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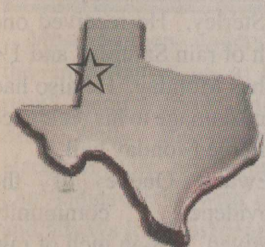
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## Lockney awarded grant Lockney gets new ambulance



Courtesy Photo

Charlotte Hooten and Mary Beth Sims display a check awarded for a \$250K grant. The City of Lockney applied for and was awarded \$250,000 from the Texas Department of Rural Affairs. Lockney will use the grant to make improvements to the city's water system. Charlotte Hooten, Lockney City Administrator, received the grant recognition at the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) Board of Directors meeting on August 10, 2010. SPAG Board of Directors President, Mary Beth Sims, issued the award.



Photo by Rodney Hunt

Dr. Stennett, Joe Heflin, and the Lockney EMS/Fire department all pose in front of the new Lockney Ambulance.

**Rodney Hunt (EMS Coordinator)** Last year Lockney EMS made 126 emergency calls with an average response time of seven minutes, made several back up calls for Floydada, and is comprised of all volunteers. Lockney EMS is licensed by the Texas Dept. of State Health Services and abides by the same rules and regulations that every department in the state must adhere to. This means Lockney has the same regulations as Dallas, Houston, Austin and every city in Texas. The old ambulance was lacking in the ability to

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## Hair by Leigh now open



Courtesy Photo

(From left) Bobby Gilliland, Floydada Mayor, Taylor Orr, Leigh Smith, Owner, and Justin Payne, Chamber of Commerce President hold a ribbon cutting ceremony.

There is something new in town. Leigh Smith, at Hair by Leigh, has been a stylist for 15 years. She offers all of your hair care needs including: cuts, colors, highlights, perms, waxes, and much more. She also has Kenra, Redken and Joico hair care products. Leigh is also a registered massage therapist who works along with Lee Battey, nails are offered by Charlotte Robertson. Hair by Leigh's newest adventure is Turquoise and Tangles Boutique. The Boutique offers blouses by Angie, jeans by Grace in LA, Yellowbox shoes, and lots of bling. Make plans to visit them at Hair by Leigh and Turquoise and Tangles Boutique, located at 208 S Main. Hours are Tuesday through Friday 8 - 6

## County Commissioners seek road safety net

**Homer Marquez Reporter** County commissioners raced against the clock during their August meeting, as they attempted to set a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. While Floyd County desperately waits for assistance from FEMA, the commissioners felt that it was crucial to set a budget that would put aside funds for road repair in case FEMA support arrives too late. Dirt roads are the life lines of Floyd County, and with the harvest just around the corner it is vital that action is taken now. County commissioners and Judge Golightly spent the second half of their meeting last Monday deliberating

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## TEA rates Floydada, Lockney schools

**Homer Marquez Reporter** The Texas Educational Agency has recently released the results of their annual school and district accountability system. According to the Texas Educational Agency website, the TEA is the acting administrative unit for primary and secondary schools districts. The TEA is made up of the Commissioner of Education and agency staff. Together with the Texas State Board of Education, the TEA is responsible for: adopting school books, developing statewide curriculum, administering data collecting systems, rating school districts, and also acts as a fiscal agent for the distribution of state and federal funds. Every year, the TEA ranks schools and districts using the accountability rating system. The ratings are

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## Revving up for the Cruise

**Homer Marquez Reporter** Lockney's first ever car show and cruise is almost here, and the city of Lockney is revving up its engines in anticipation for the Aug. 28 event. Classic cars are poised to hit Main Street to strut their stuff during the cruise next Saturday. Members of Lockney's Chamber of Commerce are busy planning activities that are certain to make the first annual cruise a memorable event. These activities will include a poker run, which is open to all ages. Participants in the poker run will be given a leather strap and a list of chamber businesses when they register at Floyd County Farm Supply on South Main. Those who take part in the poker

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VJ's News

I talked with the Center's cook, Renee' Armstrong today and asked if she fed any visitors this week and she said, "No, that everyone was home folks."

Renee' did say that if you have plans to eat at the Center or need a take out lunch please call in your reservation before or at least by 9:30. Renee' is the mother of three children and she sometimes has to take them to the doctor, dentist, etc. When she is away Cecil Jones is the Center's cook. One day when he was cooking he found out the Center's knives were really in bad shape so he went to Davis Lumber for some new ones. Our thanks goes to Ricky Griffith for "donating" new knives, I know our cooks are much happier now. Not only do we have Cecil Jones working at the Center sometimes we have another man who is here everyday. That is Jerry Davis who donates his time to carry the shut-ins their lunch. Thank you so much for all you do for the Center Jerry. Also we want to thank Jim Roberts for the good squash and cucumbers.

Saturday afternoon I went out to daughter Becky's house to visit with her and her grandchildren Payce and Elle. Payce is a busy boy and talks and plays all the time with his grandmother "BB" and granddad "Pappy."

Now baby Elle is beginning to want some attention too. She can crawl and wants to walk. They usually stay once a week with Steve and Becky.

Aug. 23 is not only the day that school starts in Texas, but in Farwell Texas that is the day Tammy Carthel Mitchell will be opening her "APPLE SHACK" You must find time to go to Farwell and shop at Tammy's Apple Shack where you can buy as few apples or as many apples that you want. Home made apple pies and all sorts of gifts will be on the shelves that Tammie's dad Bobby and her sister Sherrey Price made for her.

Tammie's mom, Mervean, would be helping them work in the apple shack if she was able. Mervean is having some hip problems and has an appointment with an orthopedic surgeon on Tuesday, so by the time you get this NEWS Mervean will know what her diagnosis is. I pray that the doctor will let Mervean be back walking and working in her yard.

This is the time of year when people are having school class reunions and family reunions. I think they are wonderful. I know of several ones who will be held here in Lockney. I will have more information next week on whom they are and where they are being held.

I went to church at Providence Sunday with

my son Louie and his wife Cynthia, I really enjoyed seeing all my Providence friends. Husband Donnie and I and our children lived there for 16 years and made friends you'd never forget. I also ate lunch with Louie, Cynthia and Bryan. After lunch while they were watching the Rangers play ball I played with their new puppy Flash. He is about 6 or 8 weeks old and is a little white and black bulldog. They also have an older dog, a schnauzer named Rudy; he is a well trained dog.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Lahoma Rowell Clower, former Lockney resident, who passed away Friday 13th at the Prairie House Living Center in Plainview. Funeral services were held on Monday the 16th at Bartley Memorial Chapel in Plainview. Burial followed in Center Plains Cemetery in Cotton Center.

**Lockney Senior Citizens Center Menu**  
**August 16-August 20**  
 Monday- Hamburgers  
 Tuesday- Beans and Cornbread  
 Wednesday- Chicken Fried Steak  
 Thursday- Mexican Chicken  
 Friday- Hamburger Steak

**August 23- August 27**  
 Monday- BBQ on a bun  
 Tuesday- Mexican Stack  
 Wednesday- Steak Fingers  
 Thursday- Salmon  
 Friday- Fried Chicken

From the archives...

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM FROM THE Lockney Beacon April 25, 1957

TORNADO TWISTS THROUGH AREA AS RESIDENTS WATCH

While hundreds of local residents watched, a tornado dances and twisted its way across some 15 miles of countryside in the Lockney vicinity Monday afternoon, miraculously doing very little damage and causing no injuries. Actually some residents northeast of Lockney reported two tornadoes, both in operation about the same time and about one mile apart.

For many local people it was the first real live tornado they had seen, and it presented quite a show. The twister came within a mile of the city of Lockney and in plain view of anyone who was looking to the southeast and east.

With repeated radio and TV warnings of tornadic conditions in the area, many people were watching the clouds and were in position to see the entire performance of the twister. It was believed to have formed about 8 miles southwest of Lockney and started its traditional northeastern course from that point. W. O. Whitehead who lives five miles southwest of town, said that he first saw the twister about three miles south of his home. It traveled due north for a distance and then turned almost due east, Mr. Whitehead said, still in the air. It came down enough to unroof a barn at the F. U. Payne home in the Pleasant Valley community, scattering the roof across a nearby farm to market road.

