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Harrison to be inducted into VFW Hall of Fame

By Jennifer Harbin

(Bill Weir, VFW, J.W. Harrison Post #5616 Commander, contributed to this story.)

Sometimes when we think of the soldiers that fought for our freedom during World War II, or any war, it can easily be thought of and appreciated from a "removed" point of view. But, WWII and the sacrifices made are all too real and can be traced back to Floyd County.

J.W. Harrison, of Floydada, is recorded as the town's first casualty and is the namesake of Post #5616 of Floyd County.

Because of his heroism, he has been chosen to be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Freedom Museum USA in Pampa, Texas.

The museum's website states

that the Hall of Fame Banquet was established in 1990 in order to "honor Veterans of the Texas Panhandle, those who lived here, or were stationed here, for significant contributions in the field of military service."

According to research done by Bill Weir, Commander of Post #5616, Harrison was a "member of the Texas Army National Guard contingent to going into training as an artilleryman."

He was sent to fight in the war against Japan in the south Pacific on November 21, 1942. His unit became part of the "Lost Battalion" when they were captured in Java by the Japanese. He became a Prisoner of War (POW) and remained imprisoned for two years. During this time, Harrison and oth-

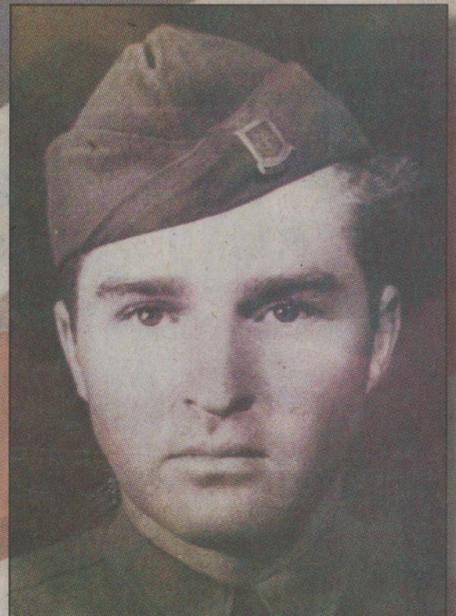
er POWs were transported on an unmarked Japanese ship traveling north by northwest toward Japan.

A U.S. submarine mistook the ship as a Japanese troop transporter and opened fire. The ship sunk on June 24, 1944, killing Harrison and 30 other Americans. Though Harrison perished in the explosion, he was listed as Missing in Action (MIA) until the war concluded and records confirmed his presence on the ship.

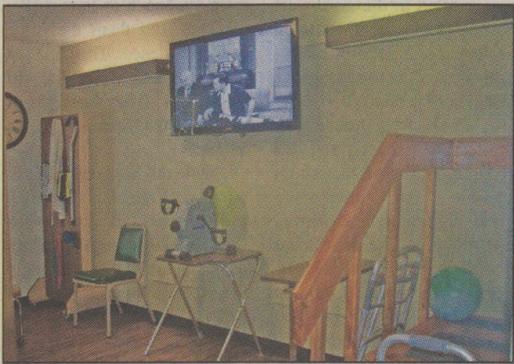
Harrison was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously.

"The Bridge Over the River Kwai" was based on historical facts of the "Lost Battalion."

The Freedom Museum USA will hold their annual Hall of Fame Banquet on August 18 at the VFW Hall in Pampa, Texas at 7 p.m.



Lockney Health & Rehab Center completes therapy renovations



Courtesy Photo

The recent renovation of the Lockney Health and Rehab Center has doubled the size of the original therapy room adding a small training kitchenette and practice stairs for those who have encountered a medical occurrence and need physical, occupational or speech therapy to return safely to home.

"The new space has been open less than a month and three local area residents have already been able to utilize it and return home. The center currently has six more residents completing therapy. It is obvious this type of upgrade in rehab services was overdue and needed. Otherwise people have had to drive

to Plainview or Lubbock for these types of services. We are so thankful that our new ownership identified the need and moved forward", says Thomas.

Thomas went on to say, "The new space has a 55" TV and a Wii, this is a popular exercise and coordination tool for rehabbing patients. The center also uses electronic devices to help in pain management. Adapting to new technology is the future to returning patients home earlier. Some of the patient rooms have also been upgraded for short term rehabilitation stays".

Since the closure of the Floydada nursing facility, Lockney Health and Rehab Center is the only skilled freestanding nursing facility option for Floyd County residents.

Davenport brings home State Championship from the 2012 State Games

By Patty Davenport

The Texas AgriLIFE Natural Resources Program hosted the 2012 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports State Games the week of July 15 through July 21 at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio. The State Games include competitions in all shooting disciplines: rifle, pistol, muzzleloader, shotgun, archery, air pistol, and air rifle.

Four 4-H'ers from Floyd County competed in this year's State Games. Braden Graves competed in Senior 1 Shotgun, Heston Graves and Konner Smith competed in Intermediate Shotgun and Jianna Davenport competed in Senior 2 bare bow and recurve archery.

Jianna Davenport brought home a state championship, receiving the high point Senior 2 bare bow honors. Jianna placed in 4 out of 5 contests to earn high point.

She placed 1st in Wand, 2nd in Clout and Field and 3rd in the Modified 600. Jianna also placed 2nd in Senior-2 recurve Clout.



JIANNA DAVENPORT

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By Charla McHam
 Floydada Chamber
 Director

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50th Wedding Anniversary

Courtesy Photo
James and Sherry Race recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an Alaskan cruise. Accompanying them was their son, Jeff Race, of Amarillo, their daughter, Nicki Adams, her husband Lon, and their children, Austin and Kati, all of Hedley. James Race and Sherry Williams were married August 2, 1962 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. They now reside in Plainview.



Courtesy Photo
The Lockney Health & Rehab Center had special guests on Friday, July 27th. Cora and Rex Johnson from Silverton, Texas, and JM Dixon from Turkey, Texas played music and entertained the residents. Everyone enjoyed the music.



Courtesy Photo
Gary and Bobbie Bennett clean up Bobbie's Buzz Cuts in preparation for Lockney's September 21 Homecoming. If you are a business owner that wants to join the fun and repaint or update your store front, call Cindy Cotham at 652-2758.

FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

**From the Lockney Beacon
November 19, 1978**

BOEDEKER'S GRANDPARENTS CAME FROM GERMANY

By Felicia Applewhite

Charlie Boedeker doesn't have a ready answer when he is asked about the beginning of the Providence Community made up of such family names as Samman, Scheele, Boedeker, Ratzin, Dietrich, Koenig, Quebe, Stoerner, and other German names.

"I just suppose that one German Family settled here in an early day then interested others through letter writing," he says.

