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Plans Finalized for 23rd Annual Punkin Day

By Charla Yeary Floydada Chamber Reporter

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture has been working very hard to finalize the plans for the 23rd Annual Punkin Day Celebration which is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 9, 2010 on the court house lawn.

5K race will start the day off at 7 a.m. Anyone wanting to participate can register as Farm Bureau on the northeast side of the courthouse square. At 9 a.m. registration for the 1 Mile fun run will be at Farm Bureau and the Arts & Crafts show and food vendors will open for business.

Entries for the Pumpkin Decorating contest will be accepted at 9 a.m. Prizes pumpkin.

The Crossview Christian Camp will be accepting donations of baked goods for their cake walk at 9 a.m. Baked Goods contest will be accepted from 9 - 11 a.m. Categories for this years dessert, and miscellaneous

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Pumpkin recipe.

The Friends of the Library Book Sale will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Floyd County Library Community Room and the Classic Car Show will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Main street between the Floyd County Courthouse and Oden Chevrolet.

The Floyd county Registration for the Museum will be the sight of rope making activities from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Entertainment is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. and last throughout the day under the pavilion. At 11 a.m. the judging of the decorated pumpkins and the Baked Goods contest will take place and the games are scheduled to begin at 11 a.m. as well.

The games schedule for the day will be as follows: Wheelbarrow Obstacle will be awarded for the best Course for Adults at 11 decorated, prettiest, smallest, a.m., Pumpkin Drawing largest decorated for the kids at 11:30 a.m., Wheelbarrow Race for ages 13-18 will be at 1 p.m., the Pumpkin toss for kids 5 and under will be at 1:45 p.m. followed by the and entries for the Pumpkin tricycle race obstacle course at 2 p.m.. the seed spitting contest will be held at 2:30 p.m. and pumpkin bowling contest will be: Pumpkin is scheduled for 3 p.m.. The pie, Pumpkin cake, Pumpkin last race of the day will be other Pumpkin the pumpkin pie relay at 4 p.m. Each team will have

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four runners. This is the only game with an entry fee.

The costume contest will begin 3 p.m. and the categories will be ages 0-3 years, Pre-K - 2nd grade, 3rd -5th grade, 6th – 8th grade, high school, and adult. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each category. At 4 p.m. we will auction off the prize winning Pumpkin Baked Goods and announce the Cow Patty Bingo winners.

The Chamber Commerce booth will have short and long sleeve adult t-shirts, kids t-shirts, and infant t-shirts. All t-shirts will be \$ 5 and adult polo

shirts will be \$ 7. We will also have some caps and bags for \$10. We will also be sponsoring "Guess the Weight of the Trailer of "Pumpkins" and "Guess the Number of Candy Pumpkins in the Jar." Cow Patty Bingo tickets can also be purchased at the chamber booth during the day on Saturday.

For more information please contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at 983-3434. (806) 983-3434.

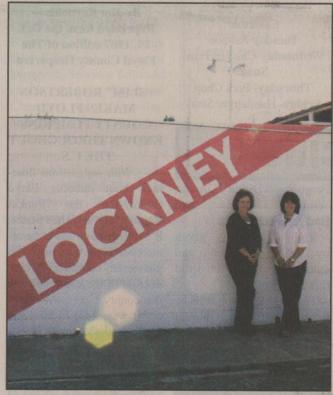
We have a great day planned and look forward to seeing all of you for a great day in Floydada, Texas-"Pumpkin Capital USA!"



Courtesy Photo

Billboard welcoming visitors to Floydada, Pumpkin Capital of the U.S. For more information about Punkin Day, contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at

Lockney is awarded pool grant



Staff Photo by Homer Marquez

Charlotte Hooten and Lesca Durham stand in front of the soon to be renovated city pool. The City of Lockney has recently been awarded a grant from Texas' Parks and Wildlife Department that will be used to renovate the Lockney pool.

The City of Lockney will

be able to renovate their city

pool thanks to the help of

donations and a grant from

Texas' Parks and Wildlife

The State's department

has awarded the city of

Lockney a grant that will

match the \$50,000 organizers

raised through donations.

The \$100,000 will go to

refurbishing the city's pool,

this will include: sandblasting

and resurfacing the bottom

of the pool, pouring a new

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around the pool, purchasing new pumps, filters, ladders, and tiles for the inside of pool, and will also provide

for a new paint job. Out of the ten grants given by the Parks and Wildlife Department, Lockney was the only town in West Texas. Chief organizers for the grant, Lesca Durham, Charlotte Hooten, and Kay Martin would like to thank Lockney's EDC, Lockney's Chamber of Commerce, D&J Gin, and everyone else who donated.



Courtesy Photo

Eric and Julianne Cornelius have donated a flag to be flown at the Floyd County Veteran's Memorial. They are pictured here with 4-H'er Brayden Campbell, son of Wesley and Tracy Campibell. The Cornelius Family asked Brayden to continue the tradition that started 8 years ago, November 11, 2002, when their son Skyler Cornelius led this 4-H Citizenship Project and his brother Jordan Cornelius continued until his graduation in 2010. The flags at the Veteran's memorial are replaced every three months because of wear and tear from 24-hour use. Individuals wishing to donate a flag for replacement should contact Julianne or Eric Cornelius in Floydada. The flags are returned to the previous donor when replaced.



Courtesy Photo

FAMILY DOLLAR broke ground for their new store on Wednesday morning, September 22, 2010. The new store will be located on the northwest corner of 2nd and California Street next to Subway. The completion date is yet to be determined. (This photo first appeared on the Floydada EDC web site on September 21, 2010.)



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The new USDA Standard Reinsurance Agreement introduced in 2011 eliminates CRC and APH policies. The new Combo Policy offers Yield and Revenue based plans. Your current policy will automatically convert to a similar new plan.

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MR. AND MRS. GRADEN LONG (nee Cameron Gasser)

Gasser and Long exchange vows

Mr. Graden Long were united in marriage in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, July 17, 2010. The Reverend Monsignor Larry Droll of Midland, and Father Daniel Dreher of the

Miss Cameron Gasser and Catholic Student Center of West Texas A&M University officiated the ceremony at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Ron Gasser. The Mother of the bride, Mrs. Christe Gasser, was escorted by her son, Sean Gasser of Plano, Texas. The Mother of the groom, Mrs. Tracy Long, was escorted by the groom's father, Mr. Robbie Long.

The wedding party included Maid of Honor, Stacie Gasser, bridesmaids, Megan Lopez, Felicia Urban, and Courtney Long.

The groomsmen included Best Men, Landon Cotham and J. W. McPherson, Mark Ford, and Blan Scott.

Ali Long and Connor Parker served as Flower Girl and Ring Bearer. The House Party consisted of Kaylee Zaiontz, Stephanie Stephenson, Meliea Blanke, Chelsea Vanderburg, Darby Long, Dusty Clayton, Hagen Pickins and Jeremy Wilhelm.

The Scriptures were read by Jenni Spann and Sean Gasser. Music for the ceremony was provided by Mrs. Wimberly (Cantor) and noon. Mr. Jett Fentern (Organist). Soloists included Amanda Spann, Nick Williams, Phil Landon and Todd Cotham.

A reception honoring the cash. couple was held following the ceremony at Midland Country Club.

The bride and groom enjoyed a honeymoon in Lake Tahoe and now reside in Smithville, Texas.

Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

The Friends of the Library has decided to hold their book sale for two days instead of one. If you will not be able to shop on Saturday on Punkin Days, then you can shop on Friday, October 8th.

We will open the sale on Friday at 9 a.m. and stay open until 3 p.m., the same hours that the sale will be held on Saturday. So, come on in on Friday to get an early view

of the many books, covering many subjects that we will offer for sale

We are still in need of good new or current used books for our sale, so please look through your books at home and see what you can donate to the Friends of the Library

Just bring them by the library during library hours and we will be happy to get them. Any donation is

appreciated. We are also in need of good children's books

The Friends of the Library is an organization that is dedicated to helping our wonderful library. We are also involved in supporting other projects in our community. Come join us and become a

member of this active group. See you at the Friends of the Library book sale next

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573. We are located at 301 E. Georgia. We do not have mail delivery at the Center. If you are 60 years or older please come and join us. Eat a good lunch and visit friends. Lunch starts at 12

Flu shots will be given Friday, October 8th from 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please bring your Medicare card or

On Wednesday, September 22, Susan Browning of Plainview ate lunch with Margie Young at the Center. Susan is the daughter of Shorty Turner.

Happy Birthday to those who have a October birthday: October 3 – Jerry Cannon; October 16 - Faye Bertrand, Jean Appling; October 18 -Phillip Smitherman; October 21 - Jimmy Marquis, Jo Goen; October 22 - Nancy

Lawson; October 23 – James Wade; October 30 - Iva Jewell Bonner; October 31 -Ruth Hammonds.

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

In memory of Verna Lynne Stewart - Kendis and Janis Julian, Gene and Nancy Lawson, Gary and Linda Matsler, Roger and Bo Poage, Genelle Breed, Alton and Sue Higginbotham, Betty Baker, Gary and Emma Pate, Rick and Kellie Reddy, Don and Carolyn Hardy.

In memory of Bill Daniel - Gene and Nancy Lawson, Genelle Breed, Alton and Sue Higginbotham.

In memory of Margaret Jackson - Gene and Nancy Lawson, Betty Baker, Don and Carolyn Hardy.

In memory of Jackie Duke - Gene and Nancy Lawson, Bill and Linda Harbin, Melody Herriage and David Simpson,

Charles C. Craig, Gary and Linda Matsler, Genelle Breed, Alton and Sue Higginbotham, Betty Baker, Gary and Emma Pate, Rick and Kellie Reddy, Don and Carolyn Hardy.

In memory of Harvey Allen - Don and Carolyn Hardy.

In memory of Ruth Lutrick - Don and Carolyn Hardy, 1956 Study Club.

In memory of Bob Lotspeich - Gene and Nancy Lawson, Genelle Breed, William and Faye Bertrand, Alton and Sue Higginbotham, Don and Carolyn Hardy

Our sympathy to the family of Dr. Floyd C.

"Thought for the Week" - When you are making a success of something it's not work. It's a way of life. You enjoy yourself because you are making your contribution to the world.