At the Alvin Wilson farm, also south of Lockney, the twister picked up a couple of cotton trailers, turned them around and badly damaged them, Mr. Wilson said. The twister continued a northeastward course, crossing Highway 70 about one-half mile southeast of Lockney's city limits. Clyde Bennett reported that he stood in the yard at the R. C. Bennett home place and watched the twister snake its way across the highway and on to the northeast. It was low on the ground at that point and had a very wide base but just east of town it lifted and slimmed up, getting completely off the ground at one time.

It crossed the C. H. Rose farm due east of Lockney,

and continued on northeast. Bruce Whitlock, who lives about six miles northeast of Lockney said that one of the twisters crossed his farm at the extreme western edge, tore down considerable fence between his place and that of Glen Cooper, went across the Hilburn Casey place just north of Whitlock's and then crossed the Keliehor land from southwest to northeast and traveled on across the Ernest Hays place, east of the house.

Some damage was reported on the Murray Julian farm in the South Plains community, a small shed being damaged by the wind.

Several other people northeast of Lockney reported seeing two different twisters but thought both were from the same cloud.

Hail Damages Crops and Buildings

Although little damage could be traced to the tornado, lots of damage resulted from a devastating hail which followed it. Roofs, windows, wheat and onion crops all came in for their share of pounding and adjusters were busy here this week checking damage claims and making adjustments.

Biggest loss was probably to wheat crops with the average damage amounting to about 20%, it was reported to The Beacon, however some crops were damaged as high as 75%. The hail was heaviest in the Providence community and in the area between Lockney and Sterley. The Monday hail came on the heels of another damaging hail last Thursday, which damaged crops but did little if any damage to residences. Good rains accompanied the hail in most places with moisture totaling up to four inches in some spots. A gauge kept by Jim Bob Reynolds in West Lockney showed a total of 3.40 inches for the weekend. One inch fell on Thursday, 1.60 on Saturday and another .80 on Monday. Hail came with the Thursday and Monday rains.

The hail and rains extended as far east as Cedar Hill.

Individual reports on the hail and rain gathered by the Beacon were: E. J. Foster of Prairie Chapel had a sprinkle Thursday with a few hail stones, .8 of an inch Saturday and .8 of an inch Monday with quite a bit of hail. Some damage to the wheat resulted on Monday.

Lloyd Readhimer of the Lone Star community

estimated that his wheat was damaged 40 to 50% by the Monday hail. Harold Griffith said that the area received 1½ inches of rain.

Jack Dollar in the Irick community had ¾ inch of rain Monday while 1½ inches fell on the John Holmes place, it was reported. Little if any hail damage resulted.

Leslie Ferguson had damage estimated as high as 75% on his wheat just west of Sterley. He received one inch of rain Saturday and 1½ inches Monday. He also had some damage to his residence from the Monday hail.

Ewald Quebe of the Providence community received .7 of an inch of rain on Saturday and .5 of an inch Monday. He had just a little hail.

Alvin Nichols of the Cedar Hill community received some damage to his wheat, estimated at about 25%. He received over two inches of rain. Bruce Whitlock received 1.70 inches of rain Saturday and Monday and some hail.

Light hail and rain was reported in the Aiken area Monday and Weldon Cumbie, over in the Prairie View Community in Hale County received 3 inches of rain and some hail.

Dry land farmers especially welcomed the rains. In some places it was sufficient to plant on, while others did not receive as much moisture as needed.

The rains will also be beneficial to young wheat, some of which had just come up in February after rains that month.

Some Roof Damage

Adjusters working here Wednesday said that shingle roofs were apparently not damaged by the Monday hail but that light shade composition roofs were damaged 20 to 30% in most cases. Lots of windows on the west side were broken out but damage to roofs in the business section were minor.

Heaviest residential damage was on the north and west side of Lockney and in the rural areas north and east of Lockney. With \$50.00 and \$100.00 deductible clauses many home owners will probably not have enough loss to make a claim it was said.

Onion Crop Hit

Onion growers say that the onion crop in this area was set back by the hail but not badly damaged. The damage may delay the harvest a week or two, it was said.

Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

The center is open Monday through Friday, lunch starts at noon. We are located at 301 E. Georgia. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573. Our phone number is 806-983-2032.

Recently, the center had a freezer go out and we did not have the money to buy a new one. I put in my article that we needed one. It paid off; shortly Turner said he had one that he would like to donate to the center. Thank you for the freezer. It is just what was needed. It is working great, thank you.

Thursday, Aug 12, Ruby Goodie's daughter Millie Burgett of Amarillo and a niece Millie Jo Walker of Ashdown, Arkansas ate lunch at the center.

To keep our center open, we need you to come and eat with us, pay a yearly due and support our center, we need people who are younger than 60 years old to come and visit us. Many of our members have gone to retirement homes, care centers or moved closer to their children. Several of our members are by themselves and no longer cook. We need the fellowship, which the center provides. I know I no longer

cook and the fellowship helps me to get out of the house each day, visit friends, and it helps to pass the day. I know others feel the same way. If you have lost your loved one it really helps to have somewhere to go and laugh, visit with friends, and eat a meal. Please come and help keep the center open. Our town needs this service to the local people. Ralls Center has closed and we do not want this to happen to us. Groceries have gone up, our building needs repairs. The more people we serve the better our center will be.

Charles and Emogene Haenisch recently visited their granddaughter and her husband, Chris and Laura Sheppard in Dodge City, Kansas. Chris works for CropQuest and Laura will be teaching Special Education in the Dodge City School very soon. On their return trip home they stopped in Pampa, Texas to have lunch with their son, Barry who is the superintendent in Pampa.

Dr. and Mrs. Dean were in Houston recently attending the burial of one of Bill's uncles, Bradley Middlebrook and also a memorial service for the Middlebrook's mother. It would have been

her 100th birthday.

Our sympathy to Linda Matsler on the loss of her mother, Ruth Lutsick.

Thankyouforremembering the center when you need to make a Memorial donation.

In memory of Jean Hale and Eva Parker

Thought of the Week-

You can make more friends in a month by being interested in them then in ten years by trying to get them interested in you

-Charles L. Allen

Floydada Senior Citizens Menu

Monday- Hamburgers, fries, pea salad, and cobbler  
 Tuesday-Sheppard's Pie, salad, rolls, Pumpkin Crunch  
 Wednesday-Turkey and dressing, Green deans, mashed potatoes, Roll pudding  
 Thursday- Lemon Pepper Chicken, Broccoli, Mac and Tomatoes, roll, Jell-O  
 Friday- BBQ pork chops. Scalloped potatoes, peas, roll. Fruit parfait  
 Saturday- Sausage, cabbage, pinto beans, corn bread, rocky road pudding  
 Sunday- green chili chicken carrots salad roll chocolate cake

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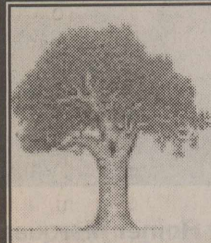
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# Obituary

## Rathyl Jones

FLOYDADA — Rathyl Jones, age 62, passed away August 14, 2010 in Floydada. Funeral services are at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with Pastor Ralph Jackson officiating. Interment will follow at the Forest Lawn Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.



# HACKBERRY HAPPENINGS

BY CARLA MEADOR, MARKETING DIRECTOR

Most women understand the importance of a little retail therapy from time to time. Well, the ladies at Hackberry are no different. Our ladies dress with style and always look fashionable. This week they will be able to take care of some of that retail therapy as we will have our very own Hackberry Boutique. We have converted our dining/activity room into a boutique featuring all the latest colors and styles. Devonne Dillard of Petticoat Junction in Roaring Springs has been kind enough to let us display some of her beautiful store merchandise, including the latest styles, both casual and dressy, scarves and jewelry. We appreciate Mrs. Dillard's generosity in offering a 40% off discount on items purchased. We extend an invitation to all our Hackberry friends and family members to come by this week and browse through our Boutique styles. Our 'store' will be open all week.

Hackberry will also host a Premier Jewelry Show Thursday, August 26 at 3:00 p.m. Friends and family are invited to attend. If you are in town for Old Settlers and need something to occupy your time between the parade, memorial service and the evening Rodeo events, get out of the heat, stop by the Center and take advantage of our cool environment, catch up on some visiting with our residents and enjoy the jewelry party.