At least, there is one date connected with the Providence Community that makes easy reference. In 1911, there was sufficient number of zealous Lutheran Church members to erect a wooden church house.

"I remember Dad talking about living quarters in the back of the church. There were stables for horses," he states.

A later building included a sanctuary. The present sanctuary was built in 1950.

"My grandparents settled in Falls County when they came to America. My family came here from Falls County. However, they first lived in the pioneer town of Channing, where my uncle lived. My dad helped build the courthouse there.

In building the courthouse, it was necessary for him to handle unslaked lime -calcium oxide, a white, caustic powder that was shipped in bulk in boxcars.

"I have heard my mother say that when dad came in at night he would have lime in his hair and caked around the edges of his hair where he had perspired."

Not long after we moved back to Falls County, he developed a lung trouble as a result of handling the lime.

The doctor in Falls County recommended the Boedekers move to a higher altitude.

Higher climate meant a move back in this direction. Since Charlie had a brother living in the Providence Community, the family moved here. Charlie was two years old then.

They came by train to Plainview. The father, who had

come earlier, met them there. Near the Plainview railway station was the Plainview Lake.

"It was the prettiest thing you ever looked at There was an island in the middle of it. Swans swam all around. It was a beauty spot."

"When an x-ray was made of Dad's lungs, he asked the question, "do I have tuberculosis?" He was given a negative answer. The x-ray did show that one lung was completely dried up and the other was damaged. They could not see how he had lived.

The family first lived on the Four-House Section. This section of land had four identical houses on it about a half-mile apart. They lived about five miles from the Providence School.

"Dad said the school house where I first went to school was located in the northwest corner of the section known as the Crouch Section, diagonally across the road from the last school property.

The school house was dragged to two or three different localities on the school section. Each time there were arguments concerning the moving. The first location was about one-half mile east of where the Lutheran Church is now. The next time, it was moved north about the middle of the section. The third move was to the northwest corner of the section. The last move was across the road to the northwest, where the partly razed building still stands. George Deeder gave the land for the last school property. It was finally purchased by Ted Boedeker who arranged for Mexican-American, men to tear the building down.

"Providence 1923" was placed over the door of the schoolhouse at the time it was erected. A plan to place the board with the writing on it at the corner near the pavement in concrete failed when the board was broken to pieces in tearing the building down.

Charlie Boedekers' grandparents came from Germany because they wanted freedom.

In Germany they had a cow, chickens, and a garden. They didn't take what they made into their houses, because the government inspector came to the house for the government's portion. He knew the requirements for each family. The

inspector left enough for the family to live on and took the rest for the governments use. Really, the family had enough food- all they needed to eat.

"My mother as seven when the family came across from Germany. They landed on the Gulf Coast. They could not speak a word of English. Mother is 96 now. She still goes to Ruidoso a couple times a year. She had a gallstone operation when she was 93 and was on the operation table three hours, but snapped out of it like a kid."

At one time, all the money the family had was \$20. They lived on produce from cows, chickens, hogs and garden stuff.

It was during the depression that Charlie and Gussie married.

"At one time, I was working for Fields Keffer, who owned a bunch of farms. My dad had sold them the place near Providence. They had put down irrigation wells. I rented from them. They hired me to look after the farms at 25 cents a hour."

"Gussie did her housework at night and went with me. They paid her, too. By both of us working like that, we sort of got on our feet. I believe we bought this place in '43. Of course, it was dry land when we bought it. I put down a well on it."

This was the north half of the old Wilhite section. They started from scratch. They didn't have a dollar to start on. It was hard times.

"We both worked, pulled bolls and headed maize."

Their first house was a little house on "Dads place." Janice was born there and started to school there.

"Gussie put in lots of hours driving the tractor and helping me. We raised wheat and milo. Wheat was about 75 cents a bushel. One year I sold my entire crop to Charlie Vigil for 75 cents a bushel. He was feeding out cattle. Of course, back then I could hire labor for 35 cents a day. I have had Willie McGee for nine years. Terry and Willie operate the farm. I retired in 1966.

"The first responsibility I took on myself was in 1926, I guess. Dad took pneumonia. He didn't ask me to, but I quit school. Edwin wanted to go to college. I took the farming responsibility. I couldn't go to college. Somebody had to be here. We had a hard time getting by. Both brothers made lawyers."

When awards that has received on farming are mentioned he says, "I am like this one farming. True, I have won awards, but I had the best teacher in my Dad."

He doesn't hesitate when he says, "If I tell a man I am going to do something, that is the way it is going to be."

Annual Petersburg Day Celebration

By Petersburg Chamber of Commerce

This year's annual Petersburg Day Celebration, "Petersburg, the Spirit of America," will take place on August 17 and August 18. We will begin on Friday night, August 17 with a salute to our Veterans.

The junior class of Petersburg High School will sponsor a hamburger supper at 6 p.m. prior to the ceremony which will begin at 7 p.m at the Petersburg Memorial Plaza in downtown Petersburg.

Following the Veterans recognition program, join us for a

free open air concert featuring Texas Cadillac Jack Band at the Petersburg Community Center beginning at 8:30 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs or a blanket for seating.

On Saturday, August 18, a parade will be held at 10:30 a.m. You are invited to enter a float, decorated bicycle, antique car or equipment, etc. Riding Clubs and horse drawn vehicles are also encouraged to attend. In order to compete for prize money in the float category, your float must be decorated to fit the theme, "Petersburg, The Spirit of America". Prizes will also be given in other categories. Parade participants will line up at the County Barn at

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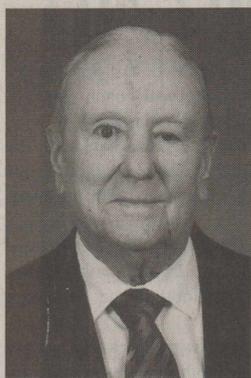
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OBITUARIES



FRANCES M. GUNTER

Francis Marion Gunter, age 93, of Floydada, passed away Monday, July 30, 2012 in Floydada.

Funeral Services will be 2 p.m., Thursday, August 2, 2012 at the First Baptist Church in Floydada with Pastor Tim Franks officiating.

Interment will follow at the Roaring Springs Cemetery.

The family held visitation on August 1, 2012 from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Francis was born June 23, 1919 in Willis, Texas to F.M., Sr and Mamie Duren (Eppinette) Gunter. Francis graduated from Roaring Springs High School. He was a depot agent for the Quanah Acme and Pacific Railroad for 35 years, first in Roaring Springs, then in Floydada. He moved from Roaring Springs to Floydada in 1960.

He married Stella Mae Warren on June 15, 1954 in Lovington, New Mexico.

