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Sheriff Seizes Cattle
Animal Cruelty Alleged

By Jim Huggins

Reporter

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office has seized approximately 120 head of cattle from property in the western part of the county following allegations of cruel treatment to the animals.

Acting on a warrant for animal seizure from Precinct 2 and 3 Justice of the Peace Kelly Dunbar, sheriff's officers, with the help of volunteer cowboys and truck drivers who wished to remain anonymous, penned and loaded the cattle in frigid temperatures Monday afternoon (December 8), for transport to a feed lot north of Lockney, where the animals will remain until a court hearing on December 17. The animals were seized from property on the Floyd-Hale county line on FM 2883.

The warrant, signed by Dunbar on December 7, directs the sheriff to seize and impound the animals and to notify the alleged owner that a hearing will be held in County Court of Floyd County within 10 days of the issuance of the warrant, to determine whether the animals have been cruelly treated and if the sheriff is ordered to sell the animals at auction.

Chief Deputy Cory Speed said the owner of the cattle, a resident of Lubbock County, would be responsible for expenses incurred in the transportation, feeding and care of the animals.

The animals are alleged to be malnourished. Neighbors reported the incident on Thursday of last week and assisted county officers in putting out hay bales to feed the cattle until the seizure warrant was obtained. Neighbors say that they seldom see anyone at the site.

At least 16 animals were dead when officers checked Monday morning, and several more were down and would probably have to be destroyed, Speed said.

Chief Deputy Speed spoke with the owner of the cows, and the owner said he would try to make it to the hearing.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins
 CATTLE LOADED - Volunteers load cattle onto trailers for transportation to a feed lot north of Lockney following allegations of animal cruelty in western Floyd County.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

4-H'er Jordan Cornelius accepts the donated Missing-In-Action/Prisoner of War Flag from Shorty Turner. This flag was donated by Elton and Sandra Turner, Floydada natives who now live in Flagstaff, AZ. Presenting the MIA-POW flag and representing Elton and Sandra are Elton's brother, Shorty Turner, his sisters, Mrs. Leroy (Loretta) Burns, Mrs. Sherman (Audeen) Irwin, and Mrs. Travis (Margie) Young. Bill Weir, VFW, J.W. Harrison Post #5616 Commander reports that Post #5616 of Floydada, Texas was named after James Walter Harrison who was the first veteran killed in action from Floydada in World War II on or about June 24, 1944. He became a POW and then moved to MIA status before records revealed his death aboard a prison ship that was sunk by friendly fire. 88,000 men and women who are still listed as POW-MIA's are reasons that Post #5616 honors the POW-MIA flag as it flies at the Floydada Veterans Memorial. YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN! The flags at the Veteran's Memorial are replaced every three months because of wear and tear from 24-hour use. Individuals wishing to donate a flag for replacement should contact Jordan or Julianne Cornelius in Floydada. The flags are returned to the previous donor when replaced.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

ALL-REGION BAND - These Lockney Junior High Band members earned places in the 2009-2010 All-Region Band. Left to right, front: Dillon DeLeon, Kameron Hunt, John Salas. Back: Jake Bramlet, Ky Teeter, Ashly Alvarado, Ricky Segovia. See story on page 4.

FISD board hears new proposal for high school roofing project

By Sara Sisemore
 Correspondent

The Floydada Independent School Board of Trustees met on Nov. 12 to discuss a new option in replacing Floydada High School's roof. Todd Fetts, representative of Vince Daddio Construction, Inc., presented the company's process of repairing badly damaged roofs. "It's not the worst school district roof I've ever seen, but it does need some help," Fetts told the board while showing them photos of the roof.

The first steps of the process, Fetts explained to the board, is to powerwash the roof, then use a fabric and a mastic to treat the standing form ridges, along with hand treating all seams and screws. Fetts said once the roof has been powercoated, power-washed, and a double coating of mastic applied, energy savings of \$7,000 a year can be seen because the coating is 87 percent reflective and becomes a fully adhered part of the roof.

A slightly different but similar process could be used on the auditorium tar and gravel roof which currently has standing water and leaks. Fetts walked the board through the process: first, the stress load is reduced on the roof by removing the gravel; poly-fabric is used along the wall, then an asphalt emulsion system is used to cover the roof in black asphalt while treating the penetration areas with white mastic.

This proposed plan would bring the entire Floydada High School roofing project to a grand total of \$206,787 (\$37,090 for the band hall wing, \$65,000 for the auditorium, \$104,697 for the standing seam section of the roof). Additionally, Fetts promised the board there's not another product out on the market that comes with a renewable warranty or that doesn't have to be removed after a certain period of time. After some discussion, the board asked Vaughn to call all of Vince Daddio Construction, Inc.'s references and table their decision until the December meeting.

Three students and two FISD staff members were honored at the beginning of the meeting. Students of the Month for November were Jacob Thomas (Duncan Elementary), Kirby Nixon (Floydada Jr. High) and Robert Casillas (Floydada High School). Support Staff of the Month was high school secretary Carlen Beedy and Educator of the Month was junior high math teacher Lori Mullens.

The purchase of interactive white boards for classrooms throughout the district was discussed. Vaughn informed the board 30 white board would be purchased with funds from the T-grant, but if the district purchased 40 they could receive a larger price break, buying 40 for the price of 33. A motion was made and unanimously approved to purchase 40 interactive white boards using T-grant funds for 30 of the boards, special education stimulus money for another five, and AARA stimulus money for December meeting.

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Courtesy Photo

GINGER MORGAN (left) is being sworn in as the new Floyd County Clerk by Floyd County Judge Penny Golightly (right). She took the oath of office at 5:15 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2009.

Lockney Scouts To Collect Food

This Saturday (December 10) at 10:30 a.m. Lockney Boy Scout Troop 259 and Cub Scout Pack 259 will be collecting food for Food For Scouting.

Please put canned food in a plastic sack on your front porch and a Scout will pick it up.

The food will stay in Lockney and go to the Salvation Army Storehouse in Lockney.

This will be the 20th year Lockney Scouts have done this. If we miss you, bring to the Salvation Army or place in front of the Scout hut.

Lockney Salvation Army Needs Coats, Blankets
 The Lockney Salvation Army desperately needs donations of blankets and coats, according to Alicia Luna, chairman of the local Salvation Army unit. All sizes of coats, for both children and adults, are needed.
 Anyone who has blankets or coats to donate is asked to call Ms. Luna at the Salvation Army Store, 652-3770, or her cell phone, 283-6452.

OPINIONS



The Paperboy

By Christopher Blackburn

Healing, Shopping and Irony

My wife Sharon reached a milestone in her road to recovery Monday afternoon. After over two months, her central line was removed and she no longer has to receive her antibiotics via IV.

It was an immediate boost to her psychological well-being. It was to mine too!

Again, thanks to all of you who've had us in your thoughts and prayers. It has made a tremendous difference in our lives and has given Sharon the will and the strength to heal.

Christmas will be here before you know it. Keep in mind that there are local retailers with great merchandise to sell.

Your neighbors rely on local sales to make ends meet and they need your support!

We all look forward to a day-trip to a larger town to get some shopping out of the way. There is nothing wrong with that. But, keep in mind the items you can get locally. That's all local merchants ask. Give them a chance!

Sometimes our weather can be brutal. If you've been outside the past couple of days, you know what I mean.