With Old Settlers right around the corner, we are reminded that the annual get-together is a time to celebrate history and renew old friendships. Hackberry Creek Care Center certainly has a lot of history. With over 700 years of combined age with our residents we're just bursting at the seams with history. Oh, the stories that could be told. Take Mrs. Bannister for instance. She grew up in TeePee Flat and Roaring Springs and surely remembers many Old Settlers reunions. Or, Mrs. Dan Barton; being born and raised in Whiteflat and Matador, she could tell some hair-raising stories, I would bet. And Mrs. Bonnie Edmondson, she could tell some stories of old. Mr. Edmondson owned and operated a service station in Matador for many, many years and I'm sure she could share some interesting tales from that time. Mrs. Dorothy Nichols has experienced

the county history in the Northfield area, being born and raised there and having pioneer grandparents. I'm sure she heard many tales of old while growing up. We could go on and on with the history stories that are in the minds of Hackberry residents. We have tentatively planned a float for the parade and are toying with ideas for our theme. I'm pretty sure it will have something to do with history.

### SENIOR HEALTH TIPS

**Cardiac Rehab Works**  
If you've had a heart attack or heart surgery, you and your doctor can take many steps to help you recover and improve your heart health. One of the most effective is cardiac rehabilitation — supervised exercise and other assistance in designing a heart-healthy lifestyle. The goal of cardiac rehab is to give you the tools to make a lasting lifestyle.

Cardiac rehab not only aids your short-term recovery from a heart attack, angioplasty, or bypass surgery but can also make a lasting difference by helping you revamp your diet, develop a regular exercise routine, reduce stress, and make other changes for the better. Yet recent studies reveal that cardiac rehab is used far less often than recommended.

**Who's Missing Out?**  
A study in *Circulation* examined cardiac rehab use among more than 267,000 Medicare patients who had been hospitalized for a heart attack or bypass surgery. It found that just 14% of heart attack survivors and 31% of bypass patients received rehab after discharge. Another study by researchers at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reached similar conclusions: About two thirds of Americans who survive a heart attack do not undergo cardiac rehab after leaving the hospital. Why the shortfall? One prime reason may be that patients — and even some doctors — are not aware of the potential benefits of cardiac rehab.

How does it work? In general, cardiac rehab happens in "phases". If you're hospitalized for a heart attack or cardiac surgery, your rehab will ideally begin while you're still in the hospital — starting with such activities as simple range-of-motion exercises and then progressing to walking and some stair climbing, for

instance. After discharge, you can enter an outpatient cardiac rehab program. This second phase of cardiac rehab generally begins three to six weeks after you leave the hospital. Outpatient cardiac rehab is often conducted in small groups that meet two or three times per week. The rehab team, which may include nurses, physical therapists, dietitians, exercise specialists and psychologists, will examine your particular heart condition and your risk factors for a future heart attack — such as diabetes, smoking, depression, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol levels — and then devise an individualized plan for you.

• **Exercise.** Exercise is the cornerstone of any cardiac rehab plan. One of your goals is to increase your endurance; greater cardiovascular fitness is linked to a lower risk of heart attack and longer life. Exercising in a cardiac rehab setting has several advantages: It's safer than exercising on your own; you will learn proper exercise techniques (like warming up and cooling down) and the rehab team and fellow participants provide motivation.

• **Lifestyle education.** One of the most daunting tasks in managing your heart health is making dietary changes. Many cardiac rehab programs offer nutrition counseling to help you make heart-wise food choices, and if necessary, lose weight

• **Emotional support.** Heart disease often takes an emotional toll, so you might benefit from the psychological services offered by many cardiac rehab programs. These can range from education on how to reduce stress to professional counseling for depression systems.

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Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m  
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Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.  
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Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
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Joe Bennett, Pastor  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday .....8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m.  
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**MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister  
Bible Study .....9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.  
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**MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
401 N 12th St (983-5805)  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.  
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**NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
(806) 637-0430  
Sunday Singing .....10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
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**OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH**  
310 E. Mississippi  
Floydada  
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor  
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader  
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.  
Morning Praise...11:00 a.m.  
Evening Praise ....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.  
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**POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor  
704 N. Main, Lockney  
Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday .....7:30 p.m  
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**PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA**  
Lockney  
Jesus Caballero, Pastor  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship .....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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**PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA**  
Floydada  
Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...10:55 a.m.  
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Evening .....6:00 p.m.  
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**SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Jim McCartney, Pastor  
Wed. Communion.....8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
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**SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Joe Weldon, Pastor  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ....11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m  
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**TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
701 W. Missouri  
Joe Hernandez  
983-5286 (church)  
983-5156 (parsonage)  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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**ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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Rev. Angelo Consemينو  
Phone: 983-5878  
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
Mon.Wed. Mass .....6:30 p.m.  
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.  
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**TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM**  
Lockney  
Rev. Joe Hernandez  
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School .....9:45 p.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m.  
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**TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Washington and 1st St.  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service.....7:00 p.m.  
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**TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA**  
Rev. Herman Martinez  
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada  
Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday .....7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.  
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**Trinity Assembly**  
500 W. Houston, Floydada  
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor  
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor  
Children's Church .....10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .....10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....5 p.m.  
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**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Providence Community  
on FM 2301 293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington  
Minister  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
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**WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Floydada 983-3548  
Sunday Worship ...10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....5:00 p.m.

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The Lockney High School band is back in the saddle again, preparing for the season to come.

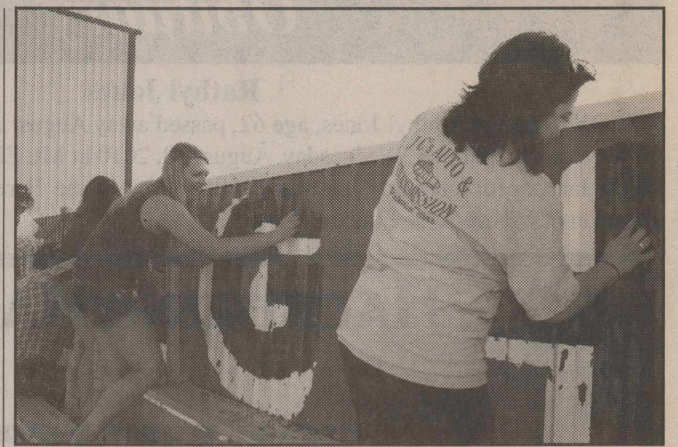


Photo by Homer Marquez

Blanca Cortez and Laura Fulton work together with other Lockney athletic boosters to scrape and paint the bleachers of Mitchell Zimmerman field.



My laptop computer has never failed me, but a screen has a crack across it, east to west. I'm getting used to it. Reminds me of a windshield.

Is there virtue in playing the martyr and putting up with something that's broken? If so, give me a few points, mostly for windshields.

Or is it nobler to get things fixed? Maybe it is. My parents were always getting things fixed. They were good people. Give them points.

A friend of mine had an equally nice set of parents, who didn't believe in fixing things. Give them some points too. When reverse went out on their car, no problem. They lived in the country - better said, in a village. When they drove to town on Saturday, they simply parallel parked, which wasn't easy in a town where most spaces were angled. For a couple of years their favorite spot to leave the family car was near a lumberyard not far off Main Street. When they finally replaced that car with one that went both directions, reverse must have seemed like a luxury. I guess it is. That's how I think of it when it comes to horses, although I've never had one that didn't back. I've only had two.

As for cars, reverse has never failed me, but a brake return spring went haywire more than once on my 1962 Chrysler in college days. When it happened, I could drive that car only in reverse. Talk about a moral dilemma. Should I drive down the right side of the street the same as always except for the orientation of my car? Or should I drive on the left side of the street with my car pointing the same direction as all the other cars but going against traffic? Even now, it's hard for me to sort it all out.

I do remember that at one point I found myself grill-to-grill with a policeman. Seems like I told him I was going only the short distance to the gas station. I don't remember getting a ticket. Anyway, it was the truth. If things didn't break, we'd all miss a lot. A friend of a friend of mine would have missed the love of her life. He repaired appliances. She broke her stove to get to know him better. It worked.

How do you break a stove? I don't know. Ours is already broken. I think it bothers my husband more than me. It's not that it doesn't work. It's a cosmetic issue involving some irreplaceable trim. If I were a pushy wife I'd complain. But instead I'm a martyr, chalking up points. Regarding stoves, I like gas. Electric stoves are pretenders. Ours is an electric one from the harvest gold era. Ho-hum. Some of these days, I'll tell my husband I've put up with our broken stove long enough. He'll agree we need a new one. I'll cash in my points to press for gas. Or maybe I just won't do anything. I'd hate to lose all those points.



