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Lockney family loses son in Iraq

A Lockney family lost a son and grandson, Johnny Peralez Jr., in the Iraq war last week when the Hummer he was driving was hit by a roadside bomb.

The blast from the improvised explosive device (IED) killed Peralez Jr., age 25, and four other soldiers in the vehicle.

Peralez was the son of Johnny J. Peralez Sr., of Lockney, and the grandson of Jose and Tomasa Peralez, of Lockney. Peralez Jr.'s mother, Virginia Garcia, lived in Falfurrias, TX.

Johnny Peralez Jr., was a Sgt. and combat medic in the Army. He was on his 2nd tour of duty

in Iraq when he was killed Thursday, January, 5, 2006, in An Najaf, Iraq.

Peralez Jr. and the four others killed, were assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division in Fort Hood.

Born in Lockney, February 1, 1980, Peralez Jr., moved with his mother to Falfurrias in 1984. He graduated in 1998 from Falfurrias High School and enlisted in the Army one year later. Peralez said he planned to make the Army his career.

After joining the Army, Peralez, of Kingsville, served in

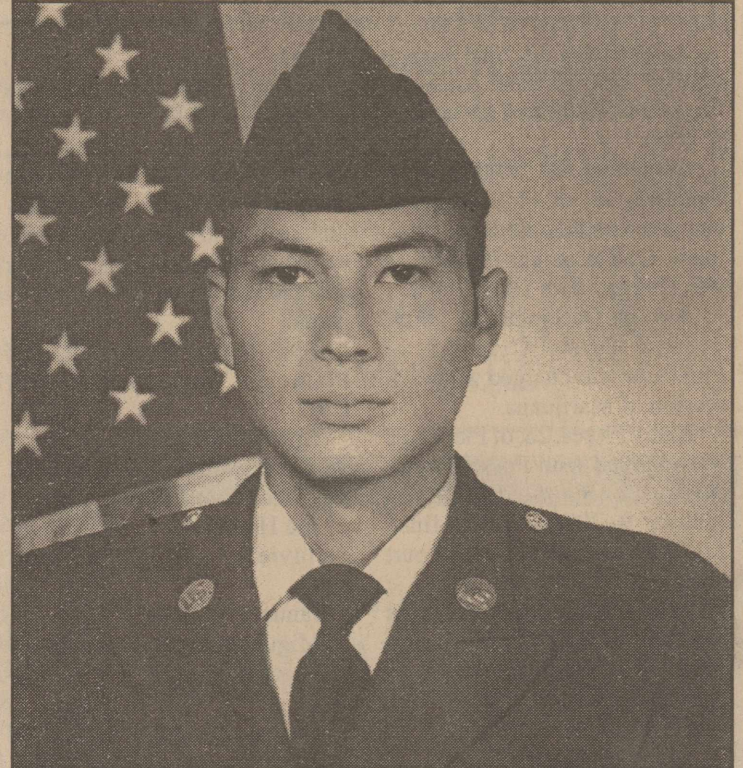
Germany and Kosovo. He was among the first contingent of American troops in Afghanistan and served 14 months in Iraq before being re-deployed to Iraq Nov. 29, 2005.

Peralez Jr. was not married but was engaged to Luisa Reyes, of Dallas.

Peralez Jr. is survived by: his father and stepmother, Johnny Joe and Andrea Peralez Sr, of Lockney; mother, Virginia Garcia (and Homer Mora), of Falfurrias; sister, Nina Kristine Peralez, of Dallas; brothers, Jessie Rene Peralez, of Lockney, and Romero Villa, of Killeen;

grandparents, Jose and Tomasa Peralez, of Lockney, Carmen Arellano (and Beto), of Kingsville, and Pedro and Flora Vasquez, of Premont, TX. Extended family includes: Michelle Gonzales, of Lubbock; John DeLeon, of Lubbock; Jessica Trozt, of Dallas; fiancée Luisa Reyes, of Dallas; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Funeral arrangements are being handled through Alaniz Funeral Home in Falfurrias. The date for the funeral and burial had not been set as of press time on Tuesday.



SGT. JOHNNY PERALEZ

Youth to compete in Stock Show

The schedule for the Floyd County's Junior Livestock Show has been revised from last week's publication times.

The show will be held January 13-16 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy. Barns will open on Friday for

weigh-ins and getting animals in place.

Rabbits will start the show on Saturday, January 14, at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Goat Show at 10:00 a.m.

The Lamb Show will start at 11:00 a.m.

The Swine Show will be at 1:00 p.m. starting with Gilts and followed by Barrows.

Sunday, January 15th, the Heifer Show will start at 2:00 p.m., followed by Steers.

The Buyers Meal will be at 5:00 p.m., Monday, January 16,

followed by the Auction Sale at 6:00 p.m.

Clean-up from the Lamb and Swine Show will be at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. General clean-up from the Show will be Tuesday, January 17, at 9:00 a.m.

400 will get chance at Lady Raider tickets

Four hundred people will have the opportunity to win a chance to see the Texas Tech Lady Raiders play the Baylor Lady Bears (the defending NCAA National Champions), this Sunday, January 15.

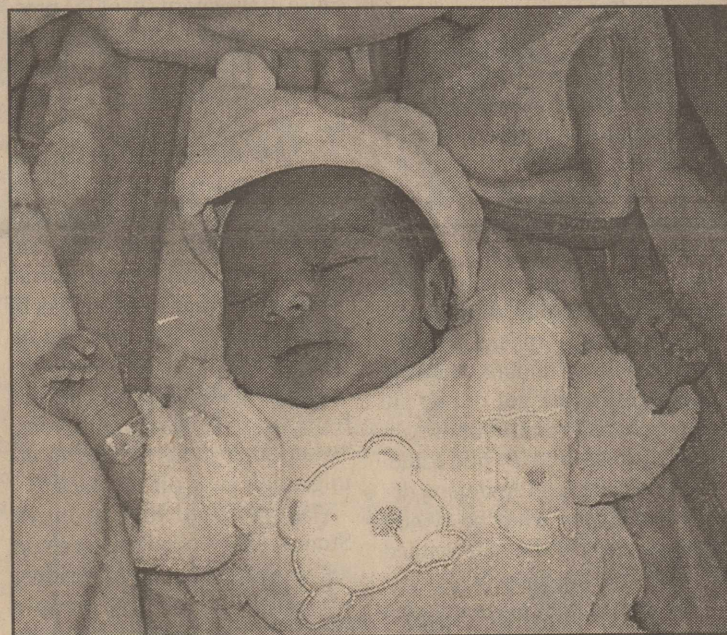
Free tickets will be given away on a first come, first serve basis, Friday, January 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the KFLP/State Farm Insurance lobby located at 201 W. California Street in Floydada.

The 400 tickets are being given away courtesy of State Farm, KFLP, and the Lady Raiders.

"The Lady Raiders are asking for your support on Sunday," said Nick Long of State Farm Insurance, "and they are bringing us 400 tickets to guarantee it."

The game will be played Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in the United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

The Caprock Cotton Conference
will be held Tuesday, January 17th
at the Plains Baptist Assembly.
For more information see
schedule on the Farm Page



FIRST BABY OF 2006--Matthew Gregory Luna Jr., was born January 3, 2006 at 1:38 a.m. He was the first baby born in Floyd County in 2006. His parents (who declined to be photographed) are Naida Lira and Matthew Luna from Floydada. His grandparents are: Jose Lira, of Floydada, and Antonio Ceniferos, of Floydada. He weighed 7 lbs. 8 1/2 oz. and was 20 inches in length. Courtesy Photo

Tyson Carthel earns place on All State Band



TYSON CARTHEL

Tyson Carthel, a member of the Lockney High School Band, was selected as a member of the 2006 ATSSB All State Band. He was chosen for this honor in competitive auditions held this year across the state at region and area levels.

Tyson is a student of Dr. Bruce Keeling and plays the trombone at school under the direction of Rob Lovett, who is a

member of the Association of Texas Small School Bands, a 950-member group of band directors in class 1A, 2A and 3A high schools in Texas. This is his first time to perform as a member of the ATSSB All-State Band. He is the son of Guy and Alice Carthel.

More than 9,000 high school band students from across Texas auditioned in twenty different regions for a place in their respective all-region bands. The top chairs in each region advanced to one of the five area auditions held this past weekend across the state and only 240 of these 1300 students were selected for all-state honors.

The ATSSB All-State Bands will meet in rehearsals in the historic Scottish Rite Auditorium in downtown San Antonio, from February 15-18 and will present a concert beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2006 at that site.

County extends fire ban

Commissioners approve autopsy service fees

By Darwin Robinson

The Floyd County Commissioners met Monday, January 9, 2006 and unanimously approved an extension to the county's fire ban for the duration of the Governor Perry's proclamation. The previous ban was for 7 days only, according to the County Judge Bill Hardin.

Hardin told the commissioners, "Floyd County Emergency Coordinator Preston Belt recommends that we extend the fire ban for the duration of the governor's proclamation. We must take action for our county."

Hardin quoted from the governor's proclamation, "The fire ban shall remain in effect until the state's disaster is terminated."

Commissioner Lennie Gilroy pointed out to the court, "When someone breaks the fire ban, it will result in a Class C Misdemeanor."

In other matters and following discussion, the court unanimously approved an agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to do autopsies for the county when needed. According to Hardin, the different costs this year for their services are: cause of death, \$2,000; x-rays, photos, etc., \$2,500; exhumation and do a Level II, \$3,500; additional fees to appear in court, \$800, plus travel expenses and to give a 2 hour

deposition, \$200, plus \$500 for each additional hour.

Commissioner Ray Nell Bgarden said, "This is quite a jump."

Commissioner Gilroy said, "They are saying, 'We don't want to do this, but if we do, we want to make it worth our while.' What other options do we have? We don't have a choice and where else can we go?"

Hardin replied, "I think we would have to go to the Dallas/Fort Worth area."

Commissioner Jon Jones asked, "I think I will investigate the Dallas/Fort Worth options. Do you think they are higher and were all these extra costs added into our flat fee before?"

Hardin responded, "Yes, and the transportation to Dallas/Fort Worth would be a lot higher."

Gilroy made the motion to approve the agreement and Bearden seconded it.

The commissioners also unanimously approved an agreement with Allied Compliance Services, Inc. to provide drug and alcohol testing services.

According to Hardin, their fees are \$153 annually, \$45 for a drug test and \$25 for an alcohol test.

Newly appointed Commissioner Billy Quattlebaum made the motion and it was seconded by Jones.

The court approved the official bonds for Commissioner Quattlebaum, Patty Davenport and Delia Suarez.

The commissioners voted to allow the Floyd County Central Appraisal District to retain a \$4,733 budget overage found in a year end audit.

