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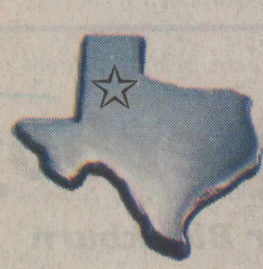
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## Mayor Bobby Gilliland sworn in for another term

**By Sara Sisemore**  
 Bobby Gilliland was sworn in to office by Karen Lawson to serve another term as Floydada's mayor during the Tuesday, May 19, city council meeting. Ruben Barrientoz for District 2 and Gary Carthel for District 3 were also sworn in at that time.

Councilman Sam Green nominated Jon Nielson to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Nielson was unanimously approved by the council to serve in this way.

Additionally, Municipal Judge Tali Jackson was voted in by the council to another two-year term. Gilliland told Jackson the council is very pleased with the job she has done.

The council then heard from Patti Sanchez, manager of Floydada's Chamber of Commerce, on the current plans of the Chamber. The Chamber is currently looking for a new place to set up shop after the Floyd County Commissioners' Court voted in March for the sheriff's office to move into the Chamber's current location. The Chamber has until the first of October to find a new home.

Nielson asked Sanchez how the Chamber uses the hotel/motel tax and if the money from that tax was needed by the Chamber. Sanchez explained the hotel/motel tax is one of the Chamber's biggest donations

every year which goes to help pay their bills, taxes and employee salaries.

Nielson clarified he wanted to know, as a business owner, that the hotel/motel tax money is being used to promote Floydada more than two days a year (Punkin' Day and Old Settlers).

Barrientoz commented the council needs to be more positive when talking about the chamber and the council and city need to get behind the chamber to support and promote it.

On the matter of paying city council members for meetings, Brown said, "The question has been asked of me, because of absences, 'Why do we write them a \$50 check if they don't make the meetings?'" Green said, "If I miss a meeting, I'd love to see my \$50 go to P.R.I.D.E. (or other civic things). I just think it's a good gesture. As long as it's a charitable thing that helps improve the city."

Nielson commented, "We've talked about this once before. There are times you're going to miss. Are you going to punish me for doing that?"

Green replied, "It's not a punishment, it's a gesture."

According to the rules of attendance set by the State of Texas, council members will be dismissed from the council if they miss three meet-

ings in a row.

As this was not an actionable item, no formal decision was reached.

The council voted unanimously to move ahead with the condemnation on 424 W. Missouri, with the tearing down of the property occurring after the July 1 deadline given by the council to the owners of the property. Officer Rueben Ramon informed the council the owners had not yet paid their property taxes. In January they said they would and no noticeable progress had been made on cleaning up the property.

The council unanimously accepted bids for the following taxing entity properties: Lot 12, Block 53; Lot 13, Block 53; and Lot 14, Block 25. Larry Powell purchased the first two lots and Barrientoz won the last mentioned lot.

The council also sold part of Lot 14, Block 53, city property, to Larry Powell.

In regards to bringing on an Emergency Management Coordinator, City Manager Gary Brown said, "I have not had anyone express any kind of interest." It was explained to the council it would be good for the city if the position was filled, however, as long as the county has an Emergency Management Coordinator, the city can get by without one.



The Lockney Longhorns beat Ralls 10-7 and 9-0 to advance to the Regional Finals.

### Longhorns Advance to Regional Final

Classes might have been dismissed last week in Lockney, but going to school is still a regular daily activity for members of the Longhorn Baseball team.

And that's okay by them.

The fifth-ranked Lockney Longhorns advanced to the Class A Regional Final set for Thursday and Friday at Moeffett Field in Snyder, after besting 10th-ranked Ralls in the Class A Regional Semifinal held last week in Lubbock at Moeffe Field.

Lockney will face Miles (16-8), who beat Clarendon 13-11 in a one game playoff last week. Game one is scheduled for Thursday at 6 p.m. Game two is Friday at 4 p.m., and if game three is necessary it will be played 30 minutes following game 2.

The winner of that contest advances to the Class A State Tournament held in Round Round at the Dell Diamond.

The Longhorns (24-7) came from behind to overtake the Jackrabbits 10-7 at Thursday and then

### Lockney UIL Advances to State

**By D'Lyn Morris**  
 For the first time in the history of Lockney High School, two UIL academic teams qualified for the state academic meet. The meet, originally scheduled for May 7-9, was held May 25-26 in Austin. The Lockney Number Sense team consisting of Caleb Schumacher, Lezlie Jackson, Quinn Jackson and Dylan Aufill placed fourth in the competition. They are coached by Pam Fulton. Lezlie finished eighth, Dylan 17th, Quinn 19th and Caleb 20th for a combined team score of 221.

The Literary Criticism team includes Emily

Prayer, Anna Sherman, Alisha Damron, Kami Hunt and Krista Mangum. The team coaches were Lesha Woodard and Jessica Jordan.

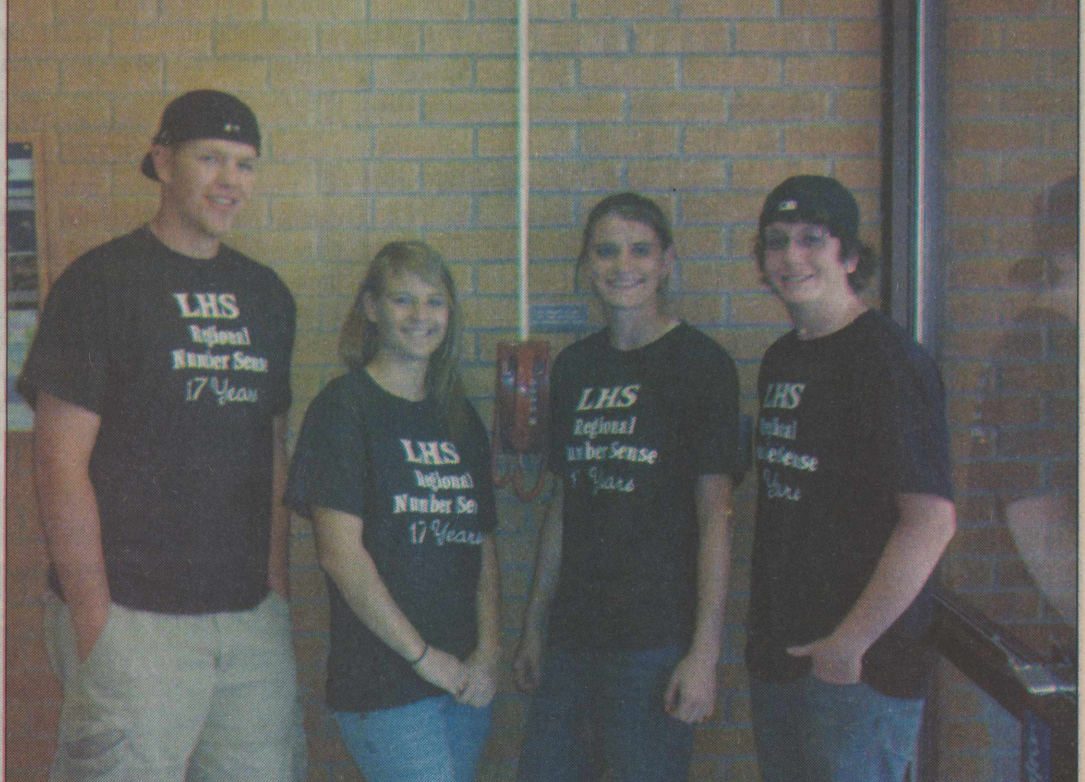
In this event Anna placed 13th, Kami 16th, Alisha 17th and Emily 19th for a third place finish. Each student competing in the state meet earns the opportunity to apply for UIL foundation scholarships. The team's score was 139. Congratulations to these extraordinary young people on their tremendous achievements and sincere thanks to the coaches that invest countless hours into the preparation for these UIL events.



Courtesy Photo  
 STATE UIL LITERARY CRITICISM team was (back row, l-r) Coach Lesha Woodard, Alisha Damron, Coach Jessica Jordan, (front row, l-r) Anna Sherman, Emily Prayer, Krista Mangum and Kami Hunt.



**Staff Photo**  
 FLOYDADA P.R.I.D.E. has received several more donations toward the Welcome Entrance Plaza. Pictured is Justin Jaworski, EDC Executive Director (right) and Sue Ward, EDC and P.R.I.D.E. board member (left) holding the \$1,000 check donated by Lowes' Pay-N-Save of Floydada.



Courtesy Photo  
 STATE UIL NUMBER SENSE team was (l-r) Caleb Schumacher, Lezlie Jackson, Quinn Jackson and Dylan Aufill.



# OPINIONS

## Don't Forget About Pelosi

Just one week ago, Congress top Democrat and Washington's most powerful woman, Nancy Pelosi, was up to her neck in hot water.

Upon getting caught in a bold-faced lie regarding when and how much she knew about the CIA's enhanced interrogations during the Bush administration, Nancy Pelosi scrambled. Her constantly changing stories and alibis, along with her shameless condemnation of the CIA as liars, kept her front and center where she should have been.

And then - with much fanfare - another liberal woman rose up and stole the headlines when Barack Obama took to the podium with Sonia Sotomayor in tow.

With a smile from Mr. Obama and a compelling story from Judge Sotomayor, the nation is captivated and this shiny, new story has filled up the radio waves and occupied TV screens across America. Meanwhile, Nancy Pelosi has become an afterthought.

Although Sonia Sotomayor deserves her share of criticism and intense scrutiny, now is not the time to acquiesce on Nancy Pelosi. As many on the right have noted, Sonia Sotomayor's looming con-

firmation to the Supreme Court - much to the dismay of those who look for more than mere "empathy" in their justices - is all but inevitable.

Nancy Pelosi's continuing role as Speaker of the House (and second in line for the Presidency, for that matter) is anything but inevitable.

After all, Mrs. Pelosi is precariously teetering on the edge of a political chasm. According to a recent Rasmussen Reports survey, the Speaker's favorability ratings have reached a critical low: a mere 35 percent of Americans approve of how she is doing.

On the contrary, 63 percent of Americans view the CIA - the very people whom Mrs. Pelosi has condemned as liars - as favorable.

It's fairly obvious she is on the losing side.

On the brink as she is, all that's needed is a push to displace her from the lofty post of Speaker of the House.

In a climate where conservatives have garnered few victories - disregarding those in California - Nancy Pelosi is low-hanging fruit ripe for picking. Those who dislike the Speaker - 63% of the country, that is - could use the sustenance.

And even if she refuses to be removed from her position as Speaker of House, it certainly would not hurt to keep one of the most powerful, visible, and disliked Washington Democrats in the headlines day after embarrassing day.

Those putting the pressure on Speaker Pelosi must not let off - especially when smelling blood in the water.

As ALG News Bureau reported last week, a number of top conservative leaders - including former Attorney General Edwin Meese and Americans for Limited Government President Bill Wilson - signed a letter demanding the Speaker's resignation. As Mr. Wilson said:

"If there is a shred of dignity left in her, she will do the right thing and step down."

The only chance conservatives like Mr. Meese and Mr. Wilson have of getting Nancy Pelosi to step down is by keeping her under the spotlight and in the hot water. They must do what they will with Sotomayor, but neglecting Speaker Pelosi and taking their eye off the ball - especially now that they've got the ball rolling - would be a bad decision.

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## The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

### Kim Jong-il Thumbs His Nose

I'm of the opinion that our president, and many of his supporters, actually thought the citizens of the planet would join hands and sing "We Are The World," upon his election.

I've got news for President Obama, the world was full of crazy dictators long before he took office and will be long after he's gone.

So when will his "new diplomacy" take effect? Never?

North Korea and Kim Jong-il have shown us several times over the past week that it has no problem displaying the growing military might of that country.

A nuke test, missile launches ... what more do you need? Take a stance for goodness sake!

I'm no nuclear physicist, but if you have nuclear weapons, and you have missiles, now throw in a crazy dictator ... the math is pretty easy. Put a nuke on a missile and boom - massive amounts of people are dead and things are looking bleak across the globe.

I think some on the left forget there have been insane people running countries forever. Believe it or not, George W. Bush did not invent dictators. However, he did get one killed (Saddam Hussein) and got another (Muammar al-Gaddafi) to surrender Libya's weapons of mass destruction.

After reading liberal blogs and opinion pieces this weekend, many liberals are shocked that such things can happen under Obama's watch. Talk about rose-colored glasses...

Secretary of Defense Robert Gates says the U.S. is awaiting the outcome of current six-party talks. An American team is traveling this weekend to see if Japan, South Korea, China and Russia can work out a unified approach on how to deal with North Korea.

Knowing the track record of Russia and China, they'll want to take it before the United Nations Security Council where North Korea will once again be sanctioned.

The reality is, being sanctioned by the U.N. is like being grounded for a week by a mom who let's you off the next day. They don't have a leg to stand on because they don't enforce anything.

Some of you may be thinking ol' Blackburn is a war monger. You might be wondering if I'm thinking we should go to war with North Korea.

Of course not.

Fact is, North Korea has us and the rest of the globe over a barrel. Money and resources are scarce and few countries would ever take this one by themselves.

So what are the options? What do you think Obama and his team are working up?

What would you do?

Negotiations have done very little to curb Kim Jong-il's appetite for destruction.

North Korea has a huge army, so an invasion would be extremely messy.

Bombing strategic points of interest would help temporarily, but doesn't get to the root of the problem - Kim Jong-il.

The reality is the U.S., Russia and China must work together to get North Korea, Iran and Venezuela under control. You can get whomever you want involved, but those three countries are crucial because if you can get them on the same page and working together, then that is indeed formidable.

Back it up with some unified force from the three and you'll have dictators all over the world running for cover.

President Obama has his work cut out for him regardless of what he decides to do. One thing is clear though, the silent treatment is not scaring anyone.

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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

There is something to be said for parents who devote their lives to promoting the success of all youth in addition to their own, whether it is academically or athletically. My husband and I chose to do just that for the last 23 years combined and have been very happy with our success. However, there is also something to be said about parents who live their lives to promote their children alone, especially when one of the parents had a successful childhood and they want to relive it through their children, whether that is what their child wants or what their child is capable of.