Photo by Rodney Hunt

The Lockney Longhorns made it look easy during last Saturday's scrimmage against Tulia. After an impressive show of talent the Longhorns are ready for one more scrimmage with Crosbyton.

## Lockney Elementary Back to School

All parents and students are invited to attend the Back to School Night at Lockney Elementary Thursday, Aug. 19 from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.. Students may come and meet the teachers and bring their supplies for the year.

Email us at [fchb.editor@yahoo.com](mailto:fchb.editor@yahoo.com)

### Lockney Elementary School Registration 2010-2011

If your child attended Lockney Elementary last year you do not need to register them for school this year. If they are attending Lockney elementary for the first time you should register them at the elementary on the dates below:  
Wednesday August 4 - Friday August 20  
9:00 am to 3:00pm

#### Qualifications for Entry Into 4-year-old Pre-K:

- Must be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2010, and One of the following:
- Must qualify for the Free & Reduced Price Lunch Program (See principal for details); or
- Must be limited in English proficiency; or
- Must be homeless.
- Must be the child of an enlisted service person

#### Qualifications for Entry into Kindergarten:

- Must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2010.

All students enrolling in school must bring the following to registration:

- Certificate of Birth
- Social Security Card
- Current Record of Immunization
- Parent's drivers license for office copy

### Lockney Elementary School Registration 2010-2011

Si su niño asistió Lockney Elemental el año pasado usted no necesita para registrarlos para educa este año. Si ellos asisten Lockney elemental por primera vez usted los debe registrar en el elemental en las fechas abajo:

Wednesday August 4 - Friday August 20  
9:00 am to 3:00pm

#### Los requisitos Para la Entrada En de 4 años de edad Pre-K:

- Debe tener 4 años en o antes de el 1 de septiembre de 2010, y uno de lo Siguiente:
- Debe calificar para el Libre & el Programa Reducido del Almuerzo del Precio (Ve a director para detalles);o
- debe ser limitado en inglés pericia; o
- debe ser sin hogar.

#### Los requisitos Para la Entrada En Kindergarten:

Debe tener 5 años en o antes de el 1 de septiembre de 2010.

Todos estudiantes que matriculan en la escuela deben traer el siguiente por la oficina:

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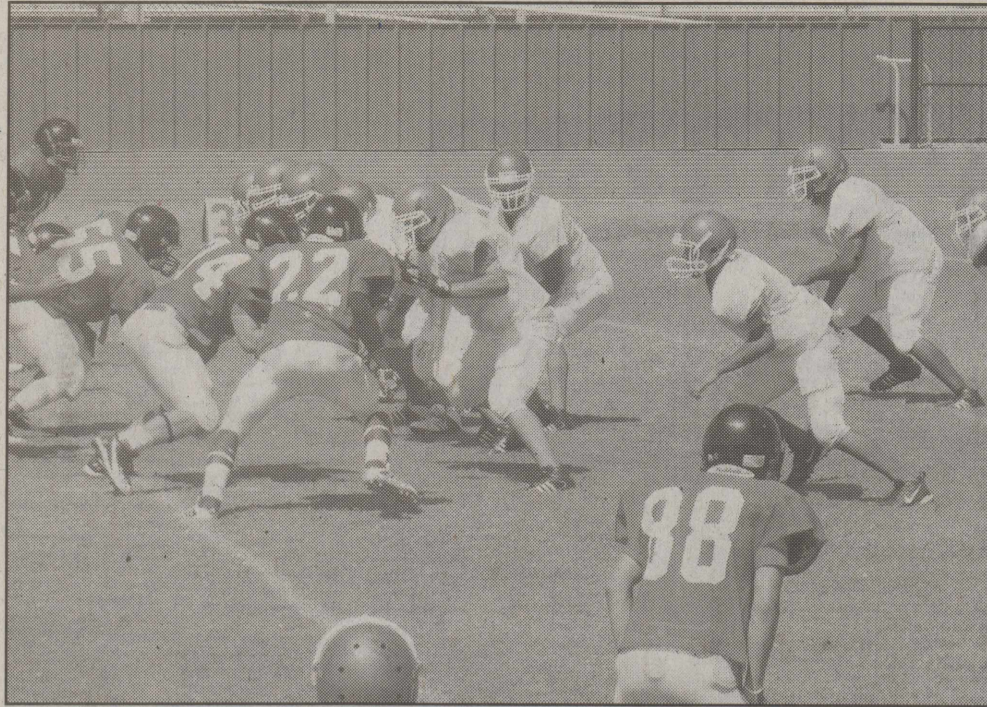


Photo by Julio Cervera

The Floydada Whirlwinds looked magnificent on both sides of the ball Saturday morning against Brownfield. Floydada will play the first game of the year Friday against Olton.

## The start of summer band

Homer Marquez Reporter

Area high school bands are tuning their instrument for another year of great music. Last week marked the start of summer band for both Lockney and Floydada High Schools, and band members are excited for the up-coming school year.

In Floydada, students are marching to the beat of new band director Justin Ogden. This is Ogden's first year in Floydada after a six-year stint at Plainview High.

Ogden and the Whirlwind band are poised to exceed the goals that they have set for themselves. Ogden explains, "Goals for this year is to be successful, and to try to rebuild this program to where it used to be. At the beginning of the year, we were going to focus on fundamentals, so that we can perform and reach those goals that we do set."

In Lockney, Band Director Rob Lovett is using summer band as a chance to pick the music that the band

will play for the rest of the year. "We're in the process now of picking music to play up in the stands, and that the kids enjoy, and then trying to put together the music for a competition show," Lovett explained. Last year's theme, Phoenix Rising, helped the Longhorn band advance to the area contest. With this year not being a competition year for the Longhorns, the band is looking forward to creating a fun show that the kids and the crowd will really enjoy.



Photo by Homer Marquez

Floydada student dust off their instruments for another exiting year of marching band.

## Area women reminded of upcoming Beth Moore simulcast event in Matador

All area women are reminded to make plans to come to First Baptist Church, Matador, on Saturday, Sept. 18 to join women around the world, as they worship and study together at the locally hosted "Living Proof" Live Simulcast event.

Beth Moore, well-known author and Bible teacher,

will present the Bible study, and Travis Cottrell, a leading contemporary Christian singer, arranger, and worship leader, will lead the music portion of the worship service.

Doors will open at 8:30 am, and the event begins at 9 am and ends at 4 pm. Tickets are \$15, and

lunch will be provided. Some scholarships will be available locally.

Seating is limited, and tickets will cost \$20 after September 8. So call (806) 347-2893 today for ticket information. Or you may email fbcmtdr@caprock-spur.com for more information.



Courtesy photo

These guys are "electrifying" the Fair Building for the upcoming Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair happening on Sept. 17-19. Pictured left to right on the ladders are: Joe Sustaita, Jonathan Sustaita, and Robert Webb. On the floor is Bill Hunter. The Fair is now 4 weeks away.

### Floydada School Menu

August 23 - August 27  
Monday

**Breakfast**-Breakfast pizza or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**- Chicken fajitas, tortillas, refried beans, salad, orange smiles, chocolate pudding cup, milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast**- Sausage/biscuit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots/ranch, fresh fruit cup, Texas toast, milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast**-Pancakes/syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, strawberries w/whipped topping milk

Thursday

**Breakfast**- Oatmeal and cinnamon toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Meat and beana chalupas, Spanish rice, lettuce & tomatoes, rosie applesauce, milk

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**Lunch**-Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, tater tots, brownie, milk

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Jamie Williams - 983-3553 or 778-7854

Libby Galvan - 983-5505

Zora Woody - 983-3414

We would also like to invite everyone to be a part of this years Whirlwind Booster Club. This is not a membership fee. We meet every Tuesday at 6 pm in the high school cafeteria.

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**Business Profile: JC's Automotive and Transmission**

There's a new automotive and transmission shop in Lockney, but not really. While JC's Auto and Transmission recently opened at 103 w. Bryant, between Main Street Pizza and the Methodist Church in Lockney, JC's is anything but new to the automotive service and repair business.