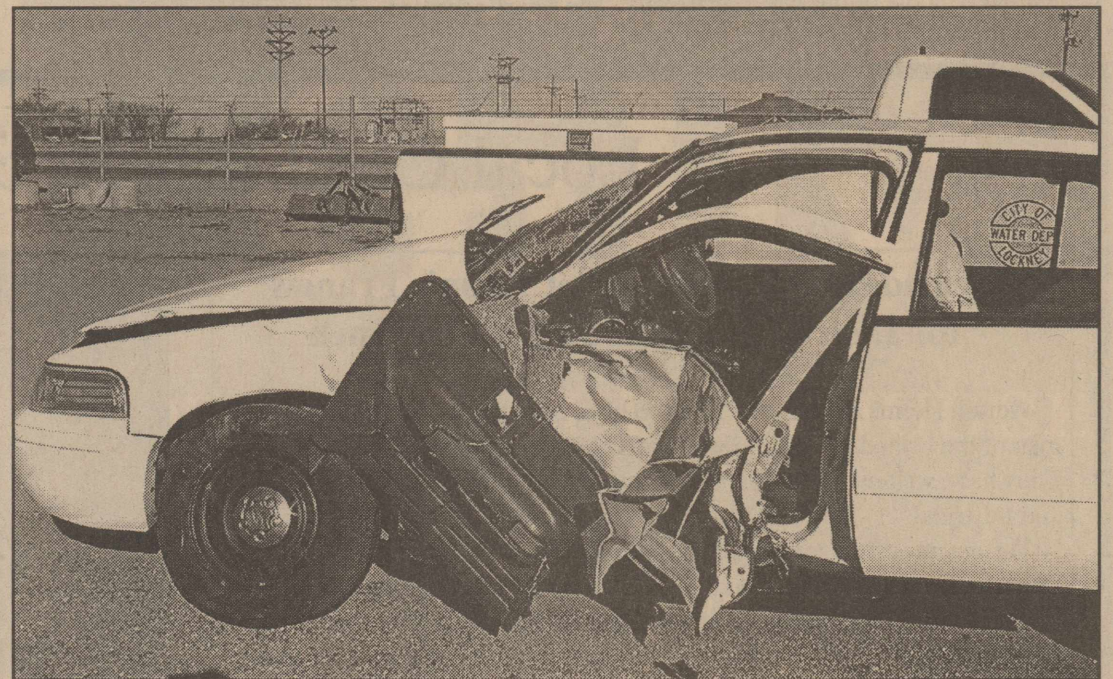
A fund transfer of \$20,000 from the Road and Bridge Fund was approved by the court. \$5,000 was transferred into each of the four district's work funds.

Floyd County Treasurer Elva Martinez gave the court a written financial report for December, 2005. It showed a Beginning Balance of \$866,691.50, with Receipts of \$227,478.67. Transfers In and Out were \$162,376.55, with Disbursed at \$214,293.04, leaving an Ending Balance of \$879,877.13.

Three Farm Contracts were approved by the court. They were: Pct. 4, 1/2 mile west of Lakeview Gin, to fill in washes, by Rex Harrison; Pct. 1, 8 miles southwest of Floydada, to work on terraces, by James Hale; and Pct. 4, 7 miles north of Dougherty, to fill in around stock tanks, by Wayland Jones.

Floyd County Agents Melissa Long and J.D. Ragland both gave reports to the commissioners. Long told the court, "This is my 'catching-up' month. We are getting ready for our 4-H contests

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LOCKNEY POLICE CHIEF JERRY EDWARDS was hospitalized, January 4, after the police car (shown here) he was driving was hit at the intersection of Hwy. 70 and South FM 378 by a vehicle driven by Gilbert Flores. Edwards was crossing Hwy. 70, heading north, and Flores was heading east on Hwy. 70, when the accident occurred at approximately 10:30 a.m. The Jaws of Life had to be used to rescue Chief Edwards from the vehicle. Both men were taken to the W.J. Mangold Hospital for x-rays and evaluation. Flores was allowed to return home and Edwards was hospitalized until Sunday, January 8. Edwards suffered a cut on his head which required stitches, a bruised lung, and a possible cracked rib. As of Wednesday, January 11, Edwards said he was "ready to get back to work". Staff Photo

It's almost time for the Valentine Brag Pages again!
The deadline to have a picture submitted to be included in the Brag Page is February 1st. The Valentine Edition will be printed on February 9th.
The cost of a small heart framed picture is \$15, and \$20 for a large framed picture.
Photos with 4 or more people in them have to be placed in a large frame.



LIONS CLUB DONATES--The Floydada Lions Club recently donated \$250.00 for the Skating Park fund raiser which is being run by the Floydada Police Department. Sgt. Ruben Ramon (left) accepted the check from Lions Club President Tommy Ogden. Staff Photo

Courtroom Activities

A September 29, 2005 Assault charge against Joe Anthony Garza was dismissed on January 4, 2006.

December 28, 2005 Miguel Sanchez, 25, of Floydada, was charged with Possession of Marijuana. On December 29, 2005 he was charged with DWI.

Also on December 29, 2005: Jesse Crystal Cruz, 18, of Floydada, was charged with Possession of Marijuana.

Kathy Flores, 26, of Floydada, was charged with Possession of Marijuana. She pled guilty on January 9, 2006 and was fined \$100, 64 days in jail plus court costs.

Pablo Ramirez, 19, was charged with DWI, Resisting Arrest, and Evading Arrest.

Jose Segura, 18, of Floydada, was charged with DWI.

December 30, 2005: Michael A. Annuziato, 39, of South Plains, was charged with DWI.

Raul Cruz Jr., 23, of Floydada, was charged with DWI-2nd.

Tomas Delgado, 39, of Floydada, was charged with DWI.

Pedro Martinez-Gonzales, 37, of Clovis, NM, was charged with DWI-2nd.

Carroll Wayne Kirby, 58, of Shallowater, was charged with DWI (open container).

Joshua Lee Mentoya was charged with Possession of Mari-

juana. Johnny Sim Noel, 53, was charged with DWI.

Daniel Joseph O'Callaghan, 23, of Garden City, MI, was charged with Possession of Marijuana equal to or less than 2 ozs.

Crystal Diana Riojas, 17, was charged with Possession of Marijuana.

Jose Angel Rivera, 25, of Plainview, was charged with DWI.

Erminio Orta Yannis, 54, of Floydada, was charged with DWI and Terroristic Threat.

Joe Hernandez Zavala, 23, of Plainview, was charged with DWI.

January 4, 2006: Miguel Alaniz, 42, of Floydada, was charged with DWI-2nd.

Michael Dwight Brisco, 22, of Lubbock, was charged with DWI. Silvester Garcia III, 31, of Lockney, was charged with DWI-2nd.

Fabian Torres, 32, of Floydada, was charged with DWI-2nd.

January 5, 2006: Pedro Segura Jr., was charged twice with Facilitating Escape.

In J.P. Court Pct. # 1 & #4 for the month of December 2005:

17 traffic citations were issued; 4 commercial vehicle citations were issued; 16 Parks and Wildlife citations were issued.

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have been really good." Ragland reminded the commissioners of the Caprock Cotton Conference on January 17 at the Plains Assembly Camp and the Alternative Crop Meeting in Lorenzo on February 7.

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A view from



The Lamplighter

By: Ken Towery
email: chowdipper@austin.rr.com

We noticed a story in the local daily paper the other day about an old acquaintance, Jack Anderson, dying of "complications from Parkinson's". He was, the story said, 83 years old.

Once in a while, someone passes from the scene and with them goes a whole lot of history. So it was with Jack Anderson. We were not close friends, far from it. But we were at least acquaintances, and even that grew out of an episode when I was with Sen. John Tower in Washington. Anderson said then that "if you ever say a word about it, I'll say it is a lie."

The whole matter started when I was Tower's Press Secretary, before becoming his Administrative Assistant, and Anderson was a "leg man" for a guy named Drew Pearson. Pearson had a syndicated newspaper column called "Washington Merry-Go-Round," or something like that. Drew died and Jack took over the column and made an even bigger name for himself. He ultimately won a Pulitzer Prize, but I know of no one who really held that against him. He was just a muckraking reporter who occasionally came up with a worthwhile story, and because of that, was widely read for many years.

Jack, in addition to having his column, was also some sort of an editor for a publication called "Parade Magazine," which was published, then, by somebody named "Red" something. Anyhow, "Red" came to admire Tower, whom he had never met, and decided he wanted Parade to carry a favorable story on the Senator. Jack drew the black bean and it became his lot, to please the publisher, to do the story on Tower.

So one day he showed up, relaying the reasons for his request (he didn't particularly like Tower anyway) and wanted to interview the Senator. He had to find some "peg" to hang his story on, and the only favorable thing he could find out, at that time, was the fact that Tower had been sending money each month to an outfit that supported orphans. He had done so with no fanfare, (the only tangible thing he got out of the exercise, that I know of, was a monthly letter from a child somewhere in Asia) and Anderson decided that was what he would write about. But he still wanted to interview the Senator.

We started walking over to the Senate floor to see if we could talk to Tower. There were, in the walk, only three people.. Anderson, myself, and another staff member... a newcomer from Missouri who may wish to remain anonymous. Along the way, Anderson told of what to me was a fascinating story, and one I have repeated without him ever saying

it was untrue. So our readers can judge for themselves. All I can say is the story as told by Anderson rings true to me. The only part of the whole story that raises questions in my own mind, is why he would start chattering like

a magpie about the subject in the first place. A certain amount of braggadocio, I suspect, just to let us know how important he and Pearson were. Or perhaps because Lyndon Johnson was involved, as was President Dwight Eisenhower, and Tower occupied the seat once held by LBJ. At any rate, it happened.

According to Anderson he and Pearson were getting enormous pressure to help block the nomination of one Lewis Strauss from becoming a confirmed member of the Cabinet of President Dwight Eisenhower, who had just

reams of anti-Strauss columns followed. When the vote came on Strauss, Eisenhower suffered what he later called "the worst defeat" of his Presidency. Opinions vary on the real reason for Eisenhower's defeat. At least one published account attributes the Senate action in turning down Strauss to "one willful Senator", but most observers of that time attributed the ill will toward Strauss as growing out of the earlier decision by Strauss to strip Oppenheimer of his security clearance. Some claimed the reason was Strauss's crusty nature, as could well happen to someone who had started his adult years as a shoe salesman and climbed the military rungs in the Navy. A few, indeed more than a few, sloughed it all off as internal "Jewish politics," which the

Senators sought to avoid. Strauss, a conservative Jew who had been very active in Jewish charities, had long been known as on "the other side" from the left-wing Oppenheimer. Strauss was a darling of the conservative establishment, such as it was in those days, while Oppenheimer was a darling of the left. The fact that the argument boiled down to, for some people, simply a row within the Jewish community did not help clarify the issues.

As far as I know, a favorable story about Tower never appeared in Parade magazine. The only person I know of who got any story about Anderson's version of the event was me, and it has taken many years to get it in print, and even that probably wouldn't have happened unless Jack had passed from the scene.

Brag Page Deadline is February 1st

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(steers and heifers)."

