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Lockney adjusts to changes after tragic fire

By Judy Macha Reporter

It is a small world. Cynthia Bybee, owner of Heart's Desire in downtown Lockney, had just returned from the Dallas Gift Market. While there she met people who were aware of what had transpired here. Bybee said, "I was amazed at the number of people at market who knew about Lockney's tragedy, and the number of people who told me they would keep the community in their prayers. It was good to know they cared that much."

This follow-up to Lockney's Jan. 11th fire is best told in the words of Lockney teachers; now the hard work has begun. It was interesting to see the similarity of their remarks.

Jan. 15, fourth day after the fire that consumed most all of Lockney's high school and smoke damaged junior high, found junior high principal Craig Setliff helping the cleaning crew add to the pile of debris from inside the junior high.

Setliff said, "We're hoping to have the kids back here in school within three weeks. It's pretty overwhelming, but Blackmon Mooring has a small army. It's pretty amazing to watch them work; like a colony of ants combing over everything."

"Where we are in the cleaning process," said

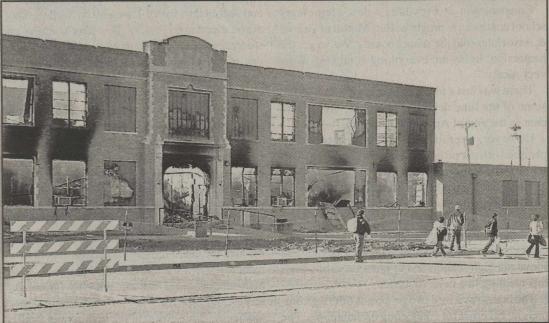
Setliff, "is the cleaning crew has let us know it is time to clean out the lockers. At the end of the day today we brought the students over here to clean out whatever personal stuff they have and take it home where they and their parents can figure out whether they can salvage it or not. Anything in the lockers belonging to the school, such as textbooks, workbooks, or library books will be taken by the cleaning crew to be treated and cleaned.

"This is our second day holding classes at the First United Methodist Church (FUMC). All the churches have been outstanding to us. We've just made school from it. Everyone is coping, making the best of it. I have not heard a single complaint. It has kind of become 'old school,' and overhead projectors are a commodity now. Teachers have lost the technology they are use to, and are having to go back to their teaching roots to get it done."

The school is expecting two mobile computer labs, 20 computers each. These are being furnished by the Texas Educational Association EPEC Cooperative. Steve Shipley is the director.

"This is the second time back to Lockney for me and my family," said Setliff. "Just watching the community...well, it's the reason we're back. It is

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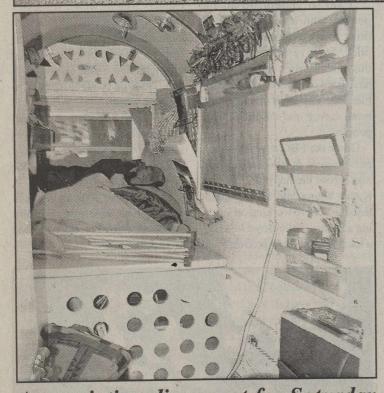




Work crews are beginning a massive clean up effort at Lockney High School. The school burned down after a fire was deliberately set Sunday, Jan. 11. Pictured are junior high custodian Mary Ann Gonzales and junior high principal Craig Setliff.

Staff Photo





Appreciation dinner set for Saturday

By Jean Anne Williams

Floyd County's first responders will be honored at a dinner given in appreciation for their hard work and sacrifice.

It will be held 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 at the Lockney Elementary Cafetorium.

A steak dinner will be served to the Lockney and Floydada Volunteer Fire Departments, Lockney Police Department and EMS personnel from both

The meal is to be a celebration of the community coming

A BBQ sandwich dinner will

be served on a donation basis to any of the community who would like to come and express their gratitude.

All proceeds will go to the Lockney Volunteer Fire Depart-

Texas State Representative Joe Heflin will be one of hopefully several distinguished guests.

The meal is a joint effort of Cargill Cattle Feeders, LISD faculty and staff, Ed Marks and other members of the com-

munity. Those attending are encouraged to wear their We Are Locknev T-shirts

In August of 2004, Bernie Harberts made his way through Floydada on his 13-month trip from North Carolina to California. This time, Harberts is traveling from Neptune, Saskatchewan to El Paso, Texas -"give or take a hundred miles," he said. Harberts began this trip in May of 2007 in order to research marine fossils found throughout the United States. To read his blogs as he travels, visit www.RiverEarth.com. Harberts (above) is pictured here with his travel companion, Polly the mule, outside of the Producers Coop where he stopped to visit with the locals and buy some feed for Polly. While he travels across the country, Harberts lives out of his "covered wagon" (left) most of the time. Inside, you can see his bed, cab-

inets holding books, food and

medicines and a light for read-

ing (powered by his own solar

panel). He even has his wagon

set up to have internet access.

Obama takes office

President Barack Obama (right) was sworn in as the first African-American president Tuesday, Jan. 20. President **Barack Obama and** his wife Michelle (below, right) greet a massive crowd at the 'We Are One' concert, one of the events of Obama's inauguration celebrations, at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington.

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Vaughn remains superintendent, construction continues

By Sara Sisemore **Managing Editor**

After hearing glowing reviews on Superintendent Jerry Vaughn's performance from the principals and other administrative staff – at the request of board member Amado Morales – the FISD school board went into a closed session on Thursday, Jan. 15, to discuss the renewal of Vaughn's contract. Two hours later, the board came back into an open session and the motion was made to renew Vaughn's contract. The motion passed with four board members - Dr. William Dean, Bart Greer, Marty Lucke and Amado Morales - voting to renew Vaughn's contract, and three board members - Rachael Castillo, Lyle Miller and Kerry Pratt - voting against

Construction at Floydada's new elementary school continues to progress. Bert Moffitt of Grimes & Associates told the school board, "We've got the heaters on, lights on; everything is moving along very nicely.'

There was just a touch of bad news: "Because of some of the time delays, it makes the completion date as the end of April," Moffitt said.

However, overall, Moffitt said he was very pleased with the progress being made and the quality of work being done.

The board heard from Clar Schacht during the public comments portion of the meeting. Schacht informed the board of a forum to be held on Jan. 26 at the Unity Center to discuss the possibilities and/or the interest of consolidating the Lockney and Floydada high schools. As of press time, however, this meeting had been cancelled.

The board reviewed two proposals offering commercial Ethernet for connecting the campuses. The proposal from Trillion was for Wide Area Network (WAN) on 100mb fiber at the estimated monthly Erate cost of \$1,200. Suddenlink's proposal was also for 100mb of fiber, as well as 6mb of internet access for an estimated monthly E-rate cost of \$596.

Vaughn told the board that one of the good things about these proposals is "we don't have to own it or maintain it.'

Dean made the motion to accept Suddenlink's

bid, Lucke seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The board voted unanimously for Kerry Pratt to remain the FISD representative to the Floyd County Appraisal Board of Directors.

Also, they voted unanimously to stay with their current food service provider, West Texas Food Service Cooperative.

Vaughn was pleased to announce the results of the 22-1 student to teacher ratio survey had shown all grades up through fourth grade were within the accepted numbers.

Vaughn reported district-wide enrollment to be

Principal Gilbert Trevino announced the elementary enrollment to be 452 as of Thursday, Jan. 15, and shared how every Thursday is "College Day" at the elementary. Every Thursday teachers and students are encouraged to wear a shirt displaying one of their favorite colleges. He explained the purpose of this special day is to "instill in every student the desire to go to college."

According to Principal Mack Sherman, junior high enrollment is at 171. Sherman also reminded the board of the upcoming trip four junior high students - Landry Morren, Taylor Orr, Jessica Prisk and John Cortinas – will make on Jan. 27-30 to the Texas Capital Schoolhouse in Austin. FJHS is one of only 14 schools making presentations at

High school principal Wayne Morren commended the board for Floydada High School being recognized in a U.S. News article as one of the top high schools in the nation, "not only for our A.P. scores, but also for what we're doing in college readiness." Enrollment at the high school is 237.

Business manager Sharon Rainwater informed the board 84.89 percent of the current tax roll has been collected as of Dec. 31, 2008, with M&O current tax roll standing at \$2,419,796.66, M&O net collections at \$2,054,132.18, I&S tax roll standing at \$246,350.12 and I&S net collections at \$205,305.47. Total taxes collected as of this time last year was 75.52 percent.



Long-time Floydada resident Larry Guthrie was honored by the FISD Board of Trustees on Thursday night, Jan. 15, when board member Kerry Pratt presented Guthrie with his high school diploma. Midsemester his senior year, Guthrie left school to join the Marines at the age of 19. Guthrie served our country in the Vietnam War, spending 10 months overseas. During an interview, Guthrie said, "I just appreciate everybody who worked for me to get that done. I want to thank my wife and the school and all the support I had."

Staff Photo

Lockney ...

ple have worked together despite the donations of supplies. Our this terrible tragedy. Some great things have come from it and will continue to come from it. The community is strong, and they've shown what they're made of."

Jan. 19, eighth day after the fire, Setliff and junior high secretary Edith Cook were at their desks at FUMC, during the fourth day of classes there. Cook said, "Everytaking care of us."

Setliff added, "The church has been very accommodating to us. Our challenge to the kids is for them to take care of this fine facility. They've really stepped up to the plate. Everyone understands we've had to be more restrictive here, but kids and teachers are cooperating and have responded well."

A walk down the FUMC Sunday school annex revealed a different class in each room. One such class was Mr. Whalen's 8th grade social studies and American history class. "It has been great here," said Whalen. "I told because I went home the night of the fire thinking we'd be meeting on a patch of gym floor. In this community, the people really do support each other. I'm grateful for what the church has let us do over here."

Mr. Young, Texas history teacher, said, "It was an unfortunate thing to happen, but we're doing our best.'

Junior high special education teacher Mrs. Stoerner remarked, "We're making it. It is tight, but the kids are making it really well. We're just glad to have a place to meet for class."