Andy Granatelli

VJ's News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Hi everybody! This is one of those Sunday nights when it is hard for me to write the news. So it is going to be real short this week. I have contacted someone who I think will be great to write this news but she said she would get back with me after she gives it more thought. I hope she accepts cause I know she would do a great job and I am getting real of tired of trying to find something to write

about. Jr and Gene are gone this week on a trip so I will have something to write about next week. This weekend Robert Joyce's husband's marker.

The 1934 Study Club

met Tuesday, September

14, 2010 at Nielson's

Restaurant for the first

meeting of the 2010-2011

The meeting was called

to order by Faye Bertrand,

President. Prayer was led

by Margarette Word. In the

absence of the secretary, no

Randy Davis Indianapolis, Indiana flew home last Thursday to surprise his parents, Jerry and Dovie Davis. While he was here he got to see the fair and the fair parade. Also Saturday he and his parents went to visit his siste,r Julie MCann and family. It was a wonderful

visit for all.

I talked to Pricilla Minter this afternoon and she told me about several people in her church that were sick. One was the granddaughter of Clydell and Delton Jack, Jessica Jordon, who is the daughter of Bonnie and Jackson Jordon of Sugarland. Jessica has taught English here in Lockney High and Renee have taken Joyce School for several years and Mason to Oklahoma to see has made her home with her grandparents. Bonnie and Jackson are here to be with

minutes were read.

were discussed.

Faye

New yearbooks were

passed out and meetings

and programs for next year

Colston, Betsy Dempsey,

Jo Lyles, Marie Warren and

Margarette Word. Members

absent were Willia Mae

Members present were

Bertrand, Wilma

Jessica.

Pricilla also said Walter Reves who now is living in Midland to be close to his daughter, Elaine and husband, Rob McGuire, has had a mild heart attack. He is recuperating really well now she said.

If you have any news that you would like to have in the paper please call me at 652 2357 before next Sunday. Thank you, Vera Jo.

> MENU October 4-8 Monday- Enchilada Casserole

Tuesday-Salmon Wednesday-Chicken Fried Steak

Thursday- Pork Chop Friday- Hamburger Steak

From the archives...

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE **ARCHIVES OF THE** FLOYD COUNTY **MUSEUM**

FROM THE FLOYD **COUNTY CENTENNIAL** 1890-1990

By Jim Reynolds— Reprinted form the Oct. 29, 1987 edition of The Floyd County Hesperian

"SLIM" ROBERTSON **MAKES FLOYD COUNTY PUMPKINS KNOWN THROUGHOUT** THE U.S.

With suggestions floating about dubbing Floyd County as the "Punkin Capital" of the United States, B. A. Robertson has to be remembered as the man who pioneered commercial production of the commodity in this county.

"It was close to 30 years ago" that the longtime farmer first planted Floyd County soil to pumpkins. "The first ones I planted were north of Barwise on Boyd land. I think I planted 10 acres that first year." He worked that plot 23 years, and continued to produce pumpkins.

Why did he decide to try his hand at growing pumpkins? "I really can't answer that," he responds. "I knew a fellow-Rafe Fergusonwho tried cushaws and did real good." Rafe Ferguson is the father of Ray Gene manager Ferguson, Floydada Co-op Gin.

Cushaws are "related to pumpkins. Most people don't know how many varieties there are."

Seeing Ferguson being successful cushaw production, Robertson decided to try his hand at pumpkins. His initial crop was sold "here and there. Most went to Dallas and Fort Worth."

His production increased as demand mounted. He says that "the word got around" among Dallas and Fort Worth retailers about the quality of his pumpkins.

EARLY CUSTOMERS

He remembers that brothers John and Gene Cox of Dallas "bought a pickup load. Then they came back with a U Haul trailer and bought a pickup and trailer load." The brothers drove to Floyd County each fall to purchase Robertson's pumpkins, finally graduating to a bobtail truck. Then the brothers purchased semi-trailers of the commodity until reaching "135,000 to 140,000 pounds a year."

The Cox brothers represented "a pretty good comparison" of B. A. Robertson's early customers increasing their pumpkin purchases through the years.

The Coxes "retailed everyone of them (pumpkins) out." Other buyers were

wholesalers. "When you sell a pumpkin, you never know where it will end up," Robertson relates.

Other early customers who came back annually purchase Robertson pumpkins-were "five men from Fort Worth. They all came together. The first year they came in pickups" and later they brought semis to haul commodities back to the Metroplex.

As the volume of most customers grew and new customers came along, Robertson's acreage grew.

"I used to sell some that went to Arizona, some went to New Orleans, and others went as far north as Wichita, Kan., that I know of," he proudly explains.

REPEAT CLIENTS

I had people who came back 20-25 years. In fact, I loaded one out yesterday, Jimmy Wood of Rockport, whose father used to buy from me."

Although Robertson no longer produces pumpkins, he keeps well versed on them through his protégé, Scott Faulkenberry.

"Scott grows all the pumpkins now," the veteran Floyd County farmer says. "He's picked up a lot of customers over the years that I didn't have."

Robertson confines his agricultural activities to "a little cotton patch over by the rest home. I hire Scott to do most of the work, but if he's busy and can't get to it, I've
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Ferguson, Diana Glover, Wilma Gowens Emagene Haenisch.

Roll call was given by Marie Warren and answered with "What I did this Summer".

The next meeting will be held at 2:30 p.m. October 12, 2010 in the home of Betsy Dempsey.

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Obituary

NITA ADAMS

Nita Adams, age 89, of Floydada, passed Sunday, September 26. 2010 at her home. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at Lakeview Cemetery with Tom Taylor officiating.

Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Nita Adams was born on October 5, 1920 to Walter and Ruby (Knight) Craft in Wise County, Texas. She married P.D. Adams Jr. and they were blessed with one son, Roland Adams.

Nita was a homemaker and also worked as a supervisor for over 20 years for the Floydada Junior High Cafeteria. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Floydada.

Nita was preceded in death by her husband, P.D. Adams Jr., in May of 2009.

She is survived by her son, Roland Adams and wife, Charla of Lubbock, her sister, Clara Mae Jetton of San Antonio, and seven grand and great-grandchildren.

Memorials in Mrs. Adams' name may be made to the Floydada Senior Citizens Center at PO Box 573, Floydada, Texas, 79235 or Hospice Hands of West Texas at 305 N. Main St., Lockney, Texas, 79241.

Online condolences may be made at www.Moore-Rose.com



DR. FLOYD C. "BRAD" BRADLEY

And the Master said, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of thy Lord." Matthew 25:23

One of God's most faithful servants, Dr. Floyd C. "Brad" Bradley, 88, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, September 22 from his home in Lubbock, Texas after a battle with cancer. He was born January 21, 1922 to Floyd C. Bradley, Sr. and Elizabeth Giles Bradley in Leonard, Texas.

After moving to the Lubbock area, he graduated from Meadow High School in 1938. He then went to work for Furr Foods in Lubbock. In 1942 two major events occurred in his life: he met Aline Denson of Brownfield, Texas, and he joined the Navy. During 1942 he began flight training to become a Navy pilot. On June 12, 1943 he received his flight school wings, and later that same day, he married his beloved Aline.

As a member of the Greatest Generation, Dr. Bradley served in the Pacific theater in World War II, flying Navy B24's on reconnaissance

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missions and bombing raids. At only 21 years of age he was the commander of a flight crew of 12 men. He was the youngest man in the Navy to hold that position of duty. He flew 55 missions and accumulated over 3500 hours of total flight time during his service. He was the first pilot to fly weather personnel into a typhoon during war time in order to gather weather information, and he was awarded several medals and citations. Calling it "the perfect ending to my military service to my country," on Veterans' Day, 2005, Dr. Bradley delivered the Veterans' Day address to several hundred people gathered at the State Capitol Building in Austin, Texas. Dr. Bradley was also a 32nd Degree Mason and received his 60-year pin in 2007.

In 1950 Dr. Bradley answered God's call to preach the gospel of Christ. He moved with Aline and their children to Brownwood, Texas where he enrolled in Howard Payne University. His first two pastorates were in Gorman, Texas and Cisco, Texas. He then went to First Baptist Church in Denver City, Texas. During seven years there, over 1500 people came to know Jesus. In 1961 he became pastor of First Baptist Church in Floydada, Texas where he served for 22 years. Over 2200 people came to know Jesus during his time there. His next position of service was as Director of Missions for the Caprock/ Plains Association based in Plainview, Texas. He served there for the next ten years. Dr. Bradley was very active in Baptist denominational work. He preached in several overseas mission trips to Brazil and Japan, and he served on numerous boards and committees of the Baptist General Convention of Texas. After retirement, he served as a field representative for Baylor University, and he was a regular guest preacher at many churches around the South Plains area and the rest of Texas as well as several other states. Dr. Bradley and his wife were also members of the Samaritan Class at First

Baptist Church of Lubbock. Dr. Bradley was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Aline. He is survived by his second wife, Nell Abram Bradley and his three children: Dale Bradley (Tammy) of Pinedale, Wyoming and Phyllis Bradley Hext and Ellen Bradley Green, both of Tyler, Texas. Also, his brother and sister-in-law, Mac and Glenda Bradley of Denver City, Texas. Also, seven grandchildren: Stephen Bradley(Carol) of Anchorage, Alaska, Stacey Bell (Ken) of Arlington, Texas, Ben Hext (Dana) of The Woodlands, Texas, Jeff Hext (Amanda) of Dallas, Texas, Cullen Green of Dallas, Texas, Mason Green of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Weston Green of Tyler, Texas. Also, former daughter-in-law Janice Bradley of Arlington, Texas, eight great-grandchildren, and several cousins, nieces,

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and nephews. Also, three stepchildren: Alexis Gentry (Mark) of Ransom Canyon, Vernon Abram of Lubbock, and Lesinee Mitchell (Craig) of Ransom Canyon; seven step-grandchildren, six step great-grandchildren,

many faithful friends. Visitation was held Friday, September 24, from 6 p.m. -8 p.m. in the parlor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 25, 2010 in the First Baptist Church of Floydada. On Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 11 a.m. there will be a special memorial graveside service for family and friends at Rose Hill Cemetery in Tyler, Texas where he will be buried next to his beloved Aline. Services in Floydada and Tyler will be handled by Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada, Texas

The family wishes to extend our most sincere thanks to Hospice of Lubbock, Jo Beth Edwards, and Nurse Serena. Homestead Health Care of Lubbock, Nancy Vera, and Caregiver Leticia. Memorials may be made in Dr. Bradley's name to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 2200 W. 7th Street, Amarillo, Texas 79106 or the American Cancer Society, Box 22538, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73123.