Tuesday, I knew it was slick when I went to start my truck to take my son to school. Our back steps were treacherous.

When I came in to get my son for school, I warned him of how slick it was. As soon as he hit the top step he went down hard. We made it to school though.

Later, I was getting out of my truck when I went down. Guess it's a good thing Sharon is getting better because I'm hurting from my neck to my right foot.

Anyone tired of our "leaders" never leading by example?

Somewhere in the neighborhood of 100 world leaders are meeting in Copenhagen to try and rob us of more of our money at the climate summit.

So far, with the event underway, Copenhagen is expecting 140 private jets and 1,200 limos. Isn't that ironic?

How about you fly commercial and take the train to the summit. That might actually start to convince me that there is a problem.

The fact is when it was proven the planet was actually cooling, they dropped the term global warming for climate change. News-flash, this is a planet - the climate has been changing for billions of years and will continue to do so until it is consumed by our sun in a few more billion years.

I implore you, dear readers, to check your own sources and find out the truth about climate change and other major topics concerning us. To take what the mainstream media tells you as gospel is a dangerous way to form an educated opinion.

Don't be afraid to ask questions and get the facts. The truth shall set you free!

I've been a Tiger Woods fan since he was a boy and I first heard about him on "That's Incredible." It's rough to watch the circus his life has become since Thanksgiving night.

I'm disappointed in Tiger because I have a big problem with infidelity. I really don't know what to think about the situation other than the man has lacked the proper discipline in certain areas.

Along with so many other athletes and celebrities, Tiger will now be known for plenty of other things besides being the greatest golfer in history.

What will be most interesting to me will be how he plays now. It's a new ball game for him as he has never been the butt of every new joke coming down the pike.

When my wife asked me if I thought his endorsement deals were in trouble, I responded by saying that there are plenty of products out there for Tiger. Perhaps he can endorse a condom company for times when "You're on the prowl like a Tiger!"

I know that was terrible...

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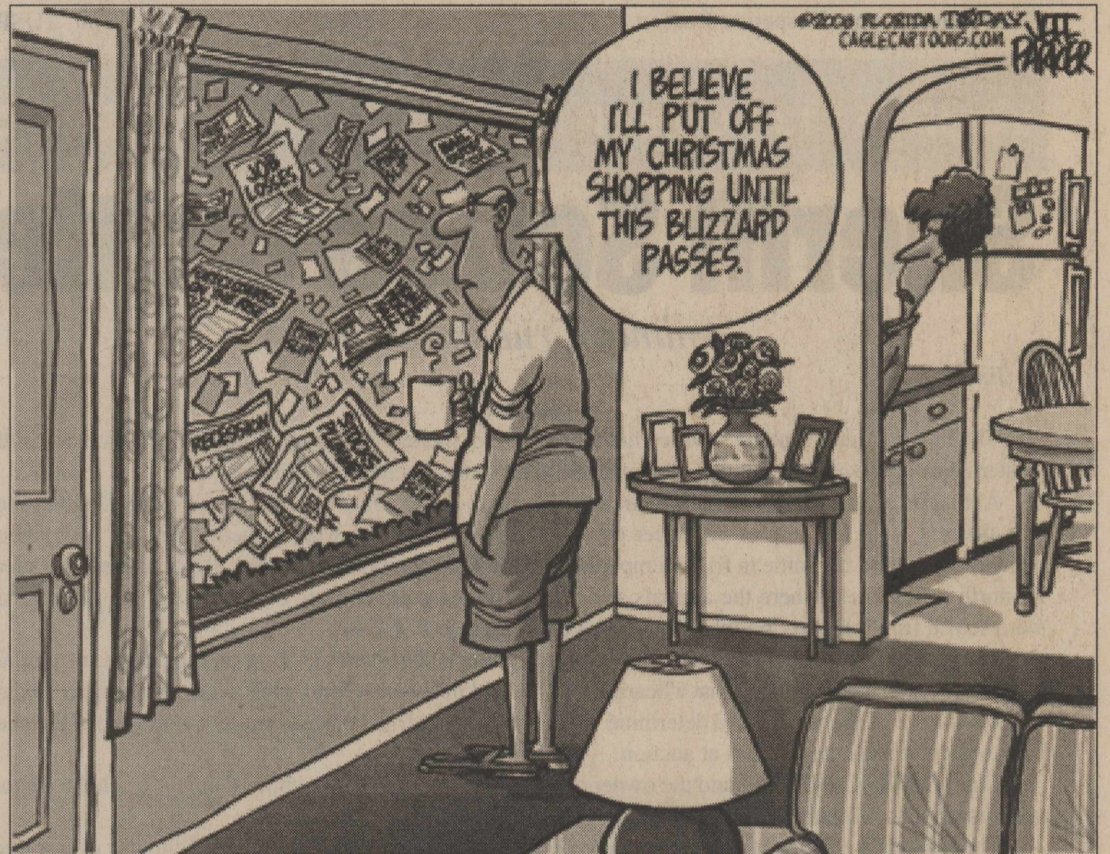
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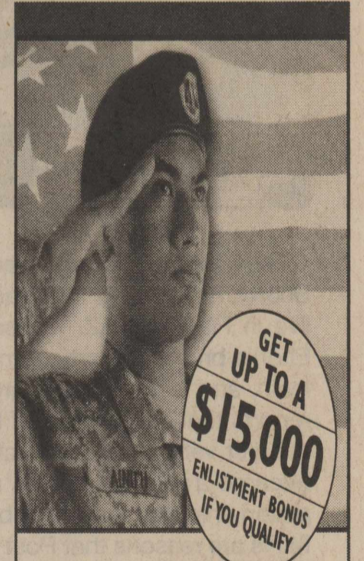
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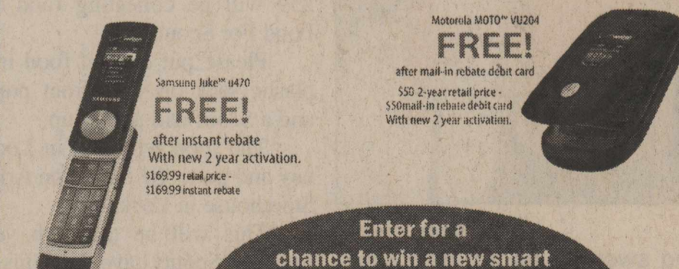
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VJ's News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Hello everyone!!! Here's your letter from home this week. Last week I missed writing it but now I am all well so am writing you what little news I have. I thought to myself you know this might be a good time for me to retire again, but I received the sweetest email message from Courtlyn Long who is going to college in Lubbock and also works there. She said she works with two guys from Lubbock and they read her Beacon all the time and especially V.J.'s News and how much they all appreciate and like it. Well Courtlyn and guys, how could I retire after that sweet compliment?

I called Wanda today and asked how the Center did this week and she said just fine. I then told her I had heard a rumor that she was retiring. She said yes in May when school was out and grandson Blake graduated and went off to college. I told her thank goodness she was staying through May. She then said she told the board this early so they could be accepting applications from people who would like to take her place in June. I don't even like to think of the idea of her leaving. The Center also has been having heater problems. If it isn't one thing it is another that costs money. Just like at home.

The Center had some visitors from Floyd, a little town close to Greenville, and they were Don and Beryle Butler, cousins of Geneva Barclay and Gene Brotherton. Then later when I talked with Geneva she told me they had a great time while the cousins were here and they all went and had supper at the Rocking R in Plainview. Also Geneva and Gene's brother Sonny Sutton and wife Lois joined them at the Rocking R.