Julio Cortez, JC, has been in the business since 1992, and has recently acquired a new location to permanently establish his business. Julio wants everyone to know that he operates a family oriented business. JC is

married to Blanca Cortez, a full-time LVN at WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital and Clinic. They have two sons; Adrian, age 19 is a sophomore at Angelo State University, and Eric, age 15, who is a sophomore at Lockney High.

JC's Auto and Transmission is committed to offering you the best service and has a well-known reputation for quality and workmanship. Julio has completed over 700 hours of training and has a diploma as a Certified Automotive Technician from Laramie Wyoming Technical

Institute. Julio continues his education through annual seminars with the Automatic Transmission Service Group. JC's also has computer diagnostic equipment for all general engines, transmissions and brakes. JC can help you save lots of money on your next transmission, simply by skipping the middle man. JC will rebuild your transmission, in shop, and offer you a 2 year, 20,000 mile warranty on all transmission jobs.

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**New items arriving daily for Hospice Hands of West Texas second Annual Benefit Auction**

On Saturday, Aug. 28, 2010, Hospice Hands of West Texas will have its annual benefit auction. The proceeds of the auction will go toward funding patients who have little financial resources and have no means to pay for their hospice care. In fact, 100-percent of the proceeds of this auction will go to benefit those patients. It is through fund-raising efforts such as this auction that Hospice Hand can continue to

serve anyone who is in need of hospice services, regardless of their ability to pay. Here are some of the recently added auction items: Bungee Cords and Tie Down Cords set donated by DeBruce Ag, Highback Step Stool donated by DeBruce Ag, Sterilite Wheeled Storage Container donated by DeBruce Ag, Crabtree and Evelyn "Summer Hill" bath set donated by Bonnes Aimes, UltraSteel 37 piece screwdriver and bit

set donated by O'Reilly's, Camille Beckman bath set donated by Lacy Dry Goods, Merle Norman make up set donated by Merle Norman of Plainview, Rooster Plates donated by Elaine LaBaume, Fly Bait donated by Valley Feed Store, Western Picture Frames donated by Kelli Childre, two \$25 United Gift Cards donated by United, Catering for 8 donated by Flores Catering, three haircuts donated by

Tony's Cuts, Deluxe Scentsy Warner and Plumeria wax drops donated by Lockney Vet Clinic, and a 14 karat yellow gold ladies dinner ring (size 7 1/2) donated by Hubbard Jewelry and Pawn

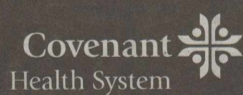
Items continue to arrive daily for the auction, so join us in the Dove Room at the Hospice Hands office, 305 North Main Street in Lockney. The auction starts at 1 p.m. See you there.

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# OPINION



## The Paperboy

### A matter of taste

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

I think the possibility of a mosque being built so close to Ground Zero in Manhattan is a direct slap in the face to our American way of life.

Should it be allowed? Absolutely!

Sometimes our freedoms are used against the will of the people. That's a small price to pay for having such freedoms.

President Obama and New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg are correct in their assessment of whether or not the mosque should be built there. Obama has had to defend himself on the issue more than once, but he certainly made the right call.

What needs to be questioned is not whether there is a right to build, but why build in that location?

At the very least, it shows a lack of taste. In fact, it is a ludicrous decision to build a mosque in lower Manhattan. The decision-makers must know this. Why build so close? Why there?

That horrible day nearly nine years ago was the darkest day many of us have ever had. I can honestly say it was the worst thing I've ever witnessed and the thought of it turns my stomach and makes my heart ache to this day.

If the reasoning for building a mosque that close to one of the most sacred places on the continent was to better relations, then it was grossly misjudged.

Unfortunately, I think the choice of the location is an effort to twist the sword in our collective wound. If not,

certainly wisdom or common sense would have won the day.

Our freedoms can and always will be used in manners many of us dislike. However, I'd much rather live here than in a place where people are butchered for their beliefs.

One more thought on the mosque: I would not be surprised in the least if the completion date for that project is 9-11-2011, or near the anniversary of that horrible day.

Something I take for granted here in fly-over country is the sky ... particularly the night sky.

Most of the population of this country rarely sees stars like we do here in rural America. Out here, 10 miles in the right direction and the sky is very dark. I love it.

In the mountains it's even better. You can almost reach out and touch the rest of the Milky Way when you are in the Rockies.

As the U.S. population has grown and more and more light has been pouring from the planet into space, dark skies have become rare. Light pollution prohibits good views of the night sky, depriving our city cousins of the beauty and majesty of a star-filled sky.

Between Paducah and Crowell, Texas, lies Comanche Springs Astronomy Campus. This amazing place, a product of Three Rivers Foundation of the Arts and Sciences, has some of the most advanced astronomy equipment anywhere and they like to party! Well, they have Star Parties and they take their dark sky very seriously.

I encourage you to learn more about Comanche Springs and perhaps get your local elementary, junior high or high schools to set up field trips to the campus. The place is remarkable.

You can learn more at [www.3rf.org](http://www.3rf.org).

Fall is nearing and so is football season. It's the time of year when every team is undefeated and has a chance to win a championship.

A game where the objective is to get a ball across a line can consume entire cities and states. Am I the only one who finds that strange?

What is it about football that gets our blood pumping? Is it the violence? Is it the athleticism and speed?

I'm a huge high school and college football fan. I like the discipline and teamwork it takes to accomplish the goal of winning.

My wife may never understand why I like football so much and I'll be honest, it's a little difficult to explain. I do inform her how lucky she is to have a husband who rarely watches NFL teams and does not participate in fantasy football. Hopefully she knows enough about football to realize this is a valid point.

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## Other Opinions

### April 15th is no Holiday

By REBEKAH RAST

Ed Brown was sentenced to 37 years in federal prison in January after refusing to pay federal income taxes.

The story of New Hampshire couple, Ed Brown and his wife, Elaine, received national coverage. The couple insisted it was unlawful for the government to require them to pay income taxes. They were sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for tax evasion after failing to pay more than \$1 million in income taxes.

But, according to Ed, they weren't going anywhere. Ed and Elaine barricaded themselves inside their concrete walls for nine months.

Supporters of the couple would bring by food and ammunition in case the U.S. Marshals decided to raid the home. Ed was ready for a combat-style standoff, but all his preparations weren't necessary. In October of 2007, U.S. Marshals made it inside the home by posing as supporters of the Browns, and arrested them both.

The government does not take lightly its citizens not paying their taxes.

"As the great American orator Daniel Webster once argued in front of the Supreme Court, 'An unlimited power to tax involves, necessarily, a power to destroy,'" says Bill Wilson, president of Americans for Limited Government (ALG). "This may be why the IRS is the most feared federal agency of them all."

This also may be why Ed and Elaine Brown barricaded themselves in their home with a full arsenal of weapons.

The income tax is part of the tax code that is especially touchy. Not only is it complex, but it hits you where it hurts the most — your personal income. How did this tax evolve? How has America's history complicated and twisted this tax into what it is today?

Believe it or not, America hasn't always had an income tax. In fact the American people had very little interaction with the federal government as it was the states' job to monitor the revenues it needed. The federal government relied on donations from state governments.

When the Constitution was adopted in 1789, the Founding Fathers decided that no government could run properly if it had to depend on extra revenue from other governments, so they decided to give the federal government the power to raise taxes. The Constitution gave Congress the ability to "... lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts, and excises, pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States." (Article 1 Section 8 of the Constitution)

Soon after the new nation was established, citizens started fighting against various taxes they deemed unfair. The Whiskey Rebellion of 1794 started with a group of Pennsylvania farmers who refused to pay the tax on

whiskey. Their adamant opposition forced President Washington to send federal troops to end the rebellion. Thus displaying how determined the federal government was to keep in place its revenue laws.

The Civil War brought about more changes to the U.S. Tax Code. At the start of the war, Congress passed the Revenue Act of 1861, which imposed a tax of 3 percent on all incomes higher than \$800 a year. From there the tax moved into a tiered system much like today with different levels of income being taxed at different rates.

After the war there wasn't a need to continue the tax. The income tax was abolished by 1872.

The need for more federal funds didn't take long. Congress ratified the 16th Amendment by 1913 and introduced a new income tax law as well as the 1040 tax form.

