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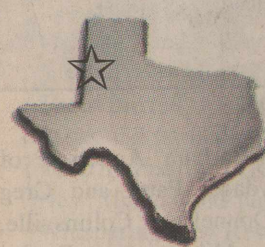
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Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

NEW SIDEWALKS for downtown Floydada -- With a grant from the Texas Department of Agriculture, City of Floydada employees will be replacing sidewalks around the downtown Floydada business area. This work will take most of the summer. City employees Edward Sanchez, Jack Alaniz and Albert Chavarria were at work on the project Monday afternoon.

Commissioner Todd Staples Visits with Floydada Leaders

By Sara Sisemore
Executive Assistant
Floydada EDC

On Thursday, June 17, the 11th Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Todd Staples visited with approximately 15 Floydada and Floyd County leaders concerning Texas Department of Agriculture's programs for small, rural communities. In introducing Commissioner Staples, Justin Jaworski - Floydada's Economic Development Executive Director - said of Staples, "He has a voice and a vision for rural Texas."

Commissioner Staples shared briefly some about the programs the TDA is offering in order to encourage economic development in rural communities. He has been working with the High Ground of Texas to help bring businesses back to West Texas specifically, and Staples stated that people are leaving big cities all across the nation and

moving to Texas. "We need to make sure that continues to happen," he said.

During the 81st legislative session Staples said many improvements were made to the Texas Agriculture Finance Authority, an entity which provides agriculture-related financial assistance to eligible individuals and businesses. A new program through the TAFE is the Young Farmer Grant which is designed to help and encourage young farmers to get into farming. Staples said this grant is hoped to help combat the fact that the average age of farmers in Texas is older than the national average.

An additional program Staples mentioned is the GO TEXAN program. According to its website, this great marketing tool promotes the products, cultures and communities that call Texas home. Staples said the logo's use has been expanded in order

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Residential turbines going up over the Texas Panhandle

By Kelly Ayers,
Executive Director
Caprock Plains Wind
Energy Assn.

Jesse Mendoza had only had his small residential turbine up at his house east of Hale Center, Texas, for a week and several interested locals had already stopped to question its use.

The turbine at Mendoza's house is one of many that was designed and constructed in the area. Mendoza, a local DPS trooper, has been working with Randy Craig, a veterinary surgeon and professor of biology at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, Texas, for several years trying to come up with an inexpensive, residential turbine that could save locals money on their electric bill. One of the pair's active, operating wind turbines has been up for several years at Craig's home west of Petersburg which also serves as their manufacturing location.

"We've learned and made a lot of mistakes; it probably took twenty prototypes to get to this one," Craig said. "We're a fledgling, un-marketed, couple of country boys in a barn company."

It's really nothing new for Craig, who Mendoza describes as the "brains" of the operation; Craig has been interested in wind for years. He serves as vice president of the board of directors at the American Wind Power Center and Museum in Lubbock. As a matter of fact, his father was one of the original wind mill enthusiasts of the museum. Craig has spent the last three years working with residential turbines and perfecting the model that is now going up across the South Plains.

The group is operating under the name Turbines Over Texas and while they haven't done much to market their product just yet, word has been

spreading fast. The pair received a lot of attention when they set up their turbine at Caprock Plains Wind Energy Association's (CPWEA) Wind Expo in March.

The turbine at Mendoza's house is positioned just inside his circle drive surrounded by a row of shrubbery, like it was always supposed to be there. The turbine stands roughly 51 feet tall to the top of the blade (44 feet to the center of the propeller) and on most days is busy spinning and covering a good part of Mendoza's electric bill.

The turbine is hooked up to a bidirectional meter that allows it to power Mendoza's house as well as sell any excess power back to the grid. The turbine is estimated to generate 6,000 to 8,000 kWh per year, but the Turbines Over Texas team is optimistic that it will create more than that.

"You have to look at it over

an average of a year, because on one day the wind may not blow at all," Mendoza said. "I'm very optimistic thinking that it will produce 10,000 to 12,000 kWh in a year."

To describe the system as simple as possible, the turbine, when generating electricity, will power the house and charge back up batteries with any excess. When the wind slows down, or in the event of a power loss, the house can be powered by the charged batteries. Any electrical deficiencies are then covered by the grid. When the turbine produces excess power, not used to power Mendoza's house, the additional power is sold back to the electrical company that operates the power grid.

The Turbines Over Texas group has created this small turbine to be sold at a lower price than similar models on the market.

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Car Cruise set for Lockney Main Street

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce is planning something new this summer to take the place of the discontinued Old Fashioned Saturday celebration.

"Lockney's First-Ever Car Cruise" is scheduled to take place on Main Street from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, August 28. The Lockney Car Show, held the past several years in conjunction with the Old Fashioned Saturday event, is set for earlier that day, also on Main Street. Owners of many of the classic cars in the show will also ride in the cruise that evening.

Registration for the car show begins at approximately 9 a.m., and the show starts at noon.

The cruise is open to

anyone wants to show off his vehicle. Entry fee is \$15. Registration for the cruise starts about 5 p.m., and a poker run for cruise entrants is scheduled from 5:30 to 6:30.

For information about the cruise, contact Chamber president Archie Bybee, 292-7853 or 652-3836.

Again this year, Louie Bybee will organize the car show. He may be contacted at 293-3000.

The Chamber is encouraging local business to stay open during the show/cruise, and local organizations may set up booths at the event. For more information about booths, call Jones or Kay Martin, 652-3386.

KID'S KAMP 2010

First Baptist Church Floydada is sponsoring Kid's Kamp 2010. It is just around the corner on July 29th - August 1st.

This is a camp for any child that has finished 1st grade through 6th grade. Kid's Kamp is 3 1/2 days of fun filled activities such as swimming, music, hiking, hay rides, recreation, crafts, Bible study, worship and a lot of fellowship with each other.

We meet at the FBC on July 29th and load kids and luggage on buses and head for the Plains Baptist Assembly. Each grade level will have their own cabin with adult sponsors. If you

have been before, make plans now on coming again and inviting friends to come along and join in the fun. If you have never been, don't miss out on the time of your life. We have a great band coming this year and a very special speaker that you will not want to miss.

The deadline for signups is July 15th and you can pick up a form at the church office. The cost is only \$10. This is a great time for kids and by then maybe even a needed vacation for parents.

If you have any questions regarding camp please stop by the First Baptist Church or call, 806-983-3755.

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Finley and Jackson exchange vows

Deserae Finley of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Tovrea Kent Jackson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, both formerly of Perryton, Texas, were united in marriage at 3:00 p.m. March 20, 2010 at the Wesley United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Dr. Gary Hall, bride's childhood minister in Perryton, performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of George Finley of South Carolina and Lee Finley of Plainview. She is the granddaughter of Frances Weathersbee and the late Claude Weathersbee of Floydada.