Geneva also told me she had 30 people at her house for Thanksgiving, her four children, Jessie, Bobbie, Wilma and Jerry Don, and some of her grandchildren.

I went to daughter Becky, Steve and J.W.'s for Thanksgiving. Other guests were Gay and Gale McPherson, David and Dar Lee Foster and children Will and Addie.

Thanksgiving evening Louie came in and watched the ballgame with me while Cynthia went and opened her store "Heart's Desire" from 4-6 for women to come shop while their husbands were watching football. It was a good idea for the ladies and Cynthia too.

Bobby and Mervean Carthel had all their children and most of their grandchildren for Thanksgiving. They had a great time eating and visiting before the grandsons started their Thanksgiving ritual of putting up Christmas lights on the house and everywhere that Bobby and Mervean can't get to anymore.

Now when you go to Farwell you must to go the "Apple Shack," which is now owned by Tammy Carthel Mitchell. Not only do they have every kind of an apple product there but gift baskets of everything. She will fix an individual gift basket with whatever you want in it. Fresh apple pies, pecan pies, etc made by her daughters-in-law from Clovis. Tammy's husband Randy spends most of his time in their apple shed on the apple peeler getting the apples ready for the girls to make their pies. I can hardly wait to go to Farwell to see the "Apple Shack"

This past weekend was the opening of pheasant season. This town was full of hunters in their pickups. Saturday morning the Lutheran Church fed over 120 for breakfast. Then Louie and Martin and their friends and relatives cooked brisket, sausages, beans, French fries and cobbles, etc. for the hunters. They fed way over a hundred in the Stoerner barn on highway 788 a couple of miles west of the Providence elevator. I went out for the dinner and visited with so many of our friends who came out when Donnie was cooking. There are now a new generation of cooks and hunters. My daughter Dara of Plano came with her son Clint and daughter Irelyn of McKinney. Grandson Tyler Bybee and wife Amy of Austin and his boss Tim of Round Rock, my niece Fredda

Schafer's daughter Lelo and husband Ed Holt of Abilene. Saturday night we were all together at Becky and Steve's. Louie and Bryan came in too Also Cynthia when she closed the store. It was two years Saturday since Donnie had passed away and I thought what a blessing it is to have my children and friends to all be together.

Barbara and Joe Cunyus had 30 here Saturday and Sunday hunting. All four sons came and their children who are all grown up now. Barbara cooked a big pot of stew and chili for them and home made bread. I bet those guys would come to get Barb's food even if they didn't plan on hunting. Ha!!!!

There are some people who are sick and need to be kept on our prayer list. They are Denny Quisenberry who is at home recovering from gall bladder surgery. Pat Frizzel who is out of ICU and is back to taking his treatments. Also Sandy Bailey, Wanda and Lynn Ray Smith's daughter, who continues to fight her cancer and Susan English who continues to fight her cancer also

Our sympathy is with the Jack Isom family on the loss of his 94 year old sister Helen Strickland Wednesday in Coleman. Also Jack is scheduled to have a procedure done soon so please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Thought for the day is part of an email I received recently: "Just a line to say I'm living, that I'm not among the dead, although I'm getting more forgetful and mixed up in the head. I've gotten used to my arthritis, to my dentures I am resigned, I can manage my bifocals, but, oh dear, I miss my mind." How true!!!!

MENU

- December 14-18
- Monday: baked potato
- Tuesday: barbecue on bun
- Wednesday: turkey and dressing
- Thursday: soup and cornbread
- Friday: fish



LOOK WHO'S NEW

Angel Cortez and Melissa DeLuna of Lockney proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Adyson Marie Cortez, born at 1:32 a.m. November 19, 2009 at Covenant Hospital in Plainview. She weighed five pounds, 15.6 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Louisa Flores of Lockney, Joel and Sandy Rodriguez of Lockney, and Raymon Cortez of Floydada.

Great-grandparents are Teodoro and Angelina Flores of Lockney, Nick and Rachel Montez of Plainview, Mary DeLuna of Austin, Manuel and Alice Rodriguez of Plainview, and Fernando and Gabriela Cortez of Lockney.

Great-great-grandparents are Lorenza Montez and Maria Padilla.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

AT THE HEALTH FAIR - Mika Perales, four-year-old daughter of Orfa Perales of Lockney, is fingerprinted by Mary Lou Luna of Mangold Memorial Hospital Medical Records Department during the hospital's Health Fair last Saturday in Lockney.

Museum News

By Dorothy Turner

Christmas is well on the way at the Museum. Decorations are up and gifts are available.

We now have the book LONE STAR WILDFLOWERS by Willa F. Finley, a native of Floydada, Texas, who has worked in agriculture research and in agribusiness in the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Africa.

Now residing in Lubbock, Texas, she is senior researcher in agricultural economics for LMC International in Oxford, UK, and participates in development projects in Africa. Her photography has received international recognition. Willa shares authorship of

this book with LaShara J. Nieland, a native of Big Spring, who now lives in Odessa. LaShara is now retired and continues to pursue her interest in wildflower photography.

Carolyn Cunningham has graciously brought more of her nativity scenes and placed them at the museum for all to enjoy. These have not been displayed here previously.

Drop by and finish your shopping for the Keep Texas Beautiful Christmas ornaments, commemorative Floyd County Coins, books about Coronado, and to just browse.

1950 STUDY CLUB

By Margaret Jones

The 1950 Study Club met for its December meeting in the home of Margaret Jones on December 1 at 5:30 p.m. President Lovene Moore called the meeting to order and asked Gloria Fannon to open the meeting with prayer. Roll call was answered by members telling their favorite Christmas song.

In the absence of Billie Jordan (program hostess for the evening) Carolyn Cheek introduced the Christmas program for the December meeting. Floydada's own, talented, Gayla Griffin has recently organized a group of singing ladies from the First Baptist Church, and six were present to sing Christmas carols. The group consisted of Carolyn Cheek, Margaret Jones, Janet Lloyd, Kathy Ross, Mary Sanders and Jenni Su Smith. During the program club members were asked to join the singers and pair-up to sing Christmas songs while playing the hand-chimes. Laughter filled the room as notes and voices floated upward. A fun time was enjoyed by all.

Following the program, guests and members enjoyed

refreshments served by the hostesses for the evening, Sue Lovell, Doris McLain and Margaret Jones.

A short business meeting followed as members were asked to turn in their list of names that will appear in the December issue of the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon under the heading of The 1950 Study Club Christmas page wishing everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Members present were Joy Assiter, Carolyn Cheek, Carlyn Crawford, Sue Daniels, Geneile Evans, Gloria Fannon, Fern Hartsell, Margaret Jones, Sue Lovell, Lovene Moore, and Shirley Morton. Guests present were Gayla Griffin, Janet Lloyd, Kathy Ross, Mary Sanders and Jenni Su Smith.

The next meeting will be January 3, 2010. The program hostess is Sandy Forehand introducing Katrina Gooch and the topic for the evening is KNOWLEDGE - EMERGENCY SERVICE. Hostesses for the meeting will be Geneile Evans and Betty Baker.

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By Margaret Soudelier

The Center is located at 301 E. Georgia Street and is open Monday through Friday. If you are 60 or older, come eat lunch with your friends and neighbors. If you need more information about the Center, call Sylvia at 983-2032.