Across the street during the afternoon of the same day, high school principal Todd Hallmark and secretary Charlotte Brock were at work keeping things running smoothly. Hallmark stated, "We would like to say thank you to all individuals and organizations who have helped us overcome, and made the relocation go successfully." He added, "You know I still can't get to those safes at my burned out office; maybe in a couple of days."

FBC secretary Zelda Ellison remarked, "I think it is going very smoothly here; better this week

an outstanding community. Peo- than last. A lot of that is due to

church men have been putting a lot into this; checking on us every day to see if there is anything we need." FBC youth director Chad Cook

made the remark, "I have been praying since I started this job every high school student would enter through our doors. Now that they're here, what to do with thing is running smoothly. God is them? This situation wasn't exactly what I meant."

> A stroll down the hallway of FBC's Sunday school annex revealed teachers and students going about what appeared to be an ordinary day of school.

> D'lyn Morris, science and IPC teacher said, "I'm happy to have a place to hold class. I'm pleased with our kids. They are flexible and are making an extra effort to do what is asked of them."

Chemistry and Biology teacher J.C. King said, "I honestly cannot imagine things going as well as they are right now. I just feel very blessed, and not for the first time, to be a witness to the outpouring the kids we should be grateful of love, resources and everything to have this nice place to meet, else that's been coming in. Thank you to the folks praying for us. We have momentum now, but keep praying. We still have a long road ahead of us."

> Reading and WAIT teacher Mrs. Ellison remarked,

"I am so grateful to all the people who have given their time, energy, money and supplies. They've helped us make this much easier than it would have been otherwise. We are truly blessed. This will make us all more caring and compassionate people."

Down the FBC's garden room, past posters of encouragement, and across the hallway, librarian Kathy Young and some student assistants were working on stock+ ing a library while Boyd Jackson, a local farmer, LHS graduate and father of three students, sat in a corner of the room intent on a computer screen. He smiled and said, "I'm helping set up the computers and keep them going...but only under the careful direction of Mr. Keaton."

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Young said, "My thanks to the Lockney and Floydada Volunteer Fire Departments. Thanks to their diligence, we lost only a handful of books and videos out of the high school library. And thanks to donations, we were up and running and checking out books here on Wednesday, the first day of class. God is good. He has blessed us mightily. I can't say any more or I'll start crying again."

A bit of a history lesson and commentary came along with geography, U.S. history and world history teacher Sam Moore's comments. "Tracy Alvarez asked me what she could do for me personally as a teacher. I told her what about giving me the book 1421? I told her I would accept it only if she would sign and date it. That is the year the Chinese found and mapped America and those maps would be given to the Italians in the year 1434." Moore quoted the author of the book 1434, "How is it that Columbus discovered America when the Chinese had already found it?"

Another book on Moore's wish list was 1491, a book by Charles Mann, which discusses what America was like before Columbus. Moore said, "Queen Isabella asked Columbus to take pigs with him on his second voyage. Thus, he brought measles to the new world."

Moore reached in his shirt pocket and pulled out an envelope. He opened it and carefully placed on his palm a small piece of burned page from a book. A student, Kacee Armstrong, had found it in her yard, given it to him and asked, "Reckon it's from one of your books?"







Lockney continues to rally around its students after a fire burned down its high school last week. Top and middle, the First Baptist Church is decorated to encourage high school students attending classes there. Above, work crews continue to clean out the old high school.

Photos by Judy Macha

Court

deadly conduct was filed against guilty. Sutton was found guilty Hermino Garza Jr., and a charge and sentenced to 90 days jail of indecent exposure was filed against Timothy Huddleston.

On Dec. 16, 2008, a charge of the possession of marihuana was in restitution. filed against Billy Joe Luna.

Isadora Yannis and Gabriel Fi-2008.

Sutton was charged with the theft of "more than \$20, but less that \$500."

On Dec. 29, 2008, a charge of torney, after which she pleaded time, probated for two years, as well as have to pay a \$500 fine, \$301 in court costs, and \$563.70

On May 15, 2008, a DWI DWI charges were filed against charge was filed against Adrain Olivas. In November there was erros (his second) on Dec. 9, a motion and an order for discovery and for a list of witnesses On Sept. 24, 2008, Theresa filed. On Dec. 16, 2008,

Olivas pleaded guilty and was found guilty with a sentence of 90 days in jail, probated 18 On Dec. 18, 2008, she was months and assessed a \$600 fine advised of her right to an at- and \$301 in court costs.



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LISD school

board holds

The Board of Education

of the Lockney Independent

School District met in regular

session on Jan. 15, 2009, with

the following members present:

John Quebe, President; Jimmy

Kemp, Aaron Wilson, Robbie

Long, Lonny Hooten and Phil

Also present were: Don Cody,

Malcolm Moerbe, Jean Anne

Williams; Todd Hallmark, Craig

The renewal and extension of

Phil Cotham's contract by one

year was voted on and passed

The meeting adjourned at

Cotham, Superintendent.

Setliff and Dennis Carter.

unanimously.

12:35 a.m.

regular

meeting

By Judy Macha

Reporter

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The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

I saw a show on depression the other day and it seems it is simply human to become depressed. It got me to thinking about other mental "problems" we may face in our day-to-day lives such as worrying too much and denial.

I don't want you to think to yourself: "Boy, might as well stop reading because this is depressing." I'll try to keep it interesting.

Anyhow, we all get depressed from time-to-time. Some go through horrible depression while others only mildly and not very often.

Some try and disguise the fact they are depressed for they see it as weakness. For those people, now that you know that everyone has it, you can let go and get a little sad like the rest of us.

I think I'm somewhat like Mom was. Outgoing on the surface, but I can become introverted and reclusive. There are times when I just want to be alone. Don't know why, I've just always been like that.

I also like to worry. Well, I wouldn't say I like it, but I do worry about things out of my control. Don't know for sure, but I bet worrying and depression are linked somehow. Mom used to make up things to worry about. My wife reminds me not to worry about things I can't control. I try to obey her and it works pretty good.

Back to the topic of depression: In this country, billions of dollars are spent on anti-depressants. That alone should tell us it is human to get sad. I wonder if every person in the country who claims not to get depressed could be diagnosed with a case of denial. Oh man, I think I suffer from denial as well.

I may be getting depressed from the denial I have about worrying too much ... or maybe it's the other way around. It's insane to me the amount of trouble we can get into while mulling these things over. Not that there is anything wrong with insanity...

Since I'm cleansing my mental state in this space, I might as well disclose that I suffer from a fear of failure. It must be a mild case, however, because I keep trying new things.

When I was a child, I had a sense of normalcy. I watched reruns of "Leave It To Beaver," "I Love Lucy" and "Father Knows Best" and thought the world was this normal place where there was little crime and divorce and no one got depressed. Now I really wonder just what exactly nor-

Am I normal? Are you? Between us, I'm a walking, talking freak-show who sometimes gets depressed, worries too much, is in denial and who has a fear of failure. How about you?

At the very least, I feel better haven gotten all that off my chest. I can honestly say that I feel pretty "normal" at this very second and that's good. I hope you do as well.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As a graduate of Lockney High School, I look back and am thankful for the times I spent in the halls that are now black with smoke or no longer standing. In good times and bad, it is tough to deny the blessings that being raised in a small town bring.

Though we may gripe while we are there or take the blessings for granted once we are gone, watching the news, reading articles, or browsing around websites like effort should outshine another, Facebook, it can't be denied that the fond memories are shared by so many who have walked those halls.

The halls of Lockney High have held an important segment of so many lives. Something that makes it special is that it holds portions of the lives of members of several generations in so many cases. I look forward to bringing my kids back and showing them where generations of our own family went to school, even though it will no longer be the same building that I knew.

Thank you to the fire department for the tireless hours that you have spent fighting to save as much as you could. Thank you to community members who came out and even risked going inside to also salvage memories as well as supplies to continue on.

am thankful for that I will still be able to show my kids the senior pictures of so many members of their family, through multiple generations. Thankfully I do have these memories and would like to issue a challenge to other LHS alumni, members of the Lockney community, and those who also know what it means to be a part of a special community and exemplary school system. The walls will be rebuilt, the community will grow closer, and new memories will be made.

My heart goes out to the faculty and students, especially the juniors and seniors, who may not share some of the same memories that, as alumni, we shared in common walls. As a group let's show the current students of Lockney High School, and particularly the classes of 2009 and 2010 what is means to be a part of LHS. I know that these are difficult economic times, but the heart and spirit of the community I was raised in is bigger than that.

Anything will help, but I challenge 1,000 LHS alumni and supporters to give \$100 each to help the students gain a sense

of normalcy, supply additional equipment that will enhance their education, and maybe even leave enough to provide for some fun times and extra special memories as this group finishes out the year and moves into another. With this number we would be able to provide a gift that could exceed \$100,000 to an extra special group of kids.

I am certain there are many efforts out there, and no single so at the heart of it all is to do what you can. I will be opening an account (or supporting an account that is already existing and overseen for this cause) that donations can be made to and the fund will start with \$1,000. I will follow this communication with additional details as I am able to visit with school officials regarding the priorities and needs as well as the management and oversight of the money to ensure that the right things are done with what is given.

You are all in my heart and in

my prayers. With love to a very special community and a high school that

will always stand, Johnnie Mosley

Dear Editor.

Judy Macha wrote an excel-As funny as it may sound, I. lent report on the Lockney High School fire. It was so thoroughly written that it made those of us who no longer live in Lockney feel completely informed and connected.

Ms. Macha: Thank you very much for the research and investigating that you did in order to complete your report. I live in the Dallas metroplex and the journalists in our area couldn't hold a candle to your ability as a writer.

> In appreciation, Mitzi Rodriguez

Dear Editor,

With the recent and tragic fire to the Lockney High School, it saddens me to see more history gone from here.

I am from Los Angeles where I worked for the city for 30+ years. and in that time I have seen many structures destroyed by fire. I have also seen many saved – i.e. A four story office building in downtown: the complete front was saved and a new building put up behind it; a building in Pasadena: it's front was saved and is now the entrance to an under-ground garage for a block square mall; a junior high in Fort

Smith, Ark.: they saved the front and built a new school building behind it.