The bridegroom is the son of Kent and Sheri Jackson of Hereford and Karen Jackson of Amarillo. He is the grandson of Dick and Frankie Jackson, Charlene Thrall and Ed Hosier, all of Guymon, Oklahoma.

Sydney Haas of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, former student of the bride, registered guests. The programs were arranged on the registration

table along with a digital frame that displayed pictures of the bride and groom.

Serving as ushers were David Weber of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Derek Clark of Stillwater, Oklahoma, both friends of the groom.

Myles Simpson, lifelong friend of the bride's family, sang "The Parents Prayer" as the parents were seated by the ushers. The bridal party entered the sanctuary as "Jesu, Joy of Mans Desiring" was played.

Matron of honor was Kelley Finley of Lubbock, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Wendi Evans of Perryton, lifelong friend of the bride, Rebecca Stice and Erin Trussell, both of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and both friends of the bride.

The bridal attendants wore plum colored floor length gowns. Each bridesmaid wore a different style of gown. They carried bouquets identical to the brides which consisted of white roses, carnations and lilies that

were adorned with plum accents and greenery. The flower stems were wrapped with plum ribbon and held in place with pearl-ended straight pins. The bouquets were made by the bride and her wedding party.

Best man was Chad Johnson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, lifelong friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Alfredo Madrid of Dallas, friend of the groom, Paul Finley of Lubbock, brother of the bride and Nick Chaffin of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, friend of the groom. The groomsmen were attired in black suits, plum vests and ties.

Serving as flower girl was McKenzie Hosier of Coppel, Texas, cousin of the groom. Kobe Trussell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, friend of the bride, served as ring bearer.

The bride given in marriage by her parents was escorted down the aisle on the arm of her father, wearing a white taffeta pick up gown that featured a beaded sequined halter and draped bodice which flowed into a chapel length train. She carried a bouquet of white roses, carnations and lilies that were adorned with plum accents and greenery. The flower stems were wrapped with plum ribbon and held in place with pearl-ended straight pins.

Following tradition, "something old and something borrowed" the bride wore real pearls that belonged to her mother. For "something blue" she wore shoes that had blue rhinestones applied to the bottom in the shape of a "C" to honor her late grandfather, Claude Weathersbee, who was a Chicago Cubs fan. "Something new" was her wedding dress and veil.

The bridegroom was attired in a black suit with a white vest and white tie.

The church is a gothic cathedral style which features many stained glass windows. The front of the sanctuary featured two large vases that held white and plum flowers with greenery. The vases were placed on columns on both sides of the stage. The aisle was adorned with white mesh bows tied

with plum ribbon that were attached to the pews.

The bride entered the sanctuary as the "Bridal Chorus" was played on the church's pipe organ. Myles Simpson sang "From This Moment On" during the lighting of the unity candle. The couple and the wedding party left the church to the playing of the "Wedding March".

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Fellowship Hall in Wesley United Methodist Church.

The bride and groom's tables were arranged together. The bride's cake was a four-tiered white round cake with plum flowers arranged between each layer. The groom's cake was in the shape of a golf bag with orange icing and topped with an OSU label and the groom's name. To finish the look of the cake, gray golf clubs were sticking out of the golf bag. Purple punch was also served to the guests along with coffee, mints and nuts.

A rehearsal dinner was held at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2010 at Ted's Café Escondido in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The dinner was hosted by Kent and Sheri Jackson.

The bride is a 2002 graduate of Perryton High School and a 2006 graduate of Oklahoma State University. She is currently employed by the Oklahoma City Public Schools as a 5th grade teacher.

The bridegroom is a 1998 graduate of Perryton High School and a 2003 graduate of Oklahoma State University. He is currently employed as Director of Operations at NCO Financial Services.

Pre-nuptial parties honoring the couple included a coffee and cake shower on February 20, 2010 hosted by Suzanne Sooter and Wendi Evans. The hostesses rented out the "The Main Cup" coffee shop in Perryton. A shower hosted by school employees, Cheryl Davis, Linda Brasuell, Erin Trussell and Rebecca Stice was held March 4, 2010.

After a wedding trip to Maui, Hawaii the couple resides in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Look Who's New



ANDERSON

Peyton Anderson is excited to announce the birth of his baby sister, Chloe LilyAnn Anderson. Proud parents are Monty and Ginger Anderson of Celina.

Chloe was born at 9:20 p.m. on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Denton. She weighed 6 pounds 9 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Mike

and Barbara Anderson of Floydada, Patty and Greg McDonnell of Collinsville, and Mike and Denise McHorse of Odessa.

Great-grandparents are Joyce Adkins of Ralls and the late Lawrence M. Simmons, Jr. of Crosbyton, Louis and Ferne Anderson of Floydada, Martin Omra and Joan McHorse of Menard and the late Gray and Mary Alice Webb of Crane.



MARISA BARRIENTOS AND ISRAEL MALDONADO

Barrientos and Maldonado to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Tomas Barrientos, Jr. of Floydada, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Marisa Barrientos of Floydada, Texas to Israel Maldonado of Lubbock, Texas, son of Mrs. Linda Maldonado and the late Mr. Manuel Maldonado, Sr. of Childress.

Marisa is the granddaughter of the late Mr. Gabriel Mendoza and the late Mrs. Jesusa Mendoza and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sanchez, Sr., all of Floydada, Texas.

Israel is the grandson of the late Mr. Augustine Ramirez and the late Mrs. Rebecca Ramirez of Paducah, Texas, and Mrs. Hope Maldonado and the late Mr. Antonio Maldonado

of La Nora, Mexico. The bride-elect is a 2002 Floydada High School graduate and a 2006 West Texas A&M University graduate. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and is an elementary teacher employed by Floydada ISD.

The prospective groom is a 2001 Paducah High School graduate. He is a nine year State employee, currently working in Lubbock, Texas.

The couple plan a July 31, 2010 wedding at Templo Getsemani Assembly of God in Floydada, Texas. After exchange of vows, the will honeymoon in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The newlyweds will reside in Floydada, Texas.

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Obituaries

TOM BEATTY

Tom Beatty, formerly of Ruidoso, New Mexico died peacefully in Roswell, New Mexico on June 16, 2010 after a brief illness.

He was born on December 24, 1920 to Bert and Maggie Battey in Floydada, Texas where he resided until leaving to serve his country in the Army during World War II. After being honorably discharged, he met Betty Collier of Lovington, New Mexico and they were married on May 7, 1947. They moved to Floydada, Texas and farmed until 1967 when they moved to Ruidoso, New Mexico and purchased Whispering Pine Restaurant. They retired to Roswell, New Mexico in 1995.