LUCIAN EDWARD MOREHEAD

Lucian E Morehead died September 23, 2010, in Austin, Texas.

Burial was held in the Plainview Memorial Park Kornerstone Funeral Directors. Services followed at St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 3 p.m. with the Rev. James Mock presiding.

Moreheadwastheeldestson of E.J. and Ethel Morehead of Plainview, Texas. He was born June 24, 1911, at his grandparents' William P. and Lilly Talkington Daily's Boarding House on 7th and Denver, which they built and operated.

Lucian graduated from Plainview High School in 1926, and after graduating with an AA degree from Wayland Baptist College in 1928, enrolled in Baylor University where he received his A.B. degree with honors in 1930.

After working for his parents at their Cloverlake Dairy for two years, Lucian moved to Austin where he attended the University Of Texas School Of Law, earning a L.L.D degree with the highest honors in 1935. His

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Longhorn Cheerleader, Robbie Reyes, readies a pie during last week's outdoor pep rally. At the pep rally coaches competed with players in a football quiz, losers got a pie in the face.

4-H'ers Promote 'one day 4-H' **Crayon Recycling Drive**

you have a collection of broken crayons that aren't being used. But now, they can be.

Floyd County 4-H members want all of your old crayons, whether broken, whole, or just tiny pieces. We want them all! now until October 9th.

Recycling drive promotes Pieces will be recycled into

If you are like most families, the importance of recycling. Crayons are made from a non-renewable petroleumbased product that, if thrown away, will spend eternity in a local landfill. The recycling drive coincides with the Texas "one day 4-H members are collecting as 4-H" community service many crayons as possible from event. Like new crayons will be donated to family shelters The 4-H Crayon or community art programs.

fresh, new crayons!

Drop off tubs have been placed in Floydada at Kid's Korner, A. B. Duncan Elementary, and the County Extension Office. Lockney they are at Lockney Elementary and at Lockney's City Bank. By recycling crayons today, you can help make a difference tomorrow. Reduce~Reuse~Recycle one

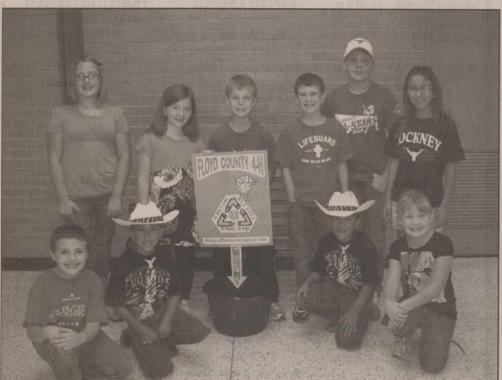


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4-H promote "One a Day 4-H".

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Oct. 4 - Oct. 8

Monday Breakfast-Donut or cereal. toast, juice milk Lunch- Hot dog/chili or grilled cheese, tator tots, corn, orange smiles, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Sausage bosciot or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Cheese enchiladas or ham, pinto beans, salad, pineapple, cornbread, milk

Wednesday Breakfast - Rice or cereal.

toast, juice, milk Lunch-Meat and bean

The Fair Board is exploring the possibility of having a Halloween Carnival and/or Lockney community trick or treating at the Fair Building on October 30. This would take the place of the Elementary School Carnival and/or trick or treating in town. Please voice your opinion by calling Jim & Kay Martin 652-3386, Carol Huggins 652-3115, or emailing floydcofair@yahoo.com.

Congratulates our **EMPLOYEE** OF THE MONTH for July 2010



Jodi Cruse

Jodi is a registered nurse in the hospital. Her job duties are patient care and hospital nursing. She has worked for the hospital since February of 1998. Jodi has a great personality and always has a smile on her face. She does a good job and she takes pride in what she does. Her favorite thing about working at the hospital is the people she works with. Jodi enjoys gardening, crafts, scrap booking, going to church, and spending time with family and friends.

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Thursday Breakfast- Eggs/bacon or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch- Chicken nuggets or corndog, potatoes, green beans, sliced peaches, roll, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch- Hamburger or chicken patty on bun, hamburger salad, baby carrots/ranch, frozen yogurt, milk

Mark Your Calendars Now! "Punkin Day Celebration" Saturday, October 9 in Floydada on the

Lockney 7th Grade Football loses close game

By Coach Browne

The Lockney Longhorns 7th grade football team lost a close battle on Thursday night to the Olton Mustangs. The Horns played very hard but came up just short as the game but came up

the Mustangs won 14-6.

Horns touchdown was punched in by Tevin Phillips on a 3 yard run. The Horns held the Mustangs on defense and had a chance to tie

just short. The defensive player of the game was BJ Jimenez who had a fumble

recovery in the 4th quarter. The Horns next game will be Thursday September 30th in Claude with kickoff

coming at 5 p.m.

Lockney 8th grade Longhorns host Olton

By Coach Revnolds

The Lockney Longhorn 8th graders hosted the Olton Mustangs with a rewarding end. Olton came out strong as they forced the Longhorns to punt multiple times.

However with the fine blocking of the Longhorn offensive line, Nick Sherman

was able to bust a 10yard touchdown run. The Mustangs held strong and stopped the Longhorns twopoint try. That was the end of the scoring in the first half.

Olton comes out first rattle out of the box and threw a 60yard touchdown pass tying the game up. The game was a stale mate until Ryan Poole and Marcos Bueno connect for a 50-yard touchdown pass. Nick Sherman follows his offensive line to punch in the 2-point conversion. That was the end of the scoring as the Longhorns came out victorious. Good job Lockney 8th Grade.

Lockney Cross Country teams compete at Lubbock

By Coach Dunn

Lockney High School Cross country ran in Lubbock at the Lubbock Invitational at Mae Simmons Park on Sept 25.

Devin Caballero finished 29th out of 200 runners. The varsity girls team finished 2.

19th. David Johnson also finished 29th out of 107 runners. The varsity boys team finished 7th.

The next meet will be the Sundown Oilpatch Invitational at Sundown Oct.

All our kids ran a really great meet. This is probably the toughest course we will run with lots of top-notch competition. It was a great practice meet for us because this is where we will run our regional meet!

Longhorns lose to Olton

By Coach Garza

Big plays was the theme of this game, unfortunately they were all for the Mustangs.

Olton scored on three runs of over 40 yards and a pass of 56 yards. The Longhorns

were able to put 3 good drives but were able to only score on one of them. Ky Teeter scored on a 3 yard run for the only score for the Longhorns.

The defense played well but seemed to let the Mustangs out of trouble on crucial downs.

The game ended 42-6. The Longhorns will travel to take on the Mustangs from

Lockney Loses nail-bitter to Olton



Photo by R.K. Hunt Photography

Mustang territory. After the

turnover, penalties and a

strong Longhorn defense kept

the Mustangs from advancing

further down the field; Olton

would be forced to punt in

the end zone. Starting at

the Mustangs 29 yard line,

the Longhorns unleashed

a brutal drive to the end

zone. Led by running back

Eduardo Ascencio, Lockney

smashed their way to the

red zone. After a crucial

6 yard catch by Lockney's

Alejandro Salazar, Ascencio

only needed one more yard

to put the Longhorns on the

board; a blocked extra point

would end the first quarter

with Olton leading the

In the second quarter,

strong defenses kept the score

the same until the Mustangs

successfully attempted a field

goal late in the half. At half-

time, the Longhorns would

head into the locker room

It continued to be a

defensive battle in the second

half, as both teams turned up

the intensity. Defensively,

Longhorns 7-6.

trailing by 4.

With assistance from Longhorn Alejandro Salazar (2), Luke Sherman (25) would break through the pack for another big gain. It wouldn't be enough though, as Lockney would end up losing a nail-biter against Olton. The Longhorn's will look to turn their season around this

By Homer Marquez Reporter

The Longhorns came close to turning their season around last week as they played the Olton Mustangs. But, a late fourth quarter penalty ended the Longhorn's chance for a comeback; as they went on to lose to the Mustangs 20-

Lockney got off to a bad start in the first quarter when in the first play of the game resulted in a 77 yard touchdown run from Olton running back, Billy Ross, a successful extra point would put the Mustangs up by 7. Lockney's first offensive outing proved to promising as the Longhorn's marched the ball down the field. A strong offensive line proved to be too much for Olton, as the Longhorns picked up momentum in their first offensive drive, but Olton's defense dodged a bullet, as they would eventually

put a stop the drive deep in

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Construction of a Salt Storage Bin at the Floydada Maintenance Section, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas Contract Number 6217-31-001

Sealed proposals for the construction of a Salt Storage Bin at the Floydada Maintenance Section, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas.

Proposals will be received until October 2, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. The publicly opened and read.

Proposals, plans and qualifications for this project will be furnished without charge to any Contractor desiring to submit a bid. No pre-qualification is required. Contact Amy Nieman at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas. Telephone 806-748-4524 for proposals or any questions.

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9-30c

players like Renee Cruz and Chris Torrez help Lockney contain Olton's explosive running game. Frustrations grew for both teams as the game went on, Lockney alone lost 80 yards in penalties. At the end of the third quarter, Olton would once again hit another field goal, extending their lead by 7. In the beginning of the

fourth, a huge sack by Olton would result in 15 yard fumble return by Christian Cantu of the Mustangs; a successful extra point kick would make the score 20-6. But the Longhorns were far from giving up. After an unnecessary hit to Lockney's punter, the Longhorns were awarded the ball at Olton's own 36 yard line. A facemask after a beautiful 22 yard to pass to Renee Cruz would move the Longhorns to the 6 yard line. A few plays later, a 4 yard touchdown pass to Lockney's Chris Torrez would put the Longhorns on the right track for a comeback. With the score 20-12 in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter, the Longhorns would kick-off the ball to Olton. The Longhorn defense, knowing the game was on the line, would able to force the Mustangs to punt. As the ball was snapped to Olton's punter, a bobbled snap gave the Horns enough time to break through the line and block the punt. Shaquille Thompson would return the fumble for a touchdown. But celebrations were cut short after fans noticed yellow flags on the field. Referees claimed that Lockney had hit the kicker; and to a barrage of boos, the ball was awarded back to Olton. Olton would go on to win 20-12.