"We should have around 150 to 160 swine, 10 to 12 steers, 15 to 20 heifers, 15 goats, 25 to 30 lambs and 9 rabbits. Our Buyers Meal will be Monday at 5:00 p.m. and the Auction at 6:00 p.m.," said Ragland.

"On the ag-side, it is really dry. We need rain on our wheat now. However, we have just had another really good cotton crop, two in a row. Because of timely rains in 2005, some of our dry-land cotton made more than some

of our irrigated cotton. Our yields have been really good."

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Local Candidate Receives Endorsements

Friends and Supporters of Tempie Francis for District Judge name Co-Chairmen

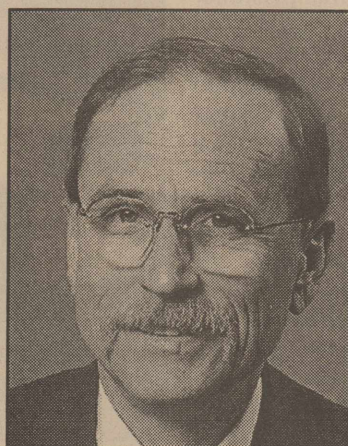
Adrain Helms and Mitch Probasco have been named as the Co-Chairmen of the Friends and Supporters of Tempie Francis for District Judge. They have written the following to you as the citizens of the 110th Judicial District.

We are proud to serve as the chairmen to elect Tempie Francis for District Judge. We send you the following message and many more to come because we believe you can help us in electing Tempie as the District Judge. And, we believe you will help us because you know how important this race is in electing the best person.

Tempie believes in justice for both the victim and defendants. She understands that our citizens have a right to their day in court. Tempie realizes the court should not be bias or show favoritism.

The tax payers know an effective court will save them time and money. The best way to be effective is to have a judge that is predictable through an attorney who has courtroom experience, understands the laws and has the ability to base a decision only upon the facts of each case. Tempie has these qualifications. She has trial experience, she will follow the law and her decisions will be based upon facts. We need a judge we can predict. We need Tempie Francis as our Judge.

Please join us. It is imperative that we band together and to elect Tempie Francis in the Primary Election. We need a show of strength. We need numbers to go to the Republican Polls and vote for Tempie for District Judge. Early voting starts February 21st.



REP. RICK HARDCASTLE



TEMPIE FRANCIS

State Representative Endorses Tempie Francis for District Judge

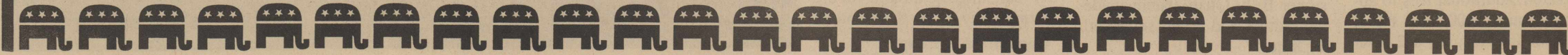
Local attorney, Tempie T. Francis is running for District Judge. Tempie has earned respect from her peers through hard work and dedication as an attorney and as a local community leader.

For example, Tempie earned a Bachelor's degree in Education in just three years and was elected to three different Academic Honor Societies and graduated cum laude. Tempie began Texas Tech Law School in 1991 where she received two distinguished awards, the Judge Ken G. Spencer Award and Jurisprudence Award. As an attorney, Tempie received the 2003 Pro Bono Award from Legal Aid Northwest for her work with indigent children and families.

Texas Representative Rick Hardcastle endorses Tempie and makes the following statement:

"I believe Tempie will be conservative and will strictly construe the statutes as they are written. Tempie has campaigned hard and she will work just as hard once in office. She has the legal qualifications to be the District Judge and the practical life experience to make sound decisions for her district."

Rep. Hardcastle has known Tempie and her family for many years. His district includes Motley and Dickens counties.



Palo Duro Oil and Gas Update

By Tom Musser

Floyd County:

New: Pipeline Connection: Preliminary discussions have taken place between some Palo Duro Basin Operators and ONEOK, Inc., concerning the possibility of tapping into the Red River Pipeline and selling and transporting potential gas from wells in Floyd County thru the ONEOK, Inc. Red River Pipeline System. Work that needs to be done prior to selling gas thru the pipeline includes drilling additional wells, completing additional wells, laying gas gathering system, and building the gas processing (separation and compression) plant.

Apollo Energy Operating Company LP W.D. Miller Lease Well #1, 4 miles northeast of Floydada. Installing a pumpjack on Miller #1 to pump test the well for evaluation and potential.

Apollo Energy Operating Company LP W.D. Miller Lease Well #2 horizontal, 4 miles northeast of Floydada. Permitted on November 17, 2005 with location built. It will be the next well drilled by Apollo Energy Operating Company.

Apollo Energy Operating Company LP Ceretha Watson Lease Well #1, 3 miles northeast of Dougherty. Starting completion work January 10. Frac work scheduled for January 21.

Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Jones Lease Well #1, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Dougherty. Permitted on November 22, 2005. Slated to be drilled in early 2006 by SimDril Rig.

Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. Misener Lease Well #1, 6 miles northeast of Floydada. Retrieved the drill pipe out of hole. Unable to retrieve the bit assembly. Set a plug above lost bit assembly and preparing to drill around, then continuing to drill to planned total depth.

BASA Resources, Inc.

Maurice Campbell Lease Well #1, 12 miles east of Floydada. Permitted on October 19, 2005, awaiting drilling.

BASA Resources, Inc. Foster Lease Well #1, 6 1/2 miles northeast of Floydada, awaiting completion work.

BASA Resources, Inc. L.N. Johnson Lease Well #1, 4 1/2 miles northeast of South Plains, plugged and abandoned on September 27, 2005.

BASA Resources, Inc., Smitherman Lease Well #1, 4 miles southeast of South Plains. Permitted on September 22, 2005. Location built in September of 2005 in anticipation of drilling well following the drilling of the L.N. Johnson #1. Currently the drilling of the Smitherman #1 is on hold.

Bass Petroleum, Inc. Redding 1 Lease Well #1, 6 miles northeast of Floydada. Permitted on October 31, 2005, awaiting drilling.

Bass Petroleum, Inc. Yearly Lease Well #1, 9 miles east of Lockney. Permitted on August 4, 2005, awaiting drilling.

Bass Petroleum, Inc. Yearly #2 Lease Well #2, nine miles northeast of Lockney. Permitted on September 29, 2005, awaiting drilling.

Bass Petroleum, Inc. Yearly #3 Lease Well #3, 4 miles east of Lockney. Permitted on September 29, 2005, awaiting drilling.

Bass Petroleum, Inc. Vikki Yearly Lease Well #1, 3 miles east of Floydada. Permitted on October 31, 2005, awaiting drilling.

GeoSurveys Inc. Fowler Unit Well #1, 3 1/2 miles northeast of Cedar Hill. Has a rig on location and work is continuing.

Tyner Texas Operating Company Kenneth Broseh Lease Well #1, 15 miles northeast of Floydada. Swabbing the well.

Tyner Texas Operating Company 4DG's Corporation Lease

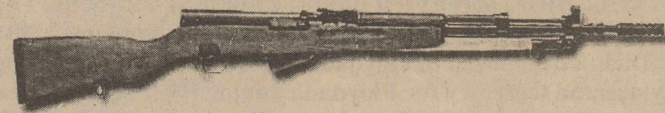
Well #1, 9 miles north of Floydada. Permitted on June 13, 2005, awaiting drilling.

Tyner Texas Operating Company Rushing Lease Well #1, 6

miles northeast of Floydada. Permitted on December 13, 2005. It has been estimated that drilling operations will begin within 10 days.

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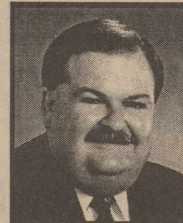
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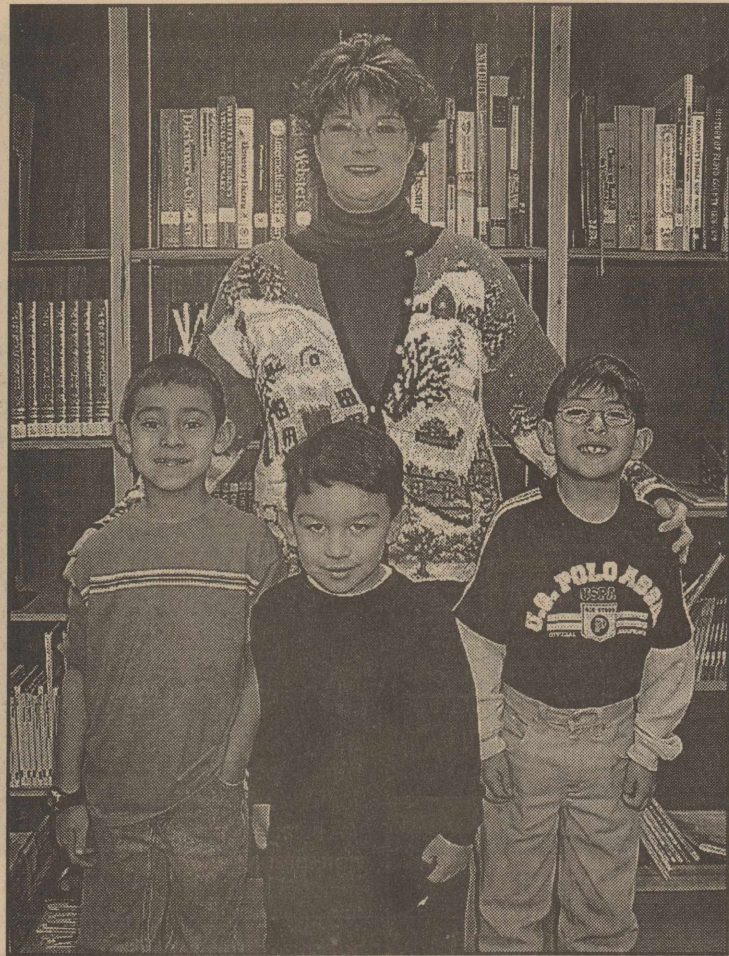
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A.B. DUNCAN STUDENT AND EDUCATOR OF THE WEEK--(L-R) Samuel Segura (1D), Jacob Chavarria (K4), Marcos Cervera (2D), Kay Miller (teacher K1). Not pictured Aleck Rogers (PK 1). Courtesy Photo



DALE GALLAWAY of Lockney (right), is shown donating \$500 to Ed Marks of Texas Plains Veterans Association for a flag pole in memory of Tim Hartman. Ed Marks added, "I am humbled by the generosity of everyone in the community. Donations are still coming in. If you would like to make a contribution contact me at 652-3157."

Lockney Police Report

December 10, 2005 Officer Dolloff received information from Floydada Police Department about a suspicious vehicle. Officer Dolloff observed the vehicle traveling above the speed limit on U.S. 70 near F.R. 378(N). The vehicle was stopped for exceeding the speed limit. The driver, Tommy Mays, 27, of Ft. Worth, Texas was arrested for failure to identify and possession of marijuana. The passenger in the vehicle, Jolanta C. Mays, 23, of Ft. Worth was also arrested for possession of marijuana. Both were taken to the Hale County Jail.

December 17, Officer Dolloff stopped a vehicle at the intersection of Locust and Main Street for failure to stop. According to police, the driver, Joe Daniel Luna, 22, of Lockney, was subsequently arrested and charged with DWI.