Tom is survived by his wife, Betty, and sons, Rex and his wife, Teresa of Ruidoso, New Mexico and Kent of Silver City, New Mexico. He was Papa Gran to his grandsons, Matt and his wife, Mendy of Austin, Texas; Marc and his wife, Ashley of Ruidoso, New Mexico and Max and his wife, Kelly of Houston, Texas.

He is also survived by five great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Ella, Carter, Anderson and Jackson Beatty. Also surviving him are his sisters, Faye Bertrand and her husband, William of Floydada, Texas and Lorene Newberry of Weatherford, Texas.

He was predeceased by his parents and a brother, Wayne.

Tom was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church of Roswell.

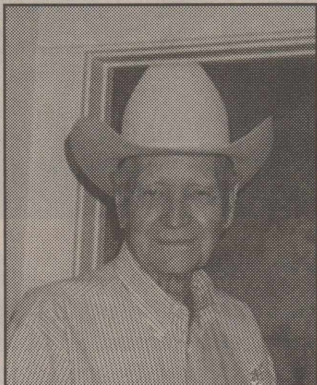
A memorial service is scheduled for 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 26, 2010 at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Roswell, New Mexico. Rev. Richard Grisham of Bethel

Baptist Church will officiate with honors provided by Roswell Veteran Honor Guard

Tom was an avid golfer with a wonderful sense of humor who will be greatly missed by his family and friends

Friends may pay their respects online at www.lagronefuneralchapels.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Roswell, New Mexico.



J. D. BOEDEKER

Funeral services for J. D. Boedecker, 84, of Providence were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Plainview. Rev. Gerald Boerger, pastor, officiated.

Burial will be at a later date under the direction of Bartley Funeral Home of Plainview.

The family received friends from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at the Bartley Funeral Home.

Mr. Boedecker passed away Friday, June 18, 2010 at his residence.

He was born September 25, 1925 in Lockney to Walter August Boedecker and Elsie Caroline Ohlenbusch.

He was a farmer and a rancher. He served in the U. S. Navy and was a member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church. He married Ellen Boedecker in Clovis, New Mexico on January 11, 1980.

She died on November 17, 2007.

Survivors include two sons, Mike Boedecker of Arlington and David Boedecker of the Providence Community; one daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Ron Pollard of San Saba; one stepdaughter and stepson-in-law, Debbie and Douglass Barron of Flower Mound; one sister, Nadine Foster of Plainview; two nephews, Steve Foster of Kress and Lynn Foster of Waxahachie; two former daughter-in-laws, Angie Boedecker of Denison and Mary Katherine Mangum of Plainview; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Special thanks go to special friends and caregivers, Otero Scheele and B. J. McNeill.

He was preceded in death by his wife and parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Plainview Humane Society or Area Community Hospice.

Online condolences may be made at bartleycares@gmail.com

JOSE "CHEMA" MARIA CHARLES

Jose "Chema" Maria Charles, 78, of Lockney, passed away in his loving home in the presence of family members, Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Rosary was held at 7 p.m. Monday, June 21, 2010 at San Jose Catholic Church in Lockney.

Funeral Mass was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at San Jose Catholic Church in Lockney with Msgr. Antonio Gonzales officiating.

Interment followed at Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

The Center is located at 301 E. Georgia. We are open Monday through Friday. Lunch starts at 12 noon. The price is very reasonable. If you are 60 years or older come join us and visit your friends and eat a good hot meal. Call 983-2032 for more information

Last week I did not have an article in the paper. I went by ambulance Saturday morning at 2 a.m. to Lockney Mangold Hospital and later transferred by ambulance to Lubbock Women's and Children's Hospital. I came home Wednesday, June 16th. I have not been at the Center to eat lunch or pickup memorials. This next week I should get caught up and back to doing the things I like to do.

A couple of weeks ago William and Faye Bertrand drove to Roswell, New Mexico to visit Faye's brother, Thurman Beatty, who was very ill.

Recently Gene and Nancy Lawson attended a family wedding in Waco, June 12th weekend.

Our sympathy to the families of Bill G. Wester and Wilson Edwards.

Our sympathy to Bob Alldredge on the loss of his sister, Ruth Price.

Our sympathy to Dorothy Turner on the loss of her sister, Francis Willis.

Our sympathy to Faye Bertrand on the loss of her brother, Thurman Beatty.

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

In memory of Evelyn Pollan - Tom and Jerry Pearson.

In memory of Francis Willis - Margarette Word.

In memory of Ruth Price - Margarette Word.

In memory of Thurman

Beatty - Ruth Hammonds, Margarette Word.

"Thought for the Week" - You don't just luck into things as much as you'd like to think you do. You build step by step, whether it's friendship or opportunities.

Barbara Bush

MENU

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Monday - Taco salad, pinto beans, rice, banana bread

Tuesday - Green chili chicken, corn, salad, roll, blueberry bars

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, cake

Kids Kamp 2010

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On behalf of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, I would like to express sincere gratitude to our community; church parishioners; musicians and entertainment that supported our Annual Jamaica (church fundraiser) on Sunday, June 13, 2010.

It was a great success and it would not have been possible without all of you.

To our local businesses, a special Thank You for your donation of a door prize or silent auction item.

We are truly blessed to live in a small home town.

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Jamaica Coordinators*

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Cal Rodgers, Silvertown, Texas
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AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

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

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

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

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

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Levi Sisemore, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Beau Stringer, Minister of Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Lockney
John Franklin, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min..
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

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

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
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Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.

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Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
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2010 Lockney T-Ball



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2010 LOCKNEY T-BALL BRAVES -- Coaches, left to right: Chad Cook, Fred Cervantes, Billy Lefevre. Back row, left to right: Jade Rogers, Gabby Cervantes, Ashton Urrutia, Elida Mendez, Kaleb Cook. Front row, left to right: Annalicia Hernandez, Lilly Vanlandingham, Jadrien Ascencio, Hunter Lefevre, Celeste VanVelthoven.



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2010 LOCKNEY T-BALL DODGERS -- Coaches, left to right: Kevin Afill, Ricky Ascencio, Margaret Afill. Back row, left to right: Diego Ascencio, Matthew Afill, Payton Butler, Armando Reyes, Zeke Ramos. Front row, left to right: Hailey Afill, Miranda Sarinana, Silas Poole, Dax Poole, Brianna Rodriguez, Nick Perez.