My husband is the former AD/Head Football Coach of Floydada High School and ran into such a parent, or more like was blind sided by such a parent, after the FHS Sports Banquet. My husband, also known as Coach Rusty Purser, traveled two hours to the banquet, even though he had not seen his family since the day before and would not be able to see them until the day after, stayed late after the banquet to make sure he was able to say goodbye to every parent and athlete. Unfortunately, Coach Purser was sabotaged by the last set of parents who purposely waited until there was no more people left in the building to bid him a final farewell with a verbal beat down of how sorry the mother thought Coach Purser was as a leader, a coach, and a man. Apparently this mother expected her son to win the Player of the Year award and possibly, among other things, had pent up anger over the fact that Coach Purser did not bow down to her and her family throughout his 3-year term at FHS.

This parent continued that Coach Purser did not fulfill his duties, that he did nothing for them after all they had done for him, and among countless expletives from this "model parent", the one example that gave this coach's wife the most horror to hear is that she accused Coach Purser of not knowing anything about commitment (the philosophy on which Purser's whole program was based).

Well, the agenda pent up in my stomach over the last 3 years stops here, I am not as nice as my husband, and here is where this New York Italian girl finally opens her mouth. I completely understand that as a parent it is part of our job to defend our children; in fact, it is a noble quality to have. However, this parent is also an adult and therefore should show her children how to have good moral character, treat others with respect, honor and loyalty.

This parent has had a history of injustice with Coach Purser over the past 3 years, the explosion at the banquet was by no means the first time Coach Purser experienced her wrath. For example, she blasted into his office a while back screaming her expletives at Coach Purser stating that her son should not be on J.V. football, but rather on Varsity; that the Coach did not know what he was doing. Once again, if she had waited, she would have seen that the staff had already drafted her son to be placed on Varsity by the end of that very week.

Here comes my point, the Player of the Year award had nothing to do with Coach Purser. Both the nominees and the voting were in the hands of the players! If this parent had asked anyone, she would have known. I wonder if she

will give the same chewing she gave Coach Purser to all of the players who did not vote for her son. If she cannot remember what she said, I am sure Purser can write her a copy and send it considering he simply stood there and allowed this woman to chew him out even though she was 100% wrong. I also wonder if she will ever apologize to Coach Purser and be grateful that her son had the opportunity to be coached by such a devoted man and coach who still believes that her son did put in some great effort not only this past season, but throughout his athletic career under him.

I wrote this letter because I love my husband and he loves his job and for someone to say that he did not fulfill his commitment to kids is inconceivable to me. What is also inconceivable is that in a world that is so unpredictable, that this parent is teaching her children that winning is more important than their effort, when who knows if she will see them tomorrow - what a legacy to leave behind. I should have known this was her character when SHE gave ME a parenting book entitled "Raising Your Child To Be A Champion" a while back. This woman is the last person I would want parenting advice from considering she has shown herself to be materialistic, has a superiority complex, control issues, and cannot let go of her glory days to let her children create their own.

Ultimately, I would like to thank this parent for providing reassurance that we made the right decision to leave Floydada. Although this parent made it very clear that she hopes that Coach Purser "never [has] success" and he "[has] less talent" on his future team. I am sure we will be alright as long as we remember that this parent is not coming with us and a quote from one of his athletes who was a 'friend to all' who once said "You can't please everybody ma'am."

I may not be from here, but I can say wholeheartedly that I am truly grateful that God blessed the broken road that lead me into the Purser family and no matter what this woman said to him, Purser will leave Floydada with a legacy of loyalty, trust, hard work and yes, COMMITMENT.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Nicole Purser

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I thought that it was time for me to speak out. I guess been going out about it the wrong way, so I thought I would write to you.

I've been sitting back and looking at the judicial system where I live, and as I keep looking and watching I keep asking how long is the unfairness among the judicial system in this town going to keep going on? There have been many people trying to speak up, but no one wants to listen. We've written to Congress and no one will respond or say anything. It seems like whatever they (the people that are over the judicial system) want to do they do, and no matter what we (the people that live there) think matters, because what they say goes.

Well, I've got news for them. Not anymore, 'cause enough is enough. I've had enough. If I have to keep writing to everyone in Congress, all the way to the White House, I'm going to be heard. It is time for a change to be made and for everyone to be treated equal, no matter what color, race, religion, sex, etc, you are because in God's eyes we are all equal and we do bleed the same color.

There have been people in town

that paid for a bondsman and never, ever went to trial. They just gave money away. The list goes on and on.

This judicial system in the small Pumpkin Capitol of U.S. called Floydada, Texas, is full of it, all the way to the police officers, the city officers, the courthouse, to the judge, etc. I have had enough now and I'm tired and ready for something to be done. So, Floyd County, I'm not through. I'm just getting started with that little town of Floyd-

dada, Texas.

And in case the judicial system doesn't know, there is something called freedom of speech and I'm fixing to start speaking out.

I'm not scared of the judicial system here anymore 'cause they need to learn the true law, not their made-up law.

It's time for a change right now.

Gail Ledbetter

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## VJ's News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Memorial Day and Armed Forces Day have passed and were aptly observed with two Memorial services being held. One was held at the Lockney Cemetery and one in downtown Lockney at Veteran's Park. Both were so impressive.

The reason I like the Memorial Service at the Cemetery too is that there are a lot of citizens buried there who put a lot of themselves into helping keep our soldiers free to do the fighting for us back home.

Donnie's sister, Lori, worked in an airplane factory in Ft. Worth and was one of the "Rosie Riveters." My husband Donnie and our dads, Delbert Bybee and Joe Rogers' ages kept them out of the service, but they farmed and that helped feed the service boys. My grandfather, Dr. Joe O. Rogers was a doctor in World War I. He was a doctor in Lockney in the late 1920's when my dad met my mom. He left but came back and practiced in Lockney and Plainview in the 40's.

So let us not forget the people who had difficult times at home during the wars. The Bible says there will always be wars and rumors of wars. So we must always keep our country in our prayers.

This week Lockney has been busy with so much going on. Graduation was Friday night. After graduation in the new gym, the tradition was for everyone to meet and greet out in the street north of the gym, but this year the students went further north to the yard in front of what is left of their high school to greet everyone. A fire took away their school building but not their memories.

Congratulations to the Lockney girls sprint team who are heading to State, and the Number Sense team, who will be competing in Austin Monday.

Also our Lockney boys baseball team is just one away from State themselves. They

play Miles in Snyder Thursday and Friday for the best two out of three games in the Regional Finals. The winner then advances to Round Rock to play in the State Semifinals at Dell Diamond stadium. Good Luck all you teams and your coaches. We are behind you all the way.

Fifty-four years ago today Sunday, May 31, God blessed Donnie and me with a baby boy. We named him Louie Don. I wanted to name him Roger Dell after our Dads but Donnie wanted to name him after his sister, Betty "Lou." Donnie won out. Today I went to Providence and went to church with Louie, Cynthia and Bryan. Then we went to Plainview for lunch. It was a nice day.

On our prayer list we must add Gene and Jr. Brotherton. Jr. is having trouble with his knees and Gene was cleaning the shower and slipped and fell all over everything. She didn't break any bones but is covered with black and blue bruises. She had to spend one night in the hospital. Gene and Jr. only have one walker so they are having to share it.

Barbara Mathis is recuperating from the hip surgery she had May 20. She got to go home Saturday. I'm sure she is taking therapy. Vickie Schaeffer is home after having knee replacement. Edith Cooper is also recuperating after a fall in her kitchen. She is now recuperating at Lockney Health & Rehab Center for a short while. Jr. Poole was not feeling too well last week but he was at Church in Providence today. I talked to Mary Lois Montandon the other day and she said her kneecap is doing okay. So please keep all these and others on you prayer list.

### MENU

June 9 - June 12  
Monday - Baked potato  
Tuesday - Chicken strips  
Wednesday - Meatloaf  
Thursday - Salmon  
Friday - Enc

## South Plains Hobby Club News

By Sandra Lass

The South Plains Hobby Club met on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at the Eclectic Teapot in Plainview for a program on "Managing Cholesterol Statin Drugs" presented by Helen Teeple, BSN, RN. Members present included Janis Julian, Margie Young, Margaret Kitchen, Joy Smitherman, Betty Davenport, Lou Burleson, Mary M. Carter, Jane Dickson, Linda Wideman, Carolyn Marble, Virginia Taylor, Leslie Patterson, Peggy Roberts, Shirley A. Weldon, Helen Teeple, Donnie Bowman, Candace Scott, Carol Hopkins and Sandra Lass. Helen began her presentation by telling the group what cholesterol is, what produces cholesterol and what cholesterol does for the human body, as well as the distinction between "good" and "bad" cholesterol.

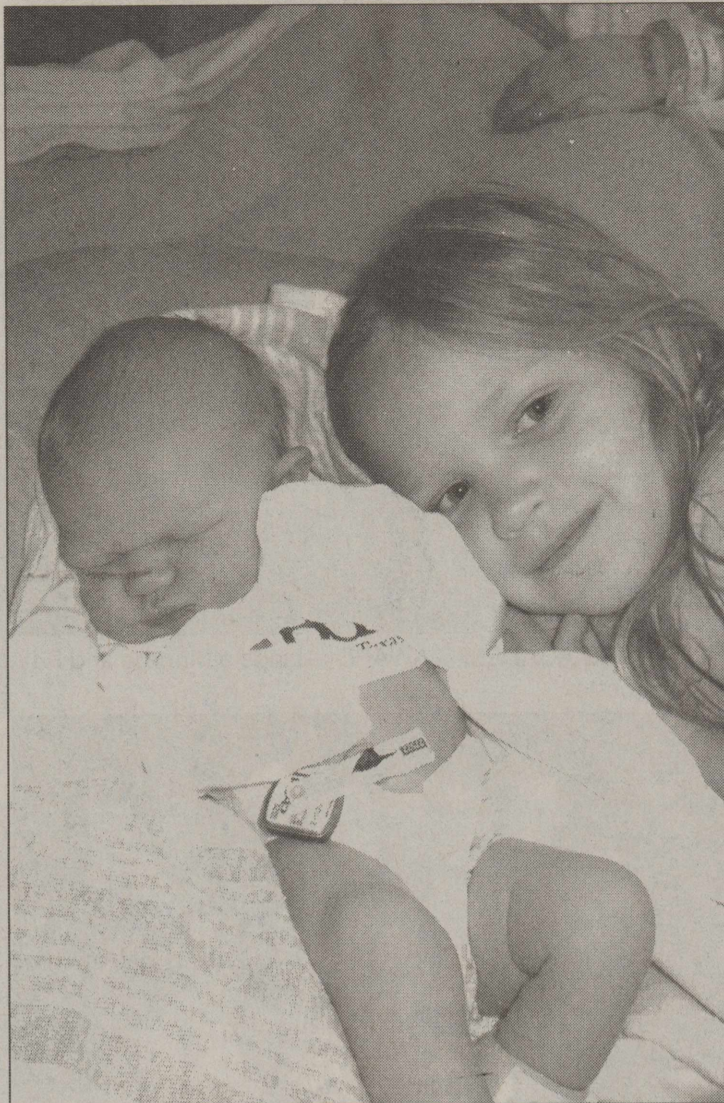
Helen explained that cholesterol belongs to a family of molecules called lipids, is used in all animal cell membranes, and is a vital part of normal body functions. Cholesterol is used to manufacture steroid hormones and vitamin D within the body. Helen added that cholesterol is also used to produce bile acids which aid the digestion and absorption of fats in the body. Helen said that most of the cholesterol in the body is made by the liver, the rest

of the cholesterol in the body comes from the food that we eat and that all animal cells have cholesterol so that any animal product we eat has cholesterol. Conversely, plant food products have no cholesterol in them. Helen went on to say that like fat, cholesterol will not dissolve in water and water is the main ingredient in blood.

Helen explained that cholesterol has to be carried through the body by special proteins called lipoproteins. Helen continued by saying that there are three lipoproteins: VLDL (very low density lipoprotein), LDL (low density lipoprotein), and HDL (high density lipoprotein). She said that each lipoprotein has a different function in the body: VLDL is made up of fat and cholesterol and delivers the fat to a specified place and once delivered only has cholesterol left. The left over cholesterol then becomes LDL. Helen said that LDL is "bad cholesterol." She explained that as LDL accumulates in the blood vessels, it can leave deposits or plaque on the inside of blood vessels. She added that over time the accumulation of plaque can cause the vessel to narrow and decrease the amount of blood flow. Thus, the deposit of plaque has the potential for increased risk of heart attack

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## Look Who's New



### PARKHURST

Kara is proud to announce the birth of her little brother, Noah Preston Parkhurst.

Noah was born Monday, April 27, 2009 to Joel and Amber Parkhurst of Amarillo. He weighed 9 pounds and 1 ounce, and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Rob-

ert and Paula Pyle of Floydada, Sharon Parkhurst of Amarillo and Ronnie Parkhurst of Weatherford.

Great-grandparents are Sterling and Gleyann Earle Cummings of Lockney, Louis and Virginia Pyle of Floydada and Leta Bradley of Amarillo.

## Look Who's New



### CAMPBELL

Elleigh Campbell is excited to introduce her new baby sister, Chayce Clare Campbell.

Chayce was born on March 31, 2009. She weighed 8 pounds and a quarter ounce and was 19 and three-quarter inches long.

Proud parents are Craig and Meredith Campbell of Dimmitt.

Grandparents are Clar and Judy Schacht of Floydada and Jim and Brenda Campbell of Hereford.

## Floydada Rehab holds birthday party

By Joyce Williams

Three birthday honorees were honored for the month of May including Thelma Fawver, Barry Jones and Pedro Reyes at the Floydada Rehab monthly party on Thursday, May 21.

Hosts were Mrs. Sam Baker and Coach and Mrs. Troyce Renfro and friends at City Park Church of Christ. After the birthday song, Activity Director, Sylvia Luna, read a Bible-inspired poem urging us all to give smiles to others as we go through each day.

White carnation boutonnières

were given to each man honored and Mrs. Fawver was presented with a lovely corsage of red rose buds and baby's breath by Cathy's Floral.

Refreshments of banana splits with chocolate, caramel and strawberry sauce and fruit punch were served to all.

Mrs. Wilma Colston was Mrs. Fawver's guest at the party. Honorees received gift bags of personal grooming items and stuffed toys. Visitors are always welcome each third Thursday at 3 p.m. to celebrate one more year for honorees.

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A book on how to write a column, price 70 cents. Why didn't I read it sooner. Otherwise, this 501-word weekly train of thoughts might never have left the station for its first trip to points beyond.

Nothing against the book and its wisdom, but it's a good thing I didn't read it sooner. Otherwise, this 501-word weekly train of thoughts might never have left the station for its first trip to points beyond.