He was active in the VFW and the Masonic Lodge-Scottish Rite. Francis was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corp during WWII, serving in the South Pacific. He was also the recipient of the Bronze Star and the Distinguished Unit Citation.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Stella Mae Gunter.

He is survived by his sister, Estelle Mize of Amarillo; a brother, Robert Duren of Duncan, Oklahoma and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flower, memorial donations may be made to Shepherd's Meadow Assisted Living Center, 1230 S. Ralls Hwy, Floydada, Texas 79235.

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

THIS WEEK'S

FLOYDADA CHAMBER "PICNIC IN THE PARK"

Make plans to attend the Chamber's

"Picnic in the Park"

Sunday, August 5, 2013.

Starting around 1 - 1:30 p.m.

in the high school park.

Bring your picnic lunch!

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Join in on a wonderful

afternoon filled with

fun, food, and fellowship. All

proceeds will go to help

fund the LED marquee sign.

FLOYDADA CHAMBER HAMBURGER SUPPER FUNDRAISER

Make plans to attend the

Chamber's Hamburger Supper

fundraiser on Monday,

August 20th at 6 p.m.

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Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL

Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

West College & Third,
Lockney
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada

Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study...6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney

Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth) .7:15 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor
Early Worship8:30 a.m.
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
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Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

310 E. Mississippi
Floydada
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

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

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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Joe M.Hernandez
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..... Sunday School
English..... 9:45 a.m.
Spanish.....11:00 a.m.
Spanish Worship9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Floydada
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Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon.Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.

TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
Worship Service ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA

Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY

500 W. Houston
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499 or 983-2887
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Providence Community
on FM 2301 293-3009
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Floydada 983-3548
Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.



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Floydada School

Floydada ISD Athletics Completes Coaching Staff for 2012-2013

By Coach Bandy
Athletic Director

With the departure of half our boys' coaching staff and our head girls' basketball coach, it has taken some time, but we now have a full staff ready to go, a week before football and cross-country starts.

We have replaced all the departures on the boys' side with new people, while on the girls' side we have made some movements with in the staff and have had one new hire for our girls' program.

On the girls' side, Brandi Cook has taken the head girls' basketball position, as well as head cross-country and head girls track. Coach Cook was an assistant last year in

cross-country, assistant varsity basketball and the 9th girls' basketball coach and assisted with softball.

Coach Randall Eddleman will continue to support our girls' program in the same capacity as he did last year, helping with high school and junior high girls' athletics.

Jennifer Leatherman will also continue in her role from last year, running the junior high cross-country, coaching junior high basketball and track, as well as helping at the varsity level for basketball.

Armando Morales will continue to help with football in the fall and then help with junior high girls' basketball as well as continuing as the head softball coach in the

spring.

Our one new coach on the girl's side is Whitley Nutt. Coach Nutt will help with cross-country, varsity basketball, coach the 9th grade girls' tennis at both the high school and junior high levels.

On the boys side we have four new coaches on staff.

Matt Nix will take over the responsibilities of offensive coordinator in football. He will be the head powerlifting coach and assist with track in the spring.

Brady Webb will be our new head baseball coach. He will also help with junior high and high school football as well as coach the 9th grade basketball team.

Tom Logsdon will be one of our new junior high coaches. He will coach football, basketball and track at the junior high.

Bryan Wardroup will also help with the junior high football and basketball programs and then in the spring assist with the baseball program.

Troy Renfro will continue as the head boys' basketball coach, help with junior high and high school football and assist with track in the spring.

Tate Riley will help coach the varsity and junior varsity football teams, the varsity and junior varsity basketball teams and help with junior high and high school track in the spring.

Important Dates Floydada High School and Floydada Junior High School

Floydada High School

Floydada High School will be taking pictures on August 21. The female students will take school pictures from 9 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. and the male students will take pictures from 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Students are required to be in dress code for the school pictures. Clothing and hair styles must meet the dress code. Picture retakes will be September 5.

High School students will be issued laptops on Wednesday, August 22. Laptop roll-out will be from: 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., – Senior and Junior students and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. – Sophomore and Freshman students.

Floydada Junior High School

Floydada Junior High School will be taking pictures on August 21. Seventh grade students will take pictures beginning at 5:30 p.m.,

as eighth grade students are issued laptops. Eighth grade students will take pictures at 6:15 p.m. as seventh grade students are issued laptops. We require that students be in dress code for the school pictures. Clothing and hair styles must meet the dress code. Picture retakes will be September 5.

Parent meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the school auditorium to share news about the school year.

Please remember when buying clothes for the new school year, that it is not allowed to wear holes in jeans or pants that expose skin. Shirts must cover the shoulder, must be form fitting under the arm and the shirt must be hemmed. Short length must be at least fingertip length. Athletic shorts that rise in a length shorter than the fingertip along the sides of the short are not acceptable.

Attention Pre-K 'Head Start' students

Duncan Elementary will be hosting a "Registration Roundup"

Duncan Cafeteria
August 7th
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

If you are interested or you are thinking about Pre-K Head Start for the coming year, please plan on being here

Potential Students must turn 4 before January 1, 2013

For more information contact the FISD Central Office at 983-5167

A. B. DUNCAN ELEMENTARY 2012-2013 SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

1st GRADE:

- 2-boxes of pencils
- 1-pair of scissors
- 5-glue sticks
- 1-bottle glue
- 2-boxes of crayons 24-count
- 2-large boxes of Kleenex
- 1-pouch for supplies
- 2-spirals (Reading & Math)
- 1-red vinyl folder with brads (Take-Home folder)
- 2-large pink erasers
- 1-composition book (math)
- 1-purple vinyl folder with brads (math)
- 1-box colored pencils (math)
- 1-box quart size zip bags
- Headphones/earphones

NOTE: Baggies are used for activities and games

2nd GRADE:

- 2-packages Crayons (24 count) – true colors
- 24-wooden #2 lead pencils
- 3-wire bound spiral notebooks (70 page)
- 1-pair of Fiskar scissors
- 3-250-count Kleenex boxes
- 4-pocket folders (red, green, blue, yellow) (plastic if possible)
- 1-zipper pouch (no boxes)
- 2-Elmer's white school glue (4 fl. ounce)
- 2-glue sticks
- 1-box of markers (8 count)
- 1-Water colors (8 tray)
- 1-big pink erasers/or pencil toppers
- 1-box of 24 colored pencils
- 1-composition book/journal
- 1-package of ruled notebook paper
- Headphones/earphones

GIRLS: 1 box gallon size zip-tab Baggies
BOYS: 1 box quart size zip-tab Baggies

3 GRADE:

- 1-zippered pencil pouch
- 3-boxes 200 count facial tissue
- Earphones (that will fit into the pencil pouch)
- 2-plastic folders with pockets and brads

Mrs. Joiner:

- 10-pack of wooden pencils
- 1-spiral notebook (70 page, wide-ruled)

Mrs. Lucke:

- 2-10 pack wooden pencils
- 2-large pink erasers
- 1-composition notebook (wide-ruled)

Mrs. Martinez:

- 1-box map coloring pencils (10 count)
- 1-wide-ruled composition notebook
- 4-glue sticks

PLEASE DO NOT SEND: Ring binder notebooks, pencil sharpeners, erasers, markers, or mechanical pencils.

