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City Wide Garage Sale

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce will hold it's 13th City Wide Garage Sale this Saturday, June 24 in Floydada.

Maps and addresses will be available at 8:00 a.m. at Allsup's, Friends, and Lowes Pay N Save.

For more information, contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at 983-3434.

LISD discusses policy changes

Lockney ISD Trustees discussed commencement ceremony participation, weighted grading policies, and hired new employees in their regular meeting, June 15.

An alternate version for participation in commencement was considered by the Board. The revised policy, which was rejected, would have allowed students to participate in commencement if they had completed their High School course work but failed to meet exit-level testing.

By law all students have to pass the exit-level testing before they can receive their diploma.

Trustees were considering if they should allow a student to "walk across stage" with their graduating class if they had not passed the exit-level test, but had completed all their course work in school.

After discussion the trustees decided to keep the student policy as it is, which states: "Students shall meet all state and local graduation requirements, including all applicable exit-level testing, to be eligible to participate in commencement activities and ceremonies."

The board accepted the resignation of Jill Schulte. Schulte taught Elementary School Special Ed. The Board hired Trish Davis to take Schulte's position.

The Board also hired Lesha Woodard to teach High School English, and JoLee Dietrich to teach High School BCIS.

Trustees approved a change in the High School's weighted grading policy. In the past students who took honors classes, advanced placement classes, or

dual credit classes earned 5 extra points for each course added to their final grade average. The Board voted to change the policy to 10 points extra for each honors, advanced placement, or dual credit course.

Trustees also approved bids on parking lot paving at the Junior High, the front and north of the High School, and gym lots for a total of \$37,421.

The board also agreed to have 2 parking lots seal coated. The parking lot next to the Longhorn Inn and the Field House parking lot have both had the railroad rock removed, courtesy of Floyd County, and asphalt material donated by the City of Lockney. The new material will be placed in the lot by the County and the School District will pay for the seal coating.

The rock that was removed by the County was placed on dirt roads.

The Board approved using Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert & Moss, L.L.P. for a future audit and approved the athletic accident insurance plan for 2006-07.

Twenty transfer students were approved by the Board. Of those 9 will be attending High School, three will be attending Jr. High, and 8 will be in elementary school.

The financial report for LISD showed a balance of \$63,737.81, with CD investments of \$3,591,052.60 for a total of \$3,654,790.41. At the same time last year the district showed a bank balance of \$3,002,363.10.

The district has also collected 99.96% in taxes compared to 96.61% at the same time last year.



DRESSED FOR ICE CREAM--The grandchildren of Philip and Jo Wilbanks were seen on the front porch of The Hesperian-Beacon office Monday wearing the perfect attire for eating ice cream on a hot West Texas afternoon. (L-R) Caden Jones, Joel Roberts, Matthew Jones and (in back) Josh Wilbanks were in town June 19 to celebrate Philip's birthday. The kids had a hard time eating the cold treat fast enough to stay ahead of the hot temperatures. Hot dry winds and temperatures hovering at 100 degrees have wrecked havoc on cotton plants, gardens, and yards. Forecasts show no break in the ongoing drought. In October 2005 the Floydada Mesonet recorded 2.10 inches of rain. Since then, (Nov. 2005-June 2006) there has been 5.05 inches recorded.

Staff Photo

FISD looks for architect firm

Board hears grievance on cheerleading selection

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada ISD met Thursday, June 15, and heard reports concerning the \$5.5 million bond process and voted unanimously to advertise for an architectural and engineering firm to get the process started.

Vince Viaille of First Southwest Company of Lubbock addressed the board concerning the bond process and showed them several chart scenarios. Viaille said, "FISD will probably receive 61 percent of the debt from the state, if you receive EDA funding, which is what I think you will get. But we will not know for sure until May, 2007. That amount could change. It depends on property values (tax base) and the number of students you have enrolled in school."

Joe Grimes of Grimes & Associates of Wolfforth also gave the Board several scenarios on

when they could begin construction. Grimes said, "If you spend \$300,000 now for the design plans, we could start construction in August, 2008. If not, and you use temporary portable buildings, it will be May, 2009 before construction will start. If you do not use portables, but have the design, then construction could start in August, 2009. However, if you do neither design nor portables, then it will be May, 2010 before we can start construction."

No action was taken on these suggestions, but the mandatory advertising for an architectural and engineering firm in the local newspaper for two weeks was approved.

Concerning the use of portable buildings during construction, Superintendent Jerry Vaughn suggested to the Board, "When we need to vacate a building, maybe we can use the old CCLC building temporarily, instead of using portable buildings."

Board Member Kerry Pratt asked Viaille about the need for FISD to incur debt before receiving EDA funding and Viaille told him that was correct. Viaille added, "And if legislation (in Austin) okays EDA funding in May, 2007, then we are in. However, you need to pick an architect early and go with the design phase now before EDA funding."

In a related matter, Superintendent Vaughn gave the board an update on the progress of the coming FJHS science lab to be located just south of the junior high building. "We are working on the sewer and water lines now and it should be delivered in early August."