All was going well in America in the 1920s. The economy was strong and the government lowered the income tax rate dramatically. When the stock markets crashed and the Great Depression hit, the government began losing money fast. So, during the time of a broken economy and high unemployment rates, the federal government raised the taxes on the people. What was the result? The federal government had more money at the expense of an even weaker and ever-shrinking economy.

As the government had a continued need for revenue it began implementing new taxes like Social Security and Medicare. It also

changed the income tax model to a tax withholding method. Income tax withholdings were used during the Civil War and greatly eased the collection of the tax. As the government moved back to this method, taxpayer's were no longer aware of how much they were really paying in taxes and it made it easier for the government to hike up the rates in the future.

America now faces an ambiguous, less transparent income tax system. If asked how much you gave the federal government in taxes last year, would you know the answer? Most Americans know what refund they received or how much they owed, but how much was actually paid to the government is often unknown.

What's more alarming, a report by the Tax Policy Center, based in Washington, D.C., found that for tax year 2009 about 47 percent of U.S. households paid no federal income tax. This is due to the level of income and available tax preferences.

You begin to wonder if this is the system the Founding Fathers were hoping for when they gave Congress the right to raise taxes.

The income tax deserves a closer look. With more changes to the tax system set to take effect next year it's time to learn who is most affected by this tax and how it might change. After all, no one takes taxes more seriously than the federal government. Ed Brown can attest to that.

## Other Views

### Early Signs Point to Constitutional Rejection of ObamaCare

By Dr. RONALD L. TROWBRIDGE

What most Americans do not know about the current legal challenges against ObamaCare: the constitutional resolution depends exclusively on how the case for adjudication is written.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott says often that if the case is presented as a judgment about the individual mandate requiring individuals to purchase a certain private sector product or service, "we win." If, on the other hand, the case is presented as a matter of whether the federal government can control health care, as it does with Medicare, "we lose."

Georgetown law professor Randy Barnett, counsel for Angel Raich in the Supreme Court's Raich case, coined what he called "the dirty little secret of constitutional law" — whether a petitioner will find relief in federal court "depends on which accurate description a court chooses to accept." He sums up: A "court may rule however it wishes simply by choosing how to describe the right."

It is this court's discretion on how to phrase the constitutional issue that makes U. S. District Judge Henry Hudson's recent rendering so vital to the case. He refused to dismiss a Virginia lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the federal health care law.

Note that he focused on the issue of the individual mandate, not on the matter of whether the federal government can

control health care. "While this case raises a host of complex constitutional issues, all seem to distill to the single question of whether or not Congress has the power to regulate — and tax — a citizen's decision not to participate in interstate commerce. Neither the U. S. Supreme Court nor any circuit court of appeals has squarely addressed this issue." He who frames the argument wins the case.

Of equal critical importance, Judge Hudson also granted the Virginia petition standing. This could have gone the other way for Virginia.

To have standing, a case must be "ripe" — that is, there must be "harm" or "imminent harm." But the Department of Justice argued that the individual mandate will bring no possible harm until the law kicks in in 2014. No individual will be forced to buy health insurance or otherwise pay a fine until that date. Hudson ruled, however, that the case is ripe now.

But the issue of the constitutionality of the individual mandate will still be a close call, and here's why.

In the Raich case in 2005, where Angel Raich argued that she grew marijuana in her own back yard for personal medical use only, the Supreme Court nonetheless ruled that her action violated the Commerce Clause. Even the usually conservative Justice Antonin Scalia sided against Raich, concurring with the majority that Raich's personal noneconomic, non-commercial activities "taken in the aggregate, substantially affect interstate commerce."

In other words, if Raich grows pot and thousands of others do the same thing, eventually in the aggregate pot has the potential to become involved in interstate economic activity.

Will the individual mandate of health insurance fall within the aggregate of interstate commerce?

Randy Barnett believes that the constitutional battle over health care will likely center on the Necessary and Proper Clause in Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution, which reads: Congress has the authority "to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this Constitution in the government of the United States."

No one can predict with certainty how the constitutionality of the health care law will be resolved. But Judge Hudson's focus on the individual mandate and his granting of standing is the best of all possible starts for finding the individual mandate unconstitutional.

And as the new law has no severability clause, if any part of the law is found unconstitutional, the whole bill goes down.

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NEW ADVISORY BOARD – Member of the new Advisory Board for the South Plains College Physical Therapist Assistant Program are shown. Standing from left are Rob Blair, Dean of Technical Education; Missy Olive, PTA for Lubbock Supportive Living; Rosalinda Martinez, PTA for University Medical Center; and Craig Bragg, PT/CEO of TrustPoint Hospital. Seated are Blake Rieber, Administrator for Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center; and Sue Ann Lopez, Director of Health Occupations at South Plains College. The new Physical Therapist Assistant Program will begin accepting students in fall 2011. (SPC Photo/Wes Underwood)

## Ranch Management University program scheduled Oct. 12-15

COLLEGE STATION – New land purchases in Texas are often made by individuals with little understanding of how to manage soil,

plant and animal resources, according to a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

To meet the need of this clientele, a new landowner workshop is scheduled Oct. 12-15 in College Station.

The Ranch Management University, sponsored by AgriLife Extension, is a four-day event designed to help new landowners have a better understanding of resource management, said Dr. Larry Redmon, workshop coordinator.

“The topics will begin with soils and soil fertility and cover other basic aspects of ranch management,” Redmon said. “Those include forage species selection, hay production, weed and brush management, beef cattle breed selection, nutrient requirements, and feeding strategies for livestock. We’ll also cover grazing management strategies and the popular chute-side talk and live-animal handling demonstrations of

vaccinations, dehorning and castration.”

Other topics covered include how to keep good ranch records, how to develop a marketing plan and a look at alternative enterprises.

“Many properties today are purchased for recreation and in Texas this means wildlife,” Redmon said. “To address this need, wildlife management issues will also be covered. Wildlife management topics covered in the Ranch Management University will range from whitetailed deer management, dove, turkey, and quail hunting and management, ranch pond management and the ever-popular feral hog.”

Field demonstrations will include how to take a proper soil and hay sample, how to assess body condition

scores for cattle, a look at forage variety trials, grazing management and hog trap construction.

Approximately one-half of the program time will be spent in a classroom setting, while the remainder of the time is spent in the field. Lunch and supper will be provided Oct. 12-14 and lunch will be provided Oct. 15. A resource CD containing dozens of publications covering ranch management will be provided.

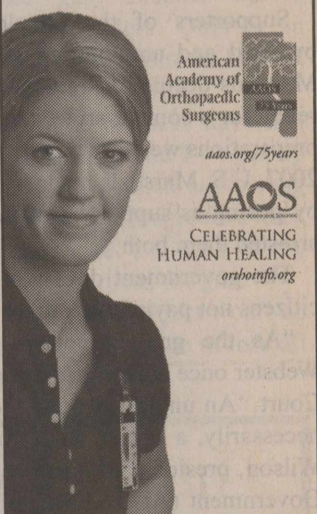
Attendance is limited to the first 75 people. For additional information, contact Redmon at 979-845-2425. For registration information, please go to <http://agrilifevents.tamu.edu> and type in “Ranch Management” as key words. Registration may be completed online at the site.

### A SHORT STORY ABOUT A MOTORCYCLE. AND A SUDDEN TURN.

When she was a young college student, Elisabeth Marra had a serious motorcycle accident that ultimately changed her life. Two years after the crash, her painful open fractures had failed to heal. Then she heard about a new and complex surgery pioneered by a surgeon who used a patient's own stem cells to concentrate the healing process. This time, her surgery and subsequent therapy were successful.

Elisabeth's experience caused her to redirect her own career aspirations. Inspired by the medical professionals who helped her reclaim her active lifestyle, she changed her major to study physical therapy—a profession where her own experience could help other patients prevail through difficult recoveries.

We tell Elisabeth Marra's story here to illustrate two of the most profound messages we know. Don't give up, and remember to give back. If reading it inspires just one more person to achieve something special, then its telling here has been well worth while.