NOTE: Please sharpen all pencils and put them and

the earphones in the pencil pouch. Write names on everything except the facial tissue, which will be used as needed by everyone. Please understand that you may need to buy replacements of these supplies throughout the year.

4th GRADE:

- 1-5 subject spiral with pocket dividers – Reading
- 1-1 subject spiral – Writing
- 1-composition journal – Science
- 1-three ring binder (1 inch) – Writing – To stay in classroom
- 6-plastic folders with pockets and brads – Math, Writing, Social Studies, AR folder,
- Take Home and replacement
- 2-packages wide-ruled notebook (NO COLLEGE RULE)
- 2-packages of 20 pencils
- 3-red ink pens
- 4-highlighters
- 1-box of crayons
- 2-boxes of Kleenex
- 1-pair of scissors
- 1-bottle of glue or glue stick
- Box or small bag to hold small supplies
- Headphones/earphones to use for laptops
- 1-handheld pencil sharpener

5th GRADE:

- 2-1-1/2" binders (Science and Math)
- 2-packages notebook paper
- 1-box 24 crayons
- 1-package markers
- 2-folders with pockets
- 1-folder with pockets and brads
- 2-5 subject spiral (1 for Reading)
- 2-spiral with perforated paper (1 for Social Studies)
- Map colors
- 2-highlighters
- 1-bottle of Elmer's glue
- 1-pair of scissors
- 2-packages of dividers
- 1-package pencils
- 2-boxes of Kleenex
- 2-composition notebooks (Science and Math)
- Headphones/earphones
- \$1 for plastic folder

6th GRADE:

- Highlighters
- 1-package wooden pencils
- 2-composition notebooks
- 2-boxes of Kleenex
- 4-red pens
- 1-package notebook paper
- Ruler
- Glue
- Map Colors
- 2-blue or black pens
- 2-folders with pockets and brads
- 1-perforated spiral
- 1-2" binder
- 1-1" binder
- scissors
- headphones/earphones

PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING

Proposed Budget for 2012/2013
Adopt the Budget of 2012/2013

On August 23, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. the Commissioners' Court will hold a Hearing on proposed budget and adopt the Budget at a special called meeting.

Then on August 23, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Commissioners' Court will adopt the Tax Rate, at a special called meeting in the Floyd County Courthouse Room 106, Floydada, Texas

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

Floyd County Commissioners' Court voted on the 2012 – 2013 Effective Tax Rate:
\$0.63963/\$100;
2012-2013 Rollback Tax Rate:
\$0.69080/\$100

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Lockney School

Lockney Elementary News Pre-K Registration Will Begin August 8

Children who will be four years old on or before September 1, 2012, may be eligible to enroll in the Pre-Kindergarten program. The child will qualify if:

1. He or she is limited English proficient, or
2. He or she qualifies for the free or reduced price lunch program, or
3. He or she is homeless, or
4. He or she is the legal dependent child of an active military parent.

Registrations for all others who have not attended Lockney Schools before will begin Wednesday, August 8, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1p.m. - 4 p.m. daily. Please bring the child's birth certificate, immunization records, and social security card as well as a parent driver's license.

New This Year

Parents are encouraged to pick up paperwork packets for all students before school starts and return them as soon as possible. These will be available beginning August 8th.

Open House

Lockney Elementary will host an Open House on Thursday, August 23rd from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.. Students and parents are encouraged to attend and bring supplies and meet teachers. For more information contact the school at 652-3321.

Top Shot and 4-H Recruitment Event

By Patty Davenport

Are you a "Top Shot" contender? Want to try your hand at archery, rifle, pistol, muzzle loading or shotgun?

The Floyd County 4-H Shooting Sports Program will be hosting a "Top Shot" and 4-H Recruitment Event on Thursday, August 16th at Sim's Field (Floydada City Range). The competition is open to Floyd County youth from 9 to 18 years of age.

The evening will start at 5 p.m. with a mandatory safety meeting. Youth will start through the course immediately following the meeting. A meal will be served during the competition. "Top Shot's" in each age category will be recognized at the end of the competition.

Information on the different 4-H shooting sports



Courtesy Photo

activities will be provided and we will also be completing 4-H enrollment applications during the evening.

For more information, contact Patty or Winfield Davenport or the County

Extension office at 983-4912. Come, bring a friend and try your hand at becoming our next "Top Shot."



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Downtown Lockney received a facelift, or at least a good wash, July 30 by the Lockney Fire Department in preparation for Homecoming. The Lockney Chamber of Commerce was so grateful for the Fire Department's time and hard work.

SPC to offer quilting Block of the Month class in August

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer the Block of the Month Quilting in August. An orientation meeting is set for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 6 in the Oil Room of the Student Activities Building.

The cost is \$75 for the year. The class will end in August 2013.

The first monthly class will start at 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 20 in the same room. The class will meet on the first Monday of each month. Throughout the sessions, participants will

receive instructions for a new block each month. The block will be completed in class and participants will complete two more of the same block outside of class. At the end of the year, participants will have a completed quilt.

The class will be taught by Vickie Vest, payroll coordinator at South Plains College.

For more information or to register for the class, contact Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant for the Division of Continuing and Distance Education, at (806) 716-2341.

Board approves contracts for five new teachers

By Jennifer Harbin

The Lockney Independent School District held their regular Board Meeting Tuesday, July 24 at 8 p.m. and approved the probationary contracts of five incoming teachers.

Kim Lambert, Desi Pharis, Stacy Jurado, Isaiah Barrera and Brandi Sena will be joining LISD this school year after the departure of five teachers. Returning educator Lambert will be teaching Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (CCCLA) and the remaining employees will teach eighth-grade and sophomore English, third-grade, high school Special Education and junior high Math, respectively.

The meeting started with the reading of the minutes by Secretary Lonny Hooten. President John Quebe called the minutes approved as read.

The board reviewed the bills to be paid and questioned any unclear charges. Checks written for the months of May, June and July totaled \$166,634.42. Some high-ticket item pur-

chases made by LISD were the Excel bill, bus repairs, two Kubota tractors, steel doors and A/C units for the new gym. The financial report for July 2012 showed a balance of \$3,300,761.28. A motion was made by Robbie Long to pay the bills and approve the financial report, it was seconded by Mike Lass. The motion passed unanimously.