The Board held a lengthy closed session to discuss and hear a grievance concerning the Floydada Junior High School cheerleader selection process. Following the closed session, Superintendent Vaughn recommended the FJHS cheerleader selection process should remain an administration policy, and not a Board policy, "understanding that we will review it and try to make ad-

justments to make it better, just like we do every year."

"Policies are already in place in our Student Handbook for this today and we do not need to have a board meeting to change it. If we have a conflict between the Student Code of Conduct book, which the board adopts, and the Student Handbook, which is administrative, then the Board adopted policy book supersedes. We (the administration) must stay within the policy bounds and confines of this district and yes, we are subject to Board review," said Vaughn.

Board Member Rachael Castillo responded, "I agree that we do not want to get involved in electing cheerleaders as board members. I believe it belongs to the administration, but where does the accountability come into this?"

Vaughn said, "The accountability comes in the credibility of this administrative staff. If we don't have the credibility and your trust and confidence, then you need to find yourself another administrative staff. I will be the first to tell you that. When it comes to voting on my evaluation and my contract, or those guys' (the four school principals), - that is where the accountability lies - whether we do our jobs, or not."

"This has not been an easy process on any of us. We know that. This is not a personal issue. It is something I have to do professionally. We are just now reviewing the 2006-2007 handbooks this month. Making adjustments is an on-going process. That is our job," added Vaughn.

Board Member Lyle Miller made a motion to affirm the administration and to keep in place their junior high cheerleader election process. It was seconded by Board Member William Dean. The motion passed 5 to 2. Board Members Miller, Dean, Pratt, Marty Lucke and Bart Greer voted in favor of the motion, while Board Members Amado Morales and Castillo voted against it.

Vaughn explained to the Board a new state regulation requiring that the paraprofessionals' state insurance of \$500 must now be counted as "salary".

Vaughn asked, "Do we want to give them a cost of living raise to offset the withholding on that \$500?"

Board Member Pratt said, "I want to make the motion to separate the paraprofessionals' (custodians, support staff, bus drivers, etc.) salaries and raises from the (professionals) teacher's salaries and raises. I don't think they need to be tied together." Board Member Greer seconded the motion.

In discussion, Superintendent Vaughn explained that the paraprofessionals' salaries and raises and the teachers' salaries and raises are not tied together. "Our teachers' pay is based on a 20 year scale, their years of experience and their (educational) degrees," said Vaughn. The motion failed 6 to 1.

Vaughn presented to the Board the possibility to make a program change at A.B. Duncan Elementary to allow an Open Enrollment Prekindergarten class for four year old children.

"We must have this change of policy in place in order to possibly get a grant to help fund the project. We had 16 four year old local kids this year that were not in our Head Start Program, the Texas Migrant Council, nor day care centers. This class would be an all-day class and it would require one full-time teacher, with possibly an assistant needed," said Vaughn.

According to Vaughn, the teacher's salary would cost the district about \$30,000, plus instructional materials, and possibly a teacher assistant, and "this class would be an addition to Head Start, not in place of Head Start."

Vaughn explained that the benefits of this class would be increased educational opportunities, better preparation for kindergarten and enhanced social skills.

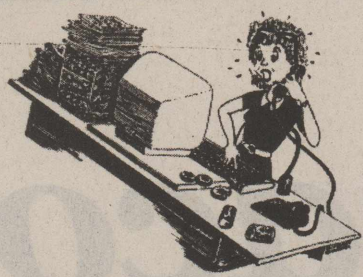


WATER BEING PUMPED OUT, TREATED and reinjected into the water table by way of a recharge well. The rigs and workmen from T & T Drilling of Lubbock were seen at the site of an old filling station at the intersection of Main and Locust streets in Lockney Monday morning, June 19, 2006. T.E.C.Q. required treatment of the currently unused city well to remove traces of benzene. Water quality will be monitored.

Staff Photo

By The Way

By Alice Gilroy



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Tom Musser (our Oil and Gas writer) sent me a copy of a Dallas Morning News story from June 11 concerning Wind Farms.

The story was written by Michael Hawthorne of the Chicago Tribune and told of some obstacles (from unexpected places) that Wind Farms are running into.

I personally thought it was a great story and perfectly demonstrated the hypocrisy of liberal environmental groups.

The story started out that the federal government had stopped work on "more than a dozen wind farms planned across the Midwest, saying research is needed on whether the giant turbines interfere with military radar".

Before I go any farther, I want to say that in my research for the Wind Farm story I wrote a few weeks ago, I found concerns had been raised about wind turbines interfering with radar near military bases.

The companies building the wind turbines agreed there could be a problem and they were working with the Defense Department to fix any problems. The British government had dropped its oppositions to the wind farms after new software was installed at radar installations and some towers were realigned. (The rotation of the turbines could cause the signal of a small aircraft to disappear temporarily from radar.)

After the changes were made the FAA and the Air Force signed off on the "Cape Wind" project that was going to be the first offshore wind farm.

It was considered "safe" for military security, etc., until now.

Now comes the good part. The Cape Wind project has been stopped for "more studies about the wind farms impact on military operations".

The wind turbines for the Cape Wind project were going to be placed in the channel between Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard--the Massachusetts vacation area "frequented by many high-profile celebrities, business executives, and politicians."