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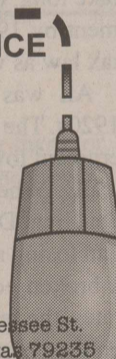
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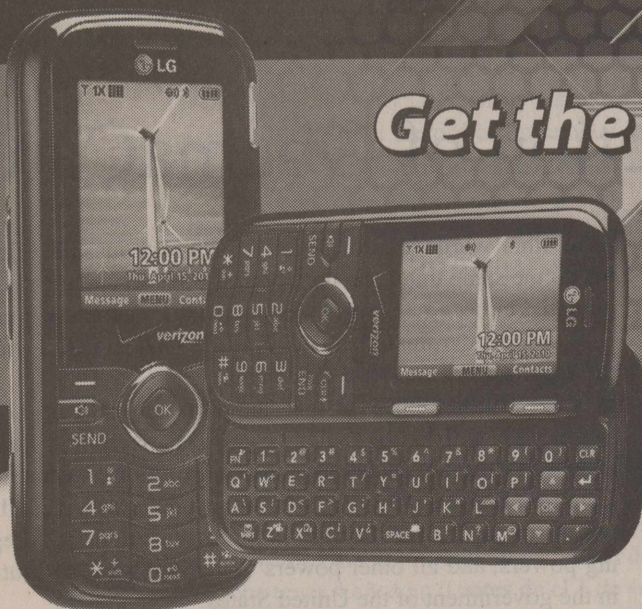
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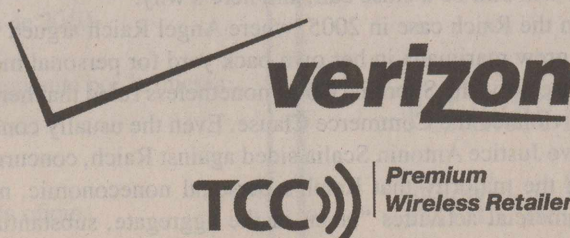
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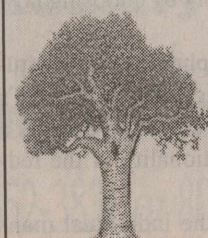


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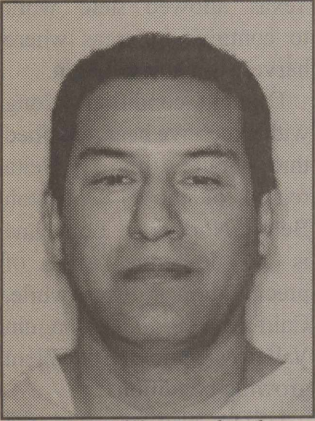
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# Amarillo man added to Most Wanted Sex Offender list



An Amarillo man has been added to the Texas Most Wanted Sex Offender list at the request of the Amarillo Police Department. Jose Manuel Vasquez, 50, is wanted for aggravated sexual assault of a child and failure to register as a sex offender. Vasquez is currently on probation for five and 10 years for two sexual offenses involving female victims who were 9 and 12 years old. He is required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life. A young woman recently went to authorities alleging that Vasquez had sexually assaulted her when she was

a child. Several other long-term victims were discovered during the subsequent investigation. Vasquez fled his residence on July 16 when a relative confronted him about the allegations and he is now considered a fugitive.

The Most Wanted Sex Offender program identifies violent sex offenders who have either violated parole or failed to comply with sex offender registration. These offenders are now fugitives and are considered a threat to our communities. Some of the victims of these sex offenders were children.

DPS, along with its local and federal partners, will actively pursue these sex offenders. The Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office has authorized a crime stoppers reward of \$1,000 for tips leading to the arrest of a Texas Top Ten Most Wanted sex offender.

The 10 Most Wanted Sex Offenders are listed on the DPS website at

<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/wanted/sexoffenders/topTenSexOffenders.htm#> and have last known addresses in the following cities:

- Amarillo
- El Paso
- Grand Prairie
- Houston
- Lufkin
- Rowlett
- Whitney

The public should not try to apprehend these criminals as they are considered dangerous. Anyone with information on these offenders can provide anonymous tips in three different ways:

- Call the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-800-252-TIPS (8477).
- Text the letters DPS—followed by your tip—to 274637 (CRIMES) from your cell phone.
- Submit a tip through the DPS website by selecting the sex offender you have information about, and under their picture is a link to submit a web tip.

# Reducing your housekeeping expenses

Looking for a way to reduce those monthly bills and expenditures? Try cutting your housekeeping expenses.

Most families are unaware of how much they spend on cleaning their house, and even less aware of how cheaper alternatives can be better for their health and the health of the planet.

Here are some ways to downsize those housekeeping expenses:

**\* Fill Up and Trash Less:** Save money on water, electricity, and detergent by always doing full loads, whether it's laundry or dishes. You can also save on dry cleaning by tossing dry clean only items in a garment bag and putting them in the dryer on low heat with a fabric softener sheet.

Any product with excessive packaging or disposable parts, from individually wrapped fruit to floor mops with throw-away pads, is going to be more expensive. To save money, buy in bulk whenever possible and switch to cleaning tools that have reusable pads.

**\* Natural Clean:** Going

natural used to mean buying organic, which is often more expensive. But when it comes to natural cleaning supplies, everyday cooking staples are great options. White vinegar and baking soda clean just about anything.

Plus, it's far better for your health -- commercial cleaning products often create air pollution inside the home. Just make sure to check with your floor's manufacture to see if the solution will not ruin your floor. Consider using household cleaning tools, such as the Rubbermaid Reveal Spray Mop, that let you use your own cleaning solution instead of buying a premixed one made from chemicals.

**\* Multi-Taskers:** Instead of buying separate products for the kitchen, bathroom, and floors, use a multi-purpose cleaner. Better yet, create your own. Two tablespoons of castile soap or white vinegar in a spray bottle can clean bathroom and kitchen counters. For floors, add a drop of pine essential oil to the soap or vinegar mixture for a bright shine and fresh

room scent.

**\* Go Micro:** More than paper towels, rags, or any other cloth, microfibers are better at dusting, polishing, and washing floors, even when using nothing but water. Sweep them across dust-covered electronics or rub them on greasy surfaces for an easy shine. Micro-fiber mops are also great time and money savers. They can be hand washed or thrown in the washing machine to be cleaned and used again, eliminating the waste you produce.

**\* Think Seasonally:** Decades ago, no one would expect to get mangoes in the dead of winter, but nowadays, global trade makes that possible. It also makes food more expensive. An easy way to save on groceries is to buy produce that's in season and grown locally. Visit local farmers' markets and you'll save even more.

Remember, being frugal shouldn't mean having a messy house. In fact, the cheapest solutions are often best for your family's health and the environment.

# Keeping vegetables safe: \$1 million grant will seek ways to reduce pathogens

**C O L L E G E S T A T I O N**—A team of food safety researchers led by Texas A&M University's Dr. Elsa Murano has received a \$1 million U.S. Department of Agriculture grant to find ways to protect fruits and vegetables.

The grant, "Role of surface-related factors on contamination and survival of pathogens in fresh produce grown in Texas and Mexico," will allow researchers to study the reasons why E. coli and salmonella resist removal from the surface of fresh produce. They also will develop training for the produce industry and food inspectors.

In addition to Murano, other researchers from Texas A&M are Dr. Matthew Taylor, Dr. Luis Cisneros-Zevallos, Dr. Alejandro Castillo and Dr. Juan Anciso. Members from other institutions are Dr. Jorge Fonseca, University of Arizona, and Dr. Miguel Martínez Téllez, Centro de Investigación en Alimentación y Desarrollo in Mexico.

Recent increases in both the number and magnitude of disease outbreaks attributed to contaminated fruits and vegetables have been reported, according to the researchers. The largest outbreak in U.S. history occurred in early 2008 and was caused by consumption of contaminated peppers grown in Mexico, then sold in the U.S.

"In spite of much research over the last decade, questions as to the factors that enable the persistence of harmful bacteria on the surface of certain fruits and vegetables remain unanswered," the team wrote in its proposal. "For example: How do the chemical and physical properties of the produce surface, as well as the presence of nutrients, affect the ability of pathogens to invade and colonize the surface? Do the types of non-harmful bacteria comprising the microbial community of fruits and vegetables affect the ability of pathogens to thrive in these environments?"

Knowledge gained from the studies will help develop education and training

materials for the produce industry and food inspectors in Texas, Arizona and Mexico.