The 2011-2012 budget had a minor adjustment made to it, but at no extra cost.

The Board discussed endorsing a candidate for the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) and approved Melanie Morris of Petersburg Independent School District.

Three resignation letters were accepted by the Board from Amanda Stapp, Jeff Vanlandingham and Jessica Jordan.

A motion by Aaron Wilson was made stating bids for fuel for 2012-2013 will be opened at the next school board meeting. It was seconded by Lass and passed unanimously.

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Lockney Elementary School Supply Lists 2012 - 2013

PPCD/PK

- 6 boxes 8 ct. Crayola brand crayons (NO JUMBO)
 - 1-4oz. Elmer's white school glue
 - 1 small school box
 - 1 pair metal Fiskar's children's scissors (rounded ends)
 - 4 glue sticks
 - 3 large boxes Kleenex
 - 1 pkg. 8 ct. CLASSIC COLOR markers
 - 2 #2 pencils (no jumbo)
 - 4 folders with pockets
 - 1 box ZIPLOC bags (boys-gallon & girls-quart)
 - 1 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
 - 1 (4 ct.) package of Play Dough
- PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES

KINDERGARTEN

- 3 boxes, 24 count crayons
 - 3-4 oz. Elmer's washable school glue (black label, no gel)
 - 1 pair metal Fiskar's children's scissors (rounded ends, not sharp)
 - 2 #2 pencils, no jumbo
 - 1 school box (small)
 - 1 folder with pockets
 - 1 Kindermat
 - 1 small blanket or towel
 - 1 TRAVEL SIZE pillow
 - 2 boxes Kleenex (175 count)
 - 1 pkg. napkins (140 count)
 - 1 pkg Styrofoam cups (75 count, small size)
 - 1 pkg. water color paints (Crayola brand)
 - 1 pkg. Crayola Classics washable markers (8ct.)
 - 1 container Clorox disinfecting wipes
 - 1 container hand sanitizer
 - 1 box Ziploc bags (girls-quart size, boys-sandwich size)
- NO BACKPACKS WITH WHEELS
NO TABLETS OR PAPER REQUIRED
PLEASE PUT NAME ON ALL SUPPLIES

First Grade

- 2-4 oz. bottles Elmer's school glue (no 8 oz.)
 - 3 large boxes Kleenex
 - 1 box 24ct. #2 yellow pencils
 - 1 pair children's rounded Fiskar scissors
 - 1 school box
 - 1 coloring book
 - 4-16ct. boxes Crayola crayons
 - 1 handheld pencil sharpener
 - 2 large pink erasers
 - 1 folders with pockets at bottom
 - 2 containers Clorox Disinfecting Wipe (broad tips only)
 - 1 box Crayola Classic Washable markers
 - 1 spiral notebook
 - 1 package construction paper (assorted colors)
 - BOYS-1 box sandwich bags
 - GIRLS-1 package white index cards
- NO BACKPACKS WITH WHEELS
PLEASE LABEL ALL SUPPLIES

Second Grade

- 4 glue sticks
 - 3 large boxes Kleenex
 - 2 pkgs. #2 pencils
 - 1 pair children's Fiskar scissors
 - Erasers
 - 2 folders with pockets
 - 1 container Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
 - 2 zipper pouches (plastic or vinyl)
 - 3- 16ct. boxes Crayola crayons
 - 2 packages map colors
 - 1-1 inch 3 ring binder
 - 1 subject spiral notebook (no perforated pages)
 - Handheld pencil sharpener
- NO BACKPACKS WITH WHEELS

FSA County Committee Nomination Deadline is Aug. 1

(Floydada, Texas), July 26, 2012

-Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Bradley Fryer, reminds farmers, ranchers and landowners to nominate farmer and rancher candidates to serve on their local FSA county committee by the August 1, 2012 deadline.

Elected county committee members serve a three-year term and are responsible for making decisions on FSA disaster, conservation, commodity, and price support programs, as well as other important federal farm program issues.

"County committee members are a valuable asset because they are local producers who participate in FSA programs and have a direct connection to farmers and ranchers in the community," said

Fryer. "I would like to see a high level of participation in this year's nomination and election process," she said.

Producers may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Organizations that represent minority and women farmers and ranchers may also nominate candidates. Nominees must participate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area (LAA) in which the person is a candidate. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and more information about county committee elections are available online at: www.fsa.usda.gov/elections.

"It is important that the county committee reflects the demographics and

agricultural interests of the community these individuals represent," said Fryer. "I strongly encourage all producers, including women, minority and beginning farmers and ranchers to participate in the nomination and election process," she said.

County committees are comprised of three to five members elected by local producers. All newly elected county committee members and alternates will take office January 1, 2013.

Nomination forms must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on August 1, 2012.

For more information about county committees, please contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747 or visit www.fsa.usda.gov.

BID NOTICE

Lockney Independent School District, Lockney, Texas, is accepting bids for the purchase of a 1990 International 48 passenger diesel bus. The bus is good operating condition and will be sold as is.

Bids must be received by Tuesday, August 14, 2012, at 4:00 PM. Bids should be sent to the Office of the Superintendent, Lockney ISD, P.O. Box 428, Lockney, Texas 79241. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered.

Lockney ISD reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids, and to waive formalities. Specifications are available at the above address or by contacting Phil Cotham at 806-652-2104.

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BID NOTICE

Lockney Independent School District, Lockney, Texas, is accepting bids for the repair and re-surfacing of the track. The bid must include labor and material for the track, all runways, and aprons.

Bids must be received by Tuesday, August 14, 2012, at 4:00 PM.

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FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Margaret Jones

Life with its twists and turns daily changes my perspective. Sleeping face-down with ones head-off-the-bed, supported by a covered padded cushion on a frame, causes the thought of vision loss to become a true reality. Intrigued by modern medical procedures affords me another bounty of immeasurable blessing. Time enough for saying prayers and completing the reading of how forgiveness transcends tragedy in the superb book, *Amish Grace*.

Our prayers go out to the family of Caysen Barnett. The short years of this young child have troubled our hearts and made us realize once again the brevity of life.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
**Correction in last week's paper...Use 1/2 cup cocoa when making "My Family's Favorite Brownies".

APPLE DUMPLINGS
I can crescent rolls, 1 can of Mountain Dew, 4 granny smith green apples, 1 cup of sugar, cinnamon. Peel and cut your apples in to quarter slices. Lay out your crescent roll and roll apple slices in dough. (be sure and seal them off) In a bowl pour one cup of Mountain Dew

into the one cup of sugar. Place rolls in a 9x9 pan and pour mixture in pan. Sprinkle top of rolls with cinnamon. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Check regularly and spoon sauce over rolls.