Critics include members of the Kennedy family (the environmental political "Green Party" heroes), whose summer compound is on Cape Cod. Both Sen. Ted Kennedy (D) and Robert F. Kennedy Jr. have said the turbines would spoil the ocean view, threaten tourism, and endanger migratory birds.

Another opponent is Sen. John Warner (RINO) who has tried

several times to block the wind project.

"In a 2002 letter to the Army Corps of Engineers, Mr. Warner included a handwritten note saying he often visits Cape Cod, which he called a "national treasure".

Then late last year the project ground to a halt when Warner (chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee), slipped an amendment into a military spending bill.

According to the story, "the one sentence congressional order directs the Defense Department to study whether wind towers could mask the radar signals of small aircraft."

No one knows how long the new study will take.

But we do know that the next time Mr. Kennedy or Mr. Warner scream about the anti-environment Bush administration we don't have to take them seriously.

We also know they are only for any "green programs" that don't affect their back yard.

They don't want drilling in Anwar and they don't want windmills--go figure.

Backers of the wind farms say it's not about national security but rather the wealthy Cape Cod vacationers who say it would spoil their view.

This latest attempt to stop the 130 turbines in Nantucket South has led to a moratorium on wind farms hundreds of miles away in Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. It was estimated at least 15 wind farm proposals in the Midwest have been shut down.

One of the stalled projects includes one outside Bloomington, Ill., that would be the nation's largest source of wind energy, generating enough juice to power 120,000 homes in the Chicago area.

Michael Vickerman, executive director of RENEW Wisconsin, a nonprofit group that promotes renewable power, was quoted as saying "This is a big ugly political maneuver by a handful of people who are undermining America's energy security".

Vickerman and others, said the story, "noted that despite the government's recent concern about proposed wind projects, it is allowing dozens of wind farms to continue to operate within sight of radar systems."

Well duh--in sight of radar systems is really O.K. with Kennedy and Warner--it's the "in sight" of their view that's not O.K.

A view from



The Lamplighter

By: Ken Towery
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We noticed in the papers a few days ago where Karl Rove, President Bush's reputed "guru" in the political world, has been given a clean bill of health by the Special Prosecutor hired to ferret out who "leaked" the name of Valerie Plame to certain media big wigs.

Specifically, national Democrats, and a lot of other people, wanted to know how Mr. Robert Novak learned the identity of Ms. Plame, wife of some retired jerk who used to be a Foreign Service officer and who got a job as an observer in Africa because his wife was a CIA employee who didn't like Bush. or, he got the job because he didn't like Bush or, he didn't approve of Bush in general terms, or. Bush disapproved of some proposed raise for retired Foreign Service officers, or something. Anyhow, he didn't like Bush, and said so in an op-ed piece in the New York Times, where left-wingers usually go to vent their unhappiness. That precipitated a whole bunch

of problems. Ultimately, this led to an investigation, which is still going on. Now, finally, Vice President Cheney's Chief of Staff has been indicted, and Karl Rove

has been "investigated" for months and perhaps years.

Faithful readers of this column may recall that we predicted at that time that Karl would not be indicted, despite all the chatter in the press. Karl, whom we have known for many years, and who is perfectly capable of "leaking" an unauthorized name to the press, is, in our opinion, simply too smart to get caught in a scheme like that. It's not that Karl is above such things, he is just too smart, in our view, to get caught in it, which is one of the principal reasons he is valued by many politicians as a "consultant."

We think Laura Bush, the President's wife, was right when she was quoted a few years ago as saying that Karl was a bit "over rated" as a political guru. He was, quite simply, a direct mail expert when we first knew him. He had all the paraphernalia, the computers etc., (which were then a relatively new thing), but he had something else that was far more important: he had the mailing lists given him by former Governor Bill Clements and former GOP Party Chairman Peter O'Donnell, and he was not above

using those lists for the benefit of prospective clients.

Neither O'Donnell nor Clements particularly liked Brad O'Leary, who had been the chief fund raiser for John Tower. Brad was very good as a fund raiser, but he had a tendency to leave a bad taste in the mouths of donors. He had a reputation of leaving veiled threats for people who didn't pony up, but my own chief complaint with Brad was that anyone in my position (I was Campaign Manager for Tower at the time) had to watch him like a hawk, or we would find ourselves committed to who knows what.

Many of the party's chief donors were looking for someone else. Rove, of course, was readily available. By virtue of time and tide, he became a sought-after fund raiser, which translated, after a few years, into political wisdom.

Anyhow, we are happy that

Karl got off the hook on this one. As we have noted several times in this column, we are not overly impressed with people in Washington who brag about their employment with "the Agency", and then get upset when someone finds out where they work. Most of us who lived there could tell outsiders (if we wanted to) just exactly who worked where, including at "the Agency." And beautiful blondes who drove around in sports cars quite naturally attracted attention, especially if they had unemployed husbands. This was one of those deals.

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Courtroom Activities

Correction:

In last week's paper it was reported that Michael A. Annunziato, 40, of South Plains, pled guilty to a Dec. 30, 2005 charge of DWI. This was incorrect. The DWI was dismissed.

Annunziato pled guilty to a June 13, 2006 charge of Obstructing the Highway in exchange for the DWI charge being dismissed.