December 25, Sgt. Wallace was dispatched to W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital about a person who had been assaulted. Sgt. Wallace talked with a 21 year old female, living in 500 block of S.W. 7th Street, who stated she was assaulted by her common-law husband. The investigation is continuing.

December 30, Sgt. Wallace stopped a vehicle for speeding on U.S. 70 near Commercial Street. The driver of the vehicle, Joe Frank Hartsfield II, 22, of Clovis,

N.M. was found to have a Fail to Appear warrant for Aggravated Assault from Curry County, New Mexico. Hartsfield was placed

under arrest and transported to the Hale County Jail being held for Curry County.

Please remember to pray for our soldiers.

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Tuesday Lunch & Night

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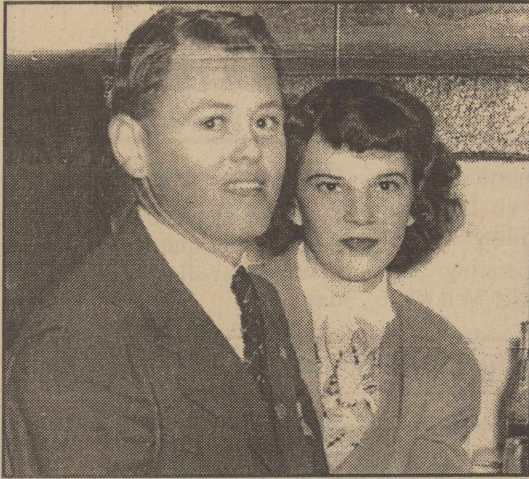


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ALAND SALLY GALLOWAY celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary at a reception on January 7 in the parlor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada. Their son Randall hosted the event. Al and Sally were married in McCaully, Texas on January 7, 1946, by Sally's father, the Reverend C.E. Dick. They moved to Floydada in 1953 where Al farmed prior to teaching school for 26 years. Sally was the secretary for Floydada Junior High School and the Librarian at R.C. Andrews Elementary School. Al and Sally both retired from Floydada ISD in 1994. Al and Sally have two sons, Randall of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Dana and his wife Cecilia of Washington, D.C., and two grandchildren, Sho and Gaku Inada of Los Angeles, California. Joining the many local friends celebrating this special day were out-of-town guests including Randall, Sho and Gaku, Katsuhiki Inada and Melissa Luong of Los Angeles, Barbara Wilson George of Lubbock, Jeanette Galloway of New Bransfel, Mary Thomson and Don Gibson of Wichita Falls, Frank and Judy Moore of Crosbyton, and Ted and Michelle Cox of Denton, Texas. At the time of their 50th Wedding Anniversary Sally was asked why she married Al. Her answer, "Because he makes me laugh." Today, after 60 happy years, she is still laughing.



LEONARD'S CAFE - FLOYDADA CHAMBER'S BUSINESS OF THE MONTH-Leonard's Cafe, 321 S. 2nd, is Business of the Month. They are open 5 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday - Friday. Carry outs are available by calling 983-2364. Shown are: (l-r) Brend Ortiz, Gary Matsler, Lahoma Matsler, Augie Garcia and Mary Lou Herrera. Staff Photo



NAOMI LEE HODGES AND WAYNE ALVIN BATTEY were married December 22, 1934, in Ralls, Texas. The couple have two sons, Alvin Lee and Jerry Don. Alvin Lee and wife Evalyn reside in Paris, Texas. Jerry Don and wife Pat reside in Floydada. They have five grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. They celebrated this joyous occasion visiting with their family and friends.

Texas Cooperative Extension to offer Food Manager Certification Training Course

By Melissa Long
Statistics indicate that foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the United States. Each year, 1 in 4 Americans will become sick, 1 in 1,000 will become hospitalized and 5,000 will die due to a foodborne illness.

Texas Cooperative Extension, Floyd and Hale Counties, are offering a food manager certification training course. This program will be offered for \$79 on February 15 and 16 at the Ollie Linder Center in Plainview. Cost includes training, materials, and the State food manager certification examination.

This program is designed to not only prepare foodservice managers to pass the certification examination; it will provide valuable education regarding the safe handling of food. Almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home. Therefore, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied.

Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and

medical bills. With these statistics, knowledge of how to prevent foodborne illness is essential. The benefits of improved food safety include: increased customer satisfaction; improved relationships with health officials; prevention of bad publicity and law suits due to foodborne illness.

By attending the course, foodservice managers will learn about: identifying potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling; preventing contamination and cross-contamination of food; teaching and encouraging personal hygiene for employees; complying with government regulations; maintaining clean utensils, equipment and surroundings; and controlling pests.

The cost of the course is \$79 dollars. Registration deadline is Friday, February 3.

Foodborne illnesses can be prevented by following simple food safety practices. For more information about the Food Manager Certification Training course of Texas Cooperative Extension, called "Food Safety: It's Our Business," call Melissa Long at 983-4912.

Floyd County Lifestyles

Lockney Senior Citizen News and menu

By Vera Jo Bybee
It was so cold today (Monday). It snowed a little bit today too. Donnie and I got out and went to the Center for lunch and then I went and visited with the quilters. I hadn't seen them in a couple of months.

Dorothy Stapp pieced the most beautiful quilt top and the quilters are quilting it for the Center to raffie off. Be sure to buy lots of tickets cause it is so pretty and will go with whatever color you need.

The Floyd County Pioneer Association had their first meeting Monday night with president Tim Assiter presiding. Reports from committees were given along with a report from Treasurer Jon Jones. Next meeting will be February 13 at the County Court Room in the Court House at 7:00.

Any and everyone interested in "Old Settlers" are welcome to attend with their ideas for a better Old Settlers on May 27, 2006.

Reading last week's Floyd County newspaper with all the politician's campaign advertisements made me think what a "fruit basket turn over" our courthouse is going to have come election time. No matter what party you are registered to vote in please get out and vote for the best qualified person for the office they are running for. They will have to be really good to fill the shoes of all the retiring Judges, Clerks, etc. These people have been so good in our District and County courts.

I am really interested in the candidates running for the District Judge position. I won't get

to vote cause I am a registered Democrat and both the candidates are running on the Republican ticket. However the candidate I think who is the best qualified to be our next District Judge is Bill Smith. I encourage all my republican Senior Citizen friends to get out and vote.

Marjorie and Mel Holcomb spent Christmas in Canyon with her daughter Charlotte and family.

Last weekend Alice Mitchell had guests to help her celebrate her birthday. Her daughter Shirley from Amarillo, Her son Neil and wife Laura from Waco and her son Warren and wife Charlotte from Lockney. Sunday they all attended the First Baptist Church together in Alice's honor.

Charles and Molly Huffman recently celebrated their 50th anniversary with a dinner at the 50 Yard Line in Lubbock with friends and family attending. Special guests was their daughter Christine and husband Mark Odum, and daughter Mary and husband Curtis McAllister and son Chas, all of Abilene.

Nina Teuton is recuperating from back surgery in the home of daughter Rae Stansell in Lubbock. Nina had her back surgery December 9.

Menu Jan: 16-20
Monday: Salmon Patties
Tuesday: Enchilada Casserole
Wed: Chicken Fried Steak
Thurs: Spaghetti/garlic bread
Friday: Fish
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Look Who's

New

REEVES

Marla Reeves is proud to announce the birth of her nephew, Austin Braylon, born on his great-great-grandmother, Pernie Leatherman's 91st birthday, Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at 11:40 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds 9 ounces and was 20 inches long.

His parents are Justin and April of Lubbock. Grandparents are Mike and Stacy Reeves of Floydada and Brenda and the late Bruce Long of Jayton.

Great-grandparents are Jerry and Martha Leatherman and Irene Reeves, all of Floydada.

Great-great-grandmother is Pernie Leatherman of Floydada.

WILSON

Brandi and Marc Wilson are proud to announce the birth of their son, Dillan Marc who was born 1:26 p.m., January 10, 2006 at Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed 9 pounds 12 ounces and was 22 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Brenda Snider of Olton. Paternal grandparents are Laura and Kevin Campbell of Bellville, Texas and the late Rusty Wilson.

Paternal great-grandparents are Roland and Lydia Watson of Lubbock; Carolyn and Don Hardy of Floydada; and Gail and Marilyn Wilson of Olton. Maternal great-grandparents are J.L. and Nina Snider of Plainview and Margaret Lawson of Plainview.



DELORES CANNON

Cannon selected as RSVP Volunteer of the Month

Dolores Cannon of Floydada has been selected the Runningwater Draw RSVP Volunteer of the Month.

This cheerful, lovely lady has a zest for life and believes in helping others. Her enthusiasm and great outlook are contagious.

Dolores has been a Floyd County resident all of her life. She was born and raised in the Muncy Community. She married J.W. Cannon in 1949 and they moved to Floydada in 1957. Dolores is very proud of her two sons. Steven lives in Plainview and Doug lives in San Antonio. She has six wonderful grandchildren and one very special great grandchild.

Dolores is retired and gives of her time for others through vol-

unteer work. She has been blessed with the ability to love and care for her fellow man, whether young or old. This is evident in the life she lives.

Dolores can be found at least two days a week at the Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center. She cuts all of the men's hair at the Care Center and fixes the ladies hair. She also visits with the residents. Dolores feels she receives a great blessing in return for the time she spends caring for the residents. She truly enjoys the time she is there.

Dolores volunteers at the Floyd County Museum and serves on the Museum Board. She also volunteers at the Spirit of Sharing which is a food and clothing pantry along with pro-

viding other assistance for those in need. She volunteers at her church, First Baptist Church in Floydada, by teaching the Kindergarten Sunday School Class and by serving on the kitchen committee which includes preparing funeral meals. Dolores has a special love for children and the elderly. She and J.W. have opened up their home to care for their parents, aunts and uncles as each needed their help. They have cared for other elderly in their community who do not have family living there. Not only do they check on them but also have taken them to doctor's appointments and many other daily tasks that the Cannon's do because of their caring hearts.

Dolores says she enjoys doing for others. She also feels we need to stay busy and we have been put here to help others. Dolores and J.W.'s parents helped others and they evidently passed on a legacy of caring to this wonderful couple.

RSVP is very proud to have Dolores Cannon as an RSVP volunteer since 1995 and we appreciate all she does for others.

The Runningwater Draw RSVP has been serving Floyd, Hale and Lamb counties for 33 years. Sponsored by the City of Plainview, RSVP is housed by Wayland Baptist University on the Wayland Campus at 2503 W. 8th. Call 291-1895 for more information.

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Writing Class begins their new year

By Martha Farris
New, experienced, and "want-to-be" writers are invited and encouraged to come to the RNR classroom at 312 W. Georgia St., Floydada on Tuesday, January 24, at 4:30 p.m. to join the Creative Writers group. You will discover a happy learning and sharing experience!

The charter members of this writers group spent interesting and informative weeks last year as they interacted in the classes by sharing ideas and writing together. This group published a book of Christmas Devotionals for the members of First United Methodist Church and friends.