Thought for the week – Wisdom is the reward you get for a lifetime of listening when you'd have preferred to talk.

MEMORIALS
By Margarette Word
Thank you for remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial donation. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235.

In memory of L. B. Stewart – Margarette Word, Guy Ginn and family in memory of L. B. and Verna Lynn Stewart, Roy and Neva Baxter, Mike and Penny Giesecke, Ruth Hammonds, Eva Parker, Kelly Chadwick, Dr. and Mrs. Jack Jordan, Rex and Karen Lawson, Gloria Fannon, Connie and Sharon Galloway, Gary and Emma Pate, First National Bank of Floydada, Oden Chevrolet, Inc., Choise and Kay Smith, K.D. and Janis Julian, Janet Sue Milam, Glen and Pat Wood, Stanley and Lou Burleson, Randall and Connie Bertrand

In memory of Gene Lawson – Mike and Penny Giesecke, Nick and Melissa Long, Choise and Kay Smith, Stanley and Lou Burleson

In memory of Boone Adams – Nick and Melissa Long, Choise and Kay Smith, Janet Sue Milam

In memory of Bob Murlan – Gloria Fannon

In memory of Ed Nutt – Lou and Stanley Burleson

MENU
August 6 – August 10
Monday – Ham and beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp, low-fat milk
Tuesday – Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, mandarin oranges w/whipped topping, low-fat milk
Wednesday – Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald pears, low-fat milk
Thursday – Homestyle lasagna, garlic bread, brussel sprouts, pears, low-fat milk
Friday – BBQ chicken filet, baked potato w/sour cream, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, low-fat milk

15th Annual Bob Benson Memorial / 4-H EXCELL Golf Tournament to be held August 14

By Donna Keaton
County Extension Secretary
The 15th Annual Bob Benson Memorial / 4-H EXCELL Golf Tournament is scheduled for August 14, 2012 at Plainview Country Club, Plainview, Texas. Tournament proceeds support two important South Plains 4-H activities:
The Bob Benson Memorial 4-H Scholarship – Fifty percent of the proceeds are used to fund the scholarship.

The 4-H EXCELL Scholarship - The remaining fifty percent is used to fund travel for South Plains 4-H members who have qualified for National 4-H activities. EXCELL is an acronym for EXperience, Citizenship, and Examples for Lifetime Leadership. Funds are administered through the South Plains District (2) Extension Office and overseen by the Bob Benson Memorial / 4-H EXCELL Committee.

The format is a 4-person scramble with prizes to the top three teams. Lunch will be provided prior to the tournament.

The Bob Benson Memorial / 4-H EXCELL Committee needs your help. We are asking each county to obtain the following 'minimum support' for the tournament. However, support above and beyond the 'minimum' is needed and will be greatly appreciated.

One Team	\$200 per Team
One Tee Sponsor	\$150
One Green Sponsor	\$100
One Tournament Sponsor	\$50 to \$99
Door Prizes	3 items

Entries and sponsors are due by August 7, 2012.
The tournament is limited to 22 teams so get your entries in early!



A verse from my childhood has always guided my carrot-peeling philosophy:
Vitamin lies close to the skin;
Pigs get fat and we stay thin.

So, I've never peeled carrots. Why lose all the good stuff? Now Heloise, household expert in newsprint, has debunked that little rhyme, not that "we stay thin" ever rang quite true.

The new rule of thumb is that the skin isn't loaded with vitamins and – brace yourselves – the carrots release more vitamin A when cooked than when left raw. So should we drink the juice we cook them in? Heloise didn't say, but I always feel guilty about pouring any sort of vegetable stock down the drain – even juice from cooked potatoes, which is good for making unhealthy gravy and sauces.

Ah guilt. You're everywhere. If my husband and I were raising children, instead of entertaining grandchildren every few days, would I be compelled to buy all the higher-priced organic stuff? Incidentally, organic carrots can go unpeeled – one more reason to spend the extra money for humely grown veggies as opposed to the cheap inorganic kind we eat at our house. Oh well.

Do we fret too much? My friend Karen, who was once such a food worrier that she substituted carob for chocolate in her brownie recipe, joined the Missionary Sisters of Charity, Mother Teresa's order. (Karen didn't do things halfway.) When she suddenly found herself alongside novitiates from poverty-stricken countries, she learned the only standard that mattered to them was edibility. Food is food. Karen learned to eat donuts.

I'd like to have one right now myself, but I've sworn off fat, sort of. Neither a French fry nor a pastry has crossed my lips in three weeks. Not that I've given up half-and-half in my coffee or chocolate. Here's to a balanced diet – good and bad.

As long as we're toasting, raise your Sonic Route 44 whatever to the New York City mayor for proposing a ban on giant fast-food soft drinks. OK, philosophically it's

hard for me to think government, municipal or otherwise, has the right to do something like that. But since I've never understood how anybody could drink that much anyway or why they'd want to, I'm with Mayor Bloomberg. If he wanted to go after the cream in my coffee instead, I might get on my personal freedom high horse and protest. But he hasn't.

Hmmmm. It's probably the sale of over-sized high-profit soft drinks that keeps food prices low at fast-food joints. OK, I'm changing my mind. Here's to keeping cheap food cheap, whatever it takes.

Back to carrots. You don't have to peel the baby ones either. They're already peeled. Just be aware they aren't babies.

Nope. Carrots don't start out lozenge-shaped and then grow into pointy things with green tops. Those fake babies are the carrot industry's way of dealing with big ugly overgrown carrots. My theory. They cut them into cute baby sizes and charge us more.

Caveat carrot emptor;
You don't get what you pay for.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Renee Armstrong

Just a reminder Your DUES are Due!!! Twenty dollars per person per year.

As most of you know the cost of meals have gone up \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members.

Please call the center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat so that we know how much food needs to be prepared. You may pick up your lunch at 11 a.m. and we begin serving for those who eat in the building at 11:30

a.m.
Exercise with Dorothy is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 9:30, Coffee time is Monday through Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30, and Pot Luck on Thursday night. Bring a dish and enjoy supper and play games afterward. We eat at 6 p.m.
Please keep those in your prayers who are sick and recuperating from surgery.
Lucy Dean is doing well and should be home soon. Elsa Cooper is doing well

and getting stronger every day. We hope you ladies can come back to see us soon.

Our sympathy to the Carthel family in the loss of Bill Pitchford. His funeral was this past Thursday in Arkansas.

Menu
August 6 - 10
Monday: Baked Potatoes
Tuesday: Mexican Stack
Wednesday: BBQ Chicken
Thursday: Spaghetti
Friday: Fish

Farm Service Agency Announces Continuous Sign-up for CRP Highly Erodible Land Initiative

Floydada, Texas – July 26, 2012 – Stephanie Bradley Fryer, Executive Director for the Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA), announced that continuous sign-up for the Highly Erodible Land Initiative under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) started on July 23, 2012. Texas received a total allocation of 50,000 acres. Offers will be accepted until either the state acreage allocation limit is reached or September 30, 2012, whichever occurs first.