The Center is beginning to look like Christmas. All the tables have colorful Christmas table covers and miniature Christmas trees for table decoration. The trees were donated by Sue Daniels.

Jo Lyles had Thanksgiving dinner with her daughter, Lori, her son, Gary of Arlington and grandchildren, Jeremy and Tona.

Lafaun Smith had Thanksgiving dinner with her children in the home of Carlon and Randy Beedy along with Nancy and Rance Young of Silverton. The grandchildren present were Ragan and Charlie Beedy, Tyler, Jenny and Tanner Young.

Bill Gilbreath has had visitors in his home from November 26th until December 4th. Both of

his son's families were here in Floydada for Thanksgiving day. Gary and Wanda spent the whole week with him. There were several grandkids and great-grandkids. They played games, had plenty of food and did a lot of visiting.

Tommie Rowen had Thanksgiving dinner in her home with her sons, Johnnie of Canyon and Earl and wife, Brenda of Floydada along with granddaughter, Katie and Jordan. Tommie said they all had a good time.

Ruby Gooch had Thanksgiving dinner with Darrell and Katrina Gooch and family.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Gene Arwine.

If you feel a need to make a memorial donation to the Center, you can mail it to Floydada Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235 or bring it to the Center at 301 E. Georgia Street in Floydada.

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

Thought for the Week - We are all pilgrims on the same journey - but some pilgrims have better road maps.

MENU

- December 14 - December 18
- Monday - Tostadas, rice, salad, pumpkin crunch

- Tuesday - Fried fish, coleslaw, pinto beans, cornbread, cake
- Wednesday - Chicken fajitas, pinto beans, rice, cobbler
- Thursday - Stew, pinto beans, cornbread, pudding
- Friday - Green chili chicken, carrots, corn, roll, sopapilla

Please join our family in congratulating **BOBBY AND NANCY WELBORN** on their **50th wedding anniversary** **December 31, 2009**. Celebrate this special time with them by sending a card or note to P.O. Box 1, New Deal, Texas 79350. Your card will be given to them on that special day.

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Love, Ginger Morgan



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

LITTLE LONGHORNS – Lockney Elementary School students of the week. Left to right, front: Tony Hernandez, Yanelle Bernal, Gabriella Nicole Cervantes, Mikia Collins. Middle: Ramiro Martinez, Ricky Cuellar, Julian Medellin, Austin Ascensio, Andrew Sanchez, Sebastian Perez. Back: Maria Palomin, Stetson Lane, Alma Mendez, Lajohntae English, Tea Lopez, Hanna Casias.

Lady Horns Third At Nazareth Tourney

By Coach Keegan Reynolds

The Lockney Lady Horns traveled to Nazareth this past weekend to participate in their invitational tournament. The Lady Horns played well to clinch a third place trophy. The Lady Horns defeated Claude Thursday, got beat by Krum Friday, and beat Dimmit Saturday.

Claude-Bethany Wilson 18, Devin Caballero

3, Sunny Williams 4, Malory Johnson 1, SyAnn Foster 4, Lezlie Jackson 6, Kortney Williams 12.

Krum-Bethany Wilson 11, Devin Caballero 7, Malory Johnson 15, SyAnn Foster 4, Lezlie Jackson 2, Kortney Williams 14.

Dimmit-Bethany Wilson 22, Devin Caballero 5, Malory Johnson 9, SyAnn Foster 5, Lezlie Jackson 2, Anissa Reyna 6, Kortney Williams 4.

LJHS Girls Beat Ralls

By Coach Laura Dunn

The Lockney Junior High girls' basketball teams played the Ralls Rabbits Monday, November 30 at Ralls. The eighth grade won 42-13 with Tanae Ramos scoring 12 points and Heather Fierros 2. The seventh grade won 26-11 with Kennedy Hallmark scoring 8 and Ashley Roberts 4.

Coach Laura Dunn said "These girls worked hard on defense, which we have really been emphasizing in practice. They also worked on offensive plays we have been going over to get ready for the Slaton tournament December 3, 4 and 5. Both teams really came together as a team, both offensively and defensively, to get the wins."

LJHS Band Members Earn All-Region Honors

Seven members of the Lockney Junior High School Band earned places in the 2009-2010 All-Region Band in tryouts on Saturday, December 5 at Shallowater Middle School. They were Ricky Segovia, clarinet; Ashly Alvarado, clarinet; Kameron Hunt, first chair trumpet; Ky Teeter, trombone; Dillon DeLeon, percussion; Jake Bramlet, percussion; and John Salas, percussion.

The All-Region Band will perform a concert at the Lubbock Civic Center on January 30.

Lockney Junior High Girls Play In Slaton Tournament

By Coach Laura Dunn

Lockney Junior High girls' basketball teams competed in the Slaton tournament December 3, 4 and 5. We were scheduled to play New Home on Thursday but due to bad weather we were not able to make the game. That put both teams on the consolation side of the bracket. On Friday, both seventh and eighth grade teams played Idalou.

The seventh grade team lost to Idalou 11-30. They played a great game against this team. Idalou was a very fast team and it was the first time we have

come up against a team this fast. We had to learn to work a little harder on controlling the ball and on defense. These girls really put forth a great effort. Dixie Williams had a great game both offensively and defensively with four points.

For the eighth grade Idalou once again was a very fast and solid team. We won 35-20. We had a great run in the fourth quarter to solidify the win. These girls really showed great

JH Tournament...
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Tulia Edges JV Boys

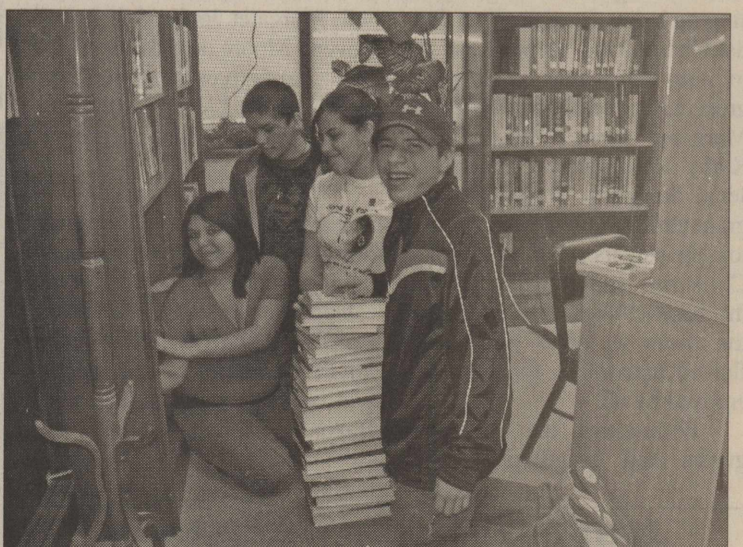
By Coach Jeff Dunn

The LHS junior varsity boys' basketball team boys lost a tough one, 29-27, at Tulia on December 2. Ale Salazar and Landry Kidd led the way for Lockney with 8 points each. Landon Kidd added 5 for the Horns, and Erik Cortez scored 4.