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2010 LOCKNEY T-BALL NATIONALS -- Coaches, left to right: Gabriel Rodriguez, Shad Schlueter. Back row, left to right: Hailee Widener, Brett Moore, Emma Dunn, Koh Stapp, Clay Moore, Tasha Schlueter. Front row, left to right: Elias Alvarez, Austin Rodriguez, Ernest Alvarez, Tucker Schlueter, Caleb Pritchard.



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2010 LOCKNEY T-BALL WHITE SOX -- Coaches, left to right: Michael Hernandez, Miguel Lara. Back row, left to right: Taunlei Hernandez, Aidan Bustillos, Elias Ascencio, Caleb Young, Miguel A. Lara. Front row, left to right: Justin Gonzales, Quinten Johnson, Maximo Ramirez III, Mariah Ascencio, Andrew Bustillos, Jonathan Lara.

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2010 LOCKNEY T-BALL YANKEES -- Coaches, left to right: Lisa Perez, Andrea Delgado, Chano Naranjo. Back row, left to right: Christian Gomez, Cole Poole, Cristian Gonzalez, Joshua Cienfuegos, Jayda Rosales. Front row, left to right: Yasmin Naranjo, Derek Luna, Anson Rendon, Sebastian Perez, Ky Rendon, Joshua Jimenez.

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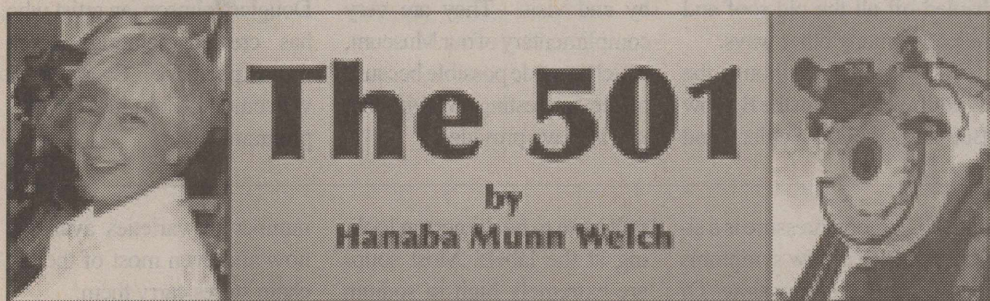
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LHS CONSTRUCTION -- Workers broke up and removed concrete from the old courtyard area at Lockney High School Monday in preparation for setting of piers for the foundation of the new building, still scheduled to be completed before the start of the 2011-2012 school year.



Courtesy Photo

THE LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1960 gathered in Lubbock on June 11 and June 12 to celebrate their 50th reunion. Those attending were: (Standing, l-r) Garland Sams, Dwayne Wilson, Vincent Felty, Donald Ivie, Jack Ford, Jimmy Howell, Joe Cox, Lewis Eiland, Jake Wofford; (Seated, l-r) Ronnie Hayes, Donna Workman Barton, Donna Dorman Dollar, Lesca Dee Dorman McCandless, Pat Gray Nelson, Eleane Baxter Wimberly, Lorena Gomez Pruitt, Corinne Sanchez McCready, and Dan Smith. Not pictured is Pat Buchanan Starnes.



If you're in line at McDonald's behind a Cadillac Escalade and it backs toward you, stay put. Unless you're in an army tank or Hummer, expect to suffer damage. But it won't be your fault.

Do I speak from experience? No.

I can tell you instead what happens when you back a Hyundai Santa Fe into a Dodge Neon.

It was a dark and stormy night. At 11:15 p.m. I remembered a midnight report-filing deadline.

Somehow I compiled the info, drove the distance from farm to town, connected to the Internet in a friend's driveway and hit "send" at 11:56 p.m. A walnut-yogurt-apple slice treat from McDonald's seemed like the right celebratory snack.

Service was slow. But who's in a hurry at midnight? Not me. The report was done. A storm threatened, but our wheat was already cut. Bring on the rain, lightning, thunder — even hail. I was ready.

The Escalade in front of me moved forward. Good. My turn.

What happened next took me

by surprise. The Escalade was suddenly backing toward me, Cadillac emblem shining, symbolizing the superiority of domestic luxury SUVs to Korean imports.

Reverse! Where's my reverse?! Gotta move fast!

I hardly felt the impact when I backed into the Neon right behind me. Smart driver. She stayed put and let me hit her car. My insurance is paying to straighten everything out for her, literally.

In short, the Escalade remained unscathed, my Hyundai got slightly scathed and the Neon practically got totaled. Maybe I exaggerate. The little bent car was still drivable and no fluids were dripping on the pavement.

The Escalade driver had backed up because she thought the McDonald's order-taker was talking to her from the speaker. Who knows? Anyway, I never placed my order. Instead, I called the police.

If you back into somebody at McDonald's, don't call the police. They've got better things to do.

In fact, when the policeman arrived, he seemed reluctant

to record the mishap. Would my insurance fix the Neon in the absence of a police report?

Yep. They would have. Wish I'd known that. Indeed, my Allstate person was surprised anyone got cited for something that happened on McDonald's premises.

As for the citation, it came by mail. My husband saw it first.

If you back into someone at McDonald's, tell your spouse. It's likely they'll hear about it sooner or later. Better they hear it from you. That very night I'd called friends in Alaska. Why wake a spouse with bad news? I told him the next day.

In conclusion, if there's a little English foxhunt bugle icon on your steering wheel airbag, it means it's the horn. Good to know. I knew that. Remember when horns were unmistakable round devices at the very center of the steering wheel? They begged to be beeped. Airbags, on the other hand, are amorphous things. Who wants to press on an airbag? It's unnatural. If you hear me beeping, I'm practicing. I'm gonna be ready for my next Escalade.

Lockney library to host summer reading program

The Summer Reading Club will be held at the Lockney Library on Wednesday mornings through the month of July.

Elementary age school students are invited to come to the programs each Wednesday morning from 10 until 11 a.m.

The first program will be held on July 7 and will be led by Lockney 4-H Club member Jake Moore. He will give the program on dog training. Other programs will be held July 14, 21, and 28. The subjects include "Let's Go Camping," Blowing Bubbles," and Soup in a Jar."

The Summer Reading Club is sponsored by the Lockney Library, Texas Sate Library, and Lockney Library Associates.

Books will be presented to each child who attends.

For more information call 652-3561 between the hours of 1 and 5 p.m.

R.O.T.C. (Reaching Others Through Christ) workers to be in Floydada July 12-17

Armed with hammers and drills, 60 workers with a mission will descend on Floydada July 12-17 as part of R.O.T.C. (Reaching Others Through Christ).

Junior high and senior high school age volunteers and accompanying adults each pay \$250 to spend a week helping those unable to help themselves. They will be busy with community service projects and building wheelchair

ramps for those in need.