Annunziato was fined \$1,000 and court costs and placed on deferred adjudication for a period of 2 years for the Obstructing Highway guilty plea.

Also, a name was incorrect in a June 8 printing of the Courtroom Activities.

It was printed that David Zavala Jr., 29, of Plainview, was arraigned on two counts of Criminal Mischief. David Zavala is incorrect. The correct name was Daniel Zavala Jr., 29, of Plainview.

CHD approves community service agreement

By Darwin Robinson

The Caprock Hospital District Board met Tuesday, June 20, and approved a PNS Cogdell Clinic update and a community service agreement.

According to Board Member Tom Farris, the update on the PNS Cogdell Clinic showed a profit for May, 2006, of \$26,984.43.

The board also approved a Cooperative Agreement with the 110th Judicial District for Community Service Restitution. "This will allow those doing community service to work around the clinic," said Farris.

The board gave approval to the City for the demolition of a structure at 614 W. Grover.

There was no EMS report this month.

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Crosby County: US 62 - from Floyd County line to US 62/82; FM 28 - from Floyd County line to US 82.

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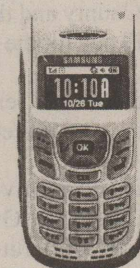
The Floydada Fire Department warns that even though the Burn Ban is lifted, they are advising all citizens in Floyd County that the vegetation is still dry.
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Lockney council works on grant resolutions for City

By Judy Macha

The Lockney City Council discussed the city tax rate and the possibility of eliminating personal property tax at their Thursday, June 15, 2006 meeting. No action was taken.

Bil Anderson, president of the L.E.D.C. presented their quarterly report to the Council. The report was unanimously approved on a motion by Junior Brotherton and a second by Ham Gammage.

The Council considered a Resolution authorizing the suspension of rate increase from

Southwestern Public Service Company, and authorizing the joining with a coalition of cities. Junior Brotherton made the motion, J.D. Copeland seconded and the resolution passed unanimously.

The following resolutions having to do with a STEP grant to replace downtown sidewalks were all passed unanimously.

Junior Brotherton made the motion to approve the Resolution on slum/blight, second was by Tina Graves.

Tina Graves made the motion to approve the Resolution on ap-

plication/match, Ham Gammage seconded.

J.D. Copeland made the motion to approve the Resolution on the citizen participation plan and Ham Gammage seconded.

(If Lockney receives the grant then the city will be responsible for \$15,000 in matching funds and \$29,900 in kind; the State's part will be \$165,100, for a total grant of \$194,400).

Junior Brotherton made the motion to approve the Resolution on complaint procedures, Tina Graves seconded and the motion carried.

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MOLLY HUFFMAN and THE HESPERIAN-BEACON, and Molly's husband, Charles, visited the Harold Warp Pioneer Village in Minden, Nebraska. This village is a collection of 50,000 items, covering the years of 1830 to the present from every field of Human Endeavor--28 buildings on 20 acres. Authentic originals arranged in their order of development. All mechanical items are in operating condition. Warp was the person responsible for the discovery of Flex-O-Glass. This was used to cover the front of chicken houses to keep the wind and cold out. Then came other plastics. Molly says it is a must see for those who love to look at the modern things our ancestors had to cope with.

FISD considers new class for 4 year olds

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Board Member Amado Morales made the motion to allow this program change and class addition at A.B. Duncan Elementary. Board Member William Dean seconded the motion.

In discussion, Board Member Pratt stated, "I am against this. I don't believe FISD needs to pay for this child care program. I believe this age of children should be at home with their mother. I just don't think it is right."

Board Members Morales, Dean and Castillo voted for the motion. Pratt and Lucke voted against it, while Miller and Greer abstained. Miller said, "I have a problem with the funding", while Greer said, "I don't have enough knowledge (understanding) of it."

Lucke then made another motion to "allow the program change, pending investigation and if funding is available." Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 to 2. Pratt and Morales voted against it.

The Board voted unanimously to hire Hammond Sheet Metal to replace the heater units at the entire high school for a price of \$24,790.00.

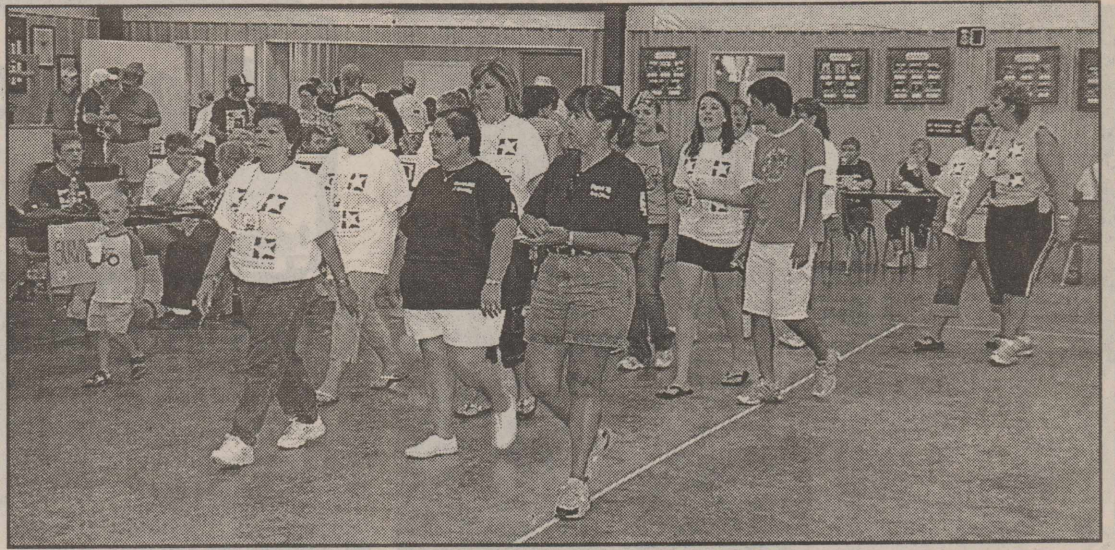
Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the Board with a Tax Statement and a Cash Flow Report. The Tax Statement showed \$2,090,062.73 collected as of May 31, 2006, which is 96.09 percent of the tax roll.