Lockney 8th Grade Opens With Win

By Coach Jay Ragland

The Lockney 8th grade boys' basketball team opened their season November 10 against Crosbyton in Lockney. The team got off to a great start, defeating the Chiefs 41-11. Nathan Caballero led the team in scoring with 17 points. Demario Means and David Johnson scored 6 point each, Ky Teeter pitched in 5 and Mariano Alonzo added 4. The team played great defense all night long, giving up only 11 points total. It was a total team effort.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

LIBRARY HELPERS – These Lockney young people have been helping out at the Lockney Library by moving books and shelves. Left to right: Lacie Nuncio, Amos Luna, Stephanie Ontiveros, Adrian Hernandez.

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CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS ORDINANCE NO. 09-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS, TO ADOPT CITY REGULATORY AUTHORIZATION AND GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES BASED ON THE 2009 STATE AMENDMENT TO THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE KNOWN AS H. B. NO. 2553, SUBCHAPTER F, SEC. 551.401. THE AFOREMENTIONED AUTHORIZES TEXAS MUNICIPALITIES TO GOVERN THE OPERATION OF MOTORIZED CARTS (COMMONLY KNOWN AS GOLF CARTS) IN THEIR JURISDICTION TO ENSURE THE PUBLIC SAFETY AS DEEMED APPROPRIATE ACCORDING TO THE GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY TEXAS H. B. NO. 2553.

WHEREAS, Texas Transportation Code H. B. No. 2553 authorizes the governing body of a municipality to regulate and control the operation of motorized carts (golf carts only) within the City's legal boundaries and on its public streets to ensure the public safety of the community.

WHEREAS, Texas Transportation Code H. B. No. 2553, Section 551.404 sets forth specific guidelines and requirements mandating that every local municipal government under subsection (a) to abide by in governing motorized carts (golf carts only). Further, H. B. No. 2553 authorizes the governing body of a municipality to regulate and enforce other standards of operation, which may be particular to its unique situation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS.

The following words, terms and phrases when used in this Ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this Ordinance except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Driver means the person driving and having physical control over the motorized cart.

Motorized cart means those electric and gasoline powered carts, commonly referred to as golf carts, which have a minimum of three wheels and which have an attainable top speed no greater than 25 miles per hour on a paved level surface and manufactured in compliance with those federal motor vehicle safety standards for low-speed vehicles. Excluded specifically from this definition are those motorized conveyances commonly referred to as ATVs, four-wheelers, mules, and gators.

Owner means the person holding title to the motorized cart and the person required to register the motorized cart with the CITY OF FLOYDADA.

Parking area means those areas accessible to the public by motor vehicular traffic and designated for temporary parking of motor vehicles, usually in places referred to as parking lots.

Street means the public roadways of the CITY OF FLOYDADA by whatever name (e.g., road, alley, avenue, highway, route, boulevard, etc.) that:

- Has a posted speed limit of 30 miles per hour or less; and
- Provides for no more than two lanes of vehicular traffic per direction; and
- Is not designated as part of either the State or Federal highway system.

SECTION 2: REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

All motorized golf carts operated on streets and parking areas of the CITY must be registered with the CITY OF FLOYDADA Administration Office located at City Hall. A registration form will be provided for residents to print and fill in basic information. The registration form information will require the following specifics:

- Name and address of owner.
- Brand, model number, and motorized cart identification number (VIN #).
- Type of motorized cart (gasoline or electric)
- Signature of owner that cart meets equipment requirements of the State of Texas.
- Such other information, which the City may require.

Residents will have 90 days to register and bring their carts up to compliance upon the ratification date of this ordinance, and corresponding public notices posted on City interior and exterior bulletin boards.

SECTION 3. TRANSFER.

Upon transfer of ownership of the motorized cart to a person who

intends to operate it over authorized streets and parking areas, the new owner must register the motorized cart as outlined in Section 2.

SECTION 4. ELECTRIC AND GASOLINE MOTORIZED CART REQUIRED EQUIPMENT.

Every motorized cart must be equipped as mandated by the Texas Transportation Code, H. B. No. 2553 Section 551.404 Subsection (a) and/or required by the CITY OF FLOYDADA the following:

- Operational headlamps;
- Operational tail lamps;
- Reflectors;
- Operational parking brake
- Rearview mirror (s)

SECTION 5. OPERATION REGULATIONS.

- The CITY OF FLOYDADA'S authorized minimum age of a motorized cart driver unaccompanied by an adult shall be sixteen (16) years of age and have a valid driver's license. A driver less than the age of sixteen (16) years must have a valid permit issued by the Department of Public Safety or the driver's State's equivalent department. All drivers of motorized carts shall abide by all traffic regulations applicable to vehicular traffic when using the authorized streets and parking areas of the City.
- Motorized carts shall not be operated on sidewalks at any time.
- All motorized carts are entitled to a full use of a lane on the authorized streets and parking areas of the City and no motor vehicle shall be driven in such a manner as to deprive any motorized cart of the full use of a lane.
- No driver shall operate a motorized cart between lanes of traffic or between adjacent lines of rows of vehicles.
- The driver of a motorized cart with a current and valid Texas driver's license operating the cart on a street (as defined herein) can cross a multi-lane, county, state or federal routes.

SECTION 6. LIABILITY.

Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as an assumption of liability by the CITY OF FLOYDADA for any injuries to persons, pets, or property, which may result from the operation of a motorized cart by a registered or authorized driver.

Registered owners are fully liable and accountable for the actions of any individual that they provide permission to operate and drive said motorized cart, both on personal and/or City and public properties. This described liability responsibility especially applies to personal injuries or property damage resulting from motorized cart drivers who are minors under the age of 21 with or without a current and valid driver's license.

SECTION 7. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

Enforcement of this ordinance may be enforced by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and by any authorized code enforcement official as specified by the City Mayor. Any person who violates the terms of this Ordinance is subject to penalties as follows:

In addition to any traffic violations committed by the driver of the motorized cart pursuant to Texas Law, the registered owner of the motorized cart shall be subject to the following civil penalties if found in violation:

- Failure of a resident golf cart owner to register cart with the City is subject to a citation and fine no less than \$200.00 and if not timely paid (within 30 days) the fine will be doubled and applied as a lien on owner's or resident's property until remittance is made.
- Failure to equip properly current or newly acquired motorized golf carts with the state required headlamps, tail lamps, reflectors, and rearview mirror (s) shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00 due within 30 days of citation. If not paid within said time period the fine will be doubled and applied as a lien on owner's or resident's property until remittance is made.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the CITY COUNCIL of the CITY OF FLOYDADA, Texas, this 17th day of November, 2009.