Referrals for work to be completed are given to R.O.T.C. by state agencies, local churches and community organizations.

While in the Floydada area, participants will stay at First United Methodist Church. They prepare their own meals, bring their own tools and purchase their own materials for a week of work that begins at 6 a.m. for those on the

breakfast crew and ends with worship time each night.

The Floydada camp will include junior high students who have completed their sixth grade year up until the completion of their eighth grade year and adults from United Methodist Churches in Big Spring and Midland as well as some others from Round Rock and Belton, Texas.

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VJ's News

By Vera Jo Bybee

This is Sunday night, and as you know, it is the deadline for me to write VJ's News. Happy Father's Day! Today marks the 100th anniversary of this special day. My father, Joe Rogers, has been dead for 30 years and I still miss him. He was a part-time barbe, and I still remember him and his barber shop smells, like the hair tonic, etc. Other times he was a farmer, with a genuine appreciation of growing crops. Wouldn't you know I married a farmer, Donnie Bybee, who was a great father to our three children.

I spent Father's Day with daughter Becky and her family, Steve McPherson and their children, J.W. of Canyon and Matt and Megan and children Payce and Elle of Plainview.

Last Thursday afternoon my daughter Dara and I went out to Providence and had a great visit with Otero Scheele and her daughter

Diane. Diane and Dara are the same age and were high school classmates. They graduated from Lockney High School in 1968 and were schoolmates at Texas Tech. It was so much fun to hear them laugh recalling all their fun times. Later we went over to visit with son Louie and his wife Cynthia and grandson Bryan and had a delicious supper with them. After supper while Dara visited with them I went over and visited with J.D. Boedeker and his children, David and Debbie. J.D. knew me and we had a nice visit. The next night he passed away. Visitation was Tuesday afternoon and his memorial service was held Wednesday at Bartley Funeral Home in Plainview. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Friday daughter Dara returned to her daughter's home in Decatur to help celebrate her granddaughter's first birthday. Dara then returned to her home in Plano. Since she has two more weeks of vacation she plans to go to visit her in-laws, Jessie and Dan Faries in Missouri, and then she plans to go to Spearman to visit friends before she has to go back to work.

Guests Sunday with Barbara and Joe Cunyus

were their son and wife Danny and Marita of Van Alstyne and their son Adam of Artesia, New Mexico. Also son Larry, Linda and son Coe of Amarillo, Joe's sister Nell and husband Ewell Kelly of Dimmit and their children Greg and Sam Kelly of Levelland. A great time was had by all.

Larry and Linda Cunyus of Amarillo daughter Kendall Cunyus Cockerham recently graduated from the University of Houston with a master's degree in Speech Pathology.

Bobby and Mervean Carthel celebrated Father's Day Saturday with their children, Dart and Joann of Lockney. Also their daughter Tobi, husband Will and their daughter Alexxa of Plainview; Jackie Pat Carthel from Lawton, Oklahoma; Sherrey and Jim of Plainview; their daughter and granddaughters, Lana, Brook and Bree of Canyon; grandson Matt, Mecca and son River of Clovis. Every one had a great time.

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Local land bank announces new CEO

Gregg Lloyd has been named the chief executive officer of Panhandle-Plains Land Bank effective July 1.

Lloyd follows Robert R. Williams, Jr, who is retiring June 30 after having served in farm credit lending for 38 years.

He has served as the chief executive officer since 1997. Williams began his career in 1972 with the Federal Land Bank of Houston. In 1975, he was named manager of Spearman-Pampa Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) where he served until 1982, when the association merged with the FLBA of Perryton to form High Plain FLBA. He served as president of this new association until he began his appointment as CEO of Panhandle-Plains Land Bank.

During his tenure as CEO, the Panhandle-Plains Land Bank has grown substantially while maintaining its mission to provide long-term rural real estate financing for area farmers, ranchers, and investors. Since the merger in February 1997, loan volume has increased from \$134 to \$382 Million. But with a motto, "Adding value to membership," the association was about more than growth.

A competitive rate and 100% cash patronage has always been Williams' goal. Since 2005, the association has returned

more than \$13.5 Million in cash to customers through its annual cash patronage program.

"The association is fortunate to have had Bob at the helm for the past 13 years," said Rusty Henson, Board Chairman.

"Under his leadership, the association acquired a position of strength in agriculture mortgage lending in our area. His leadership helped see us through the past 18 months, when financial times were tough."

Lloyd's career with the agriculture lending system began in 1982, as vice president with the High Plains FLBA in Pampa.

He became CEO of the FLBA of Amarillo in 1989. After a merger with the Caprock-Plains FLBA, High Plains FLBA, and FLBA of Amarillo in 1997, he served as executive vice president/chief credit officer.

"We are confident in Gregg's ability to lead us into the future," said Chairman Henson. "Panhandle-Plains Land Bank has a great track record and will move forward with Gregg's direction."

Panhandle-Plains Land Bank specializes in long-term mortgage lending for rural real estate. Offices in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview serve 17 counties in the Panhandle and South Plains.

Museum news

By Dorothy Turner

This has been a busy spring at the museum. The big wind and rainstorm of May 17 took the roof off the Barrow (west) Building and left us with a building full of water. Almost before it stopped raining, we had many helpers to move water. We used a sump pump—vacuum—broom & mops—and then buckets under most all of the drips. This was history repeating itself as this was how it was done in the early days.

The drying out people arrived with fans and cleaning gear—roofing people with a temporary roof, brick man with support for the remaining fire wall and we were sort of back in business.

The City and County Crews hauled off all the old roof and helped in many other ways.

We were able to house the Wildflower Show in the Barrow Building on Old Settlers and

the Quilt Show was in the main Museum Building.

Friday, May 21, Open House at the Museum, featured Sam Watts—a Floyd County product—with his talk on the History of the Battle of Blanco Canyon. He plans to return this fall to do some additional exploring.

Saturday, May 22, was the usual Old Settlers Day with 318 visitors to the Museum and 67 kids taking advantage of the Rope Making.

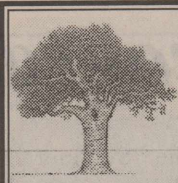
The Genealogy Department is always busy with people calling or coming by or emailing to check on their roots.

We have many out of state and in state people, who like to travel the back roads rather than the interstate, to drop by and visit. They are very complimentary of our Museum, which is made possible because of the interesting exhibits that you all have provided.

The Board and Staff at the museum are most appreciative of all the interest and help you have given. The brickwork on the Barrow Building has been completed, the new roof is on, and the building is all dry. More work remains to be done in the future. Feel free to come by the Floyd County Historical Museum—and browse any afternoon or by appointment at other times.