I proposed this to the school board, to try to save the front of the school for history's sake, and I propose it to the people of Lockney to try to save some of our history.

With God's blessings and all of our prayers, we will get through this tragic time.

Dennis Carter

On Tuesday, January 13, the Lady Winds girls JV & Varsity basketball teams were traveling to Muleshoe for a district game when the bus began to develop problems and pulled off to the side of the road. Several of the parents traveling to the games stopped to see if they could help. As phone calls and roadside diagnosis were made, the Lockney Longhorn bus also traveling to Muleshoe for boys JV & Varsity games passed by the Whirlwind bus. The Lockney bus stopped, backed up to the Whirlwind bus and visited with Coach Eddleman and offered to follow the Whirlwind bus to Muleshoe. After the Whirlwind bus traveled a little further down the road it became apparent that the bus had "real" problems and pulled to the side of the road again. The Lockney bus stopped, loaded up the Lady Winds team onto their bus and proceeded to Muleshoe for both teams' games.

As a parent watching this scene unfold I was very moved by the kindness that Lockney extended, knowing what a rough week they had already had yet they still showed class by helping out. I cannot speak for the team or the coaches but I know that they would say "thank you" and that they appreciated your help. Please know that your students and administration are in our thoughts and prayers as you begin to make decisions and plans concerning your facility and students' best interests.

Mary Sanders Dear Editor,

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Floyd and the surrounding counties for the tremendous outpouring of support that our school has received since the Lockney High School fire. Your prayers, offers of help and generosity are simply overwhelming. I would especially like to thank the Lockney and Floydada Fire Departments (and numerous volunteers) for an outstanding job, and for saving

I love living in a small town. Though some would say the negatives outweigh the positives, I claim the opposite. One of the things I like most about living in a small town is the overwhelming sense of community. People are always friendly - whether they know you or not – and even strangers will go

Korner does for the community.

For instance, the other day I was in our local grocery store on my lunch break picking up some needed items. When it was time to check-out, there was only one lane open. There were three people waiting behind me: "Lady A," "Gentleman A," and "Lady B" – in that order. The two ladies had only a couple of items - Lady B had customers waiting on her back at the restaurant she worked at and Lady A had kids waiting in the car. I let one go in front of me, and the gentleman directly behind me let the things are appreciated.)

out of their way to be kind and gracious to you.

But that's not where the story stops.

So, finally it comes to be my turn to check-out. There is no one to help the cashier bag my groceries, so the gentleman behind me steps right up and begins to bag them for me - he even asks if I'd like paper or plastic (on top of that, he is one of our community's leaders/servants).

That's what I like about small towns - the closeknit community, the love for one's neighbor, the priorities which allow us to put others ahead of

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Big cities don't usually have that same feel to them. People are in a hurry, they have appointments to keep, places to be, money to make. You'll occasionally find someone who still puts others first and makes an effort to love his neighbor...but it's much more common to find that kind of lifestyle in a small community.

I suppose the reason I love living in a small town over living in a big city is because the sense of community makes the lifestyle of loving one's neighbor so much easier to do. As Jesus pointed out to the Pharisees: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your other lady go in front of him. Both ladies were so mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. grateful. (It just warms the heart to know the small And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39, NIV).

> Even though we do live in a small town, sometimes we do forget to have our priorities in order. Let's make loving our neighbor just like we love ourselves our second top priority - right after our number one priority: loving God.

> > ... and to the point.

our junior high and the south end of the high school.

On January 11, 2009, we lost our building and curriculum materials but we still have our two most valuable resources, our faculty and students. It is a humbling experience to walk through the "temporary" halls of the high school and junior high campuses and observe such a wonderful staff and group of students. Their desire to forgive and move on is an inspiration to me! The most expensive educational programs cannot take the place of a highly qualified, effective, caring teacher. It will be a long bumpy road and I am thankful that LISD is equipped with caring individuals who are determined to overcome!

Again, I wish I could thank every individual that has helped in some way but for now please accept my sincerest appreciation for your prayers, provisions of curriculum materials/supplies, words of encouragement, and monetary donations. I feel blessed to be a part of this com-

Sincerely, Marva Rasco LISD Curriculum Director

Dear Editor,

There are moments in life when we are so touched by the heights to which friends and neighbors and even complete strangers can reach out to meet our needs that the feelings in our hearts transcend any words.

Beginning with the first policeman and first Lockney fireman that stepped foot on the high school ground, countless people were instantly on the scene to offer any assistance they could, to try and save whatever could be taken out of the adjoining junior high and administrative offices. Students, parents, and strangers

formed lines to carry out computers, filing cabinets, furniture, and files. Equally as many people helped to save all the band instruments in case the fire reached the band hall. Within minutes people were on the scene with coffee and food for the firemen. The Ameican Red Cross arrived before daylight to feed and take care of any needs that they could. In the past week, the phone has rung constantly with calls from schools all over the state, student councils in many schools, local people and businesses as well as many, many Lockney High ex-graduates offering their sympathy and sorrow.

On Friday, Jan. 16, Floydada First National Bank donated \$5,000 to the Kid's Korner Learning Center.

Pictured is vice president Andy Carthel presenting the check to Kid's Korner representative Beverly Collins. Bank president Monte Williams expressed his appreciation to Collins for everything Kid's

"Short and Sweet...

by Sara Sisemore

Many exes have sent donations with notes saying they wanted to have a part in rebuilding and helping the teachers replace supplies. There has been a flow of supplies donated almost daily. All of our congressmen, representatives and senators were in touch with us by Monday to offer their help. Both the Baptist and Methodist churches opened their doors and hearts to our students and teachers and moved everything out of their classrooms to make room for the students!

The Lockney volunteer firemen were incredible, going without sleep for several days to keep the fire from spreading to other buildings on the block. Anytime of the night for almost a week, they could be found at the high school, keeping watch or fighting the flames. Just the words "thank you" ar not enough to express what our hearts feel for their dedication and perseverance. A special thank you goes to the Floydada Fire Department for arriving as fast as they did and helping to control the fire.

Our high school building may be in ashes but the spirit of the Longhorn community, its students and exes have risen above those ashes to soar and to overcome, and come through the fire, stronger and better than before. It would be impossible to list everything that has been done to reach out to the school but our hearts and spirits have been touched forever from this esperience and we will remember what you have done to help us through these days!

Phil Cotham, Superintendent and the Lockney ISD Administration

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

We are located at 301 E. Georgia. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573. Our phone number is 983-2032. If you are 60 years or older, we need you. We have good hot meals served at noon, Monday through Friday. The price is reasonable and you will meet new people and see your

We were glad to have Gloria Fannin eat lunch with us Monday, Jan. 19.

This is the time of the year to pay our yearly dues of \$15 each. This helps to pay bills and keep the Center going.

Not a lot of news this week as far as the Center is concerned.

Guess everyone is watching the TV and the inauguration in Washington for President-elect of Barack Obama.

Congratulations to Bell Vinson who won a 42" TV from Lowes grocery store.

Congratulations to Juan and San Juana Ibarra who celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary Jan. 11, 2009.

Our sympathy to Billie Jo Smith on the loss of his sister Mozelle Caldwell. Our sympathy to the family of

Kathleen Addison. Thank you for remembering the Center when you need to

make a memorial donation. In memory of Wayne Battey

Thought for the week: When you ask people to do something, be sure to also tell them why. It's well worth the time and effort.

> Menu January 26 - January 30

Monday - Polish sausage, cabbage, pinto beans, corn bread, cobbler Tuesday - Hamburger steak,

carrots, corn, roll, fruit Wednesday - BBQ chicken, potato salad, pinto beans, roll,

Thursday - Baked ham, macaroni & cheese, peas,

roll, cake Friday - Chili, pinto beans. salad, corn bread, ambrosia

Jones performs at Concho Christmas Ball

Saturday, Dec. 6, the Concho Christmas Ball was held at the 1st Community Credit Union Spur Arena in San Angelo. The show featured Bob Wills' Texas Playboys with Tommy Allsup and Leon Raush and also featured "The Sidekicks" with Wendell Sollis and Ginny Mac.

Bryce Jones, 19, of Paducah, is a student at Angelo State University and was selected to sing a song with The Sidekicks during this show.

Attending were Harold McGee of San Angelo and Bryce's grandparents, Babe and Nell Jones of Floydaa.

In Lone Wolf, Okla., the 8th Annual Cowboy Christmas Ball was held Saturday, Dec. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Quartz Mountain Resort. The two bands also played for this show. The Sidekicks opening band featured Wendell Sollis and Ginny Mac, plus Terry Thompson, George Uptmer and Ronny Dale

Friends and family were surprised when Wendell Sollis of The Sidekicks introduced Bryce Jones to come on stage. He sang three songs with the band. Only Bryce, his grandparents and the band knew he would be performing at the show.

Attending were Bryce's parents, Larry and Jill Jones, his brother Travis, Fred and Sally Stice, Chip and Jodie Ruthven, all of Paducah, Kathy Gilbreath of Roanoke, Travis and Lou Ann Jameson of Matador, Franklin and Susan Jameson of Northfield, Justin White and Babe and Nell Jones of Floydada.

Everyone stayed in cabins at the resort. This special holiday weekend was a Christmas gift to everyone from Babe and Nell Jones. Everyone had a great time and returned to their homes Sunday.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Having lunch recently in Plainview were nine Lockney graduates. They were Betty Joan Handley Black, Hale Center, Peggy Dean Carthel Turner, Floydada, Ruby Lee Messimer Reynolds, Olton, Billie Rene Carthel Howard, Plainview, Nell Cunyus Kelly, Dimmitt, Barbara Mullins Cunyus, Lockney, Wanda Dorman Harston, Aiken, Shirley Cooper. Amarillo and Vera Jo

Cynthia Bybee, Amos Poole and Yara Poole spent a few days in Dallas at Market buying and ordering things for her store Hearts Desire.