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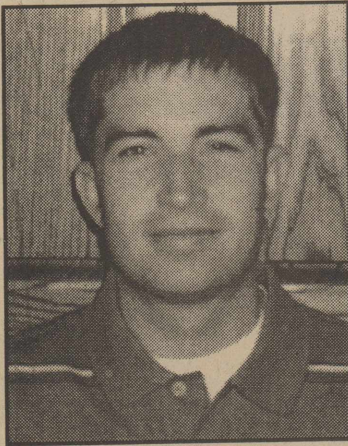
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COLLEGE NEWS



CHAD TURNER

Turner graduates from TTU

Chad Turner of Lubbock graduated from Texas Tech University's Graduate School with a Master of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering.

Commencement Services were held at the United Spirit Arena on December 17, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. Chad wore the orange and black hood over his black robe to signify his Master's Degree.

Chad also graduated at TTU with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science, along with a minor in math last December 18, 2004.

Chad wore a blue and red honor cord with his black cap and gown to signify that he is a member of ETA Kappa Nu Electrical Engineering Honor Society and in recognition of



Lady Winds beat Smyer

Lady Winds - 53
Smyer - 45

The Lady Winds hosted Smyer on January 3, 2006 and came out with a big win by a score of 53-45.

Leading the scoring was Lindsey Leatherman with 17 points.

Tori Terrell was close behind in scoring with 16 points.

Magan Flores added 8 points to the scoreboard.

Brittney Rando ended the night with 5 points.

Marlen Carmona added 3 points to the victory.

Rounding out the scoring was Jana Everett and Jackee Wickware with 2 points each.

Score by Quarters

Floydada	7	23	38	53
Smyer	12	21	34	45

excellent scholarship and other attainments in the profession of Electrical Engineers.

Chad is residing in Houston where he is employed with Texas Instruments as an Engineer. He is the son of Terry and Zahn Turner of Floydada.

Lady Winds get big district win over Olton

Lady Winds - 50
Olton Fillies - 41

The Lady Winds opened their district season with a huge win over the Olton Fillies by a score of 50-41.

Lindsey Leatherman led the scoring with 22 points.

Magan Flores scored in double digits with 12 points.

Tori Terrell also scored in double digits in the game with 10 points.

Brittney Rando added 6 points to the game.

District Record: 1-0

Score by Quarters

Floydada	5	20	35	50
Olton	14	20	32	41

SPORTS

Lady Winds compete in Slaton Tournament

The Floydada Lady Winds competed in the Slaton Tournament that was held December 28-30, 2005.

In their first game they went up against Sundown and lost by a score of 39-42.

Lindsey Leatherman led the way in scoring for game with 21 points.

Adding 4 points to the scoreboard was Tori Terrell, Brittney Rando, Magan Flores and Jackee Wickware.

Rounding out the scoring with 2 points was Marlen Carmona.

Score by Quarters

Floydada	14	20	27	39
Sundown	6	7	27	42

In their second game of the tournament, the Lady Winds took on Lubbock Cooper and won by a score of 57-39

Leading the scoring was Lindsey Leatherman with 12 points.

Adding 8 points to the scoreboard was Magan Flores, Marlen Carmona and Jennifer Leatherman.

Tori Terrell and Brittney Rando

ended the night with 7 points each.

Jackee Wickware was credited with 4 points.

Rounding out the scoring with 2 points was Jana Everett.

Score by Quarters

Floydada	17	32	49	57
Cooper	7	17	28	39

In their third and final game of the Slaton Tournament, the Lady Winds played Tahoka and came up on the short end at the final buzzer by a score of 49-52.

Lindsey Leatherman ended the night with 21 points.

Magan Flores and Jackee Wickware both ended the game with 6 points.

Tori Terrell added 5 points to the game.

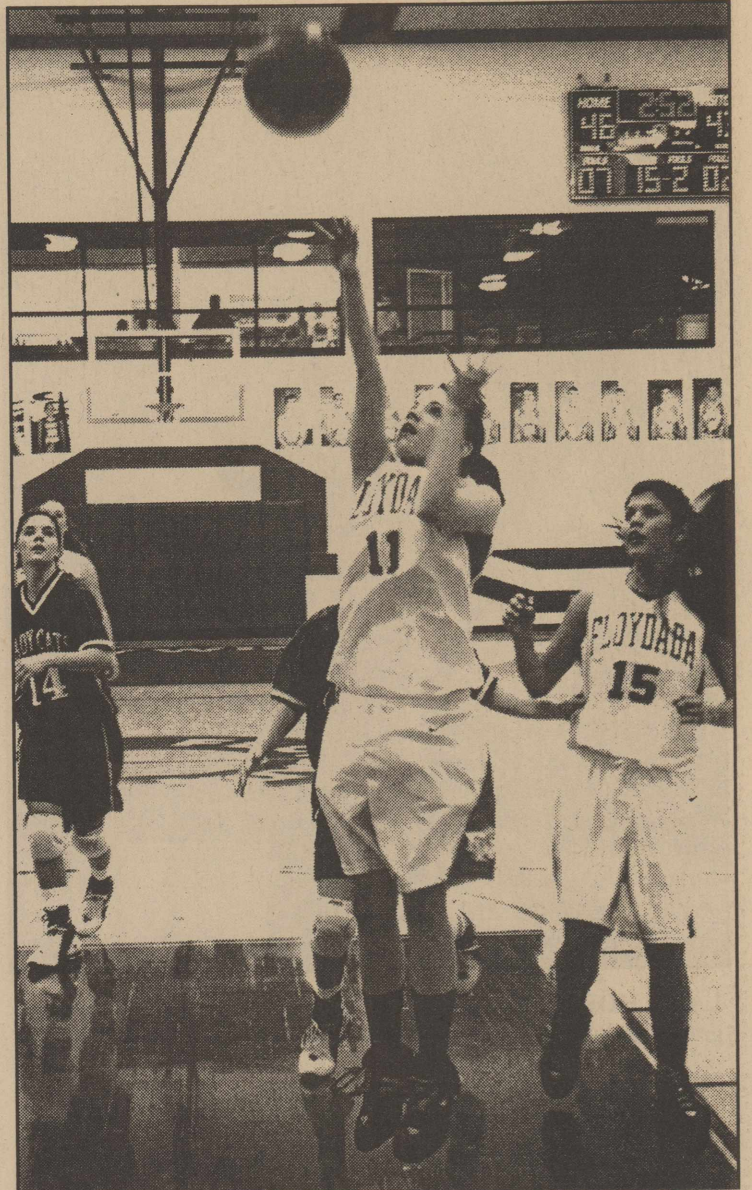
Brittney Rando ended the night with 4 points.

Jana Everett added 3 points to the scoreboard.

Rounding out the scoring with 2 points each was Britnee Brotherton and Marlen Carmona.

Score by Quarters

Floydada	5	19	30	49
Tahoka	11	24	29	52



SHOOTING A JUMPER-Lady Winds Tori Terrell (11) is shown shooting a jump shot against Olton in the Whirlwind Gym, with Magan Flores (15) as back up. Floydada won their first district game 50-41. Photo by Jim Covington

Floydada School Menu

January 16 - January 20

Monday
Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Frito Pie, salad, beans, fruit, milk

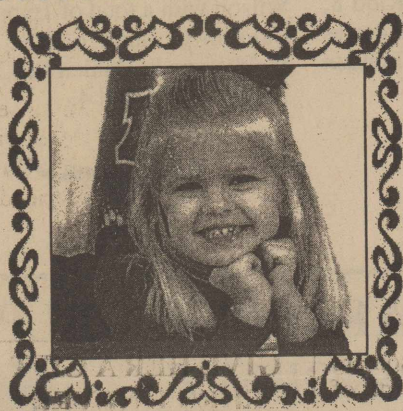
Tuesday
Breakfast-Breakfast pizza or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Lasagna, peas, carrots, bread sticks, Jello, milk

Wednesday
Breakfast-Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, milk
Lunch-Pigs in a blanket, corn,

salad, fruit, milk

Thursday
Breakfast-English muffin with egg, cheese, sausage or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Enchiladas with meat, beans, salad, cornbread, fruit, milk

Friday
Breakfast-Cinnamon roll, fruit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- "Whirlwind Sandwich", (Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich) fries, salad, assorted fruit, milk



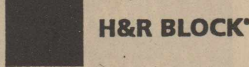
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Location

Floydada High School Auditorium

Time

Thursday, January 26, 2006

7:00 p.m.



LADY HORN REBEKAH THORNTON going for a layup in game against Idalou. Lockney won 43-29. Staff Photo

Ladyhorns win two, lose one in Clarendon Tournament

By Coach Schumacher

Lockney Ladyhorns won two and lost one at the Clarendon Tourney during the Christmas break. They opened play against West Texas High beating them 48-31. Rebekah Thornton had 17 points, Amber Dorman 6, Krista Rasco 5, Heather Brock 4, Trinity Ford 3, Audrie Arjona and Senee' Foster 2 each, and Jamie Butler 1.

Later that day they played Clarendon and came up short 42-39. The Ladyhorns led most of the game but came up short in the end. Rebekah Thornton led scoring with 14 points, Trinity Ford 10, Heather Brock 5, Amber Dorman and Jamie Butler 4 each, and Krista Rasco 2.

The final game of the tourney the Ladyhorns beat Valley 65-35. With 2 minutes left in the 1st quarter, Heather Brock went down with an injury that sent her to the hospital. She is now doing okay. Rebekah and Amber Dorman led the scoring with 13 points each, Senee' Foster had 9, Krista Rasco and Segayle Foster with 6 each, Audrie Arjona 5, Trinity Ford and Heather Brock 4 each, Jamie Butler and Brittney Mathis 2 each.

Lockney Ladyhorns beat Idalou 43-29

By Coach Schumacher

Ladyhorns hosted Idalou on January 3 and beat them for the second time this year. The Ladyhorns played really well and came away with a solid team effort. The final score was 43-29. Rebekah Thornton led scorers with 14 points, Amber Dorman 10, Trinity Ford 7, Krista Rasco 6, Senee' Foster 4, and Audrie Arjona 2.

Lockney falls to Tulia

By Coach Schumacher

The Ladyhorns travelled to Tulia January 6 losing their first district game 52-42. Lockney had a cold first half and was never able to pull away from the Lady Hornets. Leading scorers was Rebekah Thornton with 19 points, Amber Dorman 9, Audrie

S P O R T S



LONGHORN TYLER KIDD making a layup in game against Idalou. Idalou won 52-47. Staff Photo

Longhorns basketball report

Longhorns win over Post

The Longhorn basketball teams opened up the 2005-06 season with a game at Post on Nov. 18, 2005. The Horns were victorious outscoring the Lopes 49-37. Scoring for the Horns were: Trevor Morris, 26 points; Brance Wilson, 7; Dahlen McCarter, 7; D.J. Rosales, 5; and J.W. McPherson, 4.