Email us at fchb.editor@yahoo.com

PUBLIC NOTICE **CITY OF LOCKNEY** TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

The City of Lockney is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program grant application for a Community Development Fund grant request of \$275,000 for improvements to the streets in the City of Lockney. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

9-30c



Photo by Jim Covington

Brityn Helms cheered on the Whirlwinds last week as they defeated the Spearman Lynx in the season's district opener. Floydada's unstoppable running game would out-rush Spearman by 136 yards last week.

Whirlwinds win first district game over Spearman, 14-7

are 1-0 in district after taking care of Spearman 14-7.

Rex Mathis did the scoring for Whirlwinds en route to helping the Whirlwinds amass 249 rushing yards on 56 carries.

Floydada also capitalized

Spearman fumbles during the contest.

Mathis scored on a 16yard run in the first quarter to put Floydada up 6-0, Hector Rodriguez added the kick for a 7-0 lead. After Spearman knotted the game at 7-7,

The Floydada Whirlwinds on recovering two of three Mathis ran in a 7-yard score in the fourth quarter for the lead and the defense held Spearman for the final.

The Whirlwinds play Sanford-Fritch at home Friday at 7:30 p.m. Fritch is 3-2, 1-0 as well and beat Tulia last week 49-9

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In last week's game against Spearman, Juan DeOchoa (66) and Bryson Sessions (3) had no trouble clearing paths for Floydada's superior running game. The Whirlwinds would go on to defeat the Lynx 14-7. This week the Floydada Whirlwinds will host

Conservation Reserve Program Sign-Up Benefits Producers, Protects Sensitive Habitat

Sept. 14, 2010 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced that USDA will accept 4.3 million acres offered by landowners under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up. The selections preserve and enhance environmentally sensitive lands, including wetlands, while providing payments to

property owners. "Interest in this open enrollment period high, and I'm pleased that producers and landowners across the nation continue to realize the environmental benefits of enrolling land in the CRP," said Secretary Vilsack

For this 39th general sign-up more than 50,000 offers were received on

more than 4.8 million acres, nationwide. Enrollment of the 4.3 million acres will keep the program enrollment close to the 32 million acre statutory cap, which will maintain and enhance the significant environmental benefits the program has already achieved. CRP's 39th signup will bring the total enrollment in the program to 31.2 million acres, leaving sufficient room under the 32 million acre cap to continue enrollment in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, continuous signup and other CRP initiatives through FY 2011.

Under CRP, farmers and ranchers plant grasses and trees in crop fields and along streams or rivers. The plantings reduce soil

Floydada Boy Scouts/ Cub Scouts **Chicken Fried Steak Supper**

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7th and 8th Grade Whirlwind Football

By Coach Ayala 7th Grade Whirlwinds - 28

7th Grade Spearman – 0 Aaron DelaFuente scored on a 68-yard run on the first handoff of the game. The two-point conversion was unsuccessful.

The defense held the Lynx to four and out. On the next Whirlwind offensive possession, a handoff to Robert Cuba resulted in the next Whirlwind score, a 68yard touchdown. The twopoint conversion was a good pass from Calvin Seago to J. P. Segura for the score.

Robert Cuba also scored on a interception play from 38 yards out. The two-point conversion failed.

The Winds defense did not let the Lynx offense get

much on the ground or in the air. They did a good job. We played a lot of people and that is always good.

The Winds last score came on a run by Kye Baker around the left side from 28 yards out. Issac Herrera converted the two-point conversion.

It was a good victory for the Winds. Next week we will face the Sanford-Fritch Eagles at our home stadium starting time 5 p.m.

8th Grade Whirlwinds - 0 8th Grade Spearman – 30

The score does not reflect the effort of the Whirlwinds. We drove the ball down the field throughout the game, only to stall out in the red

Good things on offense and defense did occur. Aaron Chavarria ran hard making a lot of yards on the ground.

On the defensive side, Joshua Posada made a lot of key stoops on the outside. There were a lot of big hits from the defense. One of the big hits came from Rikardo Cervera from the safety position. He did a good job stopping the Lynx running backs from scoring.

It was a tough game against a tough team. I know these kids will get better and they will turn this season around.

Come on out and check out the Whirlwinds this Thursday in Floydada. The 8th grade game will follow the 7th grade game.

Floydada Cross Country teams run at Mae Simmons Park

By Coach Styles

The Lady Winds were led Duran (120th) 19:35.

The Floydada Cross Fuente 105th) 16:40, Raelene 22:13, Reyes Casares (91st) Country teams ran at Martinez (111th) 17:35, Mari 23:11, Ryan Chavarria (92nd), Lubbock this past weekend. Mar Lira (112th), Elyanna Colton Lehman (95th) 23:36.

by Kristan Sanchez (19th) The Whirlwinds were led Whirlwinds will be off this 13:31, Ashley Lucke (57th) by B.J. Perez (15th) 17:58, next weekend before running 14:40, Tyler Whalen (80th), Tyler Renfro (60th) 20:20, at Olton on October 9th. 15:25, Amelia Gonzalez R.J. Gomez (75th) 21:37, Good job.

(88th) 15:43, Anna de la Adrian Gonzales (82nd)

The Lady Winds and

Floydada Cross Country teams run in Plainview meet

By Coach Styles

Floydada Cross Country team ran at Plainview this past Saturday at Running Draw/ Kidsville Park. Placing for the Lady Winds was Kristan Sanches in 11th place with a time of 13:18. Also running for the Lady Winds were Emily Prisk 15:06, Amelia Gonzales 15:19, Mattie Sanders 16:25, Elyanna Duran 18:00, and Mari Mar Lira 18:19.

B. J. Perez finished in 9th

place for the Whirlwinds at a time of 18:43. Also running were Tyler Renfro 21:24, Anthony Ascencio 22:03, R. J. Gomez 22:28 Adrian Gonzales 22:29, Ryan Chavarria 23:22, and Colton Lehman 23:59. They are working very hard

The Lady Winds and Whirlwinds will run at Mae Simmons Park on Saturday. This is also the site of our district and regional meet.

The Junior Varsity teams start at 11 a.m. and the Varsity . teams will run at 2 p.m. There will be nearly 1500 runners from Class 1A - 5A. Come watch a great meet and support our cross-country runners.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU October 4 – October 8

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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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If you talk to yourself, it's not good to sleep with your cell phone. You never know whom you might call and what you might say.

My friend Carolyn awoke last night to hear my voice coming from her kitchen. It was 12:14 a.m. I was talking about a train.

When I saw her today, she mentioned the call. I apologized. I remembered looking at my phone and noticing I'd called her by mistake and hoping she didn't hear the ring – in her case, some sort of tune.

But at 12:14 a. m., her ringtone wasn't music to her ears. She told me she'd been asleep exactly one hour. Oops.

I remember the incident. I was alone in Goodlett, Texas, about to go to sleep. Night trains roll by. I'm in Goodlett again tonight and, believe it or not, here comes a train. The whistle just blew, and the sounds of the cars clicking and rumbling over the track are wafting my direction through the darkness from just the right distance. Great sounds. When you get used to the train rolling by, it's hard to sleep when it doesn't.

Highway 287 runs by Goodlett too. The cars and trucks make their own distinctive noises – whooshy, whiny sounds of little interest. They whiz by, and then they're gone. Better to hear the distant rumble of a train and listen as it grows in volume. You anticipate the throaty whistle blasts. When it all fades away, you know you've heard something.

Carolyn knew she'd heard something last night too. Me. Caught talking to myself.

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I'd like to say I was talking in my sleep. It sounds saner. But I was quite awake when I said, "Well, where's that train?"

At least I didn't answer.

I'm not sure why my phone called Carolyn right then. It has a mind of its own. My husband gets similar calls from me a couple of times a week. He ignores them.

Way back when cell phones were twice as heavy as irons and bigger, mine was plugged in and resting on the console of my friend Beverly's sports car. Someone's elbow hit the redial button and called her current boyfriend, better described as a fleeting love interest. At least he was fleeting after the call.

He heard noises coming from his answering machine. He investigated and heard himself being discussed – probably dissected -- by us! He tried in vain to get our attention. I'm sure there was an insistent little man's voice coming from the console, but we didn't hear it. His machine, meanwhile, kept recording. Great.

It's the sort of incident that could fit right into the storyline of just about any soap opera.

Their relationship soon dissolved. That eavesdropping phone might have shortened a romance that wouldn't have lasted anyway. That's what I like to think, especially since it was my phone.

It's late. Here comes another train. If I time it right, I can call Carolyn exactly when it whistles.

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Pecan Pie: 1. Jace Klein.
Drop Cookies: 1. Kira Perce.
Other Cookies: 1. Kira
Pierce (Best of Show).

Youth Canned
Apricots: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Peaches: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Wild Plums: 1. Blayne
Hurst.
Soup Mix: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Cinnamon Pickles: 1. Kira

Pierce.
Grape Jelly: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Plum Jelly: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Cherry Jelly: 1. Blayne
Hurst.

Red Hot Jelly: 1. Blayne Hurst. Sugar-Free Jelly: 1. Blay

Sugar-Free Jelly: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Wild Plum Jelly: 1. Blayne

Wild Plum Jam: 1. Blayne
Hurst.
Wild Plum Butter: 1. Blayne
Hurst

Hurst.
Peach Jam: 1. Blayne Hurst.
Apricot Jam: 1. Blayne
Hurst.
Apple Butter: 1. Letti

Peewee Textiles:
Bedspread: 1. Christin

Bedspread: 1. Christin Kemp. Throw Pillow: 1. Christin Kemp.

Youth Textiles
Crochet: 1 Jaylee
Poindexter.
Jewelry: 1. Jacquie Banda.
Dough Ornaments: Kira
Pierce.
Tile: 1. Jaylee Poindexter.
Quilt, Machine Quilted:
Catharine Kemp.

Catharine Kemp.
Quilt, Tied: Taylor
Chavarria.
Throw Pillow: 1. Letti
Cheyne.

Youth Sewing
Apron: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Dress: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Quilt: 1. Aimee Chavarria;
2. Letti Cheyne.
Purse: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Stuffed Toy: 1. Letti Cheyne.

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Purse: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Stuffed Toy: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Ceramics: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Wood Craft: 1. Letti Cheyne.
Electric Lamp: 1. Letti
Cheyne.

Jewelry: 1. Letti Cheyne.