SPECIAL EVENT

On Monday, June 28 at 5:00 at the Museum, Richard and Shirley Cushing Flint, from Villanueva, New Mexico, will be giving a program on Discoveries Concerning the Coronado Expedition Route. Along with them will be Douglas Johnson, an artist who has created paintings about this expedition. Everyone is welcome to join us for this program.



HACKBERRYHAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze;
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee; How great Thou art!
How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee;
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

(2nd verse of hymn, How Great Thou Art)

How Great Thou Art is a song that one of our residents began singing last week. As other residents and some staff joined in, we had an impromptu choir session and the melody tunes traveled through the hallways. On Thursday morning, June 17, we witnessed God's glory first hand when several Hackberry residents and staff members traveled to the Roaring Springs Ranch for a wonderfully pleasant outing. The gentle breeze of the big old shade trees, the birds singing sweetly and the sound of water flowing over the waterfall brought a reminder of the words in that song, "how great Thou art!"

Everyone enjoyed sitting and visiting, watching the kids play, strolling around the grounds and feeling the sunshine on their faces. Those making the trip enjoyed a delicious picnic of sandwiches, chips and cookies.

Mrs. Bannister and Mrs. Emerett shared stories of trips to the Springs in their childhood days when the falls gushed out of the rocks. Being raised in the communities of TeePee Flat and Roaring Springs they made many trips to the Springs in their younger years.

Some of the Hackberry staff members had never had the pleasure of experiencing the cold water of the natural springs before Thursday. Although the pool was empty to be cleaned, they enjoy wading in the water from the falls as it gushed into the pool to refill it. They all agreed and declared, "this water is cold!"

OUTPATIENT SERVICES AVAILABLE AT HACKBERRY

Last week we announced that lab blood work will be available at Hackberry soon on Friday mornings. There has been a change to that schedule and the tests will actually be available on Thursday mornings before 12 noon. Precision Lab will inform your doctor of the tests results and bill you. In order to be able to take advantage of this service locally you must present your doctor's orders, social security card, insurance, medicare or medicaid card. To schedule a time for your testing or for more information call Amy or Cindy at 347-2942.

Very soon Hackberry will also begin offering outpatient therapy. For those of you who are now having to drive out of

town to receive this care will now be able to do so locally and save the time, gas and wear and tear on your vehicle to drive an hour or more for a treatment. Once again you must present your doctor's orders and other necessary billing information. For more information contact John at 347-2942.

HACKBERRY BUDDIES

One of the things we do at Hackberry is the buddy system. Each staff member is paired up with a resident to be their buddy. Remember "Secret Pals"? Our buddy system is very much the same. We try to give our buddy a little extra special treatment, an extra pat on the back, a hug or a hello, a card or gift from time to time, just a little effort to help make our residents feel special. On Friday, June 25, we will have "Buddy Day." We plan to serve homemade ice cream and make the day fun for our residents.

At Hackberry we strive daily to make our residents feel loved, cared for and special everyday!

SENIOR HEALTH TIPS

Maintaining a stable blood pressure is paramount in our Western culture. We are surrounded by high fat, high sodium foods everywhere we go and on every form of advertis-

ing. High blood pressure is a silent killer. Very few symptoms and it can hit at any time. Of course, a healthy diet is part of the key, but what foods lower blood pressure?

The first and most important is low sodium. We are a nation obsessed with salt. Almost all frozen foods as well as restaurant prepared foods are loaded with salt. While our bodies do need some salt, a high sodium intake can increase blood pressure. Making a decision to lower your salt intake is difficult, but you will be surprised at the actual real taste of food when you do.

Fruit should be on the top of the list when making your list of foods to lower blood pressure.

Lean meats should be included on your list, also. That means beef with very little (or no) fat and chicken or turkey without the skin. A diet high in animal fat contributes to high blood pressure. So that means cut out the bacon and sausage at breakfast and replace ham with skinless chicken.

Any kind of fresh vegetable. Frozen vegetables are fine as long as they haven't been packed with sodium. Canned vegetables are iffy. Most of them have been canned with sodium additive. The best vegetables, with the highest vitamin count are organic.

Low sodium margarines and vegetable oils. Canola oil and olive oil are both excellent for your health.

Soups are a tough one. You

will have to be diligent at looking at the labels. Most soups are extremely high in sodium content. There are some organic low sodium soups and they are the best choice.

If you are a seafood lover, only get fresh or if you have to, frozen fish. Packaged fish products are loaded with salt. There are still mercury problems in fish so you don't want to trade one problem for another.

Bread is ok - but limit yourself to selections like loaf bread, pita bread, English muffins and bagels.

Milk should be organic skim or low fat. There are a

number of varieties available now and even most of the big chain stores carry them.

If you begin shopping wisely, you can easily develop a tasty list of foods to eat that help to lower your blood pressure.

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All creditors having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time prescribed by law.

Dated this 18th day of June, 2010.

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OPINION



The Paperboy

A common thread for left and right?

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

Do political ties take a toll on your family? It is common.

I wonder why really. Have you noticed what has become a pretty common theme in our members of Congress?

I'm sorry to say, it's greed.

When my wife and I started dating, I got to know one of her sisters, whom is liberal. Unlike too many Americans, she was very knowledgeable on a wide-variety of topics.

I, as you may well know, am not liberal. I lean to the left on a few issues, but I'm fairly conservative. I'd like to think I have an open mind, and let's face it, there are tons of topics out there we can all agree on. I vote for the individual. I've voted for many Republicans and Democrats. I've never voted a straight ticket.

In the 10 years I've known my sister-in-law, a proud Austinite, we've only argued about politics once. When we enter that arena, it is with respect and patience. After all, what's the use of arguing against beliefs.

The overwhelming number of Americans are actually separated by a handful of issues. Granted, some are huge issues, but all true Americans have core beliefs of home and country. Many times where we differ is HOW to arrive

at the same conclusion.

The beauty of this country is we are free to believe how we want. And it doesn't really matter what anyone else thinks.

I honestly don't know many individuals who march lock-step with any political ideology. I know many who vote for a particular party, but there remain differences of opinion within the framework of that individual party.

I think we've come to a time in our country where many of us feel letdown by most of our national elected officials.

Answer this question honestly: Do you trust Washington politicians?

There are but a handful in Congress - in either party - that are honest. I'm sorry to say that most pander to the money. It's the way we've let them set it up.

Not long ago, people ran for office for the greater good. They wanted to make a difference for the people. They raised money, worked their tails off and went to do the people's business. In other words, I hardly think Abraham Lincoln was in politics for the paycheck.