Longhorns beat the Buffaloes

On Nov. 22, the Longhorns outmanned the Pettersburg Buffaloes, 56-34. Scoring for the Horns were: Brance Wilson, 17 points; Tyler Kidd, 16; Dahlen McCarter, 12; Trevor Morris, 8; Landon Cotham, 2; and Chris Castorena, 1 point.

Horns outscored by the Eagles

On Nov. 29, the Longhorns lost their first game of the season to the Roosevelt Eagles by a score of 48-45. Scoring for the Horns were: Dahlen McCarter, 12 points; Trevor Morris, 10; Landon Cotham, 7; Tyler Kidd, 6; Brance Wilson, 5; and J.W. McPherson, 5.

Longhorns compete in tough tourney

The Longhorn basketball team competed in the Nazareth tourney Dec. 1-3. The Horns fell to #2 ranked Lipan 46-33 in the first game of the tourney. Scorers were: Trevor Morris, 15; J.W.

McPherson, 6; Landon Cotham, 5; Tyler Kidd, 4; Brance Wilson, 2; and Dahlen McCarter, 1.

In the second tournament game, the Longhorns defeated the Morton Indians 54-40. Leading the Horns in points was Trevor Morris with 19 points. Other players scoring were: Dahlen McCarter, 14; Chris Castorena, 10; Tyler Kidd, 4; J.W. McPherson, 4; Brance Wilson, 2; and Rion Aufill, 1.

The Longhorns fell short in the consolation championship game. They were outscored by Claude 34-26. Scorers were: Trevor Morris, 8; Tyler Kidd, 5; Dahlen McCarter, 5; Landon Cotham, 4.

Horns fall on the road

December 6 the Longhorns lose a hard fought battle to the Lubbock Cooper Pirates 46-42. Scoring for the Horns were: Trevor Morris, 21; Dahlen McCarter, 6; Brance Wilson, 5; Tyler Kidd, 4; Landon Cotham, 2; and J.W. McPherson, 2.

Longhorns play in New Deal tourney

December 8-10 the Longhorns opened up tournament play with Slaton. The Horns lose a heart-breaker 40-39. Scoring for the Horns were: Dahlen McCarter, 18; Trevor Morris, 13; Brance Wilson, 6; Landon Cotham, 1; and J.W. McPherson, 1.

In the 2nd Tourney game the Horns drew New Deal. The Horns were victorious in overtime, 50-47. Scoring for the Horns were: Dahlen McCarter,

15; Brance Wilson, 12; Trevor Morris, 12; J.W. McPherson, 5; Landon Cotham, 4; and Tyler Kidd, 2.

The Horns played Lorenzo in the final game of the tournament. The Hornets won 69-36. Dahlen McCarter led the Horns in scoring with 15 points. Other scorers were: Brance Wilson, 8; Tyler Kidd, 5; Rion Aufill, 4; Landon Cotham, 3; Chris Castorena, 1.

Lockney defeats Chiefs

The Longhorns went to Crosbyton on Dec. 13 and came away with a win 39-28. Scoring was: Tyler Kidd, 12; Brance Wilson, 10; Dahlen McCarter, 7; Rion Aufill, 4; Chris Castorena, 4; and Landon Cotham, 2.

Smyer downs the Horns

Dec. 16 the Longhorns were defeated by the Smyer Bobcats, 41-29. Scoring for the Horns were: Brance Wilson, 9; Landon Cotham, 7; Tyler Kidd, 5; Dahlen McCarter, 4; and Rion Aufill, 4.

Longhorns drop close contest to Lions

December 20, the New Deal Lions outscored the Longhorns 55-50 in the final game before the Christmas holidays. Scoring was: Dahlen McCarter, 19; Brance Wilson, 14; J.W. McPherson, 8; Tyler Kidd, 7; and Landon Cotham, 2.

Lockney J. V. boys win over Idalou

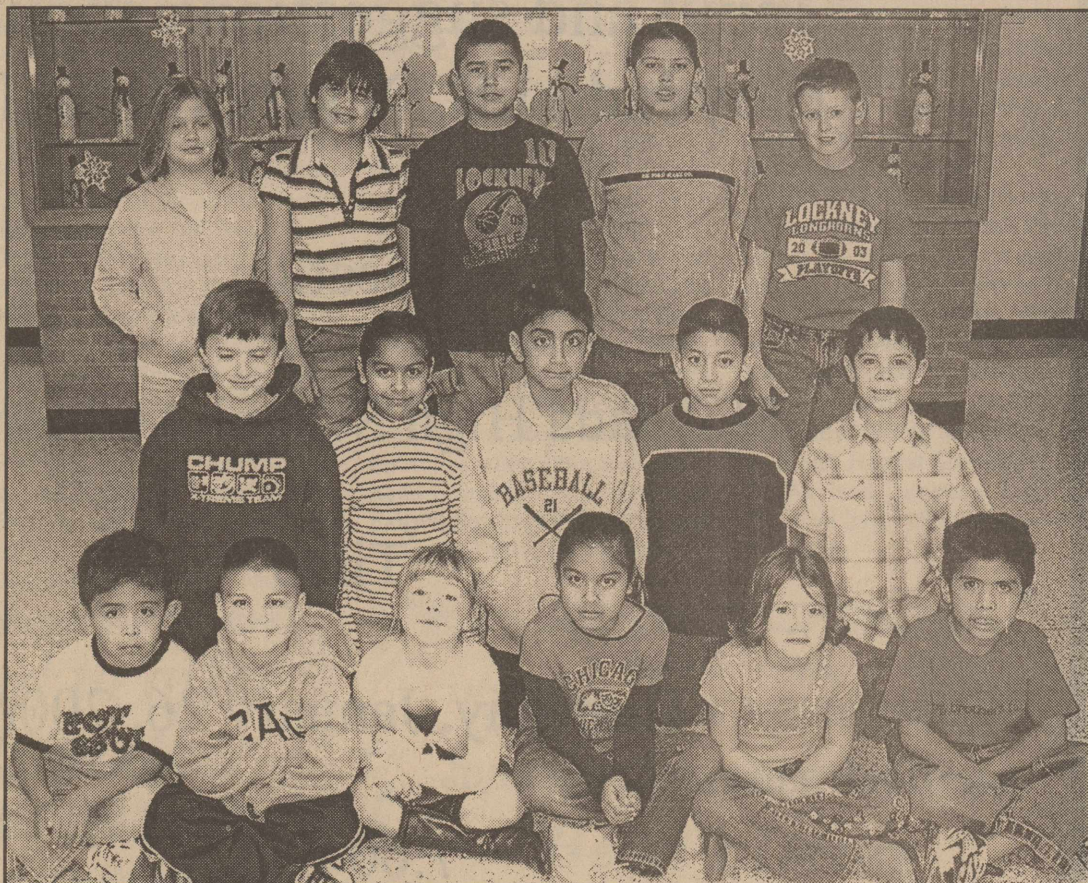
Lockney Longhorn J.V. boys basketball team won over Idalou 26 to 24 January 3.

Kyler Ellison lead scoring with 8 points. Alston Becker scored 5; Brett Johnson 4; Lucas Hall 2; James Mercado 2; Jonathan Coleman 2; Tanner Morris 2; and Daryn McCarter 1.

Lockney J.V. boys lead Seagraves

Lockney Junior Varsity boys basketball team played Seagraves January 6 and came away with a win of 37 to 36.

Daryn McCarter lead scoring with 7 points. Jonathan Coleman scored 6; Kaler Ellison 4; Brett Johnson 4; Angel Cruz 4; Matthew Prather 3; Lucas Hall 2; Tanner Morris 2; and Adrian Cortez 1.



LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS for the week of January 9, 2006--(Back row, 1 to r) Haley Dunbar, Alexandra Lopez, Erik Cortez, Jose Guerrero, Gates Lane, (middle row, 1 to r) Hunter Thompson, Tanisha Peralez, Noah Ramos, Justin Suarez, Eli Guerra, (Front row, 1 to r) Joshua Pena, Andres Garcia, Kylie Frizzell, Taleah Peralez, Alyssa Guitierrez, Estaban Pena.

Lockney wins over Seagraves and falls to Idalou Wildcats

Lockney Longhorn Varsity boys basketball team played Seagraves January 6 and came away with a win of 58 to 35.

Leading scorer was Dahlen McCarter with 22 points. Brance Wilson made 14; Tyler Kidd 8; J.W. McPherson 3; D.J. Rosales 2; Chris Castorena 2; and Landon Cotham 1.

Lockney Longhorn Varsity boys basketball team played a good game but lost to Idalou by a score of 52 to 47 on January 3.

Leading scoring was Brance Wilson with a total of 16 points. Landon Cotham had 8; J.W. McPherson 8; Dahlen McCarter 7; and Rion Aufill 4.