The Cash Flow Report showed Current Cash Balance for May, 2006 at \$5,550,607.55,

with the Average Monthly Expenses at \$595,000.00.

In Superintendent Vaughn's closing statement, he told the Board, the RES wind farm near the Caprock hasn't fallen through, but it will not generate enough jobs, nor increase property values as much as first thought. "They plan to donate yearly \$150,000.00 to the FISD school district for 8 years. For expansion in Phase II, we will need another agreement."

The board accepted the resignations of Patricia Davis, Jeremy Todd and Rhanda Emery. The board employed Pam Ricketts and Sarah Womble at R.C. Andrews Elementary, Joann Rangel at A.B. Duncan cafeteria and Juana Serrato at FJHS cafeteria.



RELAY FOR LIFE--The threat of bad weather moved the Relay for Life event to inside the Unity Center in Muncy, Friday, June 16. Walkerkept up the pace to raise money to fight cancer. It was unknown at press time how much money was raised. Staff Photo

CONTEST PHOTO



LOCKNEY QUILTERS spent the morning touring their way to Mamies Breakfast at the Floydada Country Club and stopping to have their picture leaning on the 'Gorilla' at Leonards in Floydada. (Hertense Phillips, Geneva Barclay & Flora Lee Jack.) (Jody Baccus took picture)

This Week's

OLD FASHION SATURDAY

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READING BINGO

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FHS CLASS OF 1966

The FHS Class of 1966 will celebrate their 40th anniversary on August 5th in Lubbock at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant for dinner and a reunion beginning at 5:00 p.m. Class members are requested to respond as soon as

possible if they plan to attend so arrangements can be made. Write or call using the information below. Please include your email addresses for future reminders and further details and instructions for this event. SPIKE WIDEMAN - 4211 97th Place, Lubbock, Texas 79423 or email: spiwide@hotmail.com

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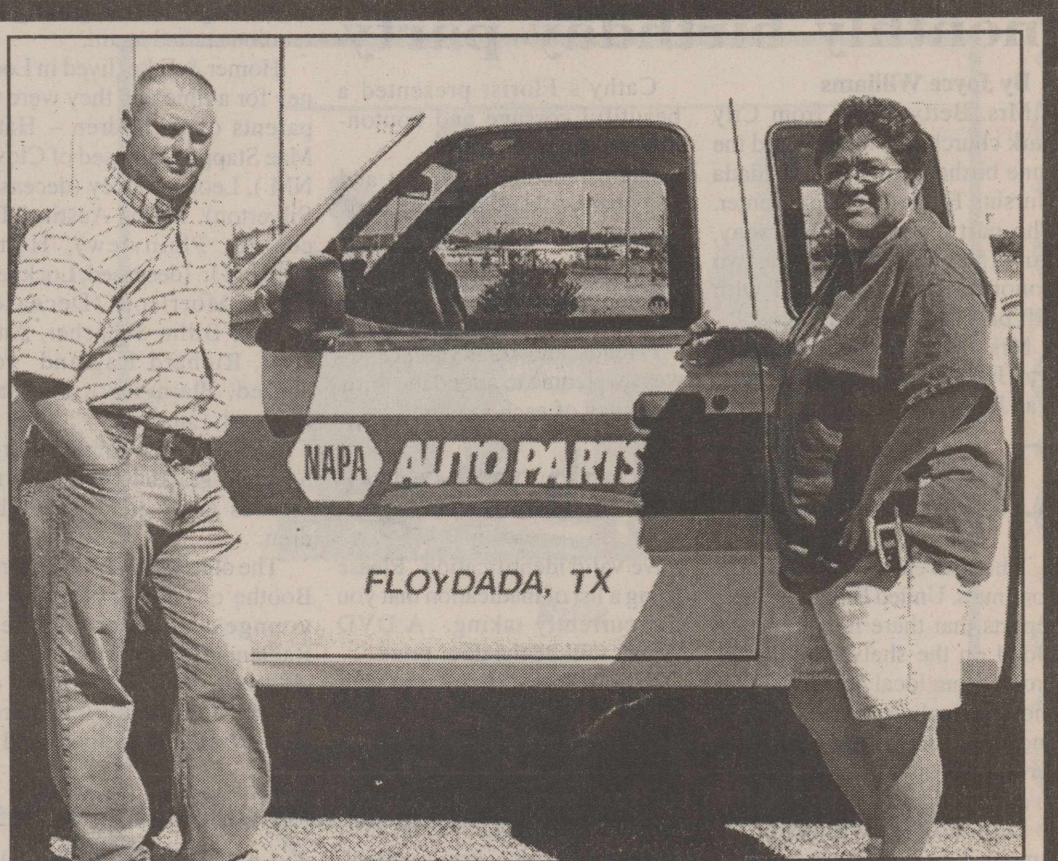
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Jon and Tami Nielson of Floydada are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal Lynn Driver to David Lee Rea, both of Lubbock. David is the son of Terry Rea of Andrews and Kathleen Harris of Hartsville, South Carolina.