By the book, a columnist is someone who knows something about something, and writes about it regularly.

So maybe I'm not writing a column after all, and you're not reading one. Hmmm.

Really. Nowhere in the column-writing book did I find a category for this brand of musing unless we humor me and call it humor. But on a scale of one to knee-slapper, I'm a one. When I shove my column under my husband's nose and asked him to read it while I watch the right corner of his mouth for movement, I usually get one twitch. A real humorist could probably make him smile.

Oh well, the book on column writing said everybody wants to be a humorist. Who wants to be what everybody else wants to be? It's too crowded.

Another thought occurred to me. Since my aim is truth, maybe this column is philosophy. In plain old Greek, a philosopher is a "lover of wisdom." How hard can that be, to love wisdom?

So, at the library I checked out a behind-the-scenes tell-all recorded book on the life of a waiter - something else I've always wanted to try - and, in

keeping with my aspiration du jour, I chose a recorded book about Baruch, alias Benedict, de Spinoza, 17th-century Portuguese Jewish Dutch philosopher. I popped the Spinoza book into my CD player. An expert explained his logic. I went to sleep. I was driving. That experience made me think I don't have what it takes to be a real philosopher -- not even a Spin-off. (Sorry, but that's level one.) Maybe I could try waiting tables instead, but the guy who wrote the waiter book already writes a column on that profession. Clever guy. A real columnist.

Back to Spinoza. Right before he put me totally to sleep, a roadside park, alias rest area, appeared. I wheeled in, parked, shielded my eyes from mid-morning sun and snoozed. Not until I heard the gentle rumble of an old 350 engine in a pale yellow Chevrolet pickup did I awake. My best roadside park instincts immediately told me the guy was an ax murderer. They drive old Chevrolet pickups.

I reached quickly for the ignition key to start my own car and flee.

Dead battery. In my philosophy-induced stupor, I had left something on, either the left blinker or Spinoza, and the tired old battery had lost its charge while I slept. "Got any jumper cables?" I asked the ax murderer. They were nicer cables than what I would have expected from an ax murderer.

No wonder there's not a name for this kind of column.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

If you plan to mail correspondence to the center, please mail it to Floydada Senior Citizen, P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235.

In Sunday's Avalanche Journal newspaper, I noticed that Wendall and Mary Tom Tooley of Plainview observed their 60th Wedding Anniversary on May 23. Congratulations to them.

Frances and Alton Rose were here Saturday, May 23, Old Settlers Day, and saw a lot of people and then they came to the center on Thursday, May 28 and also saw a lot of friends. They were headed home Thursday afternoon.

Bill and Ardis Daniel and their daughter, Lori Reed of Kress flew to Dallas to visit the Daniels' son, Alan and his family and their new granddaughter and Bill and Ardis' great-granddaughter. While there they visited other relatives and had a very good time. They were gone four days.

Congratulations to Guy Ginn for receiving the "Oldest Man of the Year" Award on Old Settlers Day, May 23. Also congratulations to Myria Dade who received the "Oldest Woman of the Year" Award and Roy Baxter who was

given the "Pioneer Man of the Year" Award. We are proud of all of you.

Thank you for remembering the center when you need to make a memorial donation.

In memory of Bill Gray

Gary and Emma Pate

In memory of Dorothy Reeves - Jane Pruitt, Imogene Fortenberry

In memory of Ralph Stephens - Ruby Gooch, Millie and Norma

In memory of Beth Atkinson - Shorty and Louise Turner

In memory of Irene King - Imogene Fortenberry

Thought For the Week -

"One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." Plato, philosopher

MENU

June 8 - June 12

Monday - Taco salad, pinto beans, rice, cobbler

Tuesday - Pizza pie, salad, corn, garlic bread, jello

Wednesday - Oven baked pork chops, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, banana pudding

Thursday - Beef tostadas with trimmings, rice, cake

Friday - Salisbury steak, broccoli, butter potatoes, roll, fruit salad

## Bridal Selections for:

Hillary Kuykendall & Paul Ross  
Leslie McBroom & Scott Nixon  
Tori Barton & Tyler Helms  
Jenna Ford & Ty Heflin

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Happy 23rd Birthday to our Photographer, Brenda Cuellar!



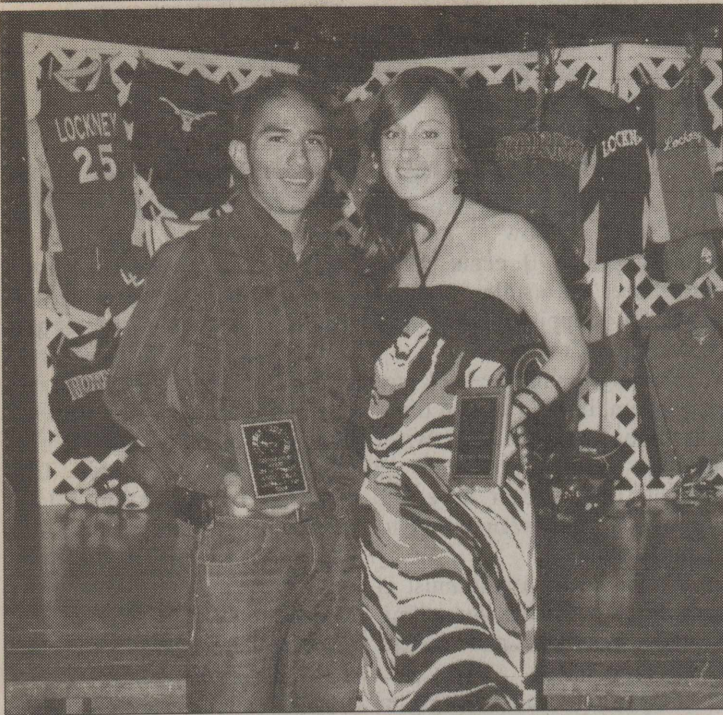
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We love you and wish you many more!

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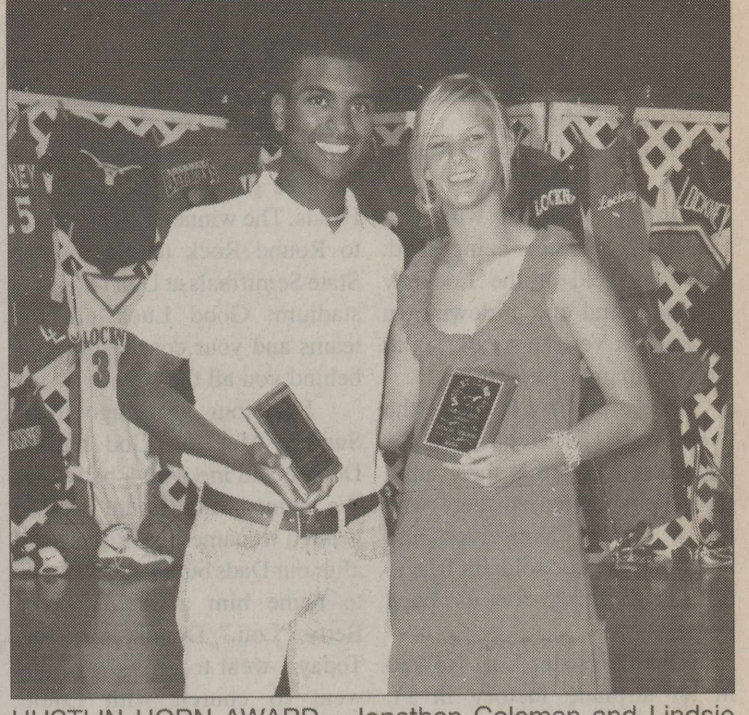




FIGHTING HEART AWARD---Angel Cruz and Heather Brock.



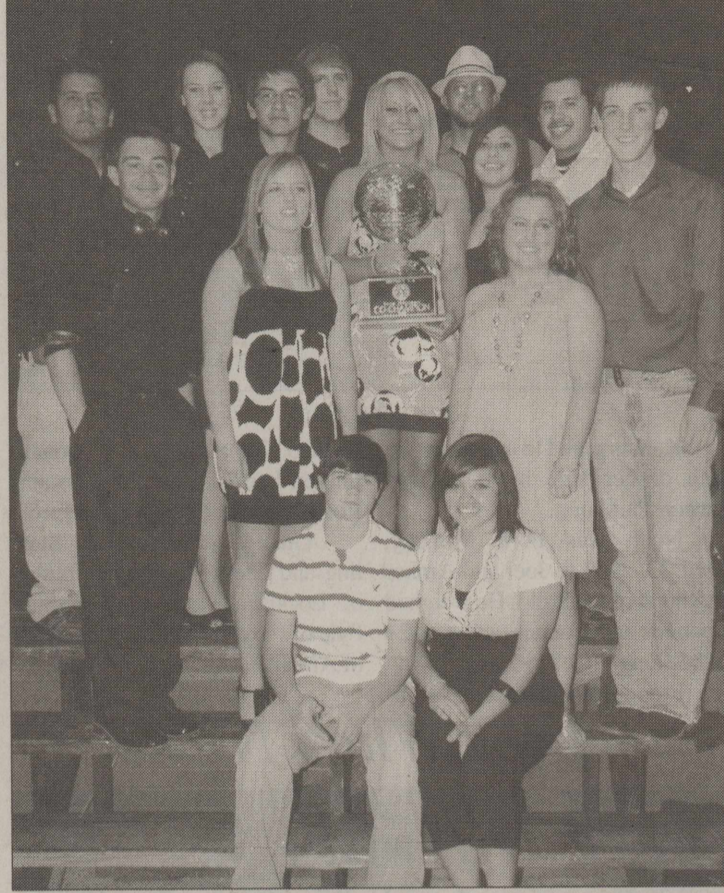
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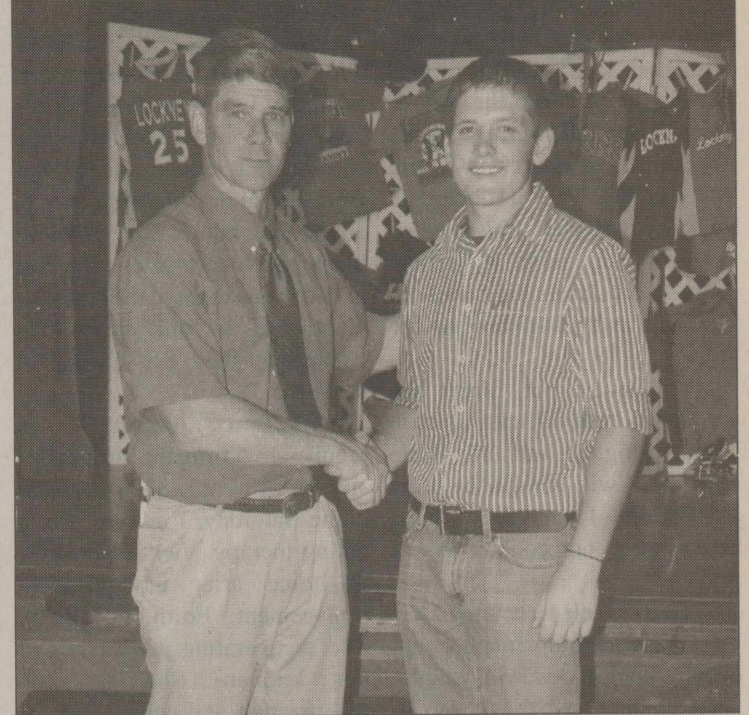
HUSTLIN HORN AWARD---Jonathan Coleman and Lindsie Moerbe.



TRACK TEAM---(front) Coach Kathy Young, (front row, l-r) Logan Edwards, Lindsie Moerbe, Brittany Mathis, Mercedes Aday, Lezlie Jackson, (second row, l-r) Abby Garza, Shanequa Wilson, Kat Araujo, Quinn Jackson, Tanya Hernandez, (third row, l-r) Crystal Sanchez, Cassandra Ascencio, Kacee Armstrong, Anissa Reyna, Jennifer Ybarra, (back, l-r) Adrian Cortez and James Mercado.



TENNIS TEAM---(front, l-r) Black Milstead, Anna Jimenez, (second row, l-r) Timothy Padilla, Tessa Saul, Caitlann Wiley, Jill Bramlet and Daryn McCarter, (third, l-r) Ruben Pesina, Alisha Damron, James Mercado, Keenan Stennett, Danny Huggins, and Anthony Hernandez.



OUTSTANDING FOOTBALL PLAYER--- Lucas Hall and head football coach Malcolm Moerbe.



JL MARTIN CHRISTIAN ATHLETE---Kyler Ellison, Heather Brock, Lindsie Moerbe and Daryn McCarter.



JAMES POOLE LONGHORN SPIRIT---Janie Martinez and James Mercado.

## Girls Track Update

By Kathy Young  
Track Coach

By way of recognition and an update of statistics:  
The following girls advanced from **District to Area**: 400 meter relay -53.92 - Mercedes Aday, Brittany Mathis, Lezlie Jackson and Logan Edwards; 800 meter relay - 2:02 - Brittany Mathis, Mercedes Aday, Lezlie Jackson and Logan Edwards; Triple Jump - 33' 2 3/4" and 200 meter dash - 27.28 - Brittany Mathis; 100 meter hurdles - 16.92 - Lindsie Moerbe; Pole Vault - 8' - Lezlie Jackson; 400 meter dash - 64.93- Isabel Solis; 800 meter run - 2:44 - Crystal Sanchez.  
**Area at Frenship:**  
400 meter relay - 53.25 (3rd place and advanced to Regionals); 800 meter relay - 1:55.25 (4th advanced); Brittany Mathis: Triple Jump 34' 5 1/2"; 200 meter dash - 27.28 (2nd, advanced); Lindsie Moerbe: 100 meter hurdles 17.33 (4th, advanced); Lezlie Jackson: Pole Vault - 8' 6" (2nd, advanced); Isabel Solis: 400 meter dash - 64.34 (1st, advanced); and Crystal Sanchez: 800 meter run - 2:45.  
**Regionals at Levelland:** (Advanced to the State meet in Austin on June 5 and 6.) 400 meter relay 52.38; 800 meter relay - 1.52; Brittany Mathis: Triple Jump 35' 8" (4th place, *New School Record*); 200 meter dash - 26.7; Lindsie Moerbe: 100 meter hurdles - 17.84; Lezlie Jackson: Pole Vault - 9'; Isabel Solis - 400 meter dash - 62.96.  
**Area Qualifiers:** Crystal Sanchez, Logan Edwards, Kat Araujo, Tanya Hernandez, Isabel Solis, Quinn Jackson, Mercedes Aday, Lezlie Jackson, Brittany Mathis and Lindsie Moerbe.  
**State Qualifiers 400 meter Relay:** Logan Edwards (freshman); Lezlie Jackson (junior); Brittany Mathis (senior); and Mercedes Aday (junior).  
**Coaches:** Kathy Young, Chad Young, Jeff Dunn and Ryan Dolar.