Agriculture:
Cotton, Open Bolls: 1. Earl

Broseh. Pumpkin, Field: 1. Tim Assiter; 2. Helena Roy. Pumpkin, Sweet: 1. Tim Assiter/Helena Roy; 2. Tim Assiter/Helena Roy. Squash, Hubbard: 1. Tim Assiter/Helena Roy. Squash, Other: 1. Tim Assiter/Helena Roy; 2. Tim Assiter/Helena Roy. Tomatoes: 1. Kathy Hunter. Apple Gourd: 1. Helena Roy. Swan Gourd: 1. Helena Roy; 2. Helena Roy.

Other Gourd: 1. Helena Roy;

2. Helena Roy.

Apples: 1. Kathy Hunter.
Stalk, Cotton Dryland: 1.
Miguel Guerrero; 2. Roman
Guerrero.
Cotton, Irrigated: 1. Tim
Assiter; 2. Tim Assiter.

Top Of The Crop
Cotton: 1. Marva Rasco.
Tumbleweed: 1. Earl
Broseh.
Pumpkin: 2. Helena Roy

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Barnett;; 2. Danny Huggins
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Barnett; 2. Connie Barnett; 3. Jay Thompson.
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Catherine Jacobs; 3. Connie Barnett; HM Mary M.
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2. Laura Fulton; 3. Daniel
Moya; HM Sid Weeks.
Candid: 1. Lettie Cheyne;
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Landscapes: 1. Mary M.
Carter; 2. Julie McCann; 3.
Cancy Cabler Baker; HM
Laura Fulton.
Floral: 1. Mary Carter: 2.

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Youth Photography
1. Jonathan Sustaita; 2.
Robert Webb; 3. Taylor
Rose; HM Robert Webb.
Children's Photography
1. Colton Moses; 2.

Catherine Kemp; 3. Colton Moses; HM Colton Moses. Art Youth Painting

Youth Painting
1. Erica Marmalejo, acrylic
painting; 2. Taylor Rose,
acrylic painting; 3. Molly
Cazares, tempera resist; HM
Molly Cazares & Jessica
Pena, tempera resist.

Youth Drawing
1. Robert Webb, pencil; 2.
Jonathan Sustaita, pencil; 3.
Koree Smith, colored pencil.
HM Koree Smith, pencil.

Adult Painting
1. Carolyn Green, oil
painting; 2. Laura Fulton,
acrylic painting; 2, Laura
Fulton, mixed media
painting.

Adult Drawing
1. Adam Balderas. colored
pencil; 2. Joe Castro; 3. Dale
Powell, pencil; HM; HM
Andres Solis, pen & ink.

Sculpture
1. Tyler House; 2. Andrew
Raissez.

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Ceramics

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Rose; 2. Erica Marmalejo;

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OPINION



The Paperboy

Cashing in on media bias

By CHRIS BLACKBURN

The national media has a liberal bias. That fact is beyond argument.

According to polls, research, etc ... conservatives are outnumbered by a ratio of 4-to-1.

This bias comes from universities. Liberal arts at its finest. A couple of decades ago, I had a few liberal professors, even at Texas A&M, which is considered conservative amongst major universities.

So if you will indulge me that there is indeed a media bias in the U.S., what has Rupert Murdoch's impact been on the

If the mass media is controlled by liberals, then Murdoch's Fox News is not only genius, it's smart business. Fox News has been on top of all cable news for 105 straight months.

Fox News is also dominating CBS, NBC and ABC in the news department.

The basic reason is Fox News is not liberal. In my opinion, it is also not "Fair and Balanced" as it claims to be. Then again, what national news source can make you believe any major news source is fair and balanced? I'd say none of

Fox News has been able to dominate because it offers an alternative to the mainstream media. I wonder why others haven't started similar networks? Perhaps politics trumps

In journalism classes, you're supposed to be taught objectivity. It should be your priority. Journalists are supposed to be able to leave all of their feelings and emotions out of the story they are covering. Sadly, objectivity has become a lost art in the mainstream media.

As to the question of why liberal professors dominate U.S. campuses? I believe it's living life in the utopian mindset of academia rather than practical real world experience.

Maybe one day we will have colleges and universities that are interested in educating our youth instead of forcing personal agendas on them.

I've been married eight years this week. I managed to stay single for 34 years, and if I'm blessed with longevity, I might live long enough to celebrate 50 years of marriage one day.

Just a little more than a year ago, I was fearful I would spend the rest of my life as a widower. That alone is a testament of the resolve of the woman I married.

There is not a doubt in my mind that asking Sharon to marry me was best decision I've ever made. It's not even close.

You never know what life will throw at you and how you will react to adversity as a couple, but I can say in full confidence that we are up for the challenges.

I wasn't looking to settle down and was content as a bachelor before we started dating. Talk about doing a 180. I wouldn't trade the life we've built for anything!

Some of you men need this addressed. Your friends might not tell you and you may not care, but it's imperative for society that you do your duty!

Men, you must keep the hair on your eyebrows, in your nose and in your ears TRIMMED!

It's hard enough to have a conversation with your ugly mug, don't make it harder.

It's time to step up to the plate and take some pride in your appearance! Some of you fellas have so much eyebrow, you could donate the hair to Locks for Love!

So, take a look in the mirror and see if you pass this test: If you can grab the hair on your eyebrows with your thumb and finger, trim it. If you can see hair in your ears or nose when you look in the mirror, trim it.

Do this, and society will welcome you back with open arms.

End of rant.

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A Pledge to Cut Spending

By ROBERT ROMANO

They had better mean it. The House Republican Conference has unveiled its "Pledge to America," a broad set of principles by which a new Republican majority would govern by. Included are promises to "roll back government spending to pre-stimulus, pre-bailout levels," and to "establish strict budget caps to limit federal spending from this point forward."

Republicans appear to have responded to and now are appealing to the tea party movement, which was founded in the wake of the unprecedented bailout regime of 2008 and 2009. Republicans propose "ending bailouts permanently, canceling the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP)" and to "reform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac by ending their government takeover, shrinking their portfolios, and establishing minimum capital stan-

That's all very good for the American people to hear. These are some of their foremost concerns

Some have criticized that the Pledge is not specific enough. However,in several areas it is quite specific, for example in proposing a hiring freeze for non-security federal employees, requiring sunsets for federal programs, requiring a full and honest accounting of government entitlement programs Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. It promises to repeal ObamaCare — in full. In its stead, it proposes allowing the purchase of health care across state lines without any government middleman exchange, tort reform, and to expand health savings accounts.

There are more specifics. On taxes, the GOP proposes making the Bush tax cuts permanent, allowing small businesses a tax deduction equal to 20 percent of their income, and the elimination of the costly ObamaCare 1099 requirement on businesses for any purchases \$600 or greater.

On transparency, Republicans pledge to

post legislation for 72 hours prior to being voted on. On limited government, every proposed law must cite its authorizing clause in the Federal Constitution. On fiscal responsibility, amendments will be allowed on appropriations bills, breaking the power of the appropriations committees or leadership to distribute pork.

On funding troops, Republicans will end the practice of attaching unrelated legislation and spending to troops spending bills, ending a common practice under the current House leadership. Nancy Pelosi has repeatedly attached for example states bailouts and other public sector union giveaways to war funding

Other parts demand more specificity. If Republicans are truly sincere about "ending bailouts permanently," they must specifically repeal significant portions of the recently enacted Dodd-Frank financial takeover. That bill promised to "end bailouts," too, but everyone knows it does not.

Included in that bill is an unlimited "orderly liquidation fund" whereby the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation can levy new assessments, or taxes, on bank holding and insurance companies to pay for the liquidation or bailout of failing financial firms.

The costs of these bailouts and government takeovers will be passed on to anybody that uses the financial system, unless Congress does something to repeal this new, dangerous authority. If Congress does not act, it will have no say in the next round of bailouts and takeovers, which will be implemented by ex-

ecutive fiat. That is all law now.

Republicans must specifically act against the Dodd-Frank bill when it comes to their no more bailouts pledge, because the American people are going to hold them accountable especially if the executive branch begins more bailouts and Republicans have done nothing to roll back the limitless authorities included in Dodd-Frank

The end of the government ownership of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac does help, however. The Pledge falls short of calling for the outright liquidation of the insolvent firms, and hints that they will be allowed to exist in some form. If they were solvent and privately-owned and explicitly prohibited from receiving any taxpayer subsidy ever again, there could be some assurance that the "implicit guarantee" never again is used to reinflate a new housing bubble.

But again, that demands specificity.

Most of all, on spending, Republicans need to be preparing a long-term budget that proposes spending at least ten years out. The Pledge calls for the discretionary spending to be cut to 2008 levels, citing at least \$100 billion in savings annually, "putting us on a path to begin paying down the debt [and] balancing the budget"

That sounds nice, but only cutting \$1 trillion over ten years will not allow the U.S. to begin paying off the debt, and will not prevent worse things from happening. Taking the \$100 billion a year number for granted, \$800 billion in savings by 2018 may not prevent the U.S. credit rating from being downgraded in the near future. Why?

Because the nation's Triple-A credit rating is not a function of spending alone. It is a function of revenue-to-interest owed on the national debt.

Moody's has warned that when interest owed reaches 18 to 20 percent of revenue, the nation would be in line for a downgrade. By 2018, the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) reports that the U.S. will reach that level. So, cutting \$100 billion annually will not prevent interest owed on the debt from skyrocketing over the next ten years, as it is set to do.

Therefore, the only way to prevent the downgrade from happening is to reduce the interest owed either by paying off a significant percentage of the principal owed on the debt, or rapidly growing the economy

such that revenues rebound and outpace the growth of the interest owed.

Unfortunately, according to the CBO, interest owed on the debt will rise from \$244 billion in 2011 to \$755 billion in 2018, a 209 percent increase. That averages a 26.1 percent increase every year. Neither the economy nor revenues can grow fast enough to prevent a downgrade under those criteria.

The only way will be to pay off a lot of the principal owed - now - and to balance the budget immediately such that new debt is not contracted. According to Strategas Research Partners' Jason Desena Trennert: "\$5.2 trillion of U.S debt comes due in the next three years..." That \$5.2 trillion coming due represents a tremendous opportunity, maybe the only opportunity, to prevent the downgrade. If that debt were not rolled over, but were paid off, interest owed on the debt would be significantly less, and may prevent it from rising over 18 to 20 percent of revenue.

The imminent credit downgrade is an mergency. A crisis. One that will signal the decline of America from being the world's economic superpower. But the Pledge does not address it — at all. That is a startling omission for a document that promises to "pay down the debt."