The bride elect is a graduate of Floydada High School and earned a BBA degree in Management Information Systems from Texas Tech University. She is a HR Manager at United Supermarkets.

The future bridegroom graduated from Andrews High School and attended Texas Tech University. He is a Service Advisor with Shamrock Chevrolet.

The couple plan to be wed August 26, 2006 in Lindrith, New Mexico.

Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Gene Newton

Hope everyone had a happy Father's Day.

Sol and Geneva Barclay enjoyed having three daughters visit with them for Father's Day. They are Jessie Johnson, Wilma Barclay and Bobbie Bowman, all of Plainview.

Visiting the Senior Citizen Center Monday for lunch were Patsy DeVore and Shirley Rogers, both of Plainview.

Betty Jones' sister-in-law and husband Howard Wilson from San Diego, California visited with us at the Center Thursday night. They enjoyed the games after the potluck dinner.

Lucy Dean Record and Texas in the Swing with Jimmy Burson played for Floyd County's Old Settler's Day. The group was also the opening act for this year's "Texas" play at Canyon on June 17.

Lucy Dean went to Snyder to the West Texas Swing Festival and Wichita Falls for the Legends of Western Swing Festival. She

heard Ray Price and his band and visited with them. (She had the opportunity to play with their band one night back in 2002.)

In May she played with the Rick and Brenda Sudduth band at Dumas and she is a regular with the Turkey Gems Jamboree every first Saturday. What a busy lady!

Remember the beautiful "Trip Around the World" quilt we're raffling off for \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5. You may purchase your tickets at the Center or from me.

We have a "Coffee Break" every day at the Center around 10:00 a.m. Bring your coffee mug and come visit with us in the game room for a donation.

Menu
June 26 - June 30
Monday: Hamburger steak
Tuesday: Lemon pepper steak
Wednesday: Spaghetti and garlic bread
Thursday: Chicken strips
Friday: Chicken fried steak

Floydada Rehab holds monthly birthday party

By Joyce Williams

Mrs. Betty Baker from City Park church of Christ hosted the June birthday party at Floydada Nursing Home & Rehab Center. The party was held Thursday, June 15 at 3:30 p.m. and the two honorees were presented with gift bags and personal items.

Mrs. Deana Meador's birthday was June 1, and Louis Warren's was June 11.

Cathy's Florist presented a beautiful corsage and boutonniere to the honorees.

Refreshments of sherbet and strawberry soda were served after the picture taking. "Happy Birthday" was led by Sylvia Meza, Community Life Coordinator.

Friends and relatives are always welcome to attend the third Thursday of each month.

Critical blood shortage

The current blood shortage continues. United Blood Services reports that there is not enough blood on the shelves to fill the orders from local hospitals. This shortage includes O-, O+, A-, B-, and AB-. It will take a strong turnout for as much as 10 days to correct this critical problem.

Donation requirements are simple. You must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds, be in good health, and

have valid identification. Please bring a list of medication that you are currently taking. A DVD player will be the door prize.

The following drive is in your town:

Floydada Community - Credit To Patient for Stan Payne Friday, July 23rd from 11 to 6 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Appointment, please contact Jean Appling - 6972648.

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Floyd County Lifestyles

Class of 1966 to hold reunion

The Class of 1966 of Floydada High School will gather for a reunion and dinner at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant on South Loop 289 in Lubbock beginning at 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 5, 2006.

The meal is dutch-treat and a special room has been reserved for the entire evening for this event. Classmates are encouraged to attend and should respond as soon as possible if they

plan to attend to allow final preparations to be made for this reunion and meal.

Classmates are encouraged to also provide current email addresses for future information to be sent for this event. Contact can be made by mailing, calling, or email at the following address:

Spike Wideman 4211-97th Place, Lubbock, Tx 79423
 Phone: 806-794-1801 Email: spiwide@hotmail.com

Daughters of the American Revolution

By Pricilla Minter

The Buffalo Grass Chapter of the NSDAR met on Tuesday, May 24, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. for their Memorial meeting and salad supper at the Lighthouse Electric hospitality room.

This was our last meeting for the 2005-2006 year. We do not meet during the summer; our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 26, 2006

The meeting was opened in ritualistic form with Regent, Margaret Berry presiding. After the opening we paused our meeting for the salad supper.