## Lockney Underclassmen Receive Awards

The Lockney underclassman awards ceremony was held Friday evening, May 22, 2009.  
Lockney High School principal Todd Hallmark recognized Josh Armstrong, Catey Davis and Eduardo Ascencio for Perfect Attendance and Josh Armstrong for Office Aide.  
Mrs. Dietrich gave BCIS recognition to: Abigail Garza, Kami Hunt, Jonathan Jimenez, Hogo Mondragon, Toni Morales, Daniela Morales, Aaron Rendon, Robbie Reyes, Jasmin Rodriguez, Chase Thompson, Katie Vasquez, Krista Mangum, Dillon English, Sabrina Guerrero, Jacob Luna, Janie Martinez, Louie Peralez, Matthew Rendon, Jill Bramlet, Daniela Moya, Joshua Mullins, Hilda Salazar, Keenan Stennett, Ellisa Vaasquez, Shanequa Wilson, Devin Caballero, Maria Castorena, Molly Cazares, Emilio Guerra, Walker Kemp, Isabel Solis, Kacee Armstrong, Renee Cruz, Catey Davis, Lezlie Jackson, Stephanie Ontiveros and Yearbook - Dora Bueno and Valerie Gonzales.  
Mrs. Azua gave the following recognition: Spanish II - Lezlie Jackson; Spanish II - Bethany Wilson; and Spanish I - Isabel Solis.  
Mrs. Ellison recognized the following for Reading Awards: Amber Segovia, Katie Vasquez, Quinn Jackson, Kat Araujo and Cassandra Ascencio.  
Mrs. Webb recognized the following for Most Improved and Artistic Art 3 - Oscara Gonzales; Most Improved Art 2 - Patricia Rios; Most Artistic - Maria Castorena; Most Improved Art 1 - Amber Segovia, Nicole Thomson and Cassandra Jimenez; and Most Artistic Art 1 - Josue Silva, Erica Marmolego and Jonathan Sustaita.  
Mrs. Woodard recognized the following for HEI - Tessa Saul Bethany Wilson and Dora Bueno; HEI Outstanding - Anna Sherman and Alisha Damron; English I - Logan Edwards and Anthony Hernandez; English III - Jill Bramlet.  
Coach Garrett recognized the following for High Average English I - Quinn Jackson; High Average English I - Amber Segovia; and High Average English II - Toni Morales.  
Mr. Woolever recognized the following for Speech Awards - Riley Teeter, Sunny Williams, Dolores Luna, Anna Jimenez, Anissa Reyna, Amber Segovia, Jonathan Sustaita, Steven Fernandez, Erica Marmolejo, Logan Edwards, Nicole Thompson, Landon Kidd, Dylan Auffer, Quinn Jackson and Syann Foster.  
Mrs. Fulton recognized the following for Accounting "A" Average - Alisha Damron, Konner Ellison, Anabell Gonzales, Malory Johnson, Tessa Saul and Bethany Wilson; Dual Credit - Alisha Damron and Tessa Saul; Algebra I "A-B" Average - Logan Edwards Riley Teeter, Steven Fernandez; Algebra I Most Improved - Stephanie Mejia, Stephanie Ontiveros, Jasmin Rodriguez and Renee Cruz; Algebra I Best Attitude - Anissa Reyna and Jennifer Ybarra; Algebra I Most Dependable - Nicole Thompson, Cassandra Ascencio and Tanya Hernandez; Algebra II "A" Average - Krista Mangum, Malory Morales, Tessa saul, Malory Johnson and Konner Ellison.; Algebra II Most Improved - Kami Hunt; Algebra II Most Dependable - Jill Bramlet and Bethany Wilson.  
Mr. Teeter recognized the following for Geometry "A" Average - Quinn Jackson, Syann Foster, Molly Cazares, Chris Franco, Landon Kidd and Amber Segovia; Geometry Most Improved - Isabel Solis.  
Mr. Huggins recognized the following for Pre-Calculus "A" Average - Anna Sherman; Algebra II "A" Average - Alisha Damron; Pre-Calculus Award - Ellisa Vasquez.  
Mr. King recognized the following for Chemistry "A" Average - Lezlie Jackson (Top Average), Konner Ellison, Tessa Saul and Anna Sherman; Biology "A" Average - Kami Hunt (Top Average), Krista Mangum and Toni Morales.  
Mrs. Morris recognized the following for 90 and above IPC average for the year - Dylan Auffer, SyAnn Foster, Chris Franco, Amber Segovia and Landon Kidd; Highest IPC Average - Quinn Jackson - 98; Most likely to Invent Something Awesome - Chris Franco; Outstanding IPC Lab Student - Landon Kidd; Most Improved IPC Student - Stephanie Ontiveros; Best Rocket for 2009, 442 m, Marcos Bernal, Chris Luna and Brent Zambrano.

## Cole and Foster make Dean's List

Two Lockney graduates have earned their places on the recently released Dean's List at Clarendon College.  
Asa Cole is the son of David and Gail Cole of Lockney.  
Will Foster is the son of David and Darlee Foster of Lockney.  
The list is for the spring 2009 semester. To make the Dean's List, a student must complete at least 12 hours and maintain a grade point average of between 3.6 and 3.99.

**HAVE A QUESTION, COMMENT OR CONCERN?**  
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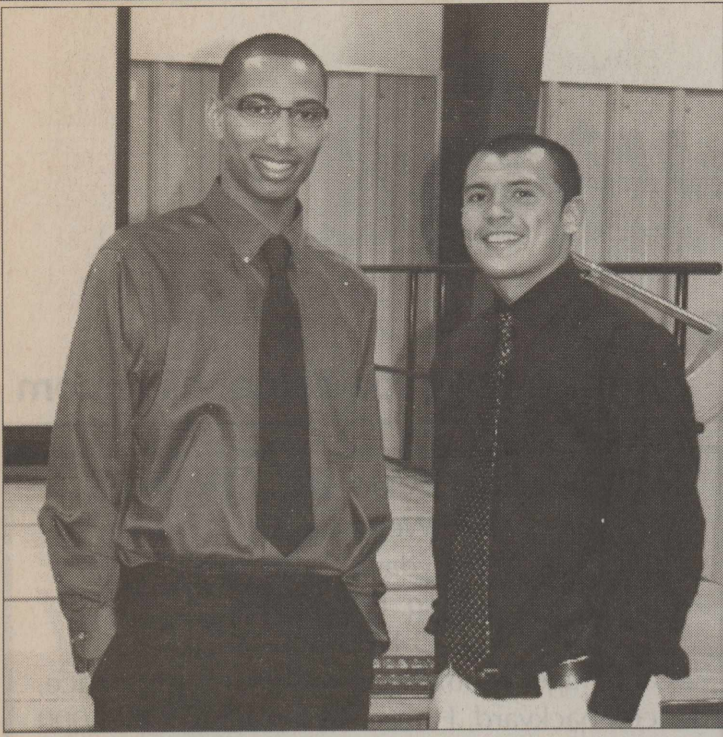
**Saddle UP !! For A Family V.B.S.**  
June 3rd, 4th, 5th  
Main Street Church of Christ-Lockney  
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Learn to become Riders of the Great RoundUP!



The Lockney Lady Longhorns Track Team.

**Thanks For Reading  
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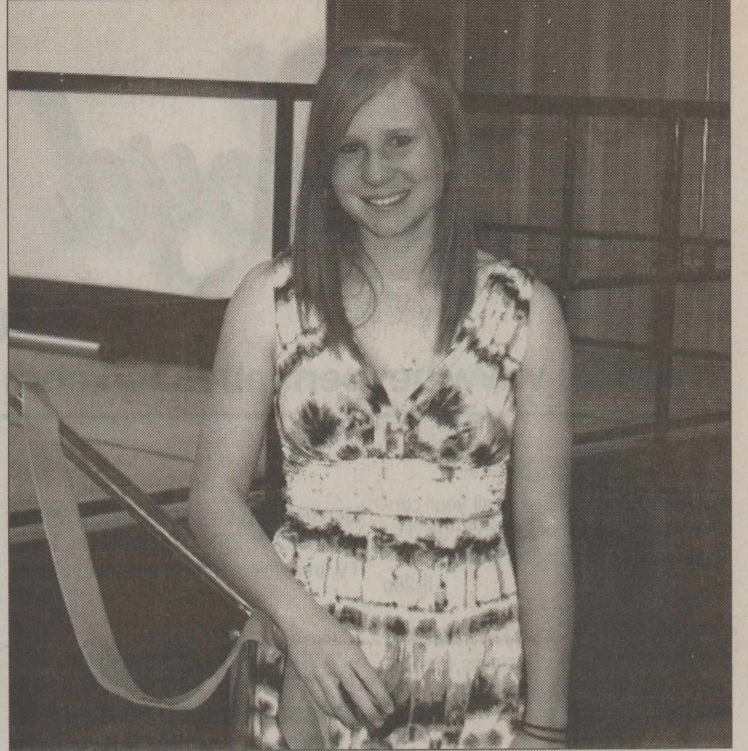




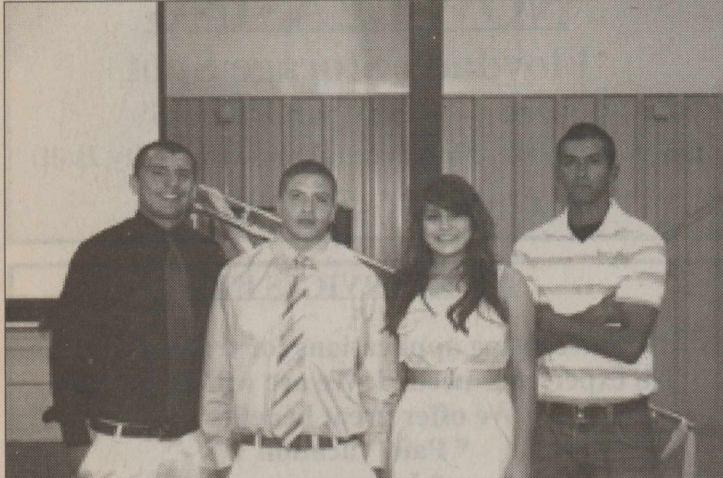
**COLLEGE SIGNEES:** Byron Smith (left) and Aarrhon Flores have both signed to play sports at local colleges. Byron will play basketball for Eastern New Mexico University and Flores will play football at West Texas A&M University.



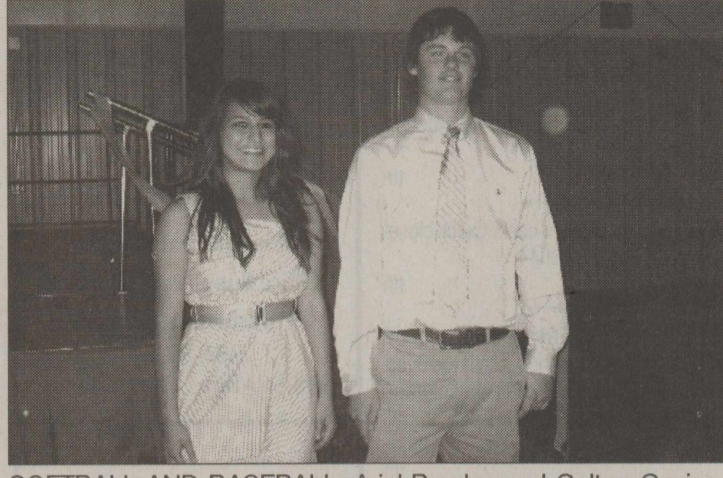
**OUTSTANDING SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT:** Titus Miller and Jennifer Rainwater.



**GIRLS TRACK:** Breann Gooch and Samantha Rodriguez (not pictured) were named Fighting Whirlwinds. Rodriguez also won the same award for cross country.



**FOOTBALL AWARDS:** (From left) Aarrhon Flores MVP Offense, Joe Louis Suarez MVP Defense, Ariel Peralez Fighting Whirlwind for Cheerleading and Randy Lerma award for Special Teams.



**SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL:** Ariel Peralez and Colton Covington won the Fighting Whirlwind awards for softball and baseball. Joseph Segura also won the Fighting Whirlwind award for baseball but is not pictured.



**BOYS TRACK:** Aarrhon Flores (left) and Joe Louis Suarez Fighting Whirlwind for Track.

## Floydada Students Represent District at Texas Capitol Schoolhouse

By Penny Giesecke, FJH Teacher

Four Floydada Junior High School students represented Floydada Independent School District at the Texas Capitol Schoolhouse Monday, May 11. The Texas Capitol Schoolhouse is a legislative event to give students and teachers from across the state of Texas the opportunity to showcase how technology is being used to improve public schools. The goal of the event is to provide information for legislators and other state leaders about how the most advanced technologies and best practices are accelerating and reforming the way teachers teach and students learn.

Ambassadors to our state's capitol were 8th grade students Landry Morren and Taylor Orr, 7th grader Emily Prisk and 6th grade student John Cortinas. Accompanying the students were teachers Melva Dorman and Penny Giesecke, FJH Principal Mac Sherman, FISD Technology Immersion Coordinator Sandy Vaughn and FISD Superintendent Jerry Vaughn.