Ultimately, it will not matter if Republicans address the issue on the campaign trail, it will only matter Congress resolves to deal with it in 2011. If, in fact, the credit downgrade is unavoidable in the near term, it is high time elected officials said so, and then present a plan that allows the nation to get back to Triple-A status at a determined point in the future.

Ignoring the problem will not make it go away. It will only earn the wrath of the American people in the future. They desperately yearn not just for change, but for courage. And it will take courage on an order not seen in Washington for many years to solve the sovereign debt crisis.

Koch Brothers, private industry vilified in California

By KEVIN MOONEY

A California ballot initiative that could potentially unravel the anti energy policies Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed into law four years ago is the subject of a New York Times report aimed against free market groups. Charles and David Koch, described here as the "billionaires from Kansas who have played a prominent role in financing the Tea Party movement", are the primary targets. But out of state business interests also come in for criticism.

Both sides acknowledge that initiative could have national ramifications for the environmental movement and its pursuit of "cap and trade" policies. State-level regulatory efforts that mimic the Kyoto Protocol rippled out of California's Global Warming Solutions Act and could recede if pro-energy activists prevail in November. The initiative, known formally as Proposition 23, calls for a suspension of anti-emissions restrictions until after unemployment falls to 5.5 percent or lower for at least four consecutive quarters.

Over the past year, the environmental movement has been beset with setbacks that undermine long-standing scientific and economic arguments activists and government officials have invoked to advance regulatory directives. It is evident from this report that the Times and other left leaning media outlets are panicked by recent developments. The idea here is to discredit the opposition and explain away public opposition as an understandable, albeit a misguided byproduct of the recession.

"Traditionally, public support for environmental measures suffers during tough economic times," the report says. "Here in California, backers of the initiative have seized on that anxiety — which is particularly acute in this state, with its

12.3 percent unemployment rate — in search of a victory."

The stipulations included in Proposition 23 "could have the practical effect of killing the law," the NYT correctly notes. Over the past several decades, the unemployment rate as rarely fallen to such relatively low rate for an extended period of time. AB 32, the Global Warming statute, calls for carbon dioxide and other greenhouse emissions to be reduced back to 1990 levels by 2020. Private industry officials say they that the high cost of compliance would result in job losses and rising gas prices.

There are a number of detailed, scholarly studies that bolster and substantiate the concerns of private industry. The Institute for Energy Research (IER), for instance, has published a report that goes into great detail about the higher costs attached to renewable standards and emissions restrictions. But these hard facts have no place in an agenda-laced report that works over time to sully the reputation of business groups, tea party activists and individual donors who are committed to private enterprise.

"The campaign against California's greenhouse gas law comes as business groups have invested heavily across the country in trying to defeat members of Congress who voted for a cap-and-trade bill that also mandated emission reductions; the bill passed the House but failed in the Senate in the face of strong opposition from lawmakers in industrial states," the report says.

Looking ahead to November, current polls show that the

competing sides are evenly matched.

"Yet supporters said they were concerned that the proposition could slip through at a time when Democratic spirits are low," the NYT points out. "More significant is the question of how much more supporters of Prop 23 can raise to finance

their campaign. Of the \$8.2 million raised so far, \$1 million came from the Koch firm, \$4 million from the Valero Energy Corporation and \$1.5 million from the Tesoro Corporation; both corporations are based in San Antonio."

The article concludes with a spokesman from the NRDC quoted at length expressing concern over the influence and financial backing of anti-regulatory organizations. That's the pot calling the kettle black.

"We have every reason to believe that they are going to put the money in to run a big television campaign in the most expensive media market in the country," said Annie Notthoff, the California advocacy director for the Natural Resources Defense Council, an environmental group. "We certainly are expecting to have a fight on our hands."

As of 2006, the NRDC has net assets in excess of \$125 million and enjoys consistent, steady substantial support from well-endowed left-leaning foundations, according to The Capital Research Center.

NRDC is part of large, expansive network of left-wing organizations operating under the guise of environmentalism that have worked on national and international level to restrict and restrain America's economic development.

These outside groups that operate in concert with the European Union and the United Nations at the expense of U.S. taxpayers and consumers deserve greater exposure and atten-

Former Secretary of State George Schultz, who supports California's global warming law, should be asked about the international backing of environmental groups like the NRDC receive since he's so concerned about the activities of American citizens who favor affordable energy



Photo by Homer Marquez Construction to the Lockney High School continues to

run smoothly. Last week, dedicated and hard working construction crews were finally able to up walls.

Lockney's City Council discusses grants and ordinances

By Homer Marquez Reporter

Lockney's City Council opened discussions, during their September meeting, with their plans to apply for a new pavement grant. According to SPAG, or the South Plains Association of Governments, if The City of Lockney is awarded the grant, the city will be able to pave Fourth Street, from Locust to Schubert, and Guest Street, starting at Main Street heading west possibly to northwest Second Street. The Council plans to apply for the grant after the completion of the Water and Sewer grant.

The Council also decided to hold off on accepting contractor bids for their newly acquired Sidewalk Grant. Bids, that will help repair the sidewalks on the east side of Main Street, were estimated to be way lower then the \$136,000 grant that they received. The Council will now initiate a second phase to the bid process that will allow the council to add

on other areas of the city that need sidewalk repair.

Soon after the Council passed a motion to pay the monthly bills, the city proceeded with the second reading of the Public Right-of-Way Management Ordinance. The adoption of the new ordinance will prevent the City from having to place reflective strips on the sidewalks in order to comply with state laws. Also, under the new ordinance, any organization who wants By Sara Sisemore to use the streets, sidewalks Correspondent or any public right-away of the city's, will have to file a application form with the city and pay a \$500 fee. Independent School District's Organization may have the rating on the state's financial option of receiving a rebate at accountability system for the approval of the Council; the 2008-2009 school year, the ordinance would be Business Manager Sharon passed by the council. Details Rainwater informed the of the ordinance will be board that FISD received published in the Hesperian- the rating of "above standard Beacon soon.

accepted city employee superior achievement...so I insurance for the fiscal year, was slightly disappointed," there will be a \$7.32 rate Rainwater said. This system increase per month.

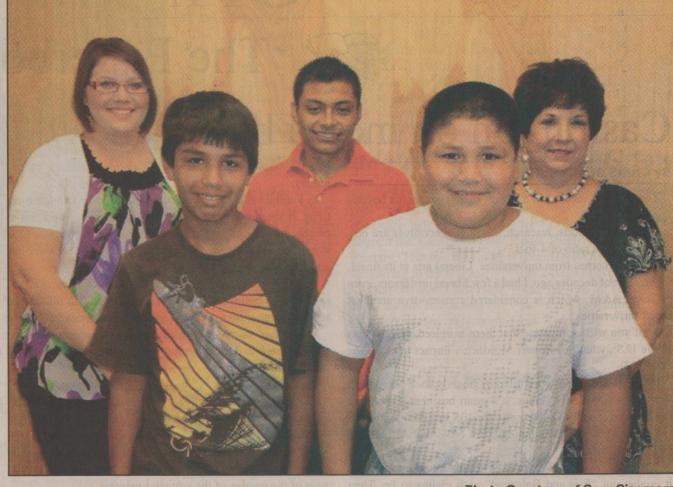


Photo Courtesy of Sara Sisemore

FISD HONORS students, educator and support staff for the month. Pictured (I-r) are Nichole Gonzales (kindergarten reading teacher of the month), Seth Selinas (7th grade student of the month), Isaac Martinez (high school student of the month), Brian Rosa (5th grade student of the month), and De Chance (support staff of the month as cafeteria

FISD Rated "Above Standard," **Receives Grant Money**

During the school board's public meeting on Sept. 14, 2010, to discuss the Floydada achievement." "For the The City Council also last five years or so we had rates the district over things such as debt ratio, student to teacher ratio, students to staff ratio, and the amount in the

fund balance. Superintendent Jerry Vaughn described to the board what the Connections Grant is - a joint grant between FISD and Paducah ISD. He said the grant involves computers and technologies and letting Floydada and Paducah's districts upgrade theirs with no cost to the taxpayers. Vaughn said he and Rex Holcomb wrote the grant without padding it. He then relayed the story of how the district was awarded the full grant they had asked for, but within 10 minutes of negotiations ending, they received an e-mail saying the grant monies awarded had been reduced to \$126,000.

The grant money will be used to purchase laptops to finish furnishing and creating a computer lab in the new elementary building. The administration is working to get a 15 percent discount on the laptops, as well as ordering them early enough to beat the upcoming five percent price increase. The grant is written so that FISD gets approximately 80 percent of the grant money

each district.

Vaughn asked the board to grant permission for him to expend grant funds within approve the expenditure for grant guidelines as soon as the district received their Notice of Grant Award from TEA so that the district will be able to get the discounts which end Oct. 1. The board unanimously granted this approval. Vaughn thanked the board and said this will help the district replace some four-year-old machines and said, "We have been fortunate in this district with getting grant money....we've been able to do some things with grant money that we would never have dreamed of being able to do without it."

One of the things the Connections Grant does is create a demonstration site for one-to-one learning, Vaughn continued. The district is already looking at Dec. 7 being the first demonstration for this grant.

A member of the community, Joyce Williams, was present to address the board. Williams asked the board why the school "can't live within their means...why the school needs more money (by raising the tax rate)." In closing she stated she hoped the board would consider all the people who are going to be leaving Floydada and how the school board will get the money (they need) after those people leave.

Another from community, Joe Taylor, told the board he had a neighbor call him this week and if not for that he wouldn't have known about the tax rate election. He said, "We've got to do something about

and Paducah gets about the publicity...we all need 20 percent. This will help to go to the newspaper purchase 505 computers for office in Childress." He also FISD and 120 for Paducah, commented that if we have as well as a new server for to have taxes increased, then we have to increase them to

give the kids an education. In discussion whether to a student online resource for the Floydada Junior High and High School, Vaughn told the board this particular resource is one that the district has been using for the past seven years. Sandy Vaughn, Technology Immersion Coordinator, explained to the board this resource helps with reading comprehension. She said students can see their reading levels increase over time and it tests their reading comprehension and writing skills, while also offering articles that are sent directly to the students which they read on their own level and then answer questions on that article. She stated it has been a very successful

program. Principal Wayne Morren told the board this resource is the only thing the district has that uses the same strategies that the TAKS uses. Superintendent Vaughn said the total amount for both campuses to re-enroll in this resource is \$18,788; there was a grant that paid for this the last two years, but none to cover it this year. The board unanimously approved to reenroll with the service.