Steve and Becky McPherson

honored their son Matt with a dinner in Leal's banquet room Saturday night. He is now a sure enough Texas Tech graduate. Congratulations Matthew Allan MawMaw's so proud of you.

Well this week people are still talking about the school fire. About how generous and thoughtful all the people in the state of Texas are being. Maybe not just in the state of Texas.

Our preacher Brother Ricky preached a good thought in his sermon Sunday. He said they had been trying for years to take God out of the Schools and now the Schools have come to God. The reasoning for this is the High School and Jr. High students are be schooled in the Lockney Churches. It was so good to have Virginia and Ray Sissneys back in Church Sunday.

Please keep the following peo-

ple on your prayer list: Susan English, Wanda Moats, Mary Reves, Maxine Hill, Joyce Wilson. Dee Copeland, May Belt, Frank Duckworth, Lynda Holley, Home Cypert and Jr. Poole. I know there is probably more people out there who need our prayers but so many don't like to have their name in the paper. So they don't call me.

Thoughts for the day:

Where should 60+ people look for their glasses? On their fore-

As people age, do they sleep more soundly? Yes, but usually in the afternoons.

> Menu January 26 - January 30 Monday-Tacos

Tuesday-Mexican Chicken Wednesday-Chicken fried steak Thursday-scrambled hamburger Friday-Meatloaf

1956 Study Club

1956 STUDY CLUB TOURS **BOSTON TERRIER** MUSEUM

By Linda Harbin

On Jan. 13, the 1956 Study Club met at the Boston Terrier Museum. Bob Hambright served as tour guide, pointing out the many fascinating and unusual items in his collection. Club members then relocated to the home of Dana Crossland where they were served a delicious light meal co-hosted by Judy Schacht and Anne Carthel.

Judy Dunlap called the meeting to order. Members answered roll call with their favorite display at the museum. Kay Dean Smith read the minutes from the December meeting and Dana Crossland gave the treasurer's report. Thank-you notes were read from the Patzer family and from Julianne Cornelius on behalf of the USO Christmas book project.

Judy Dunlap gave information about the upcoming American Cancer Society's Chili Cook-off to be held March 21. Members were invited to form teams to cook chili and to attend the

New members were asked to help host a future meeting. All members were asked to remember Janice Julian and Jean Appling who were in the hospital.

The next meeting will be Feb. 10 in the First Baptist Church gym for a program on physical fitness. Hostesses will be Charline Hendrix and Terri Bush.

Carolyn Green reported birth- gave arrangements of red rose- to people in our daily lives, as we days and anniversaries for Janubuds to each. Hand-made indiary. The club collect was led viduals birthday cards - made by Rozanne Bishop. Members by resident Mrs. Doris Snodgrass present were Rozanne Bishop, - were given to each resident Terri Bush, Sheree Cannon, Tomi honoree and staff members, in-Covington, Dana Crossland, Judy cluding Nancy Robinson, George Dunlap, Carolyn Green, Linda Garcia and Lenora Ramos. Harbin, Dixie Harris, Charline

Sylvie Luna, Activity Director, read an inspiring poem urging all to give smiles of encouragement

help God. She led the birthday song and took pictures of the honorees.

Birth

THE FIRST BABY OF 2009

for Mangold Memorial Hospital was Jeremiah Carrion, born to Terry Carrion of Pla-

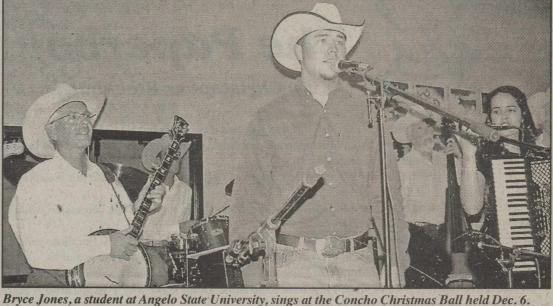
inview. He was born at 8:44 a.m. on January 3. He weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and was 20

Courtesy Photo

inches long.

Delicious refreshments of chocolate cake and fruit punch were served to all.

Visitors are welcome to the party held on the afternoon of the third Thursday each month.



I called Wanda just now and asked her for news about the Center. She said she fed all home folks this week. No visitors at all. No news there this week.

Rogers Bybee, Lockney.

Thornton and Lewis



AMANDA LEWIS AND JARRETT THORNTON

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Thornton of Plainview announce the engagement of their son, Jarrett Glen Thornton to Amanda Breanne Lewis, daughter of Kim Lewis of Sweetwater and Terry Lewis of Waco.

Amanda is a 2003 graduate of Sweetwater High School and attended South Plains College. She is employed with First United

Bank in Lubbock

Thornton is a 2001 graduate of Lockney High School and received his Associate Science Degree in 2003 from Western Texas College in Snyder. He is a self contracted welder in Lub-

The couple will be married at the Hi-Plains Apple Orchard in Idalou May 30, 2009.

Rehab and Care Center

Hendrix, Angela Ragland, Judy

Schacht, Susan Simpson, Kay

Dean Smith, Molly Stringer,

Jan Willson, Kay Hicks, Nancy

By Joyce Williams

Honorees at the Jan. 15 birthday party included Hazel Kelley, Ethel Lee (Jan. 15) and Fred Zinck (Jan. 29).

Mrs. Betty Baker and members of the City Park church of Christ hosted the monthly celebration at the Floydada Nursing Home and Rehab Center.

Gift bags were presented to each honoree. Cathy's Floral

Mayo, Sue Ward, Anne Carthel and Kathy Ross. Floydada

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Unity Center News

By Elaine LaBaume

The telephone woke us up at 5 a.m. on the morning of the fire at the Lockney High School.

It was someone wanting us to know about the tragedy. Jon and I both immediately agreed, "We must offer the Floyd County Friends Unity Center if needed for the school.

Jon went to Lockney early and learned that the Unity Center president, Martin Stoerner, had already contacted school officials with the same thought.

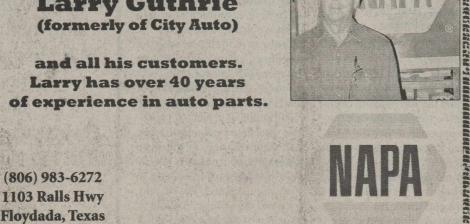
They visited with school board president and also a Unity Center board member, John Quebe. The only thing that was needed from the center were extra chairs.

Manager Jon LaBaume ended the 2008 year at the Unity Center with a total of 131 events held with over 10,000 people using the facility. The doors were opened more than 131 times as many of the events take several days to prepare for.

One major event has already passed in 2009, that being the Annual Floyd County Stock Show.

For information on renting the Unity Center, contact manager Jon LaBaume at 806-983-3334 or call his cell, 847-7414.

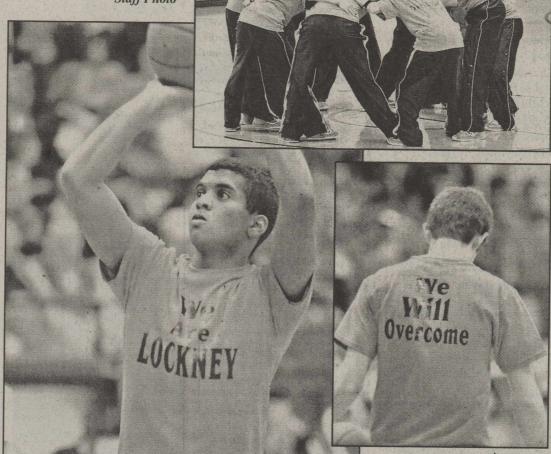




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LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS for the week of 1-19-09: (back row, l-r) Brittany Jimenez, Alejandro Martinez, Jace Klein, Jaden Butler, Rachel Sammann, (third row, l-r) Bryson Walker, Keanu Villerreal, Elias Ascencio, C. J. Perales, Jorge Luna, Salisatty Naranjo, (second row, l-r) Lizzie Belt, Maria Palomin, Stephen Setliff, Elizabeth Cleto, Tavien Walrath, (front row, l-r) Caleb Pritchard, Marie Solis, Diago Lopez, Evelyn Perez and Jayden Sustaita.



Lockney High hosted Ralls last week and displayed its school spirit by wearing T-shirts with the theme, "We are Lockney ... We will overcome." The Lockney varsity girls won 78-43 over Ralls. They are 21-5 and 3-0 in district.

Photos by Connie Barnett

Got a news tip?

Attention:

All Lockney parents of 3rd thru 6th grade boys and girls!

If your child is interested in playing little dribblers in Lockney there will be a mandatory meeting at the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria on Thursday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m. This is a very important meeting.

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Lockney Athletic Booster Club will meet Monday Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. following the Junior High basketball games in the high school gym foyer. Spring sports will be discussed.

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LJHS 7th GRADE BASKETBALL REPORT

By Coach Garrett

Lockney vs Hale Center @ Hale Center

The Lockney Shorthorns were back in action Monday night in Hale Center to take on the Owls. Because of the Christmas holidays, followed by the unfortunate events which took place last week in Lockney, the Horns had not been in a game situation since Dec. 15.

But that proved to be no excuse for Lockney as they pounded Hale Center by the score of 46-14.

From the opening tip to the final buzzer Lockney dominated the game. Lockney's full court press proved to be too much for the Owls to handle. Several turnovers and jump-balls were forced by the relentless defense the Shorthorns displayed.

Lockney's offense was also clicking. With some effective ball movement and constant motion, the Horns found several holes in the Hale Center zone defense and capitalized several times with wide open lay-ups and short jump shots.

The win was a good start to the second half of district play, and it improved the Horns' record to

5-1 on the year.

Leading scorers:
Nathan Caballero – 14 points

Colin Fulton – 12 points
David Johnson – 10 points

Kameron Hunt – 4 points Ky Teeter – 2 points

Johnny Rose – 2 points Anthony Nunez – 2 points

Lockney will be back in action soon as they take on the Roosevelt Eagles in the Idalou Tournament this Thursday at 5:15 p.m.