Today, people run to get rich. They sell out over and over and each time they gain power and wealth. Our federal government is no more a system "for the people" than

Canada's. That has got to change.

Democrats are worried about getting their heads handed to them in November. They should be. They are greedy, and they have gone against the PEOPLE'S will too often.

Why didn't the Democrats learn from the Republicans when they got their heads handed to them in 2006 and 2008? The answer has to be power and greed.

Instead of coming into power and solving important issues the people support, Democrats pushed far left and have nearly capsized their own ship. It sure didn't have to be like that.

It is time for the people to gain control of Washington. From conduct to total compensation - we need our members of Congress held accountable to us.

Twice in the past decade we have proven to ourselves that it is foolish for one party to have total control of Washington. It's time to tap the brakes and put constraints on our elected officials before we no longer have the ability.

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Political Class Pursues Costly, Counterproductive and Irrelevant Policy Schemes with Alacrity

By KEVIN MOODY

What is the connection between the Deepwater Horizon oil disaster and the stated need for anti-emissions regulations and higher energy prices? This question goes unexplored in the front page coverage the New York Times devoted to President Obama's address to the nation last week.

Obama has called for a renewed commitment to "clean energy" policies that would de-emphasize fossil fuels and reduce oil dependence. He has also imposed a six-month moratorium on deep water offshore drilling.

"Today, as we look to the gulf, we see an entire way of life being threatened by a menacing cloud of black crude," Obama said in his speech. "We cannot consign our children to this future. The tragedy on our coast is the most painful and powerful reminder yet that the time to embrace clean energy future is now."

In its coverage, The Times does an effective job of hitting on some of the highlights. The report, for example, discusses the President's "adversarial tone" toward BP officials at some length and touches on regulatory failures evident within the Interior Department's Minerals Management Service.

However, the relevance of a "cap and trade" bill to the environmental challenges that now beset the Gulf of Mexico is debatable. Moreover, as TimesCheck has previously reported, Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), who has supported earlier versions of the legislation, now concedes that regulatory schemes have no connection with climate change.

Even so, Sens. John Kerry (D-Mass.) and Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) have discussed the possibility of folding the Senate's response to the Gulf of Mexico disaster with a plan that

would price carbon. The idea here would be to portray the legislation less as a tax and more as a vote against oil companies.

Meanwhile, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has delivered its economic modeling results to Kerry and Lieberman for the "cap and trade" bill they introduced in May that shows the bill will have minimal long-term costs for Americans; a claim that does not pass the laugh test. The Heritage Foundation has released an analysis of the EPA's methodology that questions agency's "generous assumptions" and its use of discounting.

"Discounting is a legitimate tool in finance and for cost-benefit calculations," the Heritage analysis explains. "But discounting can give a much distorted view of costs, as is done by those misrepresenting the EPA analysis."

"Even the most generous scenario in this EPA report shows that costs will be forced on the economy—higher energy prices and lost income," Heritage points out. "...Regardless of whether the lower cost estimates are true, this bill provides negligible environmental benefit. Global temperature reduction from Kerry-Lieberman would be .077 degrees Fahrenheit by 2050 and 0.200 degrees by 2100. And despite the best attempt for politicians to marry the Gulf oil spill and cap and trade legislation, even the EPA analysis shows cap and trade will do very little to cut petroleum use."

Despite Obama's renewed commitment to "cap and trade" he appears to be short in the Senate.

"I don't think Senator Kerry has 60 votes," Mark Helmke, a top aide to Sen. Richard Lugar (R-Ind.) has been quoted as saying. Lugar has offered up his own energy bill, which does not include emissions caps. But where is

legislation that would help to unleash America's natural resources and the creative energy of free people?

The problem with Obama's speech is that it was mostly filled with non-sequiturs unattached to challenges of the BP oil spill and America's energy needs. The president has often cited Spain as model for the clean energy economy of the future. But here again, facts and economic realities intrude. Gabriel Calzada, an economics professor at Universidad Rey Juan Carlos in Spain, has produced a new study that shows green jobs are mostly temporary, heavily subsidized and subtract away from economic performance.

Remarkably, a "news analysis" piece that accompanies The Times' front page report does touch on the irrelevance of the president's proposals. The commentary here is as follows:

"The connection to the spill, of course, only goes so far. While he called for more wind turbines and solar panels, for instance, neither fills gasoline tanks in cars and trucks, and so their expansion would not particularly reduce the need for the sort of deepwater drilling that resulted in the spill."

Several trade groups including the Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association have released some telling statistics that should also find their way into future reports as the political class continues to pursue costly, counterproductive and irrelevant policies with alacrity.

They are as follows:

- Gulf production represents 27 percent of the U.S. oil and 15 percent of U.S. natural gas production.
- Deepwater production represents more than 70 percent of total Gulf of Mexico pro-

duction, so the moratorium will ultimately make us more dependent on foreign sources which don't share our environmental standards. The oil will arrive via pipelines or on tankers, which are also at risk for spills. America will lose tens of thousands of jobs.

• The offshore drilling industry is responsible for 200,000 jobs in the Gulf region.

• The moratorium could cost 3,000 to 6,000 Louisiana jobs in the next two to three weeks alone, and potentially 10,000 in the coming months. To put that in context, the entire U.S. economy created only 41,000 new private jobs in May, according to the Louisiana Department of Economic Development.

• For each of the 33 Louisiana platforms idled by the work stoppage, up to 1,400 jobs and potentially \$330 million in lost wages per month are at risk.

• The moratorium will cost the federal government approximately \$120 to \$150 million in lost royalty payments in 2011, and \$300 to \$500 million in lost corporate taxes, according to Consultants Wood Mackenzie.

• Since 1947, oil companies have drilled more than 42,000 wells in the Gulf. Current production is about 1.6 million barrels a day, and four-fifths of that is from deep water. Yet in a typical year, spills equal only several hundred barrels, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

• Nearly 60 percent of today's 7,300 active Gulf leases are in deep water, including the 20 highest-producing leases in the Gulf.

• According to the International Energy Agency (IEA), a moratorium in the Gulf puts 300,000 barrels a day at risk. That's 300,000 barrels a day that will now need to be imported from foreign sources, sending revenue and jobs overseas and raising its own safety issues.

Other Views

Disclosure is Overrated

By ROBERT ROMANO

Last week, after being on the fast track, campaign speech restrictions on corporations and not-for-profit organizations became sidetracked in the House of Representatives by Congressional Democrats, prompting House Speaker Nancy Pelosi to pull the bill off the floor prior to any vote.

Ironically, the legislation, the so-called DISCLOSE Act, was not delayed because it violated First Amendment rights to freedom of speech, of the press, and of association. It was held up because it did not violate those rights enough.