APPROVED:

Bobby Gilliland-Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen Lawson, TRMC/CMC

City Secretary

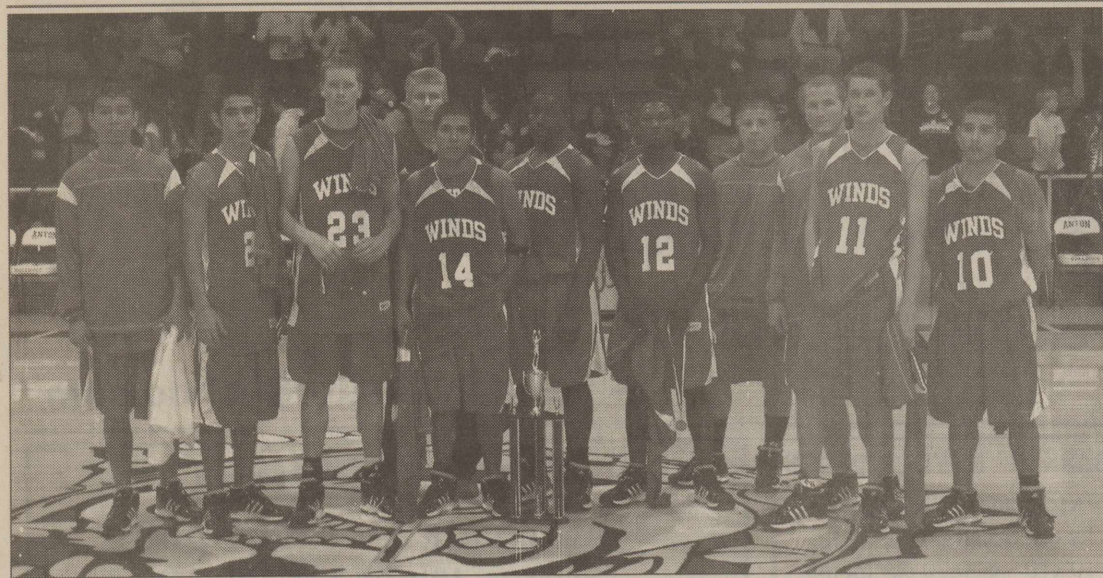
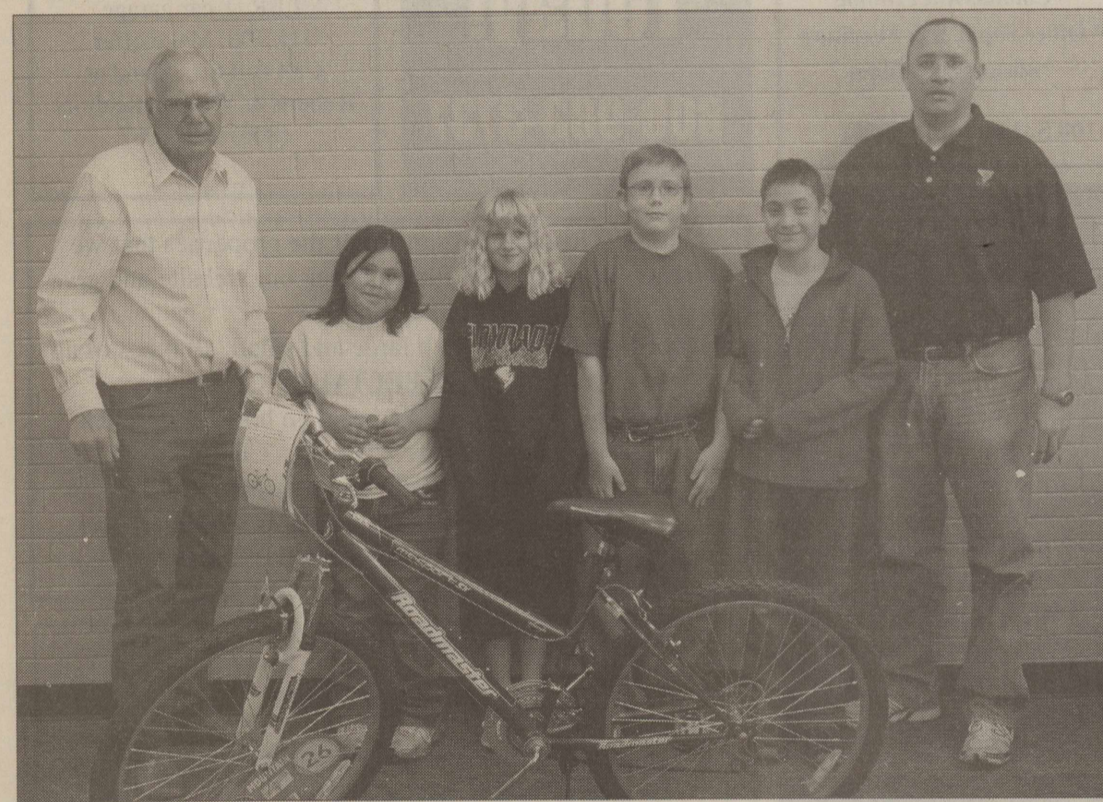


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THE FLOYDADA WHIRLWINDS CAPTURED a 2nd place trophy at the 47th annual Anton Tournament. Joseph Segura and Bryson Session received All-Tournament honors. The Winds defeated Sundown on Thursday by a score of 67 to 34 with Segura leading the scoring with 20. David Diaz added 14 and Jordan Cornelius 10 for Floydada. On Friday, the Winds played Post notching a 59 to 34 win. Segura again led the scoring with 15, Session put in 9, and Diaz added 8. The host team, Anton, used a hot shooting 4th quarter to overcome an 8-point deficit against the Winds in the championship game on Saturday night. The 60-72 loss was the first of the year for the Winds to go with four victories. Session led the Winds with 14 points, Cornelius had 12, Diaz 11, Segura 10 and Lipham 7. The Whirlwinds will be traveling to New Deal for the Mean Green Tournament on December 10-12.



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MR. WAYLAND JONES (left) PRESENTED bikes and a gold Rotary coin to the students at A.B. Duncan Elementary for having Perfect Attendance. Students receiving the awards for the 1st Six Weeks were Corban Lehman and Whitney Renfro and receiving awards the 2nd Six Weeks were MaKayla Garcia and Miguel Pena. Also pictured is (far right) Mr. Gilbert Trevino, A.B. Duncan Elementary principal.



Photo Courtesy of Sara Sisemore

FISD Support Staff, Educator and Students of the Month of November were, pictured left to right (back row) Robert Casillas, Carlen Beedy, Lori Mullens; (front row) Kirby Nixon and Jacob Thomas.



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A.B. DUNCAN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS of the week for December 7, 2009 were (Back row, l-r) Serena Austin, Lilian Nieto, Esmeralda Olvera; (Back row, l-r) Chasity Cantrell, Jayvaughn Wickware, Arianna Diaz, and LeeJay Castaneda.



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DUNCAN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS of the Week for December 1, 2009 were (Front row, l-r) Ashlyn Green and Tatum Glasscock; (Back row, l-r) Kortney Campbell, Kylie Ricketts, Brooklyn Smith, Alexis Hernandez and C. J. Ramirez.

Lady Winds Win Anton Tournament

By Coach Styles

The Floydada Lady Winds basketball teams won the Anton Tournament this past weekend for the second year in a row.

The Lady Winds defeated a very good Anton team 63-58. Anton was undefeated (7-0) and ranked #8 in the state.

Anton jumped out to an early 14-4 lead in front of their home crowd. The Lady Winds battled back to only trail by one at the quarter, 14-15. The Lady Winds went on a 17-12 run in the second quarter to lead 31-27 at intermission.

The Lady Winds connected on 5-three pointers, was 8 for 8 at the free throw line and added 3-two point field goals to end the scoring.

The Lady Winds continued their 3-point arsenal connecting on four more in the third period. They took a 49-38 lead into the 4th

quarter.

Anton would not go down with a fight, like all veteran teams do. They cut the lead to 53-51. The Lady Winds would protect the ball and ice the game with 8 out of 11 from the line.

For the night, the Lady Winds connected on nine 3's, nine 2's and 18 out of 21 from the free throw line at an incredible 86%.