They will also be in action this Saturday with game times to be announced. Also don't forget, the Horns will travel to Ralls on Monday, Jan. 26, to play the Jackrabbits at 5 p.m.

The Horns' only loss came at the hands of Ralls, and the Horns will be looking to avenge that loss Monday night.

Come out and support your Lockney Shorthorns.

Lockney School Menu

Menu January 26 - January 30 Monday

Breakfast-French toast or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Hot dog or tuna sandwich, broccoli/ranch, pork and beans, pears, milk

Tuesday
Breakfast-Eggs/ham or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Quesadillas or corndog, pinto beans, salad, fruited gelatin, milk

Wednesday
Breakfast-Oatmeal or cereal,
toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Lasagne or ham, green
beans, peaches, bread, milk
Thursday

Breakfast-Sausage/waffle or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza or burrito, corn, applesauce, milk
Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Hamburger or popcorn chicken, tater tots, salad, grapes, milk

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LADY WINDS IV RESULTS

By Coach Eddleman

The Floydada Lady Winds JV team played Olton on December 4, 2008 and won big by a score of 46-20.

Scoring results are as follows:

Sarah Sanders - 13 points; Liz Suarez - 8 points; Mariah Vargas - 6 points; Yelitza Serrato - 5 points; Tyanne Battey - 5 points; Nikki Seymour - 4 points; Leslie Alvarado - 2 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 2 points; Crystal Martinez-1 point.

SEASON RECORD: 5-1

The Lady Winds Junior Varsity team faced Coahoma on December 5th and came up just short at the final buzzer by a score of 38-37

Scoring results are as fol- nez - 1 point. lows;

Sarah Sanders - 9 points; Leslie Alvarado - 9 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 7 points; Liz Suarez - 4 points; Nikki Seymour - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 7 8 14 8 Coahoma - 10 2 5 21

The Lady Winds JV played Tahoka on December 6th and won by a score of 55-27.

Scoring results are as fol-

Liz Suarez - 13 points; Sarah Sanders - 13 points; Leslie Alvarado - 12 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 9 points; Tyanne Battey - 3 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Yelitza Serrato - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 17 13 14 11 Tahoka - 6 9 6 6

The Floydada Lady Winds Junior Varsity basketball team took on the Dimmitt Lady Cats on December 11th and won big by a score of 69-15.

Scoring results are as follows:

Yelitza Serrato - 16 points; Tyanne Battey - 11 points; Sarah Sanders - 9 points; Sarah Jo . Miller - 8 points; Nikki Seymour - 7 points; Leslie Alvarado - 5 points; Mariah Vargas - 4 points; Crystal Martinez - 4 points; Liz

Suarez - 3 points. SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 20 14 14 21 Dimmitt - 5 2 2 6

The Lady Winds JV team traveled to Nazareth to take on the Lady Swifts on December 12th and lost at the final buzzer by a score of 43-40.

Scoring results were as follows:

Liz Suarez - 12 points; Tyanne Battey - 11 points; Sarah Sanders - 6 points; Mariah Vargas - 5 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 2 points; Nikki Seymour - 2 points; Leslie Alvarado - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 8 15 8 9 Nazareth -15 9 12 7

On December 13th the FHS Lady Winds JV basketball team played the Lady Hornets JV team and came home with a win by a score of 40-22.

Scoring results are as follows:

Sarah Sanders - 10 points; Tyanne Battey - 8 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 6 points; Nikki Seymour - 5 points; Leslie Alvarado

- 5 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Yelitza Serrato - 2 points; Crystal Martinez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 4 8 14 14 Tulia - 7 6 6 3

The LadyWinds JV team took on the Lockney Lady Horns JV on December 19th and lost by a score of 40-29.

Scoring results are as fol-

Sarah Sanders - 10 points; Leslie Alvarado - 6 points; Mariah Vargas - 6 points; Nikki Seymour - 4 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 2 points; Crystal Marti-

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 10 0 12 7 Lockney - 22 1 8 9

On January 2, 2009 the Lady Winds JV basketball team played Anton and won by a score of 53-33.

Scoring results were as fol-

Sarah Sanders - 18 points; Tyanne Battey - 12 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 10 points; Liz Suarez - 5 points; Crystal Martinez - 5 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Nikki Seymour - 1 point.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 17 11 14 11 Anton - 4 9 10 10 **SEASON RECORD: 9-4**

FJHS BASKETBALL RESULTS

By Coach McCandless

The Floydada 8th Grade "A" basketball team played host to the 8th Grade Lady Mules from Muleshoe and came up with a huge win by a score of 38-16. The next game will be here against Childress on January 22.

Top scorers were as follows: Abby Vargas - 8 points; Amelia Gonzales - 6 points; Emily Hall

SCORES BY QUARTERS Floydada - 12 24 29 38 Muleshoe - 4 6 8 16

The Floydada 8th Grade "A" basketball team took on the 7th Grade Lady Mules from Muleshoe and lost by a score of 32-17. Season record: 1-5

Top scorers were as follows: Stephanie Lerma - 8 points; Baelene Martinez - 2 points; Casandra Delgado - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 2 5 6 4 17 Muleshoe- 8 12 10 2 32

The Floydada Lady Winds "B" team (combined 7th & 8th) played Muleshoe and won by a score of 31-30. Season record:

Top scorers were as follows: Samantha Maldonado - 8 points; Amy Gonzales - 4 points; Keri Debusk - 4 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 4 8 10 9 31 Muleshoe - 6 10' 8 6 30

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Floydada, Texas will receive sealed bids at the Office of the City Secretary at Floydada City Hall, 114 West Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas 79235 until 1700 hrs on Friday, February 6th, 2009 for the purchase of one of the following:

2008 or 2009 Police Model Packages four door vehicle, 2008 or 2009 Crew Cab Pickup

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Bidding specifications for the above units may be obtained at the City Hall Police Department or by calling 806-983-2834 or by writing the City of Floydada.

2. Bids will be accepted by hand delivery, mail or fax. Please write Police Vehicle on the envelope if hand delivered or mailed. Bids shall be to the attention of the City Secretary's Office at the above address.

3. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, February 10, 2009, at 0900 hrs. and action will be taken on the bids at the regular meeting on the City Council on Tuesday, February 178, 2009 at 1930 hrs. at the Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia, Floydada, Texas.

4. The City Council of the City of Floydada reserves the right to waive formalities.

Bobby Gilliland, Mayor

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FJHS BASKETBALL RESULTS

By Coach Ayala

The Floydada Junior High 8th Grade "A" team took on on the 8th Grade Mules from Muleshoe on January 12, 2009 and came up with a big win by a score of 53-16.

Scoring results are as follows:

Laron Lamb - 19 points; Michael Cisneros - 14 points; Ben Perez - 8 points; John Angel Yannis - 4 points; Ventura Gonzales - 4 points; T.K. Farris - 2 points; Jordan Woody - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 10 23 41 53 Muleshoe - 2 7 13 16

The FJHS 8th Grade "B" team played Muleshoe on January 12th and outscored the Mules 49-8. Scoring results are as fol-

Randall Gomez - 18 points; Adam Suarez - 10 points; Sean Morales - 8 points; Aarron Saenz - 8 -points; Ryan Chavarria - 2 points; Hunter Galvan - 2 points;

Martin Ascencio - 1 point! SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 18 18 31 49

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Muleshoe _ 2 2 8 8

The FJHS 7th Grade "A' basketball team took on the 7th Grade Mules from Muleshoe on January 12th and lost by a score of 32-11.

Scoring results are as follows:

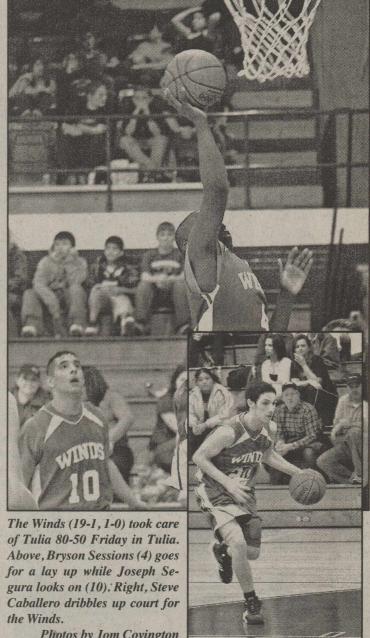
Josh Herrera - 4 points; Thomas Casaras - 3 points; Francisco Rodriguez - 2 points; Juan Nunez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 4 4 3 0 11 Muleshoe - 8 4 6 16 32

On January 12th the FJHS 7th Grade "B" team played Muleshoe and won by a score of 38-31. Scoring results are as fol-

John Mendez - 18 points; C. Rodriguez - 8 points; Hunter Schwertner - 6 points; Librado Chavarria - 2 points; Robby Reedy - 2 points; S. Garcia - 2

SCORE BY QUARTERS Floydada - 4 18 26 38 Muleshoe -13 19 23 31



Photos by Jom Covington

Floydada School Menu

Menu January 26 - January 30 Monday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches,

Tuesday Breakfast-Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers,

juice, milk Lunch-Pigs in a blanket, corn, baked chips, pineapple orange salad, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancake and sausage

on a stick or cereal and graham

crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, fancy gelatin, mik Thursday

Breakfast-English muffin with egg, cheese, sausage or cereal and graham crackers, juice,

Lunch-Nachos grande, lettuce and tomato, orange smiles, cornbread, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll, fruit or cereal and graham crackers, iuice, milk

Lunch-Corndog, oven fried potatoes, fresh broccoli w/Ranch, sparkly apple, crispy cereal treat,

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PUBLIC NOTICE

FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-GOVERMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 2008

Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	60 Capital Projects Fund	Other Governmental Funds	98 Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES: 5700 Local and Intermediate Souces 5800 State Program Revenues 5900 Federal Program Revenues	\$ 1,869,894 6,492,657	\$ 237,594	\$ 374,180 133,401 2,085,943	\$ 2,481,648 6.626,058 2,085,943
5020 Total Revenues	8,362,551	237,594	2,593,504	11,193,649
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:	4.010.622		1 270 060	5 200 700
0011 Instruction	4,010,632		1,278,068	5,288.700
0012 Instructional Resources &	118,355			118,355
Media Services 0013 Curriculum & Staff Development	65,210		41,221	106,431
0021 Instructional Leadership	116,958		117,754	234,712
0023 School Leadership	529, 827		18,373	548,200
0031 Guidance, Counseling &	327,021		10,57,5	510,200
Evaluation Services	224,696		23,089	247,785
0032 Social Work Services	671		33,828	34,499
0033 Health Services	27,500		25,804	53,304
0034 Student Transporation	398,521		516	399,037
0035 Food Services	14,211		440,866	455,077
0036 Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities			116,507	555,071
0041 General Administration	321,771			321,771
0051 Plant Maintenance & Operations	1,063,928			1,063,928
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	1,254		27,700	28,954
0053 Data Processing Services	383,791		510	384,301
0061 Community Services	1,304			1,304
0071 Principal on Long-term Debt	198,367			198,367
0072 Interest on Long-term Debt			240,039	240,039
0073 Bond Issuance Costs and Fees			300	300
0081 Capital Outlay		3,617,110		3,617,110
0093 Payments to Shared Service Arrangements			356,971	356,971
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	51,144			51,144
6030 Total Expenditures	7,966,704	3,617,110	2,721,546	14,305,360
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under)	395,847	(3,379,516)	(128,042)	(3,111,711)
Other Financing Sources and (Uses):			126,347	126,347
7915 Transfers In 8911 Transfers Out	(87,407)		(38,940)	(126,347)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources and (Uses)	(87,407)		87,407	
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	308,440	(3,379,516)	(40,635)	(3,111,711)
0100 Fund Balances - Beginning	5,826,679	5,506,730	248,070	11,381,479
3000 Fund Balances - Ending	5,935,119	2,127,214	207,435	8,269,768

Lady Winds 2-1 in district play

By Coach Styles

The Lady Winds split a couple of district basketball games this past week. On Tuesday, the Lady Winds traveled to Muleshoe to take on the Lady Mules. The day did not start off very well as our bus broke down (thanks to the Lockney Basketball team for giving us a ride along with a couple of Floydada parents). We did get there in time to play the games.

Offensively, we did a good job. Defensively, we could not stop dribble penetration. Their top two players scored 23 and 19 against us. We were always playing catch up and could not get over the top.

We were in foul trouble most of the night. Megan Aleman fouled out with 3 1/2 minutes to play and Whitley Beedy had 4 fouls.

We kept it close but were defeated by a score of 50-56. Megan Aleman had 19, Whitley Beedy, 13, Blanca Suarez, 6, Lexie Terrell, 5, Laken Reedy, 4, and Avery Miller, 3. This dropped our overall record to 13-8 and district record to 1-1.

The Lady Hornets of Tulia would be the next challenge. Entering the contest they were a perfect 2-0. As the game began we could see why they had not been defeated in district.

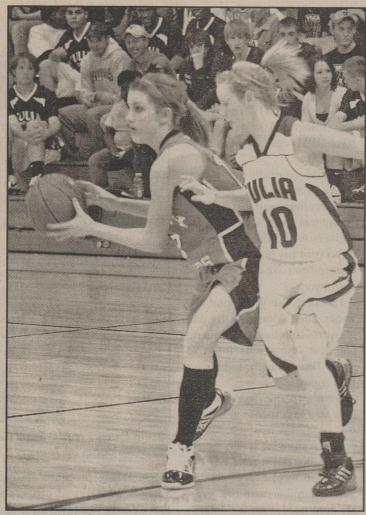
Their man press forced us into 21 first half turnovers. With the score 9-2 it looked like a long night. We were able to hold it even the rest of the quarter and trailed 13-7 at the end of one quarter of play. Tulia built a commanding 30-18 lead with about 1 1/2 minutes to go before intermission.

The Lady Wind dug down and scored five unanswered points to make the score 30-23 at the break. As bad as we played we were only down seven.

The Lady Winds stormed out of the huddle to begin the second half and played inspired basket+ ball, outscoring Tulia 19-12 to even the score at 42 entering the

last quarter. In the process, three of the starters had picked up their 4 th fouls. Laken Reedy, Breann Gooch and Avery Miller gave valuable minutes coming off the bench and helped in bringing the Lady Winds back.

The fourth quarter saw the lead change hands several times. With three minutes to go in the game the Lady Winds were up 50-46. Things would change rapidly. The Lady Hornets would score six unanswered points to lead 53-50 with two minutes to play. The Lady Winds were able to overcome the run by Tulia and score the next nine points to win the the game 59-53.



This was a game that did not seem possible to win especially playing at the opponents gym and playing like we did the first half. The Lady Winds would not give up and their "never quit" attitude was very apparent.

Great team win Lady Winds. All nine of you played an important role in grasping victory from the jaws of defeat. When you hate to lose more than you like to win, then there is no question why you won that game. Great team effort. Together everyone achieves more.

Whitley Beedy scored 22 points, Megan Aleman had 14, Lexie Terrell, 10, Breann Gooch, 7, Blanca Suarez, 2, Avery Miller, 2, and Tara Hughes, 2.

The Lady Winds are 14-8 on the year and 2-1 in district play.

The Lady Winds play host to Dimmitt Tuesday night and travel to Childress Friday night to wind up the first half of district play.

Two wins this week will guarantee the Lady Winds at least a share of the district lead after the end of the first half of district play. The district is as close as it

could get. Of the nine games that have een played, the largest margin of victory has been nine points. The average margin of victory for each game is four points. Every team will have to play at its best each and every night if they want a chance to win. This is going to

Floydada 2-1 Childress 2-1 Tulia 2-1 Dimmitt 1-2 Muleshoe 1-2 Friona 1-2

Last weeks scores: Floydada 50 Muleshoe 56; Tulia 53 Friona 51; Childress 41 Dimmitt 39 Floydada 59 Tulia 53; Dimmitt 42 Muleshoe 39; Friona 41 Childress 32.



Avery Miller (top) and Whitley Beedy play against Tulia for the Lady Winds.

Photos by Jim Covington



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Several students, three teachers and one teacher's assistant were honored by the Floydada Independent School District Board Thursday night, Jan. 15, for their outstanding performance academically and professionally. (Back row, l-r) Seniors Dillion Chesshir, Colton Covington, Chad Davis and Titus Miller were all honored for being recognized as Academic All-State Team. Eighth grader Homero Garcia (far right), fourth grader C.J. Coronado (front left) and second grader Kylie Ricketts (front right) were honored for their positive attitudes, eagerness to learn and overall outstanding academic achievements. Sandra Bradley (second row, middle) and Coach Regenia Smith (second row, right) were recognized as educators of the month. Lily Maldonado (second row, left), a third grade teacher's assistant, was also recognized for her excellent service to the elementary school. Not pictured was honoree Mika Smith, who teaches World Geography at FHS. Staff Photo

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By Shawn Wade

Newly announced rules implementing the 2008 Farm Bill's Pay Limit and Adjusted Gross Income program eligibility provisions have created a wave of concern among producers trying to figure out how the regulations, will impact them in 2009

The new interim rules were published by the USDA Farm Service Agency in the Dec. 29; 2008 issue of the Federal Register (Vol. 73, No. 249) and provide for a 30-day window during which comments and suggestions for change can be submitted.

The short comment period has prompted Plains Cotton Growers and other producer groups to work quickly to try to understand the nuances of the new rules and then develop appropriate comments and propose changes.

First impressions of the practical impact of the rules indicate that some significant issues do exist in regard to provisions dealing with how a producer shifts from a 3-entity structure to one that incorporates a spouse or other family members into the operation.

PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett notes that the new rules are being quickly analyzed so that industry feedback can be submitted before the end of the 30-day comment period Jan. 28.

"These are complicated rules dealing with complicated issues," notes Verett.

"It is important that producers have the best possible understanding of the impact these rules will have on their operations heading into the 2009 growing season and beyond.'

2005-07 Crop Disaster Program Sign-up Ends Feb. 27

USDA Farm Service Agencv (FSA) Administrator Teresa Lasseter announced Jan. 14 that the sign-up period for the 2005-2007 Crop Disaster Program (CDP) will end Feb. 27, 2009. Sign-up for the program began new USDA forecast

June 23, 2008, to provide benefits to farmers who suffered losses to their 2005-2007 crops from natural disasters and related

The ending date of Feb. 27 applies to the receipt of a signed and completed FSA-840 application form along with all supporting documentation and required forms at the applicable county FSA office. Sign-up information and required forms are available at each county FSA office. Late filed applications will not be approved after the Feb. 27 deadline.

All application determinations will be made by March 27, 2009. For further questions about CDP and the sign-up deadline, producers may contact their county FSA office or visit FSA's website at http://www.fsa.usda.gov.

2008 High Plains Production Estimate Lowered 260,000 Bales To 3.12 Million

For several months the Upland cotton production estimate for the High Plains of Texas has been slowly falling as early season surveys have given way to the unwelcome reality that the crop would not achieve its early season potential at harvest.

The USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service's January production estimate revised the production forecast for the Texas High Plains down a significant 260,000 bales to 3.12 million 480-lb. bales. Texas crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S include the majority of the Texas High Plains counties represented by Plains Cotton Growers.

Statewide, the 2008 Texas Upland cotton forecast was dropped 500,000 bales from the 5.1 million forecast in December 2008 down to 4.6 million.

Conversations with gins that are still processing cotton and the USDA AMS Cotton Classing office volume estimates from Lubbock and Lamesa, Texas indicate that the final production figure will be very close to the

The final nail in the 2008-crop's coffin was unfavorable late season weather patterns which failed to provide the warm, dry weather needed in September and October that might have helped the crop reach its full potential.

In the end the early- and mid-September rains delayed the crop enough so that the slightly early frost/freeze event that occurred in late October brought an abrupt end to the growing season.