We reconvened after the meal. The President General's Message was read by Lovey Nance. The National Defense Report was given by June Sherman on "Red Poppy's" that are made by the Veterans. In 1924 The Veteran's Administration began making the Poppy's. The Poppy's were first found in Flanders Field, France during World War I. The Flag Minute was given by Debby McCarty on "Taps" played by a bugler at memorials or funerals for soldiers. The Indian Highlight was given by Sherry Colston on "Sundance and Ghost Dance."

Regent, Margaret Berry, welcomed Dorothy Hodges, Chaplain for our DAR chapter, and thanked her for bringing our "Memorial" program. We honored Loretta Denning for her many years of service in the Buf-

falo Grass Chapter of the NSDAR. Loretta was a charter member of our chapter, which was organized February 5, 1982. Loretta passed away during this past year. We all thank Dorothy for bringing such a wonderful memorial program to honor our late member.

The business meeting followed with the officers reports.

Nancy Marble made an announcement about the upcoming "Pioneer Days" Reunion that will be Saturday, May 27, in Floydada around the town square. The Floyd County Historical Museum will have an open house on Friday, May 26, from 1:00 -5:00 p.m. This year marks the 35th anniversary of the Museum.

The members thanked the hostesses, Margaret Berry and June Sherman for a delicious salad supper.

Members present were: Margaret Berry, June Sherman, Dorothy Hodges, Sherry Colston, Carolyn Cunningham, Nancy Marble, Lovey Nance, Grace Ashley, Flora McNeill, Noma Lou Rainer, Debby McCarty, Pricilla Minter and guest, Elizabeth C. Carthel.

Officers of The Buffalo Grass Chapter will meet Wednesday, June 14, at 2:00 p.m. at the Floyd County Historical Museum and Mary Lou Bollman Genealogy Library. All officers are urged to attend as plans will be made for the coming 2006-2007 year.

Raglands hold reunion

On Saturday, June 10, 2006 approximately 40 descendants of the late Homer & Ethel Ragland met in the Dove Room in Lockney for the first time in over 9 years.

Thanks to the many efforts of Norma Ragland, daughter-in-law of the Raglands, in getting this reunion started again.

Homer & Ethel lived in Lockney for a time and they were the parents of 8 children - Hattie Mae Stapp (Deceased of Clovis, NM), Leona Yancey (deceased, Silvertown), Melba Austin (Deceased, Plainview), Homer Ragland Jr. (deceased, Lockney), Betty Morrison (Deceased, Kress), Billie Schacher, Amarillo, Richard Ragland (deceased, Plainview), and Jack Ragland, Lubbock.

There are 28 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren and numerous great-great grandchildren.

The oldest grandchild, Shirley Boothe of Clovis, NM and the youngest grandchild, Keith Ragland of Lubbock were in attendance. There were many old photos and memories shared, along with lots of food, and an

auction conducted by Dana Martin (grandson-in-law of the Ragland's) to raise money for a reunion planned for next year in Plainview.

The following were in attendance: Stacy Ragland, Vernon; Keith & Tracey Ragland, Lindsey, & Kayleigh, Lubbock; Vanesa Taylor, Quanah; Norma Ragland, Lockney; Gayle & Brandi Perry & a friend Tane, Amarillo; Billie Schacher, Amarillo; Chris Ragland, Lubbock; Jaylon Ragland, Memphis; Cancy Cabler, Memphis; Ryker Cabler, Memphis; Dana & Dorothy Martin, Silvertown; Scottie & Stephanie Slaughter; Taylor & Ally, Plainview; Ronnie Austin & Jamie, Lockney; Holly Reyna, Lubbock; Matt Stewart, Plainview; Jack & Sandy Ragland, Lubbock; Cyndi Sanders & Justin, Clovis, NM; Crystal Morgan, Calera, OK; Ann Ford, Floydada; Shirley Boothe, Clovis, NM; Richard & Becky Guerrero & Colby, Lockney; Vickie Stewart, Plainview; Jay & Melanie Ragland, Maison & Mackenzy, Perryton; and Debbie Belk, Plainview.

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JIMMY (SLICK) AND THERESA STENNETT celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary in the home of their son and daughter-in-law Gary and Debbie Stennett with a lovely formal family dinner. The celebration was hosted by their children Gary and wife Debbie Stennett; Doug and wife Ellen Stennett; Dr. Kevin and wife Michealle Stennett and Mike Stennett along with their families. The Stennett's have seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Slick and Theresa (Andrea) Stennett were married May 20, 1946 in Rhineland, Texas. The Stennett's moved to Lockney in 1956. Jimmy served as anesthesiologist and Director of Lab and X-ray and Theresa was Business Manager of W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital. On May 27, the Stennett's continued their celebration by flying with son Gary and daughter-in-law Debbie to Palestine, Texas where they enjoyed fishing and relaxing for three days at their son Doug's lake house.

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

I'm still in rehab, so I'm limited in knowing what is going on in the community and at the Senior Citizen Center.

Myra Dade is now at the Floydada Rehab and Care Center. They have treated me very well and are so friendly. Most of the meals are very good.

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

In memory of **Ruth Adams - Monte** and **Kellie Williams**, Whirlwind Good Sam Club, Francis Gunter, James and Sue Lovell, Jimmy and Darlenda Marquis, Jo Lyles, Vance and Betty Campbell, Sue Daniels.