Scoring for Floydada was Whitley Beedy 15, Lexie Terrell 13, Megan Aleman 13, Blanca Suarez 8, Tara Hughes 6, Avery Miller 4, Brityn Helms 4. Breann Gooch, Sarah Sanders, Sara Jo Miller and Liz Suarez provided valuable minutes and contributions in winning the tournament championship.

The Lady Winds defeated Elida, New Mexico in the second round 60-45 and Morton to start the tournament 67-42.

Scoring for the Lady Winds in those two games were Sarah Sanders 6, Blanca Suarez 14, Breann Gooch 2, Avery Miller 16, Lexie Terrell 18, Tara Hughes 16, Whitley Beedy 24, Sara Jo Miller 2, Brityn Helms 3, Megan Aleman 28, Liz Suarez 2.

The Lady Winds are 10-2 for the year. Their next game will be Friday, December 11th against Sudan, the #1 ranked team in Class A. They are the defending State Champions in that division. It will be a great game.

Come out and support Floydada basketball.

Lady Winds Junior Varsity Wrapup

By Coach Eddleman

LADY WINDS JV - 37
SLATON - 30

The Floydada Lady Winds JV team played Slaton on November 24, 2009 and came out with a 37-30 win.

Scoring results are as follows: Malorie Alaniz - 9 points, Leslie Alvarado - 8 points, Amelia Gonzalez - 7 points, Elyanna Duran - 6 points, Emily Hall - 4 points, Nikki Seymour - 2 points.

LADY WINDS JV - 43
VALLEY JV - 39

The Lady Winds JV team hosted the Valley JV girls on December 3rd and won by a score of 43-39.

Scoring results are as follows: Leslie Alvarado - 20 points, Crystal Martinez - 11 points, Miriah Vargas - 5 points, Amelia Gonzalez - 3 points, Nikki Seymour - 2 points, Malorie Alaniz - 2 points.

LADY WINDS JV - 37
HALE CENTER VARSITY - 39

The Floydada Lady Winds JV team played the Hale Center Varsity girls on December 4th and came up short at the final buzzer by a score of 39-37.

Scoring results are as follows: Mariah Vargas - 9 points, Leslie Alvarado - 9 points, Malorie Alaniz - 6 points, Nikki Seymour - 4 points, Amelia Gonzalez - 3 points, Kristan Sanchez - 2 points, Crystal Martinez - 2 points, Elyanna Duran - 2 points.

LADY WINDS JV - 30
COTTON CENTER VAR - 43

The Lady Winds JV team played Cotton Center Varsity girls on December 5th and lost by a score of 43-30. Leslie Alvarado was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Scoring results are as follows: Leslie Alvarado - 11 points, Malorie Alaniz - 6 points, Crystal Martinez - 4 points, Nikki Seymour - 3 points, Elyanna Duran - 2 points, Amelia Gonzalez - 2 points, Mariah Vargas - 2 points.

SEASON RECORD: 5-3

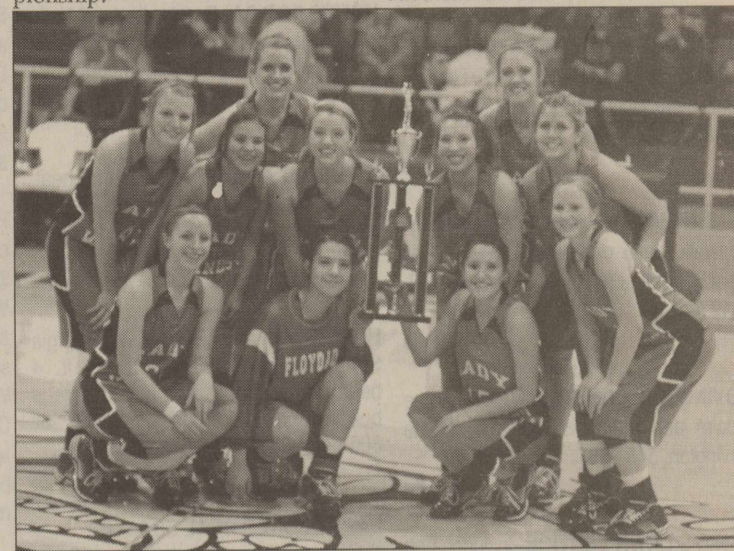


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THE VARSITY LADY WINDS BROUGHT home the championship trophy from the Anton Tournament by beating the 8th ranked Anton Lady Bulldogs by a score of 63-58 on Saturday, December 5. The Lady Winds also defeated Morton 67-42, and Elida, New Mexico 59-45 to make it to the championship game against Anton. The Lady Winds team members are (Front row, l-r) Sarah Jo Miller, Megan Aleman, Tara Hughes, Breann Gooch; (Middle row, l-r) Sarah Sanders, Blanca Suarez, Lexie Terrell, Liz Suarez, Brityn Helms; (Back row, l-r) Avery Miller and Whitley Beedy. The Lady Winds are coached by Mark Styles.

Floydada School Menu

December 14 - December 18

Monday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch- Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, sugar cookie, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Barbequed chicken, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancake & sausage on a stick or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk

Thursday

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

Lunch- Fajita chicken over rice, broccoli & cheese, seasoned corn, French bread stick, pineapple crisp, milk

Friday

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

Lunch- Pizza, tossed salad, fresh fruit, chocolate cake, milk

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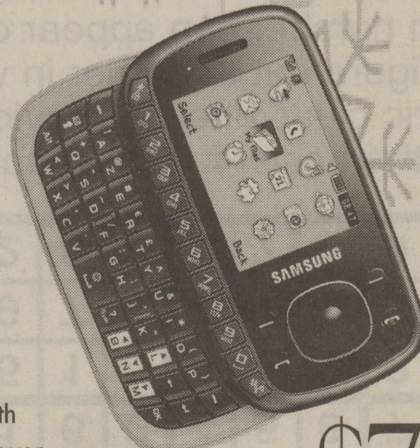


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- CLUES ACROSS**
- 1. First Chinese dynasty
 - 5. Greek mountain
 - 10. Jessica
 - 14. Hail (nautical)
 - 15. Norman Vincent _____
 - 16. Wings
 - 17. Eat dinner
 - 18. Be silent (music)
 - 19. Lively folk dances
 - 20. Judge Advocate
 - 21. Referee declares
 - 22. Western State
 - 23. Weather map line
 - 27. Football tosses
 - 30. Time gone by
 - 31. Ribonucleic acid
 - 32. Type of avocado
 - 35. Thigh armor plates
 - 38. 1950 hit "Aba _____ Honeymoon"
 - 42. Chills and fever
 - 43. A public promotion
 - 44. Overdose
 - 45. Cheerless
 - 46. "_____ Yankees"
 - 47. Hand drum of No. India
 - 49. Worldly rather than spiritual
 - 50. _____P: Chrysler product
 - 52. A man's neckwear
 - 54. Recurrent behaviors
 - 56. Currents against the main
 - 59. Volume measurement
 - 60. Diskjockeys
 - 62. Exclamation of surprise
 - 63. 19th Hebrew letter
 - 66. White person, Hawaiian slang
 - 68. A collection of facts
 - 70. Zeus' mother
 - 71. Atlantic or Pacific
 - 72. A fencing sword
 - 73. Skater _____ a Cohen
 - 74. 1924 novel Beau _____
 - 75. Random House editor Bennett

