007 at the age of 89.** Rosen was the son of Russian immigrants and ended up enrolling in West Point in 1936. In January 1941 he was assigned to the Philippine Scouts, where, as a second lieutenant, he organized and commanded E Battery, 2nd Battalion, 88th Field Artillery. After the fall of Bataan he was forced to make the infamous Death March and was sent to Davao Penal Colony where he was kept for 2 1/2 years. planting, weeding, and harvesting rice and working as a lumberjack. On Dec. 13, 1944 he was put aboard the infamous Oryoku Maru in Manila Harbor to be sent to Japan. The unmarked Oryoku Maru was sank by US Navy dive-bombers. He survived and eventually made his way on the Brazil Maru on Moji, Japan. He was sent to a POW camp in Jinsen (Inchon), Korea where he was forced to work as a slave laborer farming for the Japanese Army. As the location of the camp was unknown he was not liberated until Sept. 10, 1945. After recuperating he returned to active duty. He held several assignments, including at the Penta-

gon as chief plans and policy officer at the Procurement Division of the Army General Staff. He taught at Fort Leavenworth for 4 years and promoted to Col. in 1961. He also spent 3 years with the Defense Intelligence Agency at Arlington Hall Station. He retired from the Army in 1970.

**Ben Steele, 94, of Billings, Montana** joined the Army Air Corps in 1940. He was assigned to the 19th Bomb Group in 1941 and stationed at Clark Air Field in the Philippines. He was also one of the 8,000 American and 40,000 Filipino prisoners to make the Bataan Death March to Camp O'Donnell where more than 2,000 American soldiers died within the first six weeks of imprisonment. Steele joined 325 men from the camp to work on the Tayabas Road Detail, but was one of only 50 who survived the labor. After he became ill from beri beri, dysentery, pneumonia, blood poisoning, and malaria that he could no longer work he was sent to Bilibid Prison. It was in Bilibid where he began to draw the human degradation and cruelty around him. In September 1944, he was sent to Japan on board the Mitsubishi's Hellship Sekiho Maru. Steele became a slave laborer mining coal for Ube Kosan's Sanyo Muen Kogyo Sho (Ube Industries' Sanyo Smokeless Coal Work, which is still known today at Ube Industries Ltd, at a POW camp Hiroshima #6 in Omine-machi in Yamaguchi Prefecture. Returning home after the war, Steele recreated his lost drawings from his prison years. The drawings are included in a book, "Tears of the Darkness" by Michael and Elizabeth Norman. After prison Steele pursued his education and also began his career at an artist as the Staff Crafts Director for the Military District of Washington. In 1959 he joined the art faculty at Eastern Montana College where he would teach for 23 years. He donated 11 oil paintings and 78 drawings to the Montana Museum of Art and Culture.

**Dr. Lester Tenney (né Lester Tenneberg), 92, of San Diego, California** joined the Illinois National Guard's 33rd Tank Company in Maywood, Illinois in 1940. In November 1940, the Tank Company was federalized and sent to Fort Knox, Kentucky as Company B, 192nd Tank Battalion. The 192nd arrived on November 1941 in Manila and rushed to Fort Stotsenberg adjacent to Clark Air Field. War came to the Philippine Islands just ten hours after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor December 7, when planes appeared over Clark Field and bombed the American planes sitting on the runways. For the next four months, he and the other members of his company fought



Photo by Alice Gilroy

P.O.W.'s from Bataan and Corregidor were in Washington, D.C. on April 24<sup>th</sup> to lay the wreath at the Bataan and Corregidor stone at the World War II Memorial. They are (l-r) Ben Steele of Billings, Montana, Dr. Lester Tenney of San Diego, California, Joseph Alexander of San Antonio, Roland Kenneth Towery (Ken) of Austin, and Donad Versaw of Lakewood, California.



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The Old Guard posting colors at the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. They are responsible for the security for the President, special occasions and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

to hold off the Japanese advance. Tenney took part in the infamous Death March. He was first held as a POW at Camp O'Donnell and then Cabanatuan. He was shipped to Japan in July 1943 on Mitsubishi's Hellship *Clyde Maru* to mine coal at Omuta Fukuoka #17 Branch POW Camp for Mitsui Mining (now Mitsui's Nippon Coke & Engineering Company Co., Ltd., Liberated in September of 1945, he returned to the United States and in 1947 he changed his last name to "Tenney," which was the name other POWs had called him in the camps. He went to the University of Southern California where he received his BA, MA, and PhD. He became a professor of finance and insurance at Arizona State University. After he retired as a professor emeritus, Tenney wrote his memoir *My Hitch in Hell*, about his experiences as a POW under the Japanese. Remembering that the Japanese denied the POWs packages from home or any of the Red Cross boxes sent to the camp, he has organized his retirement community to send "care packages from home" to U.S. servicemen and women in Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2009, he was instrumental in persuading the Government of Japan to offer American former POWs an apology and secured a program for these veterans to visit Japan.

**Donald Versaw, 91, lives in Lakewood, California.** He joined the U.S. Marine Corps on Armistice Day, 1939 in Chicago. Following recruit training and a short term with the Marine Corps Operating Base Band, San Diego, he was sent to Shanghai, China

for duty with the Fourth Marines Band where he played the French horn. In late November, 1941, the regiment was shipped to the Philippines. When World War II broke out the Fourth Marines were part of the garrison that heroically defended Corregidor against a massive Japanese onslaught. He was an infantryman in E Company Second Battalion, Fourth Regiment. When Corregidor was surrendered to the Japanese on May 6, 1942, he spent the next three and a half years as a POW in the Philippines and in Japan. During captivity he was held for two years on Luzon Island at work camp near Clark Air Base. In July 1944, he was moved to Japan in the Hellship *Nissyo Maru*. He was sent to Fukuoka-7B-Futase on Kyushu to be a slave laborer mining coal at Nittetsu-Futase Tanko Kaisha (still Nittetsu Mining Co., Ltd., however there is a supermarket now at the site of the camp). This company paid enlisted men 5 sen per day for their labor. [(A sen is one hundredth of a yen)(One yen was then equal to ten American cents)] Deductions were made at the rate of 50% deposited in Japanese Postal Savings Plan where the funds remain today. Following repatriation, he stayed in the Corps. In 1950-51 he served in Korea with the 1st Marine Division in a photo unit. After retirement in 1959, he worked in the aerospace industry for 13 years on the Saturn and Apollo programs. He completed 10 years of Civil Service divided equally between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Air Force retiring in 1984 with a total of 31 years federal service.



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Shown is the fountain at the center of the World War II Memorial that divides the Pacific and Atlantic Campaigns.

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