In memory of **Rena Baxter - Vance** and **Betty Campbell**.

In memory of **Mamie Bunch - William** and **Faye Bertrand**.

In memory of **Larry Boyd - Sue Daniels**.

Thought for the Week - When anger lingers in our hearts, it poisons all we think and do. But faith seeks a way to show God's love, and keeps our spirit strong and true. - D. DeHaan

Menu
June 26 - June 30

Monday: Chicken or Turkey, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, green beans, tossed salad/1000 Is., hot roll, apple cobbler

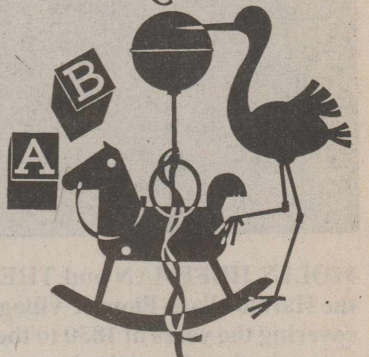
Tuesday: Taco salad, picante sauce, pinto beans, tortilla chips, apricots

Wednesday: Baked ham, potatoes, tossed salad/Ranch, plum cobbler

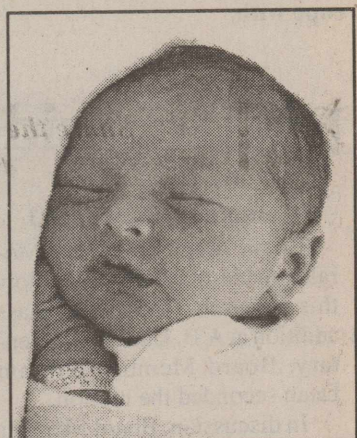
Thursday: Chicken enchiladas, Mexican corn and beans, tossed salad/1000 Is., angel food cake

Friday: Crispy fish, French fries, Harvard beets, cucumber and onions, cornbread, pumpkin bars

Look Who's



New!



HINSLEY

Kelli and Chad Hinsley welcome the arrival of their first son, Hagen Michael Hinsley. He was born at UMC in Lubbock May 15, 2006 at 9:53 p.m.

Hagen weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Linda and Michael Hinsley. Maternal grandparents are Glen Bertrand and Debbie Bertrand.

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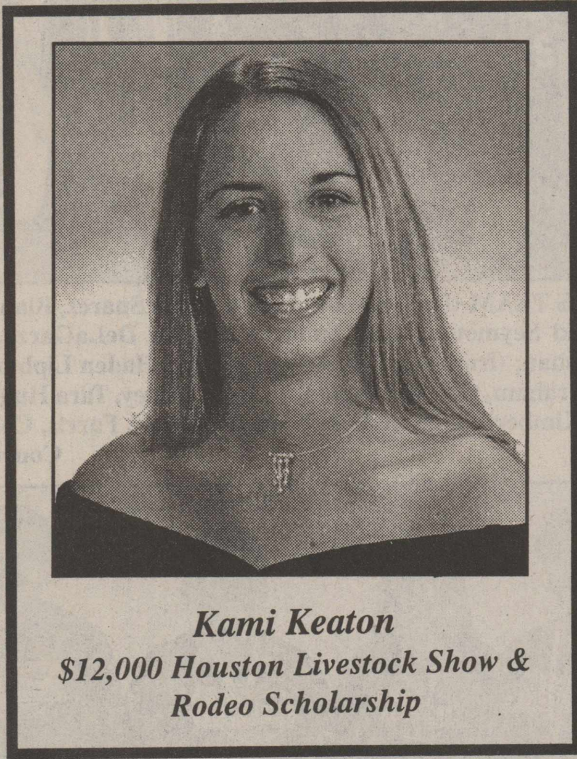
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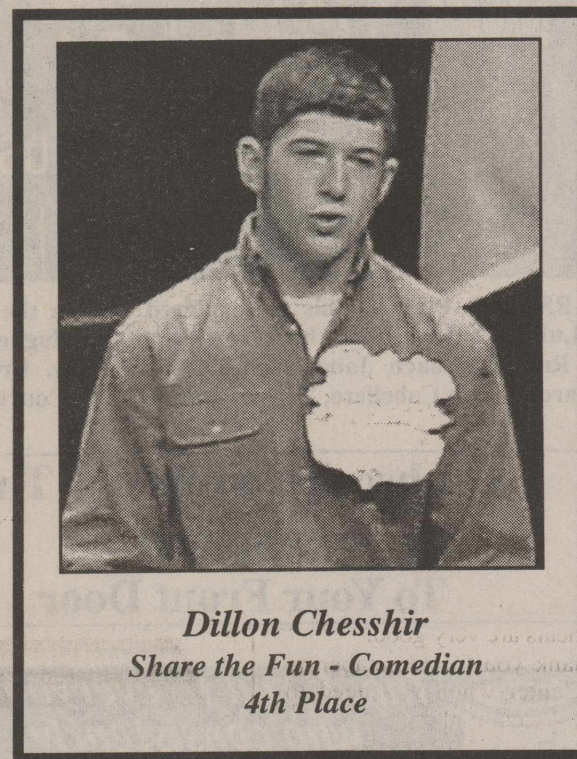
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