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control the temperature of the patient compartment due to mechanical problems that had been repaired numerous times and would require removing the patient compartment box to repair, a very expensive procedure. Some of the cabinetry has laminate coming off leaving raw wood exposed, which might allow blood borne pathogens to accumulate between the fibers of the wood. Our drugs needed to be kept at a constant temperature while sitting in the bay. The new ambulance has an RV type a/c and heater that can be plugged into a wall outlet and keeps the patient compartment and drug compartment at a designated temperature

while sitting in the bay. This will allow a much better response to heat exhaustion patients and cold exposure patients. The new ambulance was bought as a DEMO and has some nice features built in like a rear view back up camera and monitor, a built in drop down baby seat, built in compartment air bags for crew safety, air ride suspension, low voltage LED lights, antibacterial coated floor and cabinets, and three point seating harnesses for patients. The new ambulance can safely carry two critical patients and the crew members necessary to care for them. Lockney EMS thanks all who donated for the new ambulance.

**TEA**

based on the requirements each school is expected to meet, these requirements include; TAKS test passing rate, the school's completion rate, and drop-out rate. After being evaluated each school and district is then given a rating of, exemplary, recognized, academically acceptable, or academically unacceptable. This year, Floyd County schools continued to provide a quality education for their students. The results are as followed; Lockney Elementary and Lockney Junior High both received a recognized rating by TEA. Lockney High School proved again to be academically acceptable

by the TEA. Overall, the Lockney school district was acknowledged to be academically acceptable by the TEA. The TEA also recognized two schools in the Floydada school district, Duncan Elementary and Floydada High School both received a recognized rating. Floydada Junior High and Floydada PAC both received a rating of academically acceptable. Overall, the Floydada school district received a recognized rating from the Texas Educational Agency. For more information on the results you can visit the Texas Educational Agency website at [www.tea.state.tx.us](http://www.tea.state.tx.us)

**CRUISE**

run will then go to the businesses and collect one colored bead. At the end of the competition, chamber members will randomly assign point values to the different colored beads. The winner will be the person who has the most points on their leather strap. First place will receive \$500, second place will receive \$200, and third place will receive \$100. There will be a \$10 entry fee for the poker run. The car show is set to begin a noon, and the poker run is scheduled from 5:30p.m to 6:30p.m. Cars will start rolling

out onto Main Street at 7 p.m for the cruise. Registration for the car show and cruise will also be held at Floyd County Farm Supply. Registration for the car show will start at 9 a.m., registration for the cruise will begin at noon; there will be a \$15 entry fee for each car in the cruise. The car show and cruise is open to anyone who wants to show off their vehicles. So come out and support local businesses, for more information you can contact Archie Jones at 806-652-3836 or at 806-292-7853.

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# Cotton Market Weekly Report

A bullish supply and demand report, coupled with a strong U.S. export sales report, provided plenty of fuel to an already strong cotton market this week and allowed cotton futures prices to continue their rally. USDA's August estimates finally confirmed what traders and analysts had been suspecting for some time; that cotton inventories were much tighter than previous reports had indicated.

USDA lowered its estimate of world beginning stocks for the 2010-11 marketing year to 47.58 million bales, down 3.41 million from the July report. The largest reductions were noted in China, India, Pakistan and Brazil. One analyst stated the lower estimate of beginning stocks in China was "a step in the right direction," but the number still may be overstated by three to four million bales.

The department raised its estimate for world production to 116.85 million

bales, up 830,000 from its July report. Increases were noted in India, Pakistan and the United States. However, world mill use was projected at 120.87 million bales, thus 2010-11 will be the fifth consecutive year when world consumption will outpace production. World ending stocks are now predicted to be 45.6 million bales, approximately 4.5 months of mill use and the lowest stocks-to-use ratio since 1994-95.

One analyst for a large international cotton trader told a reporter the supply situation is "very tight," and it could be maintained for sometime. He also stated if demand remains as strong as it has been, the market could see historically high prices.

Traders were somewhat surprised by an increase of 200,000 bales in the U.S. beginning stocks estimate. USDA pegged the stocks at 3.1 million bales due to a change in exports for 2009-10. The department also

raised its estimate of the U.S. crop to 18.53 million bales, an increase of 230,000 from the previous month's report. Likewise, U.S. exports were boosted by 700,000 bales from the previous month to an estimated 15 million, and ending stocks were projected to be 3.2 million bales at the end of the marketing year.

The Texas cotton crop was estimated at 8.8 million bales based on an average yield of 768 pounds per acre and an abandonment rate of 3.5 percent. Production for the state's Northern and Southern High Plains was estimated at 5.98 million bales, and the Northern and Southern Rolling Plains was pegged at 1.21 million bales.

Weather conditions in West Texas were mostly ideal this week as warm temperatures prevailed, allowing the region's cotton crop to flourish. Scattered showers in some areas also added to already adequate soil moisture levels. Hot and dry weather in South

Texas allowed field work to continue in areas where harvest is about to begin.

Drought conditions along with excessive heat remained throughout the Delta region of the U.S. Cotton Belt. Northern Louisiana is in desperate need of precipitation. Meanwhile, California's San Joaquin Valley was enjoying excellent growing conditions.

USDA also reported net export sales of U.S. cotton for the 2010-11 marketing year totaled 341,800 bales in the week ended August 5. Featured buyers were Bangladesh, Pakistan and Turkey. The department also reported export shipments on July 31, the final day of the 2009-10 marketing year, were 99,600 bales, bringing accumulated shipments of all cotton statistical bales to 12.2 million bales. Export shipments for the August 1-5 period totaled 178,800 bales. China, Mexico and Turkey were the top three destinations.

# Lockney Police Report

**May**

-Elias Saucedo 29 was arrested and charged with evading arrest or detention  
-Criminal mischief occurred in the 300 block of SW 2nd a vehicle windshield was busted with a water balloon

**June**

-Criminal Mischief occurred in the 700 blk of SW 4th a vehicle was egged  
-Theft of an A/C window unit occurred in the 100 blk NE 6th

**July**

-Criminal Mischief occurred in the 400 blk of Milwee a vehicle was damaged  
-Domestic verbal dispute occurred on US 70 and SW 8th both parties were released

**July**

-Theft of a chain link fence and pickup camper shell occurred in the 100 blk NE 6th  
-Burglary of a building occurred in the 300 blk W Locust 3 A/C unit were

taken

- Travis Tharp 18 was arrested and charged with Burglary of a building.  
-Criminal Mischief occurred in the 100 blk of S. Main a window of a vehicle was broken  
-Burglary of a habitation occurred in the 600 blk N. Main two window a/c units were taken

**August**

-Theft of a bicycle occurred in the 300 blk of W. Spruce  
-An assault occurred

in the 300 blk of S. Main. Citations were issued and parties released.

-A theft occurred in the 500 blk of SE 8th a PSP was taken

-A theft occurred in the 400 blk of W. Washington lawn furniture was taken.

-Burglary of a habitation occurred in the 100 blk of SW 8th an unlocked door was entered and currency was taken.

Information on any offenses listed would be greatly appreciated.

**ROAD SAFETY**

on where the county would get the money if federal money does not arrive on time. A special meeting will be called for Aug. 23, in which commissioners and Judge Golightly will plan to propose a new budget plan for the new fiscal year. Commissioners fear that the almost 3 million dollars that Floyd County

requested from FEMA, may be delayed or denied by the federal government. In this case, county commissioners feel that proposing a budget with a safety net would be the right course of action. Due to the damaging floods in early July, county precinct 2 alone will need an extra \$200,000 to fix damaged

roads. This will come at a cost to Floyd County; sacrifices will have to be made to ensure that the county will have the resources to fix the roads. One of these sacrifices maybe the roof of the Floyd County Courthouse, with the budget belt tightening, the efforts to fix the leaky roof of the courthouse may be postponed.

Also discussed during the Aug. 23rd meeting were ways that Floyd County could increase revenue. Justin Jaworski, director of the Floydada EDC, took time to present the commissioners with new information on upcoming wind farms. With the future devolvement of electric transmission lines in Floyd County, county officials are

preparing to meet with wind turbine companies. County officials are learning the ins and outs of the wind turbine business in order to make better decisions and policies during future meetings; these decisions will in turn prove to generate more revenue from the wind farms.

County Commissioners also pushed forward a motion to adopt a sales tax to assist with county districts. With a vote of 3-2, the tiebreaking vote coming from Judge Golightly, the .0025 of a cent, tax raise will be sent to both Lockney and Floydada city councils to be voted on. If passed by the city councils, the increased sales tax will then be voted on by the citizens of Floyd County in November.

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