Floydada was one of only 14 schools in the state to be invited to exhibit projects and demonstrations of the applications in technology used on a daily basis at Floydada Junior High. The students shared projects they had designed and created using their laptops and pro-

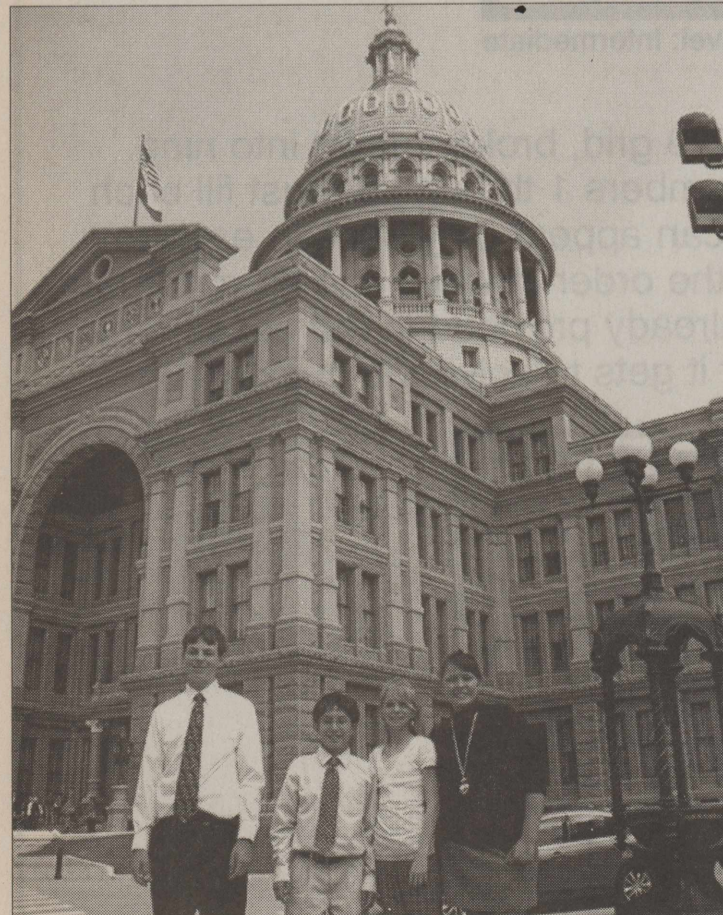
grams, software, applications and subscriptions available through the 1:1 technology immersion grant awarded to Floydada Junior High in 2004. Because of the success of FJH through the TIP grant and this recent exhibition demonstrating the benefits of technology in the classrooms, it is a goal that ongoing funding be increased for educational technologies.

Joe Heflin, District 85 State Representative, visited the students at the Capitol Schoolhouse event and hosted them at his state capitol office for a meeting and tour the following morning.

State representatives, TEA officials and members of other districts were impressed by the products the students created and were quite complimentary of the level of the work these students have achieved. Floydada ISD has been consistently referenced by these officials as a standard by which all districts, state and nation-wide, should be measured in the area of technological proficiency.

"It has changed my learning experience and has made me realize how privileged we are to have our laptops," states John Cortinas.

"The laptops make learning easier. The number of resources available to us have put us steps ahead of the rest of the pack," shares Landry Morren.



Courtesy Photo  
PICTURED IN FRONT OF THE TEXAS STATE CAPITOL building in Austin are (l-r) Landry Morren, John Cortinas, Emily Prisk and Taylor Orr. These four Floydada Junior High students represented FISD at the May 11 Texas Capitol Schoolhouse event.



**FHS WHO'S WHO (L-R)** Dillon Chesshir, Ariel Peralez, Sean Miller, Jennifer Rainwater, Titus Miller, Bailey Davenport, Chad Davis. (Not Pictured: Aarrhon Flores).

## FHS Seniors Receive Scholarships at Graduation Ceremony

The 2009 Floydada High School Seniors received scholarships during the graduation ceremony held Thursday, May 28, 2009.

ATPE - \$250 - Laken Reedy;

\$250 - Bailey Davenport

A.E. Baker Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Crystal Alvarez;

\$500 - Jennifer Rainwater

Jim and Dorothy Word Memorial Scholarship - \$400 - Rallo Mercado

Richard Marler Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Byron Smith;

\$500 - Aarrhon Flores

Floyd County Stock Show Association Scholarship - \$500 - Tyler Derryberry;

\$500 - Dillon Chesshir

A.W. Coltharp Memorial Scholarship - \$200 - Whitley Walker;

\$200 - Dusty Hicks

Bob and Nina Copeland Memorial Scholarship - \$350 - Robert Finley

Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship - \$100 - Bailey Davenport

Mike Marble Memorial Scholarship - \$200 - Titus Miller

Floydada Rotary Club Scholarship - \$150 - Rallo Mercado;

\$150 - Elda Lopez

Masonic Lodge Scholarship - \$150 - Ariel Perales;

\$150 - Colton Covington

Lions Club Scholarship - \$300 - Brett Whalen;

\$300 - Bailey Davenport

Dewane Franklin Memorial Scholarship - \$350 - Dillon Chesshir

Band Boosters Scholarship - \$200 - Sean Miller;

\$150 - Adriana Hernandez;

\$100 - Laken Reedy

Al and Sally Galloway Memorial Scholarship - \$1000 - Sean Miller;

\$500 - Tyler Derryberry

1956 Study Club Scholarship - \$500 - Lindsey Wells;

\$500 - Crystal Alvarez;

\$500 - Nikki Nino

Floydada High School Memorial Scholarship - \$300 - Laken Reedy

Russell Wood Memorial Scholarship - \$100 - Tyler Derryberry

Justin Robinson Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Chad Davis

Charles Ogden Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Brett Whalen

Dylan Thomas Athletic Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Colton Covington;

\$500 - Aarrhon Flores;

\$500 - Chad Davis

Tanner Sue Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Colton Covington;

\$500 - Tyler Derryberry

Floydada Volunteer Fire Department Scholarship - \$400 - Lashay Gooch

Cade Miller Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Titus Miller

Thomas Warren Memorial Scholarship - \$300 - Chad Davis;

\$300 - Connie Garcia;

\$300 - Tyler Derryberry;

\$300 - Nikki Nino

Lauren Powell Memorial Scholarship - \$200 - Ariel Perales

Ann Swepton Memorial Scholarship - \$250 - Valerie Perez

4-H Gold Star Scholarship & Award - \$500 - Bailey Davenport

Farris Family Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Bailey Davenport

Adrain and Ann Helms Memorial Scholarship - \$500 - Jennifer Rainwater;

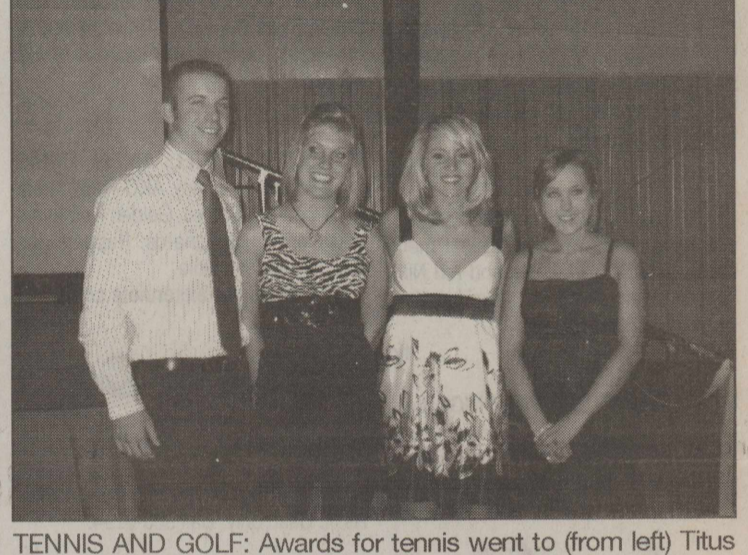
\$500 - Colton Covington

Bill Gray Memorial Scholarship - \$250 - Bryan Smith;

\$250 - Aarrhon Flores

Crystal Alvarez

Locally Crystal has received the AE Baker Memorial and the 1956 Study Club Scholarships. From Texas Tech, she was awarded a \$1000 scholarship. Crystal also earned 23 college hours from



**TENNIS AND GOLF:** Awards for tennis went to (from left) Titus Miller, Jennifer Rainwater and Lexi Terrell and Laci Nixon won the award for golf.



**BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL AWARD WINNERS:** Back row (from left) Byron Smith-Outstanding Offensive Player, Titus Miller-Fighting Whirlwind, Aarrhon Flores-Outstanding Defensive Player, Whitley Beedy-Outstanding Offensive Player (second from left), Outstanding Defensive Player went to all Lady Whirlwinds (from left) Laken Reedy, Whitley Beedy, Megan Aleman (also won Fighting Whirlwind award). Breann Gooch, Brityn Helms, Avery Miller and Lexi Terrell. Not pictured were Chad Davis (Fighting Whirlwind for Powerlifting), Manuel de la Fuente (Fighting Whirlwind for Football) and Joseph Segura (Fighting Whirlwind for Baseball).

Photos Courtesy of Anne Carthel and Kathy Styles

## 22 students named to Agri-Techsan organization

Officials in Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources have announced its 2009-2010 slate of Agri-Techsans, the college's award-winning organization of student recruiters. Comprised of select undergraduates from every department in the college, this year's Agri-Techsans are a diverse group.

Some are native Texans; others are not. Many live in rural, agricultural communities while still others hail from metropolitan, non-agricultural backgrounds. This year's Agri-Techsans include:

• Elizabeth Bertrand, an agricultural and applied economics major from Floydada. She is the daughter of Jeff and Cindy Bertrand of Floydada.

Rachel Bobbitt, the college's coordinator of student services, noted that though the organization's diversity serves both Texas Tech and prospective students

equally well, all Agri-Techsans have at least one thing in common - their enthusiasm for the university and the college's programs.

"We only look for exceptional students who are enthusiastic about Texas Tech and CASNR, who will take an active and responsible part in our organization, and can maintain their grades while devoting time and lots of energy to promoting CASNR," she said.

"Agri-Techsans travel to high school career days, job fairs, class presentations, and club meetings throughout the region to inform prospective students about the university's admissions requirements, financial aid opportunities, and what it is like to be a member of the Red Raider family," Bobbitt notes. "Prospective applicants get as much information as possible straight from the horse's mouth, so to speak," she said.

Selected each spring for the



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Remember us for all your personal financial needs - CD's, loans, checking and savings accounts. Call Laura at 983-3922 or visit our website at: [www.texasplainsfederal.org](http://www.texasplainsfederal.org)  
1-30-10p

**BLUE RECLINER/ROCKER** for sale. Excellent condition. Two pair "Diesel" mens shoes (nearly new), black and red Nike softball cleats and black Nike baseball cleats. Call 806-983-2186.

**MUST SELL STEEL BUILDINGS** from 2008 inventory cancellations. One is 30x42, will sell for balance owed. Freight paid to Texas. Call 1-800-552-8504.  
6-18c

## Garage Sales

**804 WEST GROVER**--Saturday, 8 a.m. - ?? Clothes, furniture, purses, shoes. Lots of miscellaneous.  
6-4p

**HUGE GARAGE SALE**--Friday and Saturday, 8:00 - ??, 502 N. 2nd. Lots

Lee Lewis Construction, Inc. will receive proposals for the HIGH SCHOOL DEMOLITION / RENOVATION - LOCKNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT - LOCKNEY, TEXAS (Part A-Demolition of the 2-Story Fire Damaged Structure and Part B-Build Back Existing Sciences Labs and Media Center). Proposals are due by 3:00pm, Tuesday, June 16, 2009. No proposals will be accepted after this time. We specifically invite Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns, and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled by Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individuals.

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Dodge - Scan  
LLCI Virtual Plan Room contact - [PDM@leelewis.com](mailto:PDM@leelewis.com)

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at 3:30PM at the site - 416 Willow, Lockney, TX 79241.

6-4, 6-11c

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Leonard Alexander, Deceased, were issued on June 1, 2009, in Cause No. 5825, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to: Jimmy Dee McGaugh.

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

c/o: Jimmy Dee McGaugh  
2842 FM 561  
Floydada, Texas 79235

DATED the 1st day of June 2009.

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Lockney, Texas 79241  
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of stuff!

**MOVING SALE**--Saturday, June 6th - 9 a.m. - 302 W. Ollie. Washer/dryer, tools, TV, treadmill, miscellaneous household.  
6-4p

## Help Wanted

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6-4c

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5	8	3	9	1	6	4	7	2
8	2	5	3	9	1	6	4	7
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ANSWER:



# Cotton News

From Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

# Cotton Market Weekly



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## Upland Cotton Average Price Received by Growers Through April 2009

By Shawn Wade

April marketings of 1.205 million bales easily outpaced the 764,000 bales marketed during the previous month and narrowed the gap between 2007 and 2008 crop marketings through the first nine months of the marketing year.

The April marketings helped push total estimated 2008-crop Upland cotton marketings to 8.133 million bales.

While the April marketing number was a sight for sore eyes (it is only the third time this year that marketings have eclipsed the one million bale mark), the fact that the increased marketings also carried a slight increase in the average price received by growers for the month was also a welcome departure from the previous trend.

According to USDA the average price received by growers for the month of April was 45.30 cents per pound, 4.2 cents above the March price of 41.0 cents. The preliminary price reported for May 2009 was 43.9 cents.

The down side to the report however is that the extra bales and better price didn't do much to slow the decline in the Weighted Average Price Received by growers.

Based on current figures the 2008 Upland Cotton Weighted Average Price calculated through April 2009 is 48.80 cents per pound, solidly below the 52-cent Upland Cotton Base Loan rate. With just three months of data remaining to be collected for the 2008-marketing year it appears that a maximum 2008-crop Upland Cotton Counter-cyclical

program payment rate announcement is looming on the horizon. Comparing 2008's marketings and prices to the 2007-crop for the same time period shows that the gap between this year and last has narrowed slightly, but 2008 still lags 2007 by 2.156 million bales. Through the same period, 2007-crop marketings stood at 10.289 million bales marketed.

A look at prices reported in April 2007 and April 2008 illustrates the impact of events over the past year even more dramatically. This April's price of 45.3 cents is 16.8 cents (27%) lower than USDA's published April 2007 price of 62.1 cents.

The following table shows the average price received each month by farmers and the associated weighted average price based on prices and cumulative marketings from August 1, 2008 through April 2009.

The 2008 Counter-cyclical payment rate authorized under the 2008 Farm Bill will be based on the 12-month Weighted Average Price Received by growers. For cotton the 12-month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and marketings for the 2008 marketing year. The 2008 cotton marketing year began August 1, 2008 and ends July 31, 2009.

See [www.plainscotton.org/esw/news/current.html](http://www.plainscotton.org/esw/news/current.html) for a chart showing the "Average Price Received For 2008-crop Upland Cotton."

### "FOCUS on South Plains Agriculture" Newsletter Available On Lubbock Center Website

With the 2009 cotton planting season well underway the time has come for Texas AGRI Life Extension to step up the publication schedule for the "FOCUS on South Plains Agriculture" newsletter.

The May 29, 2009 issue of FOCUS marked the first of the newsletter's weekly updates for the 2009 production season. This week's newsletter can be found on the web at: <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/focus/>

With a strong producer following, FOCUS provides analysis, information and management

recommendations for various crops that are used by farmers and crop consultants throughout the High Plains region.