Vaughn informed the board the YMCA out of Plainview who had been interested in acquiring R.C. Andrews Elementary has officially stated they are no longer interested in the facility. He said there is an individual who is interested in bidding. on the facility who has requested the board consider re-opening the bid process. Vaughn said there was two ways the board could ask for bids on the property: 1) with the building and with a small portion of the land or 2) the building and all 10.3 acres. Board member John Woelfel asked what it is costing the district to have it just sitting there empty. Vaughn said the building is still being insured and they have to keep the utilities on. Board

member Marty Lucke made the motion to go out for and accept bids again; this was seconded by Lyle Miller and passed unanimously.

The board recognized students of the month: Bryan Rosa, 5th grade student of the month; Seth Salinas, 7th grade student of the month; and Isaac Martinez, high school student of the month. They also recognized Nicole Gonzales as educator of the month and De Chance as support staff of the month for her cafeteria supervisor

Rainwater presented the tax report: M&O current tax roll as of the end of August was \$2,483,755.29 with net collections of \$2,446,768.50. I&S tax roll was \$282,839.69 with net collections of \$274,694.54. This amounted to a total of 98.51 percent collected, compared to last year's 98.57 percent. There was no cash flow to present this month.

Vaughn informed the board, "As always, I have to do a class size survey (grades K-4), (however) because we have no classes that exceed the 22/1 ratio we do not have to do a waiver request. We do meet the class size ratios." He continued, saying, "When we had more staff our class size ratios were smaller, but we are within recommended guidelines at this time." The board approved the survey's completion.

The enrollment report for 2010-2011 showed the total for the district to be 862, with 849 eligible for funding. Compared to last year's date, this is down by nearly 20 students.

The board approved Amado Morales' bid of \$300 on Lot 11 and part of Lot 13 of Block 98, Original Town, 500 Block East Kentucky, which is in the area next to his business. The appraised value was \$380.

The regular October board meeting was unanimously rescheduled to Monday, Oct. 11, so it would not interfere with Open House. Also, Vaughn reminded the board that starting in November, they'll go from having Monday meetings to Thursday meetings.

Football Contest Standings (Number of games won/ total number of games)

- 1. Coy LaBaume 44/59
- 2. Boyd Lee-43/59 2. Brent Sanders -43/59
- 3. Vera Jo Bybee-40/59 3. Max Yeary - 40/59
- 3. Lanny Barnett -40/59 4. Franklin Harris -39/59
- 4. Quality Body Shop -39/59 4. Jared Lambert-39/59
- 4. Joe Guerrero-39/59
- 5. Jane Pruitt -38/59 5. Pam Fulton-38/59
- 6. Ricky Ascencio-37/59
- 7. Martin Ramirez -36/59
- 7. Jack Covington-36/59 8. Imelda Resendiz -35/59

Next week we will begin to list the weekly results along with the total results for each entry.

**Don't forget to turn in your entry each week in order to compete for the prizes. If you miss a week you are eliminated from the contest!

Jack O'Lantern Chimenea Raffle

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce will be raffling off a large 38" tall Jack O' Lantern Chimenea. Tickets are \$5 each Available at Payne Pharmacy, First National Bank of Floydada, Script Printing, Assiter Insurance Agency, and at the Chamber booth during **Punkin Days Celebration.**





Suport your local Lockney and Floydada Chambers of Commerce.

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graduation. As a member of

Ex-Students Association he

was on the board of directors

for his district. In August

2010, Baylor recognized

Lucian's generosity to the

University throughout the

years with a Bronze plaque.

He established an athletic

scholarship in his name, and

was a season football holder

at his death. He is the only

alum who has contributed to

every Baylor team excellence

fund, as well as funding and

benefitting Baylor athletics.

He quietly stands as one of

Baylor's leading donors to

Baylor athletics. At the time

of his death, he was a member

of the Athletic Excellence

Club, the 1845 Society, the

Baylor Bear Foundation,

the Old Main Society, and

the Guardian Angles for

Library. The Baylor Fight

Song may be the only tune he

has ever been heard to sing!

Lucian became a member

of the Baptist Church in

1925. He was confirmed into

the Episcopal Church in 1965

and was an active member of

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

until he moved to Austin in

of Floydada, Texas, were

married on September 4,

1937, at her family home.

She preceded him in death

in 1993. Their son, John F.

Morehead preceded him in

death in 2009. Also preceding

his death was his brother,

Richard M. Morehead and

sister, Marjorie Morehead

Overly. He is survived by his

daughter, Lucinda A. Garrett

of Mill Creek, Washington;

Jayne and Robert G Ivy of

Fairfax, Virgina; Katherine

Flora Morehead Manninen of

Austin, Texas; Lucian Kline

and Courtney Morehead of

Austin, Texas; Eric McCready

Jr. and family of Tokyo, Japan;

and Alexander McCready of

Cleveland, Ohio; six great-

grandchildren; sister, Dorothy

Jane Hotchkiss of Canyon,

Texas; daughter-in-law, Eliza

Morehead of Austin, Texas;

and a multitude of wonderful

Mr. Morehead and his

family's favorite charities

are the Audrey and Lucian

Morehead Scholarship Fund

of Wayland Baptist University

at 1700 W 7th Street,

Plainview, Texas 79072, the

Lucian E. Morehead Athletic

at

Baylor

Scholarship

nieces and nephews.

Lucinda

grandchildren:

Lucian and Audrey Farris

Armstrong-Browning

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1935 unbeknownst nominated him President of the Law School Association and he was unanimously elected. That same year he served on the Law Review. Lucian was a member of the Chancellors and Order of Coif, as well as Phi Delta Phi. At his death he was still a member of the Ex-Student Association.

He returned to Plainview after graduation and began his law career in the office Meade F. Griffin. He practiced law in Plainview until he moved to Austin in 2002.

A respected member of his profession, Lucian served in all offices of the Probate, Trust and Property Section of the State Bar of Texas, including chairman and editor of its newsletter. He also served on the editorial board, which published Texas Estate Administration and wrote an article for the popular How Live-and Die-With Texas Probate. Morehead considered being a member of the National Conference of Commissioners on the Uniform State Laws—which consists of a few members from each state and whose purpose is to promote uniformity in many areas of state laws, and writing uniform laws on these subjects—one of his most prestigious positions. He was a charter member and sustaining Life Member of the Texas Bar Foundation, a member of the College of the State Bar of Texas and a member of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. In civic affairs, Lucian served as a member and officer of many boards and organizations.

Morehead supported Wayland Baptist University for over 80 years. He established Warren the Memorial Endowed Scholarship, The Audrey and Lucian Morehead Scholarship Fund, contributed to the Baseball Field Grandstand, and a leader in the Spanning the Centuries Campaign. The Association of Former Students honored him in 1997 with the Distinguished Alumni Award. distinguishing himself in "his profession, for his devoted service to his country and his Christian faith, and for loyalty to Wayland Baptist University," the Association of Former Students honored Lucian Morehead with the Distinguished Benefactor Alumni Award for 2002.

Additionally, Morehead supported his beloved Baylor Bears since his

CONSERVATION buffers and reduced soil erosion by more than 400

million tons per year. USDA selected offers for enrollment based on an Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) comprised of five environmental factors plus cost. The five environmental factors are: (1) wildlife enhancement, (2) water

quality, (3) soil erosion, (4) enduring benefits, and (5) air quality. The minimal acceptable EBI level for this signup is 200.

The average rental rate per

acre for this signup is about \$46. USDA implemented a number of measures including using additional EBI point incentives for producers to submit costeffective offers, and producer activities outreach encourage competitive offers on the most environmentally sensitive lands. These measures will maintain the high environmental benefits

cost of the program. Under CRP, there are more than 31.3 million acres enrolled on more than 473,000 contracts. These 10 to 15 year contracts provide long term enduring conservation benefits in return for an annual rental

while decreasing the historic

University, One Bear Place #97050, Waco, Texas 76798. the Audrey Farris Morehead Women's Golf Scholarship at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, and the Red Raider Club, Box 45055 Lubbock, Texas 79409.



LOIS (PARRISH) WALLER

(Parrish) Waller. age 93, of Floydada, passed away, Friday, September 24. 2010 in Lockney. Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, September 27, 2010 at Floydada Cemetery with Rev. Les Hall officiating. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Lois was born on September 8, 1917 in Floyd County. She married Henry Sedric Waller in Ralls, Texas on December 22, 1934. Lois was a homemaker and also worked in the Floydada school cafeteria for 15 years. She was a good cook and she loved preparing desserts. Lois also enjoyed sewing quilts and especially loved spending time with her grandchildren. Lois was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband, Henry "Sed" Waller in July of 2001, her son, J.E. Waller in October 2001, her daughter, Hazel Dorine Waller in 1936, her sisters; Lyla Rucker, Lucille Switzer, and Leona Carver.

Lois is survived by her brother. Leroy of Liberty, Missouri; her sister, LaJuana McJimsey of Mackenzie Lake, Texas; her grandsons, Jay Waller and wife, Karen of Ira, and Jim Waller and wife, Nina of Idalou; great-grandchildren, Kaci, Jordan and Jayc Waller, and her daughter-in-law, Linda Gayle Waller.

Memorials in Mrs. Waller's name may be made to the charity of your choice.

Condolences may be made online at www.Moore-Rose.

He also raises a garden near his house, located near the drive-in theatre. The garden is primarily for friends. hasn't waned.

and I go do it."

His interest in pumpkins

"Jack-o-lantern pumpkins are probably 90 percent of the business,"heexplains, although Faulkenberry and most other producers plant small acreages of gourds, cushaws, butternut and Hubbard squash and other such items.

One reason for production of the other commodities is "to keep them (customers) from going to Muleshoe or somewhere else for them." If forced to travel elsewhere for the other items, customers might also purchase their pumpkins there. VARYING VARIETIES

The man who "might have sold a million pounds (a year) once, or close to it," explains the difference in pumpkin varieties. Those grown in this county vary from the "baby" or miniature up to the "Big Mac's," which may weigh 100

pounds or more. "All the fruit stands want two or three Big Mac's to attract attention," although they are not major sellers. "They are too big for jack-o-lanterns" other than for novelty items.