"CRP is a voluntary program that has protected environmentally sensitive land

for more than 25 years," said Fryer. "This initiative will accept offers with an erosion rate of at least 20 tons per acre per year for new cropland or CRP acres that expire on September 30, 2012; however, existing grass stands that are not considered expiring CRP will not be considered eligible," she said.

Producers can stop by the Floyd County FSA office to determine if their land qualifies for the Highly Erodible Land Initiative and to receive additional location-specific details.
Landowners enrolled in CRP receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving

covers on eligible farmland. Incentive payments are not authorized under this initiative.

New land contracts approved during this continuous sign-up initiative will become effective the first day of the month following the month of approval and are valid for 10 years.

CRP contracts set to expire on September 30, 2012, may be offered for consideration and approved contracts will become effective October 1, 2012, and are also valid for 10 years.

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

Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by drought are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Floydada, Becky Rainer said today.

Floyd and Crosby Counties are two 252 in Texas recently named by the Secretary of Agriculture Vilsack eligible for loans to cover part of production and/or physical losses) resulting from the drought.

Rainer said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain

credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate will be 1% above regular operating loan rate at the time of approval/closing.
"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of crop production or suffered any physical loss to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan under this disaster designation", Rainer said. Producers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds from those programs in determining their production loss. Additionally, any insurance

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USDA Offers More Flexibility for CRP Emergency Grazing and Haying

229 Texas Counties Meet Eligibility Requirements

(Floydada, Texas) – July 28, 2012 - Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Stephanie Bradley Fryer announced that 229 Texas counties, including Floyd County, are eligible for Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) emergency haying and grazing because of the new provisions announced by Secretary Vilsack on July 23, 2012.

"Previously, only lands classified as 'D2 - under severe drought' according to the U.S. Drought Monitor were eligible for CRP emergency haying and grazing," said Fryer. "Now lands classified as 'D0 - abnormally dry' will be eligible for CRP emergency haying and grazing," she said.

In addition to the 25 percent CRP payment reduction being reduced to 10 percent for all 2012 emergency haying and grazing authorizations, participants may now sell the harvested hay or lease grazing privileges for profit under the new emergency provisions. However, subleasing of the grazing

privileges will not be permitted.

Texas CRP participants who were previously approved for managed haying or grazing may elect to switch to emergency use by contacting the Floyd County FSA office to request approval.

Based on a decision made by the Texas FSA State Committee, CRP emergency haying and grazing approval will only be available for those CRP lands that were not utilized for haying or grazing during the previous 12 months.

Eligible CRP land can be used for emergency haying until August 31, 2012, or emergency grazing until September 30, 2012.

"The added flexibility to CRP provides more relief to producers who are facing an on-going drought that makes providing forage for livestock even more difficult," said Fryer.

The eligible CRP acreage is limited to qualified acres located within the approved county. Eligible producers who are interested in haying

or grazing CRP under this emergency authorization and current CRP participants who choose to provide land for haying or grazing to an eligible livestock producer, must first request approval from their local FSA office and obtain a modified conservation plan from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to include site specific haying or grazing requirements.

In counties that are authorized for CRP emergency haying and grazing, producers are reminded that the same CRP acreage cannot be both hayed and/or grazed at the same time. For example, if 50 percent of a field or contiguous field is hayed, the remaining unhayed 50 percent cannot be grazed; it must remain unhayed and ungrazed for wildlife. In addition, participants are limited to one hay cutting.

For more information and to request approval for emergency haying and grazing of CRP acres contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806.983.5747.

Texas Alliance for Water Conservation to Hold 2012 Pioneers in Agriculture Field Day

LUBBOCK, TX – Although conditions are now better than those seen in 2011, worries of drought and uncertainties in the future of agriculture continue to weigh heavily on the minds of producers. The Texas Alliance for Water Conservation (TAWC) knows water management has become increasingly important to West Texas farmers, and in response has coordinated the 2012 Pioneers in Agriculture Field Day.

This field day will take place on Thursday, August 9 beginning at 8 a.m. at the Ollie Lier Event Center in Plainview, Texas. The meeting will conclude around 1:45 p.m. and lunch will be provided.

Designed to connect today's producers with the latest research information, the Pioneers in Agriculture Field Day

draws on the knowledge-building tradition of past TAWC meetings and events.

"This field day is a great opportunity to see the latest research, learn of new energy and water saving technologies and hear first-hand from producers, commodity groups and research leaders the future directions for agriculture and water management," said Rick Kellison, project director for TAWC.

As part of the Pioneers in Agriculture Field Day, topics to be discussed include irrigation management for maximum yield and quality; surviving high feed prices; grain market outlook; and the latest irrigation technology from John Deere and AquaSpy. Attendees will also get to hear a message from the program's keynote

speaker, Pete Laney, as well as visit a couple TAWC field sites and hear from those sites' producers.

The Texas Alliance for Water Conservation is a unique partnership of Floyd and Hale county producers, data collection technologies, and collaborating partners that include: individual industries, universities, and government agencies. The TAWC project was made possible through a grant from the Texas Water Development Board.

For more information and a final schedule for the field day, please visit the official Web site of the project: <http://depts.ttu.edu/tawc>. No RSVP is required, however if you wish to do so, please call Samantha Borgstedt at (806) 789-4177.

Commissioners' adopt deficit budget, welcome extension agent

By Jennifer Harbin

County Commissioners gathered for a special meeting July 27 at 8 a.m. at the Floyd County Courthouse for a training session from a representative of the Texas Association of Counties. The presentation lasted until 9 a.m. and provided useful information on "Avoiding Legal Landmines."

Commissioners met Ethan Fortenberry, who was presented as a potential employee, filling the post of Extension Agent. Amado Morales made a motion to accept Fortenberry as a new employee which was seconded by Lindan Morris. The motion carried.

Morris made a motion to pay the bills and was seconded by Nathan Johnson. It passed unanimously.

Commissioners approved to keep the Texas Department of Transportation local fee of \$10 the same. A motion was made by Morales and seconded by Johnson. It passed unanimously.

Bids were opened for the set of four tires for the Sheriff's Office. It was tabled until the next meeting.

The effective and rollback tax rates were presented to the Court. The effective tax rate is 0.63963/\$100 with the rollback tax rate at 0.69080/\$100.