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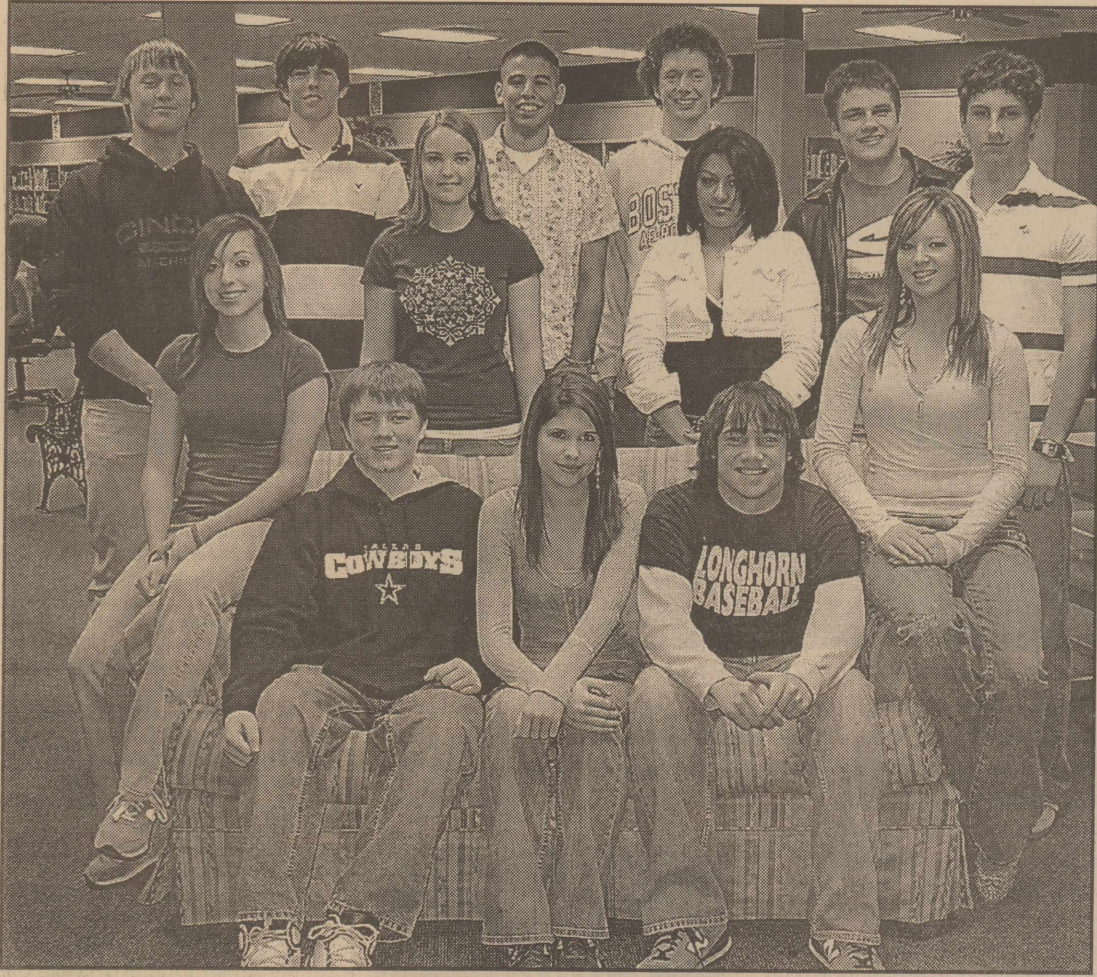
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SENIOR CLASS PERSONALITIES--(standing, l-r) Yvette Gonzales, Class Clown; John O'Connell, Class Clown; Jonathan Silva, Most Courteous; J.W. McPherson, Most Dependable; Kory Smith, Most Studious; Amber Dorman, Most Athletic; (seated, l-r) Tana Smith, Most Courteous; April Lopez, Class Favorite; Dahlen McCarter, Most Athletic; Rebekah Thornton, Most Studious; and Landon Cotham, Class Favorite.
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SOPHOMORES CLASS PERSONALITIES--(seated, l-r) Senee Foster, Class Favorite; Garrison Marricle, Class Clown; Lauren Stewart, Most Courteous; Dimitri Cortez, Most Dependable; and Margarita Valles, Most Athletic; (standing, l-r) Ashley McCulloch, Most Studious; Lorenzo Salazar, Most Dependable; Ashley Valdez, Class Clown; Tanner Morris, Most Dependable; Zachary Gonzales, Most Athletic; and Zach Montandon, Most Studious.
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FRESHMAN CLASS PERSONALITIES--(back, l-r) J.P. Gonzales, Class Clown; Luis Bernal, Class Favorite; Adrian Cortez, Most Dependable; Kyler Ellison, Class Favorite; Roman Salas, Class Favorite; (front, l-r) Emily Prayor, Most Dependable; Heather Brock, Class Favorite; James Mercado, Most Studious; Estella Rodriguez, Most Studious; Janie Martinez, Class Clown.

LHS names class personalities

By Amber Dorman
Student Council President

The naming of class personalities for Lockney High School was held on December 17, 2005 at the Mr. and Miss LHS Program in the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria.

It was a night full of laughter as students imitated the faculty all in the name of fun.

Students involved in the program were Jonathan Coleman as Mr. Thompson, Tanner Morris as Mr. Voss, Bryan Cooper as Mr. Moore, Rina Gonzales as Mrs. Smith, Courtlyn Long as Mrs. Fulton, Trasa Poindexter as Mrs. Littlefield, Kayla Thomas as Mrs. Kelley, Brandon Wilson as Mr. Woolever, Caleb Schumacher as Coach Joe Robertson, and Jonathan Silva as Sammy Silva.

Julie Ellison served as Mistress of Ceremonies.

The event was planned and hosted by the Student Council and their sponsor, Kathlyn Azua.

The Class Personalities were:
Freshmen:
Class Favorite: Heather

Brock, Luis Bernal, Adrian Cortez, Kyler Ellison, and Roman Salas.

Most Dependable: Emily Prayor and Adrian Cortez.

Class Clown: Janie Martinez and J. P. Gonzales

Most Studious: Estella Rodriguez and James Mercado

Most Courteous: Emily Prayor and Adrian Cortez

Most Athletic: Heather Brock and Kyler Ellison

Sophomore:
Class Favorite: Senee Foster and Dimitri Cortez

Most Dependable: Senee Foster, Dimitri Cortez, Tanner Morris and Lorenzo Salazar

Class Clown: Ashley Valdez and Garrison Marricle

Most Studious: Ashley McCulloch and Zach Montandon

Most Courteous: Lauren Stewart and Dimitri Cortez

Most Athletic: Margarita Valles and Zachary Gonzales

Juniors:

Class Favorite: Kayla Thomas, Rion Aufill, Taylor Brock and Tyler Kidd

Most Dependable: Kayla Thomas, Wes Davis and Tyler Kidd

Class Clown: Emma Morales and D.J. Rosales

Most Studious: Joanie Reecer and Matthew Prather

Most Courteous: Erin Mangold and Tyson Carthel

Most Athletic: Audrie Arjona and Jon Sherman

Seniors:

Class Favorite: April Lopez and Landon Cotham

Most Dependable: Tana Smith and J. W. McPherson

Class Clown: Yvette Gonzales and John O'Connell

Most Studious: Rebekah Thornton and Kory Smith

Most Courteous: Tana Smith and Jonathan Silva

Most Athletic: Amber Dorman and Dahlen McCarter

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Caprock Cotton Conference to be held at Plains Baptist Assembly on Jan. 17th

The Caprock Cotton Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2006 at the Plains Baptist Assembly. Registration, plus coffee and donuts, begins at 7:30 a.m. and the cost of conference is \$25, plus a late fee.

The registration fee includes lunch, conference cap and program materials. 3.5 CEU's will be given for the conference and 2 other CEU's will be offered for those producers needing additional hours.

The schedule of the conference is:

7:50 a.m. - Drawing for door prizes - James Hinton.
8:00 a.m. - Welcome - Floyd

Co. Commissioner Jon Jones
8:10 a.m. - Choices in CEU program - Steve Davis
8:20 a.m. - Introduction of speakers - Roger Haldenby
8:30 a.m. - Overview of National Cotton Council - Gaylon Booker

9:00 a.m. - Market Trends/Risk Mgmt. - Dr. John Robinson
9:30 a.m. - Cotton Research Trends - Dr. Roy Cantrell
10:00 a.m. - Break/View exhibits

10:15 a.m. - Marketing West TX Cotton - Richard Knowles
10:45 a.m. - Innovations in Weed Pest Control - Dr. Peter Dotray

11:40 a.m. - Weed Survey - Floyd Co. Ext. Agent J. D. Ragland
12 - Noon - Lunch/View exhibits

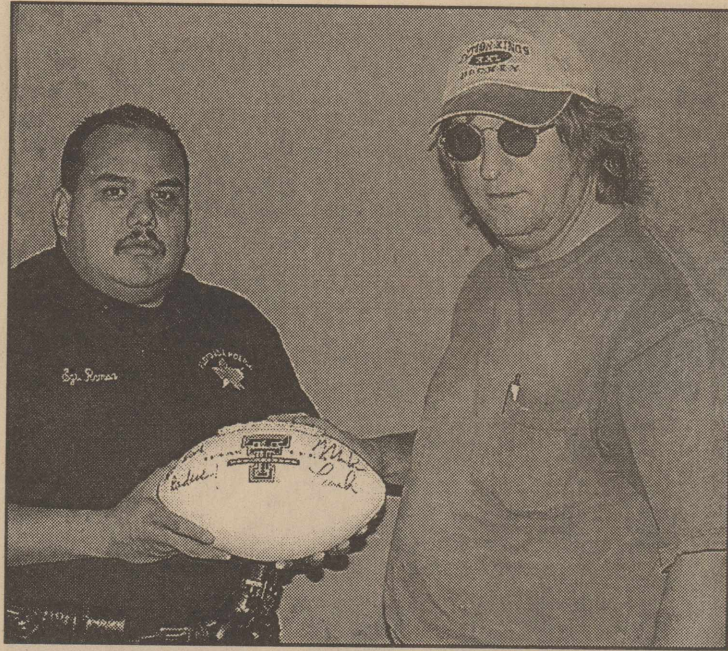
1:00 p.m. - High Plains Transgenic Cotton Trial - Randy Boman

1:45 p.m. - Effects of Cotton Fiber Quality on Mkt - Mike Watson

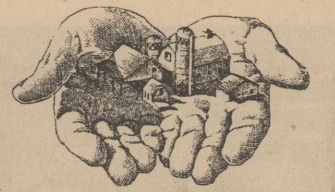
2:30 p.m. - 2005 Crosby Co. Plant Growth Reg. Trial - Steve Davis

3:00 p.m. - Panel Discussion with presenters - Haldenby & Boman

4:00 p.m. - CEU Wrap Up & Conclude



FLOYDADA POLICE SGT. RUEBEN RAMON (left) presents Stanley Sanders (right) with a Texas Tech football autographed by Head Coach Mike Leech. Sanders won the football in a raffle put on by Floydada Police Department to raise money for the Skateboard Park. Staff Photo



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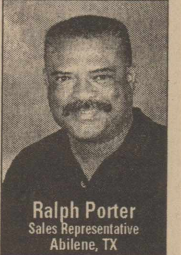
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Three leading High Plains cotton industry figures came together to focus the spotlight of the 2006 Beltwide Cotton Conference's squarely on the Texas High Plains. The trio were awarded three of the top honors handed out each year at the Beltwide Cotton Conferences.

Recognized for their contributions to the industry and their service to cotton producers, the three honorees were Texas Cooperative Extension Cotton Specialist Dr. Randy Boman, Plains Cotton Growers Executive Vice president Steve Verett, and long-time High Plains crop consultant and retired Texas Tech Professor Emeritus Dr. John Hunter.

The first High Plains honoree during the 2006 Beltwide conference was Dr. Randy Boman who was named Cotton Specialist of the Year by his peers.

Since becoming the TCE Cotton Specialist for the Texas High Plains, Boman has distinguished himself as a willing and knowledgeable resource who is heavily relied upon by High Plains cotton producers as well as an outstanding researcher committed to providing growers with the accurate information they need to make critical technology and management decisions for their farms. Boman received his award January 3.

The second honoree from the region was PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett. Verett was presented with his award and recognized for his achievements on behalf of the industry during a luncheon January 4 sponsored by Cotton Grower magazine, Case IH and Monsanto.

Verett, who has served as PCG's Executive Vice President since 1997, was honored with the 2005 Cotton Grower Achievement Award. The award, presented by Cotton Grower magazine, honors cotton growers who are outstanding innovators, sound stewards of the land and leaders in their communities and in the cotton industry.

The 2005 award marks the 39th year that the publication has

recognized the efforts of individual cotton producers for their contributions to the industry.

In addition to his position at PCG, Verett has also remained an active part of his family's Crosby County farming operation where he works in partnership with his brother Eddie and nephew Heath Verett.

The third High Plains honoree was Dr. John Hunter of Lubbock. Hunter received the 2005 Cotton Consultant of the Year Award presented by Cotton Farming magazine during a reception and presentation ceremony in his honor the evening of January 4.