Specifically, so sleazy was the exemption granted to the National Rifle Association, that the Congressional Black Caucus withdrew its support. They want the NRA to disclose its donors, too, information the organization has sworn to protect.

Conservative groups blasted the NRA exemption as well, but not because they want the campaign restrictions extended to them, but because they believe all groups should be exempted. For them, the carve-out harkened back to the ObamaCare Cornhusker Kickback and Louisiana Purchase, when senators were granted special benefits in return for supporting the legislation they otherwise would not have.

Of course, removal of the NRA carve-out will not stop other exemptions. For example, labor unions will still have an exemption since only aggregate contributions of over \$600 would be disclosed — most union dues are less than that.

Another archaic carve-out that remains intact are those granted media organizations. Under the 1971 Federal Election Campaign Act, newspapers, broadcasting stations, maga-

zines, and other periodicals that publish endorsements are exempted from any disclosure or regulation at all by the Federal Election Commission.

According to 2 USC 431 (9) (B) (i): "The term 'expenditure' does not include any news story, commentary, or editorial distributed through the facilities of any broadcasting station, newspaper, magazine, or other periodical publication". This media exemption to campaign regulation is reinforced in the DISCLOSE Act's language on page 22.

As Americans for Limited Government President Bill Wilson noted, "They don't have to disclose donors. They have no limits on what they can say, or when they can say it. That's the way it is supposed to be for everybody."

Indeed, "freedom of the press" was never intended to apply to any select group, including The Press. It meant the freedom to operate the printing press to publish political opinions without any abridgement by government for any reason.

That includes an unwillingness to disclose donors backing such speech. Under the terms of the Act, companies and organizations — except for traditional media outlets, unions, the NRA, and maybe even AARP and the Humane Society — are not allowed to say who they support in elections unless they disclose who paid for the message. That's an uneven restriction of a right that is supposed to be absolute.

This is not about direct donation to candidates, campaigns, or political parties. This is about independent expenditures that are not made in coordination with campaigns. The Supreme Court has already ruled that independent expenditures cannot be barred in the Citizens United ruling.

The same principle should apply to anonymous donations

made to groups that solely make independent expenditures, as it did in NAACP v. Alabama (1958). Then Justice Harlan's majority opinion stated, applying the First Amendment via the Fourteenth to Alabama, "We hold that the immunity from state scrutiny of membership lists which the Association claims on behalf of its members is here so related to the right of the members to pursue their lawful private interests privately and to associate freely with others in so doing as to come within the protection of the Fourteenth Amendment."

Because of the ruling, several types of organizations do not have to disclose donors. However, they are still barred from engaging in electioneering — except for traditional media outlets. A similar case as was made by the NAACP can be made for any group of individuals wishing to remain anonymous in stating their preferences for a federal election.

Which is the way it should be. Disclosure of donations made to organizations that only make independent expenditures is overrated.

After all, there is no emergency or bribery crisis of elected officials that has ever emerged over editorial endorsements by newspapers or any other media outlet, which have long been exempted from disclosure. Yet we presume all other anonymous speech is malevolent. The law supposes that anonymous independent expenditures by everyone except for media could give the appearance of impropriety.

It's hard to believe such an absurd double standard has lasted this long. The solution is not to equally apply labyrinthine, onerous regulations on all organizations; it is to remove them for everybody. There should be unlimited, unbridged political speech about elections — without exception.

Lockney woman celebrates 75th birthday with Model A car ride

Irene Garza of Lockney celebrated her 75th birthday Monday, June 21 by cruising Main Street in Jerry Davis's 1930 Model A Ford. Mrs. Garza reupholstered the antique car's seats at her Lockney shop, U&I Upholstery, in 1975, when Davis was restoring the car.

She called her birthday ride "My dream come true" and thanked all the well-wishers who waved to her Monday morning during the ride.

Davis bought the classic old Ford from a Petersburg

man in 1972. "It was sitting in a pasture," he recalled. "We gathered up the parts, took it home and fixed it up. It took about four years to get it all together," Davis said. He noted that he has now had the 80-year-old automobile "nearly half its life." He still drives it in parades and on special occasions.

U&I Upholstery was in business in Lockney for about ten years in the 1970s and 1980s. Mrs. Garza learned the upholstery business from her late husband, Jesse Garza.



Staff Photo by Jim Huggins

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, IRENE! Irene Garza celebrated her birthday June 21 with a ride in Jerry Davis's 1930 Model A Ford. At age 75, she's five years younger than the classic car.

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Mrs. Helen Emerett and Mrs. Nelda Bray enjoyed visiting under the big shade trees at the Roaring Springs Ranch last Thursday when several Hackberry residents and staff members traveled to the Springs for a picnic outing. Mrs. Emerett was a resident of Dougherty and Mrs. Bray lived in Memphis before moving to Hackberry.

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to add value to the brand with increased usage. "There are a lot of different tools that can be used for economic development," Commissioner Staples said. "We want to make sure these tools are continuing to work for rural communities."

Commissioner Visit

During a brief question and answer session Staples was asked for examples of how the Texas Capital Fund has been used in various communities. According to Staples, one community who has recently benefited from the fund is Marshall who received a \$1,000,000 grant to help expand its utilities and create new jobs.

When asked what the long-term plan is for the Downtown Revitalization

Program, Staples said he believes it will continue being available in order to spruce up small communities and bring in tourism dollars. He said Texas is ranked top in the nation for bringing in tourist dollars.

Staples stated, "You have to think regionally and not individually if you want to move forward - we have to think collectively."

(This article first appeared on the Floydada EDC web site on June 21, 2010.)

Turbines

Mendoza and Craig were both proud to say that all of the turbine's parts come from Texas, most of them locally.

The duo had important advice for anyone who thinks they might be interested in getting involved with small wind. If you are working with a large scale developer make sure and check your lease closely; some developers put a clause in their lease which restricts a landowner from putting up a small wind generator which isn't purchased directly from the large scale wind developer.

The turbine at Mendoza's house is connected through Lighthouse Electric Cooperative, a customer-owned electric utility with over 4,000 miles of line throughout 12 counties

in the Panhandle, South Plains and Rolling Plains regions of Texas. Bruce Sisk, a master electrician and owner of S&S Electric, has been working with the group installing the turbines and getting them connected. If you are interested in having a Turbines Over Texas residential turbine at your house or business you can contact S&S Electric at (806) 293-9849.

CPWEA is a non-profit association working to connect landowners and local businesses with the wind industry. CPWEA is also interested in helping interested parties stay informed about small wind. Go to <http://www.caprockplainswind.com> to find out more about our association and how you can help support our cause.

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