Cotton Entomology topics covered in the May 29 issue of FOCUS include updates on Cotton Insects; Cotton Agronomy, including an overview of the decision tree associated on determining when to replant a damaged stand of cotton; and Grain sorghum, including an overview of changes in the Milo-Pro (Pro-pazine) use label.

The information included in FOCUS each week is of tremendous value to growers. By providing growers an opportunity to keep track of what is impacting High Plains crops as it happens, the newsletter allows farmers trying to assess what is going on in their fields to quickly access the information they need to determine the best course of action for their particular situation.

In addition to keeping track of what is going on around them another benefit that FOCUS provides is immediate access to a full range of on-line Texas AgriLife Extension and Texas AgriLife Research publications and educational materials designed to help them deal with different situations.

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service team headquartered at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center at Lubbock publishes FOCUS.

The FOCUS newsletter is co-edited by Dr. David Kerns, Extension Entomologist-Cotton, and Dr. Pat Porter, Extension Entomologist-Integrated Pest Management. Contributing authors include Dr. Kerns, Dr. Randy Boman, Extension Cotton Agronomist, and Dr. Calvin Trostle, Extension Agronomist.

### NCC: 2009 P.I.E. Program Tour Dates Set

The National Cotton Council has scheduled dates and locations for the 2009 Producer Information Exchange (P.I.E.) Program. Sponsored by Bayer CropScience through a grant to The Cotton Foundation, the program is now in its 21st year of helping its U.S. cotton producer participants improve yields and fiber quality.

This season, producers from the Southwest will see operations in Louisiana and Mississippi on July 12-17; Mid-South producers will visit Texas on July 26-31; Southeastern producers will travel to California on August 2-7; and Far Western producers will tour Georgia, Alabama and Florida on August 16-21.

Cotton Foundation President Mark Nichols, an Altus, Okla., cotton producer, said the P.I.E. program enables cotton producers to improve yields and fiber quality along with boosting their overall operation's efficiency by: 1) gaining new perspectives in such fundamental practices as land preparation, planting, fertilization, pest control, irrigation and harvesting and 2) observing firsthand the unique ways in which their innovative peers are using new and existing technology.

Upon completion of this year's four tours, the P.I.E. program will have exposed more than 800 U.S. cotton producers to innovative production practices in regions different than their own.

Searching for a clear direction, Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) cotton futures prices hit a four-week low on Tuesday, but trading rebounded the following day then tumbled once again on Thursday. Analysts said the arrival of some long-awaited rain in Texas, the shadow of China's release of strategic cotton reserves, and a higher dollar supported the market at the end of the week.

"The anticipated annual Memorial Day rains came right on schedule, and the radar screen for most of the Cotton Belt looked like it had been peppered with a shotgun all weekend," a market watcher said. "A little precipitation was not enough to alleviate the drought in South Texas, and virtually everyone agrees that the crop there will shrink substantially."

According to a Texas AgriLife Extension Agent in the area, cotton production potential in southern Texas is crumbling as the long-term drought stunts crop growth. Texas, the leading cotton-producing state in the nation, is expected to plant 4.72 million acres of the total 8.81 million-acre U.S. crop in 2009-10, according to USDA's latest estimates. However, most in the industry agree the difficulties in the southern half of the state will result in a lower number of planted acres for Texas in the department's next report.

Texas planting dates for insurance purposes range from June 5 to June 10 depending on the county. Traders there believe

most of the cotton likely will get planted by these dates. The May 26 crop progress report showed Texas on track at 54 percent planted versus a five-year average of 56 percent and last year's 53 percent figure.

"The trade will need to rely more heavily on Texas cotton production this year as more and more Delta and deep south producers have shifted to soybeans," a trader said. "Even with some acreage reductions, the majority of the cotton produced in the U.S. will come from Texas, and we'll be watching weather developments there until cotton bales leave the gin yards and make it to a warehouse somewhere," he explained.

In other news, the trend of lower domestic cotton usage continues. The National Cotton Council (NCC) reported seasonally adjusted annualized mill use for April measured just 3.10 million bales which was said to be the lowest in 60 years. The figure was down more than 30 percent from the same time one year ago.

Meanwhile, net export sales of 102,800 bales in the week ended May 21 were 25 percent lower than the previous week and a 20 percent decline from the four-week average. Thailand, Turkey, Taiwan, and Mexico were the top buyers. Net sales of 58,300 bales for delivery in 2009-10 were mainly for El Salvador, Turkey, and Mexico.

Export shipments of 277,300 bales were down 37 percent from

the previous week and 20 percent less than the four-week average. Primary destinations were China, Pakistan, Turkey, Mexico and Indonesia.

As the "summer doldrums" set in, sales also decreased on the spot cotton market. Producers in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas sold just 198 bales online in the week ended May 28 compared to 563 bales the previous week. The average price received by producers ranged from 49.35 to 50.00 cents per pound.

China was not in the top buyers list on USDA's export sales report. The absence of sales likely is due to the fact that China recently offered nearly seven million bales of government-held cotton for sale. Although many textile mills there reportedly are holding record low inventories, only about half of the cotton was sold. Thoughts are that tight credit could be a factor. The total offered would be roughly the equivalent of two months consumption. Therefore, some market observers feel export sales to China may be limited for the next couple of months.

"China's announcement that it was going to auction off some of its state-held cotton reserves was not unexpected," an analyst said. "But how the entire scenario plays out is open to much debate. It seems like there are as many opinions as to what it ultimately means to the market as there are bales in the state reserve."

## FSA County Committee Nominations Start June 15

Michael McDonald, Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Floyd County today announced farmer and rancher candidate nominations begin June 15 for local FSA county committees. The nomination period continues through Aug. 3, 2009. Elections take place this fall.

"I encourage all producers to participate in the county committee election process by nominating candidates by the August 3 deadline," said McDonald. "We are counting on as much participation as possible, because county committees are an important link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. We have seen a trend in recent years of increased nominations of minority and women producers and we hope that will continue."

To be eligible to serve on an

FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area in which the person is a candidate.

Producers may also nominate themselves, and organizations representing minority and women may also nominate candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and other valuable information about FSA county committee elections are available online at: [www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=newsroom&subject=landing&topic=cce](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=newsroom&subject=landing&topic=cce). Nomination forms for the 2009 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on Aug. 3, 2009.

FSA county committee members make decisions on disaster

and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other important agricultural issues. Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are more than 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Committees consist of three to five members who are elected by eligible local producers.

FSA will mail ballots to producers beginning Nov. 6. The voted ballots are due back to the local county office either via mail or in person by Dec. 7, 2009.

Newly elected committee members and alternates take office Jan. 1, 2010.

For more information about County Committees please contact the Floyd County FSA at 806-983-3763 or visit FSA online at [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

## Farm Program Calculation Tools Now Available On-Line

Michael McDonald, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) in Floyd County announced today that new online research and planning tools are now available for farmers and ranchers to assist them in examining how the new 2008 Farm Bill programs apply to their crops and operations.

Average Crop Revenue

Election Program (ACRE) is a new revenue-based guarantee program administered by FSA that assists farmers and ranchers in managing the risks inherent in agricultural operations. ACRE is an alternative to the traditional price-stabilizing Direct and Counter-cyclical Program.

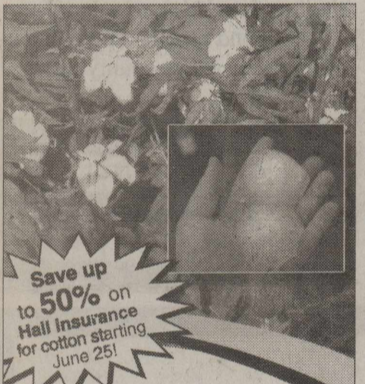
By visiting the FSA website at [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov), growers can enter their crops, acreages and price/yield projections into an "ACRE Calculator" to evaluate potential results. The calculator tool and other information including eligibility resources can be found by navigating to the *Direct and Counter-cyclical Program/ACRE*

pages shown in the menu bar on the left side of the FSA homepage.

"The ACRE alternative provides eligible producers a state-level revenue guarantee, based on the five-year state Olympic average yield and the two-year national average price," said McDonald.

The website also provides a 2008 Benchmark Yield History, ACRE Revenue Yield Maps and ACRE Price Values. The calculator can be used for one year and repeated to project multiple year results. Additional ACRE background information

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## Old Settlers Day Parade results TxDOT, law agencies launch 2009 Click It or Ticket campaign

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**Best Club Float:** 1) W.T. Herdsman, 2) Floydada Junior High School Cheerleaders, 3) Floydada High School senior girls  
**Best Decorated Bicycle:** 1) Ryley Everett, 2) Kyler Gillespie, 3) Azaylee Santos  
**Best Sheriff's Possee or Riding Club:** 1) Plainview Bar None Rodeo  
**Best Dressed Cowboy and Cowgirl: Junior Girl** (up to 12) Brooklyn Pope, **Modern Boy - Eddie Jimenez,**  
**Modern Girl - Dana McCarty,**  
**OldtimeBoy - Cecil Pope**  
**Unique Truck:** John Dunavant  
**Unique Tractor:** Adam Rainwater  
**Unique Auto:** Bob Alldredge  
**Restored Auto:** Arleen Nixon  
**Special Award:** Arnaldo Lopez

### Old Settlers Wildflower Show Results

**Division I, Miniature Container**  
 1st-Carolyn Cunningham  
 2nd-Carolyn Cunningham  
 3rd-Dorothy Turner  
**Division II, Unusual Container**  
 1st-Carolyn Cunningham  
 2nd-Earl Broseh;  
 3rd-Carolyn Cunningham  
**Division III, Antique Container**  
 1st-Carolyn Cunningham  
 2nd-Carolyn Cunningham  
 3rd-Karen Miller  
**Division IV, Men**  
 1st-Earl Broseh  
 2nd-Anthony Whitfill  
**Division V, Youth**  
 1st-Zane Hunt  
 2nd-Gabriel Miller  
**Division VI, Miscellaneous Container**  
 1st-Carolyn Cunningham  
 2nd-Dorothy Turner  
 3rd-Darlene Broseh  
**Division VII, Center Piece**  
 1st-Zane Hunt  
 2nd-Carolyn Cunningham  
 3rd-Karen Houchins

Against the backdrop of their mangled pickup, two Salado teens joined transportation officials and law enforcement officers at the Capitol last week to launch Texas' biggest-ever Click It or Ticket campaign.

Ethan Mitchell, 17, and Trey Mohler, 14, walked away from a potentially deadly rollover crash with only minor injuries and talked about how safety belts saved their lives.

The high school students are part of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) latest public education campaign designed to reach 18- to 34-year-old motorists, a group more likely to be involved in traffic crashes and less likely to buckle up than other age groups.

TxDOT also is going to great lengths to call attention to the importance of buckling up. Beginning May 8, five inflatable characters—including Godzilla, a rockstar icon and a rubber duck—will travel to major cities across Texas. Looming more than two stories tall, these unconventional messengers will warn Texans that thousands of state troopers, police officers and sheriff's deputies will be on Texas streets and highways between May 18 and 31, including the Memorial Day holiday

weekend, to enforce the state's safety belt laws.

"We are happy that more than 90 percent of Texans obey the law and buckle up, but we're pulling out the stops to reach pickup drivers and passengers, teen drivers and other hold-outs who haven't gotten into the habit of using their safety belts," said John Barton, TxDOT's Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations. "Buckling up is the easiest thing motorists can do to protect themselves from death or serious injury if they're involved in a crash."

Drivers and front seat passengers can be ticketed for not wearing their safety belt and so can drivers who do not buckle up their children. Safety belt violations can result in fines ranging from \$25 to \$200.

The eighth annual Click It or Ticket enforcement effort is supported through partnerships with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), as well as local law enforcement agencies. For more information, visit [www.texas-clickitorticket.com](http://www.texas-clickitorticket.com).

For more information contact Dianah Ascencio, Public Information Officer at 806-748-4472.

### Old Settlers 4-H Cow Pattie Bingo and Painting Raffle Winners

**Cow Pattie Bingo**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place - Jerry Chappell - \$500**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Dara Ware - \$300**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Lou Burleson - \$200**

**Painting Raffle Winner**  
 Martha Williams won a Kenneth Wyatt painting raffled off by the Old Settlers Association.

**Thanks For Reading!**

## Automobile Owners Receiving Harrassing Phone Calls and Mail

Owners encouraged to check with their auto manufacturer about warranty issues or questions on their vehicles

Do you own a car? Have you received phone calls and/or mail telling you the warranty is about to run out? If so, you are just one of millions of consumers receiving these kinds of phone calls almost daily. Consumers also receive postcards and other kinds of mail from auto warranty companies trying to sell extended warranties.

There are major auto manufacturers such as Chrysler and GM that are contending with bankruptcy or fighting off bankruptcy which is causing a lot of confusion surrounding the status of auto warranties. BBB is concerned that consumers are particularly susceptible right now to deceptive telemarketing phone calls and other solicitations that seem to be coming from their manufacturer regarding the status of their warranty.

"These companies are selling extended service contracts—basically a health insurance for your car if something should break," stated Nan Campbell, president BBB serving the South Plains of West Texas. "Many consumers are complaining to BBBs after they purchased a service contract and found that there were many caveats and exemptions and it didn't cover the work they needed on their car," she continued.

Just recently, two senators asked the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to crack down on these types of "robo-dialer harassment" calls. It is the BBB's understanding that the FTC will be filing lawsuits shortly on several companies.

Several states Attorney Generals are investigat-

ing and Verizon Wireless has sued two companies which settled out of court in April 2009 and they announced a new lawsuit against three more companies claiming that 2 million of their customers had been called.

**BBB Tips:**  
 • Not all companies selling extended service contracts are misleading consumers or violating the Do Not Call lists. **BEFORE YOU BUY**, check the company's reliability report at [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org)

• Don't feel like you have to make an immediate decision; you have time to consider all your options

• If considering an extended warranty, be sure to read and understand the stipulations in the contract and make sure that everything is spelled out and check with your auto manufacturer so that you are not duplicating coverage

• Make sure your home and cell phone numbers are registered on the Federal Do Not Call list ([www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov)) as well as the Texas Do Not Call list ([www.texasnocall.com](http://www.texasnocall.com))

• Federal Communication Commission (FCC) regulation states that the use of auto-dialers and recorded messages to cell phones is illegal and cell phone users should file complaints if they receive such calls—even if their cell phone is not registered on the Do Not Call List

• File a complaint with the Texas Attorney General ([www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us)), your BBB ([www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org)) and the FTC ([www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov))

## Are You Keeping Company with a Silent Killer?

By Melissa Long  
 CEA-FCS Floyd County

What would you do if you found out you were walking around with a silent killer? Well, over 30 million Americans are doing just that! They are walking around with high blood pressure and do not know it because most of the time, high blood pressure has no symptoms. That is why high blood is known as the "silent killer." Untreated or poorly managed high blood pressure increases your risk for heart disease, stroke, and even kidney problems.