That combination of events is also seen by many as the main culprit in the significant bark levels evident in the 2008 crop and elevated amounts of low Micronaire cotton.

New 2009 Profitability Spreadsheet To Be A Useful Planning Tool For Producers In 2009

A new and highly interactive spreadsheet from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service is now available to help growers work through the less than enviable task of putting pencil to paper to figure out their plans for the 2009 growing season.

The new 2009 Comparative Profitability Spreadsheet was developed as part of a project supported by the Texas Cotton State Support Committee designed to provide tools, data and skills to evaluate the potential profitability of alternative crops

The spreadsheet contains a number of improvements to previous versions and also contains budget comparisons for more crops and cropping practices than previous years.

Another unique feature of the spreadsheets is their ability to provide a forecast of the relative returns to both landowners and tenants based on the details of the share lease agreement they negotiate for 2009.

The new spreadsheet can be downloaded directly from the South Plains Profit web page (http://southplainsprofit.tamu. edu) or through the link that appears on the Plains Cotton

Floydada gains new IPM agent

By Sara Sisemore **Managing Editor**

Floyd and Crosby counties welcomed Dustin Patman as their new Integrated Pest Management (IPM) agent as of the first

Patman, originally from Waxahachie, earned his bachelor's in agricultural services and development from Tarleton State University in 2006, then went on to earn his master's in agriculture from West Texas A&M in Canyon.

He spent five years interning under Glen Moore, Ellis and Navarro counties' IPM agent, and last summer he interned under Brant Baugh, Lubbock's IPM agent.

During a phone interview, Patman said in response to how he was liking his new job, "Right now I'm enjoying it very much. This is my down time but I'm getting to meet everybody and getting familiar with the area." He continued, "As for 2009, I hope to have a great year with Growers (http://www.plainscot-

January/February Meeting

Calendar

South Plains producers can learn the latest in crop production and management techniques while earning Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units at any of nine Texas AgriLife Extension Service conferences spread across the South Plains in early 2009.

Conference dates and loca-

Jan. 21 - Caprock Crop Production Conference, 7:00 a.m., Floyd County Friends Unity Center located six miles west of Floydada on U.S. Hwy. 70. Information: Call the AgriLife Extension office in Floyd County at 806-983-4912 or Crosby Co. at 806-675-2347 for more details.

Jan. 21 - Llano Estacado Cotton Conference, 8:30 a.m., Bailey



began his duties on January 1.

the scouting program among various educational programs that we have regarding meetings and what not."

Crosby County Extension office in Crosbyton. He can be reached at 806-675-2426.

Patman is based out of the

County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd., Muleshoe. Information: Call the AgriLife Extension office in Bailey County at 806-272-4584 for more details.

Jan. 26 - Sandyland Ag Conference, Gaines County Civic Building in Seminole. Information: Call the AgriLife Extension office in Gaines County at 432-758-4006 for more details.

Jan. 27-28 – Southwest Farm & Ranch Classic AgriLife Extension-sponsored educational seminars will be held in conjunction with the Farm Show at Lubbock Mem. Civic Center. Information: For more information, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lubbock County at 806-775-1680, or http://swclassic.com

Jan. 28 – Lubbock Chamber of Commerce Farm Show Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. Banquet Hall, Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. Information: Farm Show Breakfast tickets

Russell Graves Outdoors

THE CULT OF QUAIL How can a bird that's six inches tall and weighs barely a third of a pound inspire such devoted passion?

By Russell A. Graves

It starts with a keen nose, a steely point, a frenzied flush and a bevy of ac-

describe a covey rise is as close as you'll get to hearing a bona fide, shotgun totin' quail hunter spout a

How can it be, though? How can a bird that's six inches tall and weighs barely a third of a pound

incite such devoted passion by its followers? It's easy to understand if you've ever experienced the heart-

pounding exhilaration of a covey rise on a crisp bobwhite quail-country morning or spent time following

As a kid, I roamed the blackland hills of North Texas with my buddy Garry in search of the few

on a point. Even when I knew it was coming, my heart would still skip a beat with the flurry of buff and

brown colors scrambling in front of me. I'd try to gain my composure and make a clean shot, but mostly

Garry and I would still slip afield and chase them two or three times a season. Growing up, we were the

In Childress, I met hunters from all over the nation, and soon I realized that the cult of quail is a

esoteric, usually artistic or intellectual interest."

and back as well as rural western Oklahoma.

erage, their Texas members spent \$10,354 annually in pursuit of bobwhites, and 65 percent of that money

was spent in the small towns near where they hunted quail. Simply put, bobwhite quail are an important

variety of reasons, wild quail numbers aren't what they once were. Thus the great migration from south-

Each year, I run across hunters from states with traditionally strong quail hunting heritages, but for a

tourist attraction for a bevy of small communities whose economies are often marginal at best.

only two quail hunters I knew. In 1993, that changed when I moved to wild quail country in the Texas

substantial one. I use the word "cult" not in a religious sense, although some may claim that devotion

Early on, I became a member of the cult of quail. Although there weren't a lot of birds where I lived,

to the bird nears religious zealotry. Instead, I find the alternative dictionary

Every season finds people descending on my town, as well as other area burgs, to chase the winged rocket. Way out in northwestern Texas and

Oklahoma, you won't find theme parks, grand museums or monuments to

Arguably, the bobwhite quail is one of the hottest tourist attractions in the

great swath of the Texas Midwest that spreads in a triangle roughly from the

Wichita Falls area to Big Spring, then north along the Caprock to Clarendon

Opening weekend of quail season finds hotels at capacity and local restau-

rants full of blaze orange and oilcloth-clad hunters. What brings the hunters

in droves is simple. Save for the south Texas brush country, on a nationwide basis, bobwhites cannot be found anywhere else in as significant numbers as

Texas liberty. What you will find, in varying abundance according to the prior year's rainfall and local land management practices, is bobwhite quail.

definition to be most appropriate: "an exclusive group of persons sharing an

I missed — drinking in the glorious moment of the most exciting two seconds in the Texas outdoors.

coveys around my home. The dogs would zigzag in and out of the wild rose thickets until they settled

tion. It happens so fast, the event borders on sensory overload. To hear someone

are \$15 for Chamber members and show exhibitors, \$25 for pro-

spective Chamber members. Call 806-761-7000 to register. Feb. 10 - Hale and Swisher County Crops Conference, at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview. Information: Call the AgriLife. Extension office in Hale County

at 806-291-5267 or Swisher

County at 806-995-3726 for more

details. Feb. 11 - South Plains Ag Conference, 8:00 a.m., American Legion Hall on Seagraves Rd in Brownfield, TX. Information: Call the AgriLife Extension office in Terry County at 806-637-4060 for more details. Five T.D.A.,

C.E.U.s will be awarded. April 1 – Lower Rolling Plains Ag Conference, Scurry County Coliseum. Information: Call the AgriLife Extension office in Scurry County at 325-573-5423 for more details.

Riding the coattail of a surge in soybean prices, cotton futures prices climbed higher Thursday on the Intercontinental Exchange despite the dismal global demand scenario. After hovering near unchanged earlier in the session, aggressive buying of cotton futures surfaced as buy stops were triggered above the previous day's highs. In its January supply/demand report, USDA lowered its estimate for world cotton demand in 2008-09 to 115.24 million bales compared to December's 116.59 million, and world ending stocks were raised almost 700,000 bales to 59.4 million. The department also lowered its estimate for China's cotton imports by 17 percent to 34.4 million bales in what one analyst described as a somewhat surprising acknowledgement of the slowing demand that is occurring among Chinese textile mills.

USDA's estimate of Chinese cotton consumption last July was 54 million bales, but the figure has been ratcheted down each month since then, according to a market observer. The estimate now stands at 48.5 million bales. Meanwhile, the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences predicted that country may import at least 25 percent less cotton in 2009. Another report this week noted some Chinese textile mills have already closed for an extended break during the Chinese New Year period.

The department's U.S. balance sheet contained a reduction for 2008-09 production to 13.04 million bales compared to the previous month's estimate of 13.61 million. Virtually all of the reduction was found in USDA's estimate of the Texas crop. U.S. consumption and exports also were lowered, however, U.S. ending stocks fell 200,000 bales to 6.9 million. Conversations among traders seem focused on expectations for a sharp drop in 2009 U.S. and China cotton acreage based on current demand and competition from other commodities. One trader noted if U.S. planted area falls another one million acres to 8.47 million this year, the market could see another 3 to 4 million bales removed from 2009-10 ending stocks.

Pumpkin producers meeting Feb. 11

A Floyd County Pumpkin Producers Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2008, at 10 a.m. at the Floyd County Extension Office Meeting Room. All Floyd County pumpkin producers are

encouraged to attend. The program will consist of Dr. Ron French, Texas AgriLife Extension Plant Pathologist, Amarillo, updating the group on 2008 pumpkin variety and fungicide test.

Also, Jay Yates, Texas AgriLife Extension Risk Management Specialist, will present information on the increased cost of production and it's impact

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A more detailed description of the project and FEMA flood maps are available for citizen review at the City Hall, 114 W. Virginia, Floydada, Texas

GaryBrown Environmental Certifying Official

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PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Floydada

FAIR HOUSING PROCLAMATION

The City of Floydada has proclaimed the month of January as "Fair Housing Month." The City of Floydada endorses and supports the principle of fair housing and encourages all citizens to support the law of the land in regard to the right of every person to have access to adequate housing of his choice.

Copies of the City's Proclamation are available free of charge to any interested person or groups at City Hall.

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Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/ or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.txdot.gov and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 28682

State Office

Constr/Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office (s)

Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

COURT IS TAKING SEALED BIDS

FOR

WHITE 1985 GMC 1500 SIERRA

VIN: TGTEC14HXFS516541

350 MOTOR 3 SPEED

TRANSMISSION

NEED FRONT END ALIGNMENT

RUNS GOOD

THIS VEHICLE CAN BE VIEWED BY

CALLING JON JONES AT

806-983-1772

1985 CHEVY TRUCK

VIN: 1GBE6DA8FV25595

6x8 TALL FUEL TANK

THESE ITEMS CAN BE VIEWED BY

CALLING LINDAN MORRIS

AT 806-983-7879

WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY AND ALL BIDS. ALL BID FORMS MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE FLOYD

COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE.ALL SEALED BIDS WILL BE

OPENED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009 AT 10:00 A.M.