Pie pumpkins generally fall into three to five pound range. Thanks to "finer meat," they become ingredients for pumpkin pies more frequently than their cousins.

The Howden variety, weighing from 10 to 20 pounds, is the preferred size for jack-o-lanterns, thus it is the most popular. "I have seen Ben (a friend) grow Howdens at Muleshoe that weighed 35 pounds, but Scott counted quite a few the other day and they average 14 pounds," Robertson says

Terming the Muleshoe area a "hotbed" for production of pumpkins and their "cousins," Robertson admits that he is **ARCHIVES**

got an old 90 (tractor) out there puzzled why such commodities grow larger in that area than in Floyd County. One possible explanation is that "Ben" applies heavy fertilizer to his crop at Muleshoe while soil scientists report that pumpkin would "burn up" in Floyd County land if heavily fertilized.

> What is an "average" per acre production of Howdens in this county?

PRODUCTION VARIES

"That's an impossible question," Robertson replies. "I have made 50,000 pounds (an acre) and I have raised 6,000 pounds. The average is probably 20,000 to 25,000 pounds an acre."

While this has been a favorable growing year for some of the gourds and other items, production of "jacko-lantern pumpkins" has not been good.

During his peak years, Robertson did not consider pumpkins a difficult crop to produce. "I didn't fertilize them and I didn't spray them," he explains.

Another of the changes through the years is that he paid "65 cents a pound for seed back then." Today, the cost of planting seed is \$12 or \$13 a pound." One catalogue quotes a price of \$12.95 per pound for Howdens or \$12.85 per pound if purchased in 10 pound lots.

According to this county's first commercial pumpkin producer, Harris Seed Co. of New York has "exclusive rights" to Howden seed. This is one reason for the high seed cost. "The Howden variety isn't over 10 years old...if that old."

When he was active in production, "I used to try to plant some about the 10th of June and finish up about the 25th." Rains and other weather conditions make that planting schedule impossible on certain

Pumpkins and their "cousins" are a labor intensive crop, with harvesting, culling and loading done primarily by hand.

"Most" of Floyd County pumpkins find their way to Dallas, Fort Worth and Houston markets, according to the man who could accurately be dubbed "Mr. Pumpkin" in this county. The county now "has seven or eight" producers of the commodity.

Asked about the future he answers that "I think the market has a surplus of the baby pumpkins" at present.

Can pumpkin production continue to increase in Floyd County? "It's possible" he says, pointing to the substantial growth in acreage since he first planted the crop some 30 years

The introduction of pumpkins, Indian corn and other commodities in this county are only a few of the changes seen by B. A. Robertson since his family "loaded a box car with horses. mules, household goods" and other possessions in Grapevine and headed west "63 years ago yesterday." He said during a Friday interview. (That would have been October 1, 1925.) Their destination was Floyd County.

To say that he knows about pumpkins—and agriculture in general-would be an understatement.

ROBERTSON RECOGNIZED WITH AWARD

Slim was awarded Floydada's Special Award. at the 1989 Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Jimmy Willson, Jr., presented Robertson with the award recognizing him as being the pumpkin pioneer in Floyd County leading Floydada to become "Pumpkin Capital U.S.A."

The secret to Slim's success," said Willson, "was that he always kept his word."

Slim Robertson died July 25. 1989, at 8:50 a.m. at Caprock Hospital in Floydada. He was 85 years old.

FAIR

Pastels: 1. Sally Gubser. Drawing: 2. Sally Gubser.

Youth Photography Black & White: 1. Taylor Rose; 2. Lettie Cheyne; 3. Lettie Cheyne; 3. Lettie

Children's Entries Kindergarten: 1. Mijoy Pedroza; 2. Jonathan Cienfueges; 3. Mia Salas. 3rd Grade: 1. Carly Rendon; 2. Edwin Martinez; 3. Anahi Ascencio. 5th Grade: 1. Efren Nunez; 2. Ryder Race; 3. Nicholas Rendon. Other: 1. Philip Gubser. 4 Year Old: 1. Karen Weeks;

2. Jayce Adams. **Pet Show** Karina Torrez, "Cachita" 1. Shortest hair; 2. Shortest

legs; 1. Tiniest; Oldest dog. Michelle Guerrero, "Chiquita" 1. Cutest; 2. Shortest hair. Julia Gregg, "Jet" Shortest natural tail; 1. Best trick; 2. Biggest spot Annabel Garza, "Major" 1. Owner look-alike; 2. Best trick; 2. Longest hair; 2. Longest ears. Catherine Kemp, "Isis" 1. Curliest tail. Cristin Kemp, "Skipper" 2.

Jake Moore, "Speckles" 1. Most behaved, Best In Show. Kalee Armstrong, "Bevo" 2. Best kisser; 1. Best personality.

Tiniest; 1. Shortest legs; 1.

Best ears.

Nicholas Rendon, "Taquito" 1. Loudest bark; 1. Prettiest

Tyann Phillips, "Jager" 1 Tallest; 1. Biggest spot; 1. Longest ears. Austin Phillips, "Cowboy" 1. Youngest dog.

Colby Guerrero, "Roxie" 1 Best kisser. Caden Weeks, "Spike the Guinea Pig" 1. Longest hair

Best Of Show Bread: Jaylee Poindexter. Cookies: Risa Pierce. Crochet: Dorothy Anderson. Quilts: Taylor Chavarria.

Cross Stitch: Sherre Green.

Avon Prize Winners Necklace: Lizette Casares; Bracelet: Elisa Poole; Mark gift set: Emma Morales; Mark eye color compact: Glenda Ford; Mark Lip Tint: Tiffany Luna.



Courtesy Photo

Ages 7-8 Flag Race & Stick Horse Race - 1st Michael Lara, 2nd - Hunter Lefevre; Participants- Kaimee Webb, Caleb Young, Anson Rendon, & Kalebh Cook



Courtesy Photo Webb



Courtesy Photo

Ages 3-4 Flag Race- 1st- Haygen Lefevre, 2nd- Brailey Kidd; Stick Horse Race - 1st Colby Guerrero, 2nd-Brailey Kidd; Participants- Kylan Webb, Brinley Lefevre, Nash Young, Austin Phillips, Moonique Lara, Kaileigh Cook, Rylee Austin, Kaden Weekes, & Bryson Klein



Lara, & 3rd-Schlueter

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Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair's Washer Pitching

Tournament winners: Top to bottom: Ricky and Michael

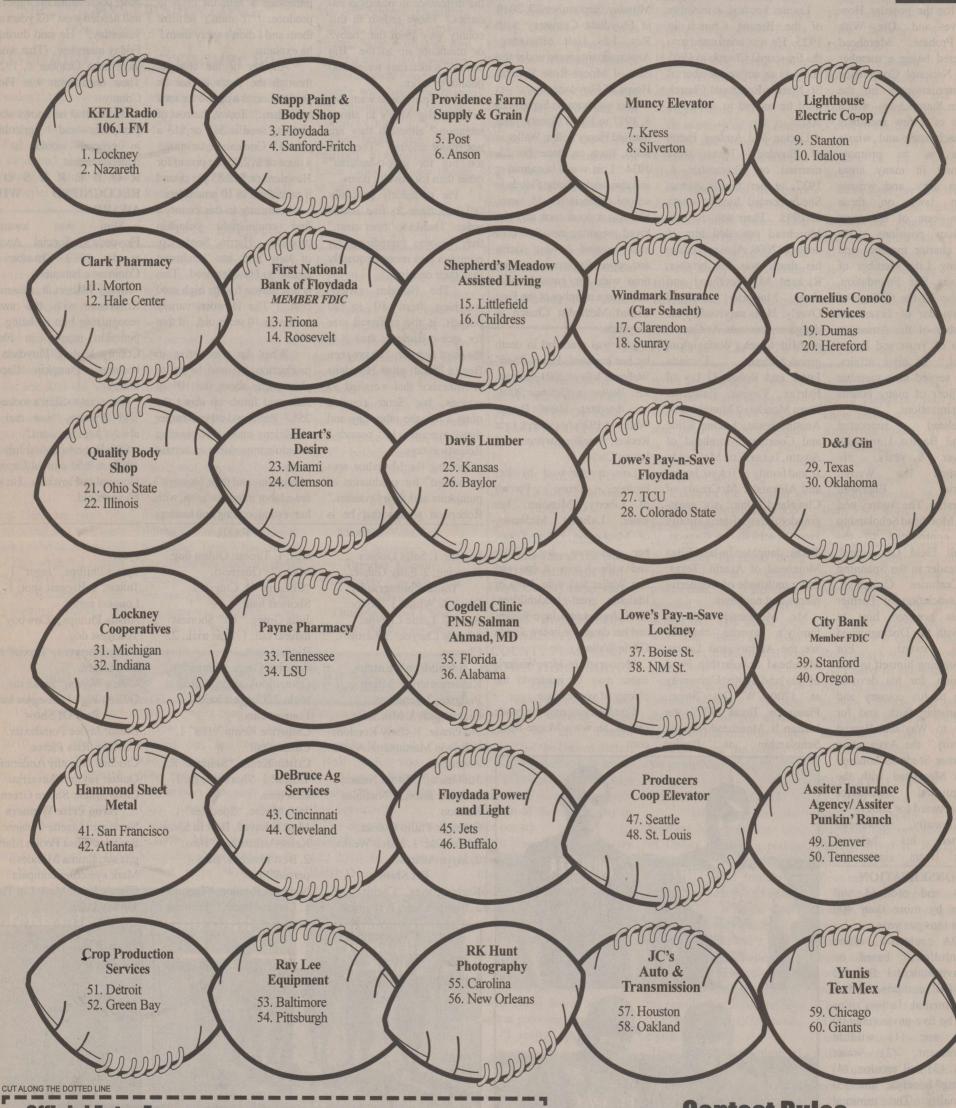
Vasquez, first place; Junior Rendon and Junior Mercado,

second; Dale Powell and Todd Jordan, third.

Courtesy Photo Ages 5-6 Flag Race & Stick Horse Race- 1st- Tyann Phillips, 2nd- Jonathan Tucker

2010 HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST

Leaders will be announced in next week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon.



Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest										
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Contest Rules

Any subscriber or purchaser age 7 or older is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week per person, entrants must play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

To play, circle the number of the teams you believe will win on the official entry form.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 5 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one per person per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first prize of \$100. Second place will be awarded \$75 and third will be \$50.