Many times people with high blood pressure are told by their health care professional that they must lose weight and increase their physical activity level. As anyone knows, these recommendations are not easy to follow.

Many people wonder how losing weight and walking more could help their blood pressure go down. Long term studies have shown that losing as little as 10 pounds can lower blood pressure a few points. Losing more weight can produce even

greater results especially if the weight is lost from the abdominal area. Besides reducing your calorie intake, walking can help take off that abdominal fat.

Anyone who has tried losing weight and increasing their physical activity knows these endeavors are easier if you can do them with a group of co-workers, friends, or family. The Texas AgriLife Extension Service is offers an opportunity to help you get started by participating in Walk Across Texas! Seven teams in Floyd County are taking advantage of walking to better health. Those involved are Walking Wackos, Street Walkers, J & K Insurance, Faith Walkers, Team Elite, West Texas Walkers and Faithful Ones.

Remember, if you have high blood pressure, always check with your doctor regarding whether walking or losing weight is advisable for you. Also, keep taking your blood pressure medication unless your doctor tells you to stop.

### Court Activities

A theft charge was filed against Enoch Christopher Wickware on May 19, 2009.

Jesse Sanchez was also charged with theft on May 19, 2009.

Michael Runningwolf was charged on May 1, 2008, with simulating legal process. On April 27, 2009, a notice was sent setting the jury trial. On May 12, 2009, the jury handed down a verdict of "guilty" and assessed punishment at one year in the county jail with a \$4,000 fine.

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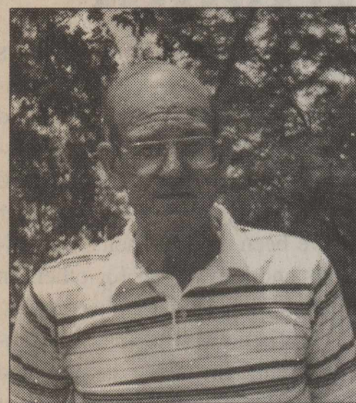
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# Obituaries



**CHARLES MUSIC**

Funeral services for Charles Music, 77, of Amarillo were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 30, 2009 in the Vega United Methodist Church. Reverend Kirk Watson officiated. Interment was held in the Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega under the direction of Griggs-Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors in Amarillo.

He passed away Wednesday, May 27, 2009, in Amarillo.

Charles was born April 17, 1932 in Cliff, KY. He moved to Amarillo in 1952 and married Sue Ivy in 1954.

They owned and operated Music Dry Cleaners in Vega, where he also was a charter member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Vega Volunteer Fire Department.

He served in the United States Air Force, and was a member of the VFW. He was a truck driver for over 20 years with Safeway and N. W. Trucking of Denver.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Music of Amarillo; his daughter, Pam Morton and her husband, Chris; grandsons, Mike and wife, Natasha and Chris and wife, Jessica and great-granddaughters, Sarika and Nayeli.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences: [www.amem.com](http://www.amem.com)



**REGINA WALTHERS**

A memorial service was held for Regina Kay Jack Walthers, 52, of Converse, Texas at the Randolph Church of Christ in Universal City. Rodney Ellison officiated.

She passed away Sunday, May 24, 2009 at NE Methodist Hospital in San Antonio, during her battle against breast cancer.

Regina Kay was born May 31, 1956 to Delton and Clydelle Jack of Lockney. She is survived by her mother and father; husband, Dan Walthers; son, Sam Walthers; daughter, Adrian Walthers; sisters, Bonnie Jack Jordan and Christie Jack Pare; and great-grandmother, Maxine Hill.

Regina Kay had worked as a real estate appraiser, and was active in youth softball programs and with many Little League chapters, ASA and TASO.

She was scheduled to work as an umpire at the Division 19 Little League World Series in Seattle, Washington later this year. Umpires in Division 19 will be wearing a special breast cancer patch on their uniform this season, in Regina Kay's honor.

In 2001 she received a Home Town Hero Award from Time Warner Cable for her work with Windcrest Little League.

The family suggests donations be made in Regina Kay's honor to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, The American Heart Association or a charity of your choice.



**LAWAUNA WESLEY**

Funeral services for Lawauna Wesley, 68, of Canyon were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at the University Church of Christ. David Lough, minister, officiated. The family received friends from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at the Brooks Chapel.

Burial was held at the Dreamland Cemetery in Canyon under the directions of Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon and Happy.

Lawauna passed away Sunday, May 31, 2009 in Amarillo.

Lawauna Wesley was born on May 21, 1941 in Plainview to George and Elwauna Taylor. She graduated from Lockney High School in 1959 and West Texas State University in 1963, where she received a Bachelor's Degree in Business.

On August 22, 1962, Lawauna married Jimmie Wesley in Plainview. She was a teacher at Canyon High School for 24 years. She retired in 2004. She was a member of the University Church of Christ in Canyon.

Lawauna was preceded in death by her father, George Taylor in 2000, and by a brother, Jerry Don Taylor in 1968.

Survivors include her husband, Jimmie Wesley of Canyon; a son, Todd Wesley and wife, Lou Ann of Amarillo; two daughters, Tracy Johnson and husband, Steve of Canyon and Terri Woodruff and husband, David of Canyon; her mother, Elwauna Taylor of Canyon; seven grandchildren and one great-grandson.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 2201 Civic Circle, Suite 514, Amarillo, TX. 79109, or to the High Plains Children's Home, P.O. Box 7448, Amarillo, TX. 79114.

# Floyd County Church Directory

## AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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

810 S. 3rd, Floydada  
Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
983-5278  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada  
Armando Morales, Pastor  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## CARR'S CHAPEL

Service Every Sunday:  
Morning Worship..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 10:30 a.m.  
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## CHURCH OF CHRIST

West College & Third, Lockney  
Steve McLean - Minister  
Morning Worship.... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:30 p.m.  
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## CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

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

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

Floydada  
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor  
Early Worship..... 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship... 10:50 a.m.  
Youth (Sunday)..... 5:00 p.m.  
Youth (Wednesday)... 7:30 p.m.  
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## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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

Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister  
Bible Study..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:30 p.m.  
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## MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
401 N 12th St (983-5805)  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Study... 7:00 p.m.  
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## NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
(806) 637-0430  
Sunday Singing..... 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
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## OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

310 E. Mississippi  
Floydada  
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor  
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader  
Sunday Bible..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Praise.... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Praise..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Worship..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

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

Lockney  
Jesus Caballero, Pastor  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada  
Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 10:55 a.m.  
Evening Worship.... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Evening..... 6:00 p.m.  
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## SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Joe Weldon, Pastor  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

## TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD

701 W. Missouri  
Andy Rodriguez  
983-5286 (church)  
983-3047 (parsonage)  
Sunday School..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship.... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m.  
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## ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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

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

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

500 W. Houston  
Floydada  
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor  
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor  
983-5499 or 983-2887  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship... 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday..... 7:00 p.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Providence Community on FM 2301 293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister  
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.  
\*\*\*\*\*

## WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Floydada 983-3548  
Sunday Worship.... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening..... 5:00 p.m.

**American State Bank**  
Member FDIC  
217 W. California  
983-3725

**Goen & Goen Insurance**  
102 E. California  
983-3524

**Barwise Gin**  
Barwise Community  
983-2737

**Lockney Co-op Gin**  
652-3377

**Tastee Burger**  
116 North Main  
652-2630

**Oden Chevrolet Inc.**  
221 S. Main, Floydada  
983-3787

**Clark Pharmacy**  
320 N. Main - Lockney  
652-3353

**Payne Family Pharmacy**  
200 S. Main, Floydada  
983-5111

**Davis Lumber**  
102 E. Shubet  
Lockney  
6523385

**Pay-n-Save**  
210 N. Main  
Lockney  
652-2293

**Sawaya Ins. Agency**  
120 E. 7th Street  
Plainview  
293-1318

**Schacht Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts**  
112 W. Poplar, Lockney  
652-2385

**Lighthouse Electric Coop**  
703 A Matador Hwy  
983-2814

**Sunshine Pump**  
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Box 266, Lockney  
983-5087 - 774-4412  
(Mobile)

**Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon**  
Floydada - Lockney  
983-3737 - 652-3318

## BBB Investigates Alleged 'Plumber'

Contact: Nan Campbell, president@southplains.bbb.org, 1.800.687.7890, ext. 229

As the result of a recent investigation by Better Business Bureau of the South Plains (BBB) with help from an elderly South Plains consumer and Det. David Henderson of the Lubbock Police Department, Tommy Newton, of LUBBOCK CREATIVE CONCEPTS, was indicted by the Lubbock County Grand Jury on May 20 for theft of an elderly person.

BBB files indicate that Mr. Newton has been known to be connected with several different companies over the past twelve years including "T-N-T Construction," "Tommy Newton Roofing," "Solar King Insulation Of Texas" and "Attic Doctor." Files indicate BBB has requested confirmation of the information we do have plus basic background information from Mr. Newton on several occasions, but BBB has not received a response. This company's current BBB rating is F.

"In recent years, consumers have called BBB to ask about Mr. Newton and when appropriate,

the consumers were advised that the only way we could help was for them to file a formal complaint," stated Nan Campbell, president of BBB that services 18 counties of the South Plains.

"In March, our 89 year old widow came to the BBB offices with a story that was absolutely unbelievable, but true and because she was willing to assist us, we decided to investigate." In short, our complainant paid Mr. Newton \$3450 for fixing a plumbing problem that he said she had. She knew who he was from a previous time he did some painting at her house, so she "trusted" him. She noticed her water was off and he told her that she had some stoppage and that he needed to lay new pipe and when asked if he needed a permit, he said that he wasn't going into the alley, so he didn't need one. He dug a ditch from her house out to the area of the fence and laid new pipe in and before she knew it, it was covered up and her water was back on.

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includes fact sheets and descriptive charts to help explain this program's provisions and calculations.

August 14, 2009 is the deadline to elect and enroll in ACRE for the 2009 Crop Year. Note that once a producer elects to participate in ACRE, the farm is no longer eligible for the regular Direct and Counter-cyclical Program through the 2012 Crop Year, the last year covered by the 2008 Farm Bill.

Producers should carefully evaluate their participation in ACRE. Payments in ACRE are made only when both state and farm-level triggers are met. By participating in ACRE, producers elect to forgo counter-cyclical payments, receive a 20-percent reduction in direct payments and a 30-percent reduction in loan rates.

For more information about your options under ACRE and other new Farm Bill programs, contact the Floyd County FSA at 806-983-3763 to schedule an appointment.

### Grads... continued from page 5

South Plains College.

Dillon Chesshir - From Floydada, Dillon was given the Floyd County Stock Show Association Scholarship and the Dewane Franklin Memorial Scholarship. He also earned a \$3000 Carr Scholarship from Angelo State University. From South Plains College, Dillon earned 31 college hours.

Colton Covington - Colton has received the Masonic Lodge Award, the Dylan Thomas Athletic Memorial Scholarship, the Tanner Sue Memorial Scholarship, and the Adrian and Ann Helms Memorial Scholarship. Colton earned 20 hours from South Plains.

Bailey Davenport - Bailey has been awarded the Association of Texas Professional Educators Award, The Daughters of American Revolution Scholarship, the Floydada Lions Club Award, the 4-H Gold Star Award, and the Farris Family Memorial Scholarship. From Texas Tech, Bailey has received scholarships totaling \$24,500. Bailey earned 25 hours from South Plains and 3 hours from the Advance Placement Program.

Chad Davis - Floydada has awarded Chad the Dylan Thomas Athletic Memorial Scholarship, the Thomas Warren Memorial Scholarship, and the Justin Robinson Memorial Scholarship. Chad also earned 9 hours from South Plains College.

Tyler Derryberry - Tyler has been given the Floyd County Stock Show Association Scholarship, the Russell Wood Memorial Scholarship, the Tanner Sue Memorial Scholarship and the Thomas Warren Memorial Scholarship. From South Plains College, Tyler has received a \$500 Scholarship where he also earned 9 college hours. Tyler was awarded a scholarship that was started this year to honor two former Floydada ISD employees, Al and Sally Galloway.

Al and Sally Galloway were associated with the Floydada School System for 30 years. Al as a vocational arts teacher and Sally as a secretary and then as a librarian. Both Al and Sally fervently believed that all children deserved a chance to fulfill their dreams, and that a solid education was the means to achieve that fulfillment. It is to honor Al and Sally and their ideals that their family and friends established the Al and Sally Galloway Memorial Scholarship.

Robert Finley - Robert was awarded the Bob and Nina Copeland Memorial Scholarship. Robert earned 20 hours from South Plains College.

Aarrhon Flores - Aarrhon has received the Dylan Thomas Athletic Memorial Scholarship, the Richard Marler Memorial Scholarship, and the Bill Gray Memorial Scholarship. From West Texas A&M University, Aarrhon has earned a full athletic scholarship in football and track.

Connie Garcia - Connie was awarded the Thomas Warren Memorial Scholarship. From South Plains College Connie earned 14 hours.

Lashay Gooch - Lashay has been awarded a scholarship from

the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department. She earned 8 hours from South Plains College.

Adrianna Hernandez - Adrianna earned a Floydada Band Booster Scholarship and earned 6 hours from South Plains College.

Dusty Hicks - Dusty earned the AW Coltharp Memorial Scholarship locally and earned 23 college hours from South Plains.

Elda Lopez - Elda earned the Floydada Rotary Club Award. She also earned 3 college hours.

Rallo Mercado - Rallo was awarded the Jim & Dorothy Word Memorial Scholarship and the Floydada Rotary Club Award. From West Texas A&M University, Rallo earned a \$5000 Scholarship and from South Plains College, Rallo earned 26 college hours.

Sean Miller - Sean received the Al & Sally Galloway Memorial Scholarship and the Floydada Band Boosters John Phillip Sousa Award. Texas Tech awarded Sean a \$30,000 scholarship. This year Sean earned 26 hours from South Plains College and 24 hours from the Advanced Placement program.