- CLUES DOWN**
- 1. Journeys to Mecca
 - 2. Muslim branch members
 - 3. An electrically charged atom
 - 4. Yes vote
 - 5. Appropriate
 - 6. Cow nipple
 - 7. Poor linksmen
 - 8. Butter substitute
 - 9. Theater scenery
 - 10. Islamic pilgrimage
 - 11. Boxer Muhammad
 - 12. World Court city
 - 13. Secluded love retreats
 - 24. Barkless dog
 - 25. Silver
 - 26. Revolves
 - 27. Be earlier in time
 - 28. Article
 - 29. Burdened
 - 32. Possessed
 - 33. Honorable title (Turkish)
 - 34. Meersch _____ pipe
 - 36. Group for Dentists
 - 37. Sun (Spanish)
 - 39. Macaws
 - 40. S.D. Zoo panda _____ Yun
 - 41. Basics
 - 48. Duelling instruments
 - 51. And, Latin
 - 53. Potato state
 - 54. Official center (abbr.)
 - 55. Hawaiian greeting
 - 57. One who takes in food
 - 58. WWII Allied H.Q.
 - 60. Pre _____ous: predatory
 - 61. Strip of wood
 - 64. Foot (Latin)
 - 65. Expresses humor
 - 66. Large pig
 - 67. Midway between NE and E
 - 68. Last month
 - 69. Imitate

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Sherry Colston read the minutes of the previous meeting and they were approved as read.

Debra McCarty reported that the Good Citizens essays have been sent to be judged. Margaret Berry reported that we had sent 3,848 coupons for a value of \$4,634.95 as our part this month to Operation Coupons for families overseas. Total value to date is \$260,000 that we have sent.

Regent, Susan Dunavant, thanked the hostesses, Margaret Berry and Dorothy Hodges, for the wonderful refreshments.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Members attending the meeting were Susan Dunavant, Sherry Colston, Debra McCarty, June Sherman, Sue Ward, Margaret Berry and Dorothy Hodges.

Our next meeting will be December 15, 2009 for our annual Christmas Dinner at 6 p.m. at Triple T's Restaurant in Floydada. We will have our Chinese Christmas Exchange again this year. Those members wishing to attend need to RSVP Sherry Colston by December 10.

FISD..

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the final five. Every classroom at Duncan Elementary will have one of these interactive white boards, the junior high and high school science rooms will each receive one, and the seven left will be distributed on an application basis for other classrooms.

According to the principals' reports, enrollment is down to 240 at the high school, steady at 440 at the elementary school, and slight-

ly lower at the junior high. Principal Wayne Morren informed the board of the Dec. 8 Christmas band concert.

Vaughn reported they are in the process of bringing the ag farm up to compliance with the city's code, "So the city doesn't try to give us that \$2,000 a day fine."

In other business, Vaughn told the board, "My recommendation is, with the correction of EIF, we do Update 86 as presented." Accordingly, the board unanimously approved accepting Update 86 of House Bill 3 concerning EIF (Local) - graduation requirements - from Texas' 81st Legislation Session.

Travel to Phoenix this year for the "Celebrating Educational Opportunities for Hispanic Students Conference" in March of 2010 will be restricted to board members only, as budget concerns do not allow for all the administrative staff to attend. The board unanimously approved restricting the travel of the administrative staff and of allowing an expenditure excess of \$250 for Out of District Travel for board members.

According to the Highly Qualified Teacher Report, Duncan Elementary and Floydada Junior High's teachers are all considered "highly qualified." The high school has all but two teachers who are considered "highly qualified" for their teaching subject, for a percentage of 90.48. The PAC (Parent Adolescent Center) has a percentage of 86.67 of "highly qualified" teachers. This report shows which teachers are classified as "highly qualified." Vaughn assured the board all of FISD's teachers are certified.

There were no amendments made to the 2009-2010 FISD budget.

According to Vaughn, the Texas Migrant Council is interested in the CCLC Building and visited with the district the week of Nov. 16.

The next FISD school board meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, Dec. 10, starting with a public hearing at 6:30 p.m.

JH Tournament...

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leadership in this game by keeping their head together both offensively and defensively and not letting Idalou's speed affect how we played. Half of the team contributed to the game by scoring. Alexis Rodriguez had four points and Tanae Ramos had 16.

Saturday the eighth grade went back to play for consolation and faced Hale Center. Hale Center came out and played very well defensively. It took us a little while to get going against their defense, but by the third quarter we finally got into a little rhythm and were able to score and pull ahead. It was a good second half team performance by these girls to win the consolation title 22-6. Whitney Ascencio was high scorer with nine points.

Five Continuing Education Units Offered at Swisher County Ag Day

The Swisher County Ag Day will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, at the Swisher County Memorial Building, 127 SW 2nd Street in Tulia. The program will start at 8:30 a.m. with registration and refreshments provided by Attebury Grain Inc.

Five and CEUs for re-certification of private, commercial and non-commercial licensed pesticide applicators will be offered. 5.75 CEUs can be earned by Certified Crop Advisors.

The event is open to all producers and commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators. Lunch will be provided for those who attend courtesy of Street Community Gin, Swisher Coop Gin, Tule Creek Gin, Lakeview Gin, Dodd Gin and Edcot Gin.

Some of the topics to be covered are Cotton Agronomic Update by Randy Boman, Texas AgriLife Extension Cotton Specialist, Irrigation Research and Water Quantity Issues by Dana Porter, Texas AgriLife Extension Irrigation Specialist, Plant Disease Identification and Management Strategies by Jason Woodward, Texas AgriLife Extension Plant Pathologist, SURE Disaster Program & 2010 Crop Budgets by Jay Yates, Texas AgriLife Extension Risk Management Specialist, Options for Land Coming Out of CRP by Jackie Smith, Texas AgriLife Extension Economist, and Pesticide Toxicity: What Does Least Toxic Mean? by Pat Porter, Texas AgriLife Extension Entomologist.

Please RSVP by Friday, December 11 to the Swisher County Extension Office at (806) 995-3726 to help determine the number of meals to prepare. Individuals who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in an Extension sponsored activity are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office by December 11 to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.

For more information, contact Calley Runnels, Swisher County Extension Agent at (806) 995-3726.



County Judge Honored for Education Efforts

Floyd County Judge Penny Golightly has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to be prepared to handle her duties as county judge.

Judge Golightly was inducted as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy November 18, 2009, at a reception in Corpus Christi, Omni Hotel, during the 2009 Fall Judicial Education Session.

The Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech University School of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, names as Fellows each year those judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law.

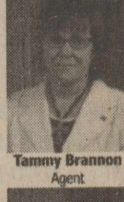
The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and includes instruction by higher court judges, law school faculty as well as representatives of the Texas Probate College and the National Judicial College.



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REAGAN EVERETT, a San Angelo banker, won the title of World Champion at the International Hot Boat Association World Finals held at Thunderbird Lake near Phoenix, Arizona on November 23rd. This year Everett was the Southern Drag Boat Association high-point champion which totals five races over the series. He also was the runner-up to the high-points champion for the International Hot Boat Association. Kevin Crane of Lubbock won runner-up in the Stock Eliminator division at the World Finals. Everett is formerly a native of Floydada, Texas.

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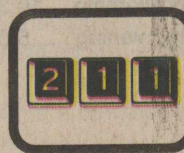
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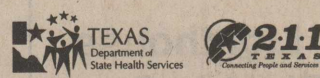
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