DURING THE REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Notice of Public Sale to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 at 110 N. 5th Street. Floydada, TX. (Floydada Storage Spot).

Property sold to highest bidder for cash. Seller reserves the

right to withdraw property from sale. Contents of spaces generally described as household goods of the following tenants:

Cherrie Dlynn Pope, Edmundo Reyna, Scott Eric Smith, Sherrie Griggs, Marcus Collins, Victoria Lou Martinez, Guadalupe Martin Morales, Susan Martin Coon, Angela Porter, Nathan Lee Carr, Melody Criswell Wells, Felix Catarino Huizar, Alicia Garcia, Jimmy Garza, Moises Martinez.

Contact Rosie at Storage Spot, 806-853-9075.

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM COMPLAINT AND GRIEVEANCE PROCEDURE

The City of Floydada has adopted complaint and grievances procedures regarding its Texas Department of Agriculture Downtown Revitalization Program. These procedures outline the steps for a citizen to follow if he wished to file a written complaint about proposed TDA activities or implementation of past TDA assisted activities. The City will make every effort to respond fully to such written complaints within 15 working days. Citizens may obtain a copy of these written procedures at the City Hall between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p. m. on Monday through Thursday or 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Friday. Citizens may also request the procedures to mailed to them by calling 806-983-2834.

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SCOTT SALAZAR

Funeral services for Scott Salazar, 28, of Plainview were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 8, 2009 at Bartley Memorial Chapel. Archie Hunnicutt officiated.

Interment was held in the Plainview Memorial Park under the direction of Bartley Funeral Home of Plainview.

The family received friends for prayer from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, January 7th at the funeral

He died Sunday, January 4, 2009 at Covenant Hospital Plainview after a lengthy illness under hospice care.

He was born May 31, 1980 in Lockney, Texas to Oscar Salazar and Nora Pena.

He married Maria Luisa Rea on July 17, 2001 in Floydada, Texas.

He lived in Plainview since 1994, moving from Floydada. He graduated from Plainview High School in 1999 and worked for

Azteca Milling. Survivors include his wife, Maria Luisa Salazar of Plainview; three sons, Kevin, Christopher and Ethan Salazar, all of Plainview; one daughter, Brooklyn Salazar of Hereford; his parents, Oscar Salazar of Lubbock and Nora Pena of Plainview; one brother, Evan Salazar of Plainview; grandparents, Pete and Celia Salazar of Floydada and Betty Pena of Plainview; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jose and Luisa Rea of Floydada; and his favorite uncle, Fred Pena of Plainview.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Alex Pena.

Memorial contributions may made to Joe Arrington Cancer Center, 4101 22nd Place, Lubbock, TX. 79410.

Online condolences may be made to bartley_care@nts-online.net

Trash for cash

Trash4Cash, a new Don't Mess with Texas competition by the Texas Department of Transportation, is rewarding oncampus student organizations with \$1,000 for getting rid of litter in their communities.

School groups will compete against others from around the state by organizing litter prevention efforts in their community, such as cleaning up a local park or teaching children about not littering. High school groups like environmental and journalism clubs, honor societies, football teams, bands or student councils are encouraged to submit a group entry and compete against their rivals for cash prizes. Five school groups in Texas will each win \$1,000 to use as they like, donated by TxDOT sponsor

"Regardless of who takes home the cash, everybody wins,' said Doris Howdeshell, Travel Information Division Director for TxDOT, the organizer of Trash4Cash. "Communities with school groups that compete in Trash4Cash will be cleaner, and participating students have an opportunity to demonstrate 'green' leadership, showing potential universities the volunteer projects they've worked on.' Complete rules and submission information are posted at www.dontmesswithtexas.org/ trash4cash

Don't Mess with Texas has been educating Texans about litter prevention since 1986. Tx-DOT's litter prevention program includes Adopt-a-Highway and a grassroots partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful. Don't Mess with Texas activities also include a spring "Trash-Off," community outreach, and a corporate partner program.



Wayland executive vice president Dr. Bobby Hall (right) and Lockney Superintendent Phil Cotham (left) present Lockney high school teacher Kathy Azua with a bag of office supplies on Thursday morning, Jan. 15. The high school staff all received bags to help them rebuild their classroom.

Wayland Baptist rallying to aid of Lockney school

By Teresa Young

Tragedies like Lockney High School fire on Sunday typically bring out the best in folks willing to lend a hand.

Wayland Baptist University has been on both ends of that type of assistance, and the recent incident is no different. With one of the most immediate needs to get offices and classrooms up and running to complete the school year, the university pitched in with bags of office supplies on Thursday morning for each of the high school teachers and office workers whose desks were destroyed. Wayland employees contributed personally to fund that effort.

In addition, the university will be delivering and helping to install classroom computers, printers, projectors and other classroom technology items into the high school in the next few days in order to expedite the classes returning to full function. While helping others in need is not rare for WBU, the Lockney incident hits a little closer to home given the ties Wayland has to the town just 15 miles away.

"We'd be doing this for any community we felt we could benefit. But we also have many employees and students from Lockney, and the Lockney ISD employs many with Wayland library staff is also investigating degrees," said Dr. Bobby Hall, ex- the extension of loaned and online ecutive vice president and provost at WBU who himself has lived in

are Lockney and Lockney is us. That's how we look at things."

Given his proximity, Hall said he was on the scene Sunday visiting personally with Superintendent Phil Cotham, a longtime friend. He said he made the offer then for Wayland to be a resource for the school district as they struggled to reconvene classes quickly and rebuild the school:

Right now, the school district is simply sifting through the ashes to determine what can be salvaged and what is needed in terms of supplies and infrastructure. For the long-term, Hall said Wayland has made several resources available to the district.

"We compiled a list of equipment - from computers to white boards to projectors and furniture - that we have available to lend them during the transition time," Hall said. He added that some of the university's Information Technology staff has also been to Lockney to discuss with Cotham and technology director Charles Keaton how Wayland might help with reconnecting the computer system for the district and providing information about wireless networking.

The university's Mabee Learning Resources Center is another avenue of assistance, and the resources to help Lockney faculty and students, using various local Lockney for nearly 15 years. "We and state networks.

Wedding Shower Selections for

Laczy Aston & Taylor Jobe

CLARK PHARMACY Danny Clark

309 North Main Street, Lockney, Texas Pharmacy 652-3353 · Residence 652-3712 (24hrs) Free in-town prescription delivery

The family of Scott Salazar would like to thank everyone for their love, prayers, and kindness.

Thanks also to the Floydada High School staff and students, to the Floydada Elementary staff, the fundraiser we had at the Catholic Church and to everyone who helped. Thanks to all of you.

> Maria, Kevin, Chris and Ethan Evan Salazar and Nora Pena

From the Mendoza family, we give thanks to the First Baptist Church for giving us the meal and for the people who helped us.

Also to all the churches of this area for his first services. Bro. Santos at First Date Street, Plainview, Texas and Bro. Anthony from Floydada, Texas and Bro. Felon from Lubbock, Texas. Thanks especially La Primera Iglesia Bautista.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF SALE

The following vehicles will be sold at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2009. Vehicles can be seen at City Auto in Floydada, Texas.

> 1. 1994 Jaguar - VIN# SAJH1744BC704356 2. 1999 Saturn - VIN# 1G8ZY1276XZ215673

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

> Paul Raissez Sheriff, Floyd County

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Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH Dennis Butler, Pastor Sunday School10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship6:00 p.m. Wednesday.....7:30 p.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

Steve McLean -Minister Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship5:30 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

> CITY PARK **CHURCH OF CHRIST** Levi Sisemore, 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 Anthony D. Sisemore, Pastor Terry Simmons,

Minister of Ed./Music Eric Kaiser - 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

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

American

State Bank

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217 W. California

983-3725

Barwise

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Barwise Community

983-2737

Blackburn

Media

Group, Inc.

Clark

Pharmacy

320 N. Main - Lockney

652-3353

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102 E. Shubet

Lockney

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Floyd County

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Beacon

Floydada - Lockney

983-3737 - 652-3318

Lighthouse

Electric Coop

703 A Matador Hwy

983-2814

FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** Floydada

Rev. Les Hall, Pastor Early Worship8:30 am. Sunday School...... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ...10.50 a.m. Youth (Sunday).....5:00p.m. Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m

FIRST UNITED **METHODIST CHURCH** Lockney

Rev. Ricky Carstensen Pastor

Sunday School9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 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 (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Floydada

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

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Insurance

102 E. California

983-3524

Lockney

Co-op Gin

652-3377

Oden

Chevrolet Inc.

221 S. Main, Floydada

983-3787

Payne Family

Pharmacy

200 S. Main, Floydada

983-5111

Pay-n-Save

210 N. Main

Lockney

652-2293

Schacht

Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts

112 W. Poplar, Lockney

652-2385

Sunshine Pump

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 Service 11:00 a.m. Discipleship5:00 p.m. Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

> PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Floydada

Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening6:00 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 701 W. Missouri Andy Rodriguez

983-5286 (church) 983-3047 (parsonage) Sunday School9: 45 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. EveningService.....5:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

Floydada Rev. Angelo Consemino Phone: 983-5878

Sunday Mass...... 11:30 a.m. Mon. Wed. Mass6:30 p.m. Confession Sat......10-11 a.m.

> TEMPLO BAUTISTA 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 School 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship5:00 p.m. Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.

Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m. TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Floydada

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. Wednesday7:00 p.m.

TRINITY **LUTHERAN CHURCH Providence Community** on FM 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister

Sunday School9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST Floydada 983-3548

Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.

> Sawaya Ins. Agency

120 E. 7th Street Plainview

293-1318

Oliver Clark Box 266, Lockney

983-5087 - 774-4412 (Mobile)