Titus Miller - Titus received the Mike Marble Memorial Scholarship and the Cade Miller Memorial Scholarship. From West Texas A&M University, Titus received a \$14,000 scholarship and earned 29 hours from South Plains College.

Nikki Nino - Nikki was awarded the 1956 Study Club Scholarship and the Thomas Warren Memorial Scholarship. Nikki earned 29 college hours from South Plains College.

Ariel Peralez - Ariel received the Lauren Powell Memorial Scholarship and the Masonic Lodge Award. Ariel earned 8 college hours from South Plains College.

Valerie Perez - Valerie was given the Ann Swepton Memorial Scholarship and earned 3 college hours from South Plains.

Jennifer Rainwater - Jennifer was awarded the AE Baker Memorial Scholarship and the Adrain and Ann Helms Memorial Scholarship. Jennifer also earned 20 hours from South Plains College.

Laken Reedy - Laken was awarded a Floydada Band Booster Scholarship, the Association of Texas Professional Educators Award and earned 3 college hours from South Plains College. Laken was awarded the Floydada High School Memorial Scholarship in honor of these people:

Isreal Martinez, Ann Reedy, Robert Ward, Paul Lloyd, Chris Sanchez, Francis Puckett Shepard, Al Galloway, Leroy and Marie Baker, Adrain Helms, Tim Simpson, Beth Atkinson, Scott Faulkenberry, Johnny West, Julio Gomez, Scott Salazar, Eugene Linch and Bill Gray.

Byron Smith - Byron has earned the Richard Marler Memorial Scholarship and the Bill Gray Memorial Scholarship. Byron earned 9 college hours from South Plains.

Whitley Walker - Whitley was awarded the AW Coltharp Memorial Scholarship and earned 15 hours from South Plains. Whitley also earned a \$1000 scholarship from South Plains College and a National FFA Foundation Scholarship for \$2,500.

Lindsey Wells - Lindsey was given the 1956 Study Club Scholarship and earned 35 hours from South Plains College.

Brett Whalen - Brett received the Lions Club Award and the Charles Ogden Memorial Scholarship. Brett also earned 18 hours from South Plains College.

Other students earning outside scholarships and college hours were:

Luis Foster - \$9000 scholarship from DeVry University.

Isaac Mata - Earned 11 hours.

Everado Rodriguez - Earned 11 hours.

Sonia Salinas - Earned 8 hours.

A total of \$18,900 in scholarship money was given locally and \$91,500 in scholarship money was offered to our students from sources outside of Floydada. This class has earned a total of 525 college and advanced placement hours.

Thanks  
For  
Reading

### Students... continued from page 5

following academic year, Agri-Techsans must be nominated by either a faculty member or a current Agri-Techsan, maintain a minimum 3.0 grade point average, and be a full-time student in Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Bobbitt indicates that the selection process is rigorous, including nomination and application phases followed by an appearance before a selection committee comprised of the college's student services center staff and graduating Agri-Techsans.

"Only those students with an interest in and enthusiasm for the promotion of CASNR, its programs, and its students are selected," she said.

Earlier this year, the Agri-Techsans earned national recognition at the National Agriculture Ambassadors Conference in Huntsville, where they were named winners of the organization's "Excellence in Recruitment and Retention Award" on Jan. 6.

"I have no doubt that the 2009-2010 Agri-Techsans will perform just as well, if not better, than their predecessors," Bobbitt said. "I look forward to working with each of them over the next year."

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or stroke. On the other hand, Helen said that HDL is known as "good" cholesterol because its function is to remove excess cholesterol and take it back to the liver where it can be reused to make new VLDL or into water products.

Helen stressed that it was important for people to know their cholesterol numbers: less than 200 mg/dL total cholesterol was desirable, optimal LDL should be less than 100 mg/dL and HDL should be high (normal HDL ranges from 40-59 mg/dL). Helen said that cholesterol screening is used to assess an individual's risk of heart disease, especially with evidence of heart disease, diabetes, and/or high blood pressure. Helen also said that individuals with a family history of high cholesterol, diabetes and heart disease as well as men 45 years or older and women 55 years or older should be screened.

Helen went on to say that the first step in the treatment of high cholesterol is always therapeutic lifestyle changes (TLC) which includes changes in diet, the additions of fiber to the diet, weight management and increased physical activity. However, Helen said that if TLC does not lower LDL your doctor may recommend a statin medication. Helen said that physicians prescribe statin drugs to lower bad cholesterol level (LDL) and increase good cholesterol (HDL) as well as the effectiveness of statin drugs in lowering the risk of heart disease and stroke. Helen concluded her presentation by describing various statin drugs and the most common side effects.

Some of the Hobby Club members take statin drugs and said that Helen's explanations were very helpful. After members of the group asked further questions, Donnie Bowman thanked Helen for her very informative presentation. The next Hobby Club meeting will be held Wednesday, July 8, 2009. The group plans a trip to Groom to see the giant cross and new exhibits that have been added since the group was there several years ago.

Don't  
forget our  
new  
deadline  
Friday,  
5 p.m.

## Faulkenberry named RSVP Volunteer of the Month

Wayland Faulkenberry from Floydada is the Runningwater Draw RSVP Volunteer of the Month.

Born in Paducah, Wayland moved with his family to Floydada in 1933 to farm. Wayland was the oldest of four children where he learned early the importance of taking care of others.

He graduated from Floydada High School in 1946. He farmed and then served his country as a U.S. Army Medic. After leaving the service, other work through the years included Morton's in Littlefield from 1963 - 1969 and then working for an armored car service in Lubbock. Of the 20 years he worked for the armored car service, 15 of those years he was a supervisor.

Coming home to Floydada after retiring was a blessing for the community. He is always ready to help others by taking them to doctor's appointments, the airport, or anywhere they need to go.

A friend who relies on Wayland for trips to the doctor said "He is always there for us. He is a careful driver and a caring person."

Wayland loves helping others and volunteering. He feels great about being able to do this and is thankful for his good health.

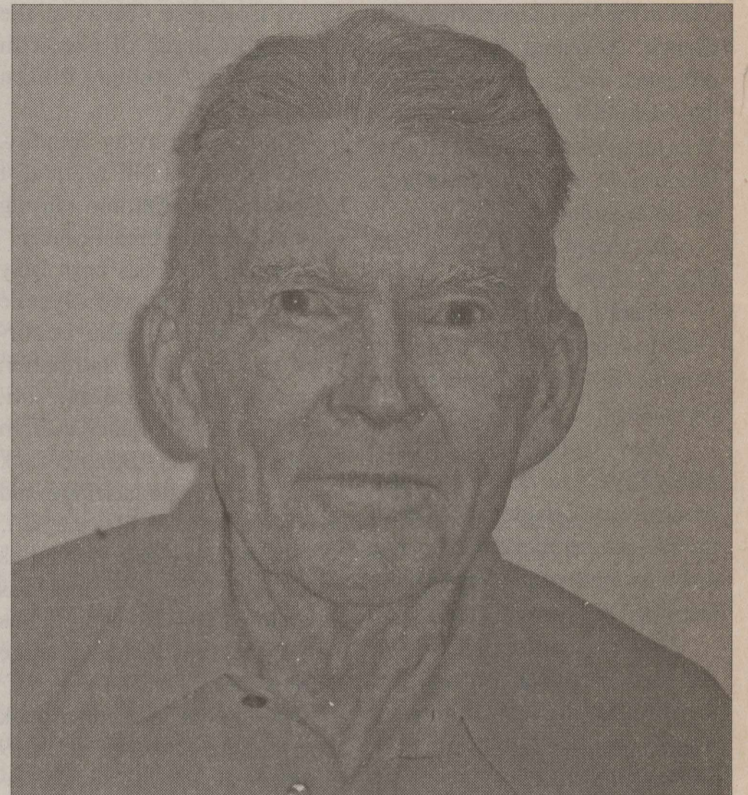
Wayland is proud of his two sons, Marty lives in Lubbock and

Ted in Florida. He is also very proud of his two grandchildren.

He is a longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Floydada and transports fellow church members to appointments, too. He enjoys gardening in the spring and summer and is always ready for a game of checkers or various card games.

Wayland is a soft spoken, hardworking, dependable and kind man who loves life. He is sincerely appreciated by the citizens of Floydada and RSVP.

Runningwater Draw RSVP is sponsored by the City of Plainview and housed by Wayland Baptist University on the Wayland campus. For more than 36 years volunteers aged 55 and over have been sharing their time, talents and knowledge for others in Floyd, Hale and Lamb counties. There is no cost to join and supplemental insurance is provided while volunteering. Call RSVP at 291-1895 for more information or come by the RSVP office at 2503 W. Eighth.



## Wheat Nursery Helps Identify Rust Disease Issues For Great Plains

CASTROVILLE - Standing as a sentinel for rust issues that can affect wheat from South Texas to Canada is a field nursery operated by Texas AgriLife Research just east of Castroville.

Dr. Jackie Rudd of Amarillo and Dr. Amir Ibrahim of College Station, both AgriLife Research wheat breeders, work with researchers from throughout the Great Plains to test varieties for rust resistance, primarily on leaves.

While Ug99, a new stem rust causing concern around the world, has garnered the most attention lately, leaf rust is actually with Texas producers every year, Rudd said. It was rated as the top disease affecting wheat statewide in a recent survey of producers.

"What we have here is a multi-state screening nursery for leaf rust, and we hope we don't have to use the same nursery for screening for stem rust, which is a serious disease that we've had a handle on for the past 50 years,"

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BBB's investigation found that there was new pipe laid in the six-inch-deep ditch, but it wasn't connected to anything. It was lying just above the original plumbing. It is also BBB's understanding that if you do anything to the plumbing whether it be in the yard, alley or wherever, you need a plumbers' license. Mr. Newton had none.

Even though BBB has received no formal complaints on Mr. Newton and his companies, files indicate consumers have complained about various work that he has done such as investing in a local company; putting insulation in an attic but produced no paperwork or receipt; blowing insulation in attic and later consumer found that only half was done; paying in advance for fence materials and workmen doing a "shoddy" job; and not finishing jobs he started. "These stories are some that BBB has been able to capture from notes and phone calls; however our complainant was the very first to actually complain to the BBB," stated Campbell.

BBB encourages consumers to check companies out BEFORE doing business by calling BBB at 806.763.0459 or 1.800.687.7890 or by visiting BBB website at: www.bbb.org

If consumers have a complaint and haven't been able to reach Mr. Newton and/or resolve their issue, they should file a complaint with BBB. It can be done online, by fax (806.744.9748) or by writing to BBB, 3333 66th St., Lubbock, TX 79413.

Ibrahim said.

Ug99 broke that 50-year resistance record when it first appeared in Africa in 1999. The rust has followed a path predicted by scientists through east Africa and now is in Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, Sudan, Yemen and Iran. This has led to concern that it might reach the U.S.

"We don't want to see it at our back doors, so we are developing a plan of action," Ibrahim said. "We have a proactive approach to deal with it."

He said they are working mainly through host-plant resistance and developing lines with good resistance to it.

"We send lines to be tested in Kenya where the disease is," Ibrahim said. "We use molecular markers to screen against it. We have varieties in the pipeline that are resistant to Ug99, and they are under seed increase. So we are ready with those resistant varieties."

He said there also is a need to develop a fungicide application package and a plan of mitigation in case this race comes to Texas and in case that longtime resistance breaks at any time.

Different types of rust diseases attack under different environments in the various wheat growing regions, Rudd said.

For the last 10 years, leaf

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dominated Ralls (18-6) 9-0 for their second win Saturday afternoon to clinch the series sweep.

Sophomore pitcher Renee Cruz stole the show in Thursday's win with a solid outing that included 13 strikeouts. The Jackrabbits also committed eight errors in the Lockney victory which attributed to eight unearned Lockney runs.

The Longhorns were down 3-2 after three innings but came back to know the game at 3-3 after four. Lockney then outscored Ralls 7-4 in the final three innings.

Angel Cruz, Chris Torres, Konner Ellison and Kyler Ellison added one hit a piece in the first game win. Jonathan Coleman, Lucas Hall and Jacob Luna each had two hits in the win.

Renee Cruz pitched all seven innings for the win.

In game 2, Luna tossed a shutout and Lockney scored nine in the lopsided, 9-0 win. Luna retired eight Jackrabbits on strikes and allowed just three Ralls hits. The Jackrabbits stranded 10 base runners in the loss. Angel Cruz, Hall, Kyler Ellison and Luna all had a hit in the win. Konner Ellison had two hits in the win.

rust has caused an average of 5 percent yield loss every year in Texas, but it generally doesn't kill the entire crop, he said. It's very important to producers to grow resistant varieties, but it is not devastating in any one year.

Stripe rust is a disease Texas didn't even have until 2001, Rudd said.

Stem rust can be even more devastating, Rudd said. It's one that doesn't just cause yield reduction, but can destroy entire fields.

The nursery at Castroville is grown to identify varieties with resistance and susceptibility, he said.

Wheat varieties such as TAM 112 do great in the High Plains because that region doesn't get leaf rust every year, but it is not recommended in the rest of Texas because it is susceptible to leaf rust and stripe rust, Rudd said.

The significant thing about South Texas is that often rust that begins there will often move up with the winds and maturity of the crop into northern Texas and into Oklahoma and all the way to Manitoba, Canada within a single season's time, Rudd said.

"So Texas often gets blamed for causing epidemics throughout the Great Plains," he said. "We have to really work hard to keep a high level of resistance in Texas, not only to protect the Texas producers, but the entire Great Plains."

The nursery at Castroville was started in 2000 by Dr. Alan Fritz, a wheat breeder at Texas A&M University at the time. It has grown from less than 1.5 acre to about 20 acres, and involves about 10 universities, mostly from the Great Plains, all looking at the leaf rust, Rudd said.

Rudd said when he started in 2002, only 20 percent of Texas A&M varieties were resistant to leaf rust.

Right now, 80 percent of the TAM material is resistant, "so we've made a lot of gains through nurseries like this."

In the area of stripe rust, a lot of ground has been gained in the last few years and most of the TAM varieties are resistant to stripe rust also, he said.

But the wheat breeders' job is not done. A resistant variety often becomes susceptible in a few years because of changes in the pathogen, Rudd said. Breeding programs are changing their strategy and beginning to breed for durable rust resistance.

The type resistance involves multiple genes and was very difficult to breed for until recent advances in molecular-marker technology, he said.