The Court took time to look over the proposed budget. After much debate, it was agreed that a deficit budget would be adopted. After all money budgeted is spent, there will still be an \$18,807 deficit. Judge Penny Golightly would not support raising taxes in order to accommodate the \$10,000 the commissioners wanted for each of their precincts. It was agreed that \$5,000 would be taken out of the precinct reserves to offset the \$10,000.

A vote was taken to set salaries, expenses and allowances. Morris made the motion with a second from Morales. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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at the Covey. There will be entertainment and a presentation on the new LED marquee sign. Watch for more info on this event. Proceeds will go to the new LED marquee sign fund.

EXERCISE WITH DOROTHY

Exercise with Dorothy is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9-9:30. Coffee time is Monday through Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Pot luck is on Thursday at 6 p.m. Bring a dish, enjoy supper and play games afterwards

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the north end of town on Highway 54. Awards will be presented at the Community Center following the parade. For more information on the parade, call Dustee Solis at 806-328-5345 or Jan Belli at 806-667-9200.

After the parade, a variety of food and arts and craft booths, music and visitation will be held at the Petersburg Community Center. Have a craft that you are looking for a place to market? Craft tents are available for

\$35. We invite all interested crafters to participate. For more information call Cheryl Martin at 806-667-3583 or 806-667-3710. Please join us for a weekend of good food, lots of fun and good music and fellowship.

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proceeds received by producers as a result of the physical loss will have to be considered in determining their total loss. "Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until March 12, 2013, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing, with possible delays into the new farming season", Rainer said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who meet U.S. citizenship requirements and to farming partnerships, corporations, or cooperatives in which U.S.

citizenship requirements are met by individuals holding a majority interest. The FSA office in Floydada is open from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Additional Information regarding Disaster Assistance Programs may be found online at <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

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A call for bids for a 1990 International bus was made and passed by the Board unanimously.

The bid by Vibra-Whirl Sports, Ltd. was taken by the Board to repair the 10-year-old track. It will be the same type of top as the previous one and is expected to be done in the fall so it will be ready for track season. Long made a motion to accept the bid and it was seconded by Hooten. It passed unanimously.

Roof repairs are needed for the school and J.Q. Long, who repaired the roof in 1998, submitted a bid for \$13,500 that the Board approved unanimously.

Rene Guerrero made a motion that the Board approve LISD's portion of the budget for the Hale County

Appraisal District. It was seconded by Wilson and passed unanimously.

The Board approved the update of Policy 94 which would develop and implement a student food allergy plan. The motion was made by Long and seconded by Jimmy Kemp. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board proposed the tax rate, which is currently at \$1.14, remain the same for the 2012-2013 school year, even though it would require LISD to adopt a deficit budget for the year. A motion was made by Wilson for the rate to remain at \$1.14 and it was seconded by Long. It passed unanimously.

To close the meeting, the Superintendent report was delivered by Phil Cotham. He told the board about the product, GermBlast,

which was presented to him earlier. According to their website, GermBlast is a "new approach to infection control... (that) combines multiple steps that provide a superior level of infection control when compared to traditional disinfection practices." Cotham said that he feels that the use of GermBlast might pay off, especially if it would increase attendance. "Increased attendance is increased revenue," said Cotham.

The 2012 TASB Convention will be held in Austin on Sept 28-30 and plans are being made for the Board's attendance.

Kemp moved to adjourn. Teachers will report to school on August 20 starting with a breakfast at 8 a.m. and students will return August 27.

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Photos by Christina Muniz and Jennifer Harbin

Floydada's City Manager Talks about Retiring

By Sara Sisemore
Correspondent

During the Floydada City Council July 2012 regular meeting, City Manager Gary Brown led a discus-

sion about the council's plan to transition to a new city manager once Brown decides it is time to retire. After a lengthy and sometimes light-hearted discus-

sion the council agreed to think about what the right path should be and to look at the subject at the August council meeting.

Then, the council heard from Brown concerning the 2012/2013 preliminary budget. Brown covered the highlights of the budget and asked the council to take it home and study it. He pointed out there was not a request to increase either the ad-valorem tax rate or any fees. The budget workshop was set for Thursday, August 2, 2012 at 7:30p.m.

In other business, Dean Johnson, general manager of Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, presented the MMWA 2012/2013 operating budget to the council for discussion and action. After Johnson answered all of the council's questions, councilmember Bettye King moved to accept the budget as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

The council then discussed how to fund improvements to the swimming pool and the parks. After a lengthy, productive discussion the council asked Brown to get some additional informa-

tion. The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is working to obtain a digital marquee to be located on Highway 70 (Second Street). The council discussed supporting this quest and after a motion by councilmember Gail DuBois to support them in this effort, the motion was passed unanimously.

Resolution 12-7 was unanimously passed after a motion by councilmember Sam Green. Resolution 12-7 designates the area within the boundaries of Mississippi Street north to Jackson Street and from 4th Street east to 8th Street as a blighted area of the town. The resolution is part of a grant request for additional funding for downtown sidewalk improvements.

The bid of Leonel Longoria in the amount of \$326 was unanimously accepted for the vacant lot described as the E. 8.5 feet of Lot 27 and the W. 2 of Lot 28, Block 84 Original Town, Floydada.

A unanimous vote approved the motion for the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Benefit Pool to provide health insurance for the employees for the 2012/2013 fiscal year.

Punkin' Days participants needed for anniversary celebration

By Jennifer Harbin

This Punkin' Day will be something special, but not without the help of the residents of Floydada. The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is spreading the word and inviting everyone to help make this year's 25th Anniversary a momentous occasion.

There will be a little bit of old and a touch of new to ensure that all involved have a great time on October 13. Participants are needed for the Chili Cook-off, the Washer Pitching Contest, 5-K Run and Fun Run. And if you have a motorcycle, there will be a Poker Run. Judges are also needed for the Chili Cook-off, and other contests. We will also be having a Home Decorating Contest and Unique Pumpkin Recipe Contest to take place before Punkin' Day. Also we will be having "The Punkin' Patch Cuties" which is comparable to the Valentine Brag pages.

There will also be arts and crafts booths, food vendors, as usual, Classic Car Dis-

play and Show, put on by the Nifty Fifties Club, and live entertainment at the Pavilion.

The Floyd County Historical Museum will be opened Friday and Saturday with rope making outside, as well as the Friends of the Library who will be having a book sale in the Floyd County Memorial Library Community Room.

Some of the new events are taking on older contests, just with a different name, like the Fat Person Race and the Unique Pumpkin Recipe Contest.

"The Punkin' Patch Cuties" deadline will be October 1 by 5 p.m. at the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon office. Entries are \$25 per entry. It will be printed October 11.

Any events are subject to change. More detailed information about the Punkin' Day schedule will follow.

For more information call the Chamber of Commerce at 983-3434 or visit www.floydadachamber.org.

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