Hunter, who has been a cotton consultant and educator on the Texas High Plains for fifty years, was credited with helping to bring the concept of integrated pest management among growers both in the classroom and in the field.

Hunter's nomination was prepared by a group of his customers, former students and employees and Plains Cotton Growers staff. Also supporting the nomination were his daughter Susanne Long and her husband Trent Long who work with Dr. Hunter as principles in Hunter/Long Consulting.

Hunter was the 25th recipient of the Cotton Farming Consultant of the Year award in 1981.

The winner of the Cotton Consultant of the Year award is selected by past award winners and is one of the highest honors that can be presented to professional cotton consultants.

From insects to economics; 2006 Beltwide provides wealth of knowledge to producers

With the culmination of the recent WTO Ministerial meeting in Hong Kong and the ongoing efforts to get a budget reconciliation package through Congress, it would have been easy for the National Cotton Council's 2006 Beltwide Cotton Conference to focus on a narrow band of political and the trade issues as cotton

growers and industry leaders convened in San Antonio for their three-day meeting.

Fortunately that has not been the case even though growers have had plenty of opportunities to hear the latest legislative and trade issue updates from NCC staff and Texas Congressman Henry Cuellar of Laredo.

The majority of the 2006 Beltwide Cotton Conference has stayed true to its purpose and provided growers with the latest technology and management information to help them improve their operations in 2006.

Whether it was rolling out new technologies or presenting the latest in applied research, the biggest challenge for many growers was trying to decide exactly where to concentrate their efforts and maximize their time during the packed three-day conference.

The meeting got started on January 4 with the opening of the Production Conference and a full slate of breakout sessions on everything from economics and marketing, to insects and crop management. The annual industry meeting also included its regular slew of new product roll-outs and technology advancements.

One of the items that garnered a lot of attention was the industry discussion of new varieties for 2006 with the first-year of commercially available RoundUpReady Flex cotton seed.

The second half of the Conference is devoted to technical papers and presentations from industry and university researchers on a wide variety of topics including cotton diseases, economics and marketing, ginning, engineering, insect control, cotton improvement, physiology, quality measurement, cotton utilization, soil management and plant nutrition.

High Plains production conferences offer CEU opportunities for producers

Helping farmers stay up on the latest trends in crop production, marketing, and management

ideas is the number one goal of High Plains crop production conferences.

Sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension, the Conferences offer valuable production information for producers entering the 2006 growing season.

Conferences are scheduled at multiple locations throughout the area to provide growers an opportunity to receive this information without having to travel too far from home.

By attending the conferences producers can also earn continuing education units (CEUs) necessary to maintain private and commercial applicator licenses.

This year's conference dates and locations are:

Jan. 12, West Plains Cotton Conference, 8:00 a.m., South Plains College, 1401 S. College Ave., Levelland. For more information contact Kerry Sidors, Hockley County EA-IPM at 806-894-2406.

Jan. 17, Caprock Cotton Conference, 8:00 a.m., Plains Baptist Assembly, 9 miles south of Floydada on Highway 62. There is a \$25.00 registration fee. For more information contact Steve Davis, Crosby County EA-IPM, at 806-675-2426 or J.D. Ragland, Floyd CEA-AG, at 806-983-4912.

Jan. 25, Muleshoe Crop Conference. For more information contact Curtis Preston, Bailey CEA-AG, at 806-272-4584.

Jan. 26, Southern Mesa Ag Conference, 8:00 a.m., Dawson County Annex Bldg., 609 North 1st St., Lamesa. Early \$20.00 registration can be mailed to Texas Cooperative Extension, P.O. Box 1268, Lamesa, TX 79331. Registration at the door is \$25.00. For more information contact Jeff Wyatt, Dawson CEA-AG, at 806-872-7539.

Feb. 7, South Plains Ag Conference, 8:00 a.m., Nikki Vinson Youth Center, 110 W. Hill, Brownfield. For more information contact Chris Bishop, Terry CEA-AG, at 806-637-4060.

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Located: Olton, Texas - Selling: Farm Equipment

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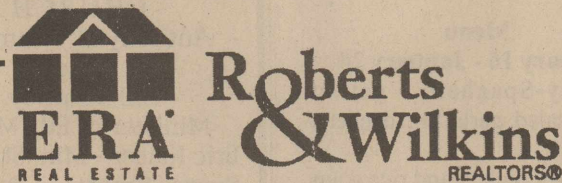
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We the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Floyd County, Texas hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Quarterly report, filed with us on this 9th day of January, 2006 and that the total of funds held by the County Treasurer, as well as other assets in her hands are the sum of \$ 866,691.50. First National Bank Certificate of Deposits \$ 358,000.00.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 9th day of January, 2006.

William D. Hardin, County Judge
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1-12c

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Obituaries



LEONA J. WATSON
Funeral services for Leona Jennie Watson, 87, of Taylor were held Wednesday, January 4, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Mrs. Watson died Monday, January 2, 2006 at Johns Community Hospital in Taylor after a brief illness.

She was born March 16, 1918 in St. Vrain, New Mexico to the late Jesse and Mattie Fox Jameson. The family soon moved to the Dougherty community. She often joked, "I wasn't born in Texas but I got here as fast as I could." She completed high school at Floydada and then received a bachelor's degree from Texas Women's University in Denton. She later earned a master's degree at Texas Tech. Leona began her teaching career at a two room country school before marrying Raymond Watson in 1942 and beginning her family. She returned to teaching in 1956 at Lockney Elementary, where she taught first grade and later special education until her retirement in 1980.

She became known fondly as "Granny Watson" to work colleagues and many others in the community following the birth of her first grandchild. Granny loved to brag about her former students successes. Although she was tiny in stature, a little larger than a child, the loss of her wit, intelligence and kindness will leave a large hole in many people's lives.

Mrs. Watson was preceded in death by her husband Raymond; her parents, Jesse and Mattie Jameson; and a brother, J.B. Jameson.

Survivors include one sister, Verda White of Dallas; two sons, Jerry Watson of Robinson; Stanley Max Watson of Rockwall; one daughter, Raye Green of Taylor; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren; and many students and old friends.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

Gene and Nancy Lawson and several family members went to the Floydada Country Club on December 23 for a get together.

Geraldine Callaway went to her daughter Kay Brian's home in Wolfforth; another daughter Sheryl and husband Jimmy Smith all had a family get together Christmas.

Nell McClung spent 13 days visiting family. She spent a few days with Sue and Alton Higginbotham in Burleson, then they went to Jarvisville to be with daughter Shirley and Joe Parker and children.

Estelle Carthel and family members on December 18 celebrated Christmas at the Floydada Country Club.

Estelle Carthel's grandson Kyle Adams and children Sagon and Hubbard of Greeley, Colorado, came to visit Estelle during the Christmas Holidays. Kyle's wife stayed in Amarillo to be with her family.

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

Royce and Evelyn Gilmore gave a donation in memory of his mother and dad, **Lorena and Bill Gilmore.**

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Rance Quisenberry was given the opportunity to choose an organization to make a donation to in lieu of a Christmas gift, and he chose Senior Citizens in honor of **J.W. and Dolores Cannon.**

Menu

January 16 - January 20
Monday-Spaghetti, yellow squash, salad, garlic bread, cherry crisp

Tuesday-Chicken and rice soup, ham sandwich on whole wheat bread, tator tots, lettuce and tomato salad, carrot cake.

Wednesday-Beef roast, potatoes O'Brien, green beans, coleslaw, hot roll, cinnamon roll

Thursday-Salisbury steak, rice, cauliflower and cheese, fruit salad, cornbread, plum crisp

Friday-King Ranch chicken, 3 bean salad, Mexican style spinach, banana and strawberry pudding

A terminal illness diagnosis.....

By: Kay Ledbetter

A terminal illness diagnosis may mean the doctor can no longer help the patient, but care doesn't stop just because there is no cure, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

Hospice is known as "care beyond the cure," said Andrew B. Crocker, Extension gerontology health specialist here.

"Hospice" stems from the Latin word *hospitium*, meaning guesthouse, Crocker said. While it originally described a shelter for weary and sick travelers, today about 80 percent of hospice care is provided in the patient's home, a family member's home or nursing home.

Hospice is not a place, but a concept of care designed to provide comfort and support to patients and their families when an illness no longer responds to treatment, he said. The goal of hospice care is to improve the quality of a patient's last days by offering comfort and dignity. It neither prolongs life nor hastens death.

The patient is not the only one who benefits from hospice care, Crocker said. Care is extended to family and friends to help deal with the emotional, social and spiritual impact of disease. It also offers bereavement and counseling services to families before and after a patient's death.

Patients are usually referred to hospice when life expectancy is six months or less, Crocker said. A patient must have a doctor's referral to enter hospice, but the patient, family and friends can initiate the process. Before providing care, hospice personnel meet with the patient's personal health provider and a hospice physician to discuss patient history, current physical symptoms and life expectancy. After this initial meeting, hospice staff set up a meeting with the patient and family.

Hospice staff and volunteers offer a specialized knowledge of medical care, including pain management, Crocker said. Care is usually provided by a team-oriented group of specially trained

individuals. The staff will discuss pain and comfort levels, support systems, financial and insurance resources, medications and equipment needs, he said. A "plan of care" is then developed for the patient and is regularly reviewed and revised according to patient condition.

Hospice is usually paid for through Medicare, Medicaid or a private insurer, Crocker said. More than 90 percent of U.S. hospices are certified by Medicare. The hospice benefit is available to Medicare beneficiaries who receive Part A inpatient hospital service coverage, he said.

"It is your right as a consumer to choose or deny hospice services," Crocker said. "Choosing hospice, as well as choosing your hospice provider, is an important decision for your end-of-life care."

To determine if hospice care is right for a patient and select a provider, he suggested asking the following questions:

-- What services are provided?

--What kind of support is available to the family/caregiver?

-- What roles do the attending physician and hospice play?

-- How are services provided after hours?

-- How and where does hospice provide short-term inpatient care?

-- Can hospice be brought into a nursing home or long-term care facility?

If the patient's health improves or the illness goes into remission, the health provider may feel hospice care is no longer needed and will not recertify the patient at that time. The hospice patient also has the right to stop getting hospice care for any reason.

"Hospice care is meant to ease the transition from life to death for both the patient and family," Crocker said. "It is always important to remember there is care beyond a cure for persons with a terminal illness."

For more information, contact The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization at <http://www.nhpc.org>.

Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Jay Simpson, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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West College & Third,
Lockney
Steve McLean -Minister
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ken Free- Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Anthony D. Sisemore,
Pastor
Bill Swinney,
Minister of Ed./Music
Eric Kaiser - Min. Students
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

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

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Neely Landrum,
Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday 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.

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.

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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Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

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Sunday Services .. 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Jesse Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship . 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

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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701 W. Missouri
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Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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Deacon Ricky Vasquez
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Mon.Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m.
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Lockney
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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.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202
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Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. Herman Martinez
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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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Floydada
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Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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Minister
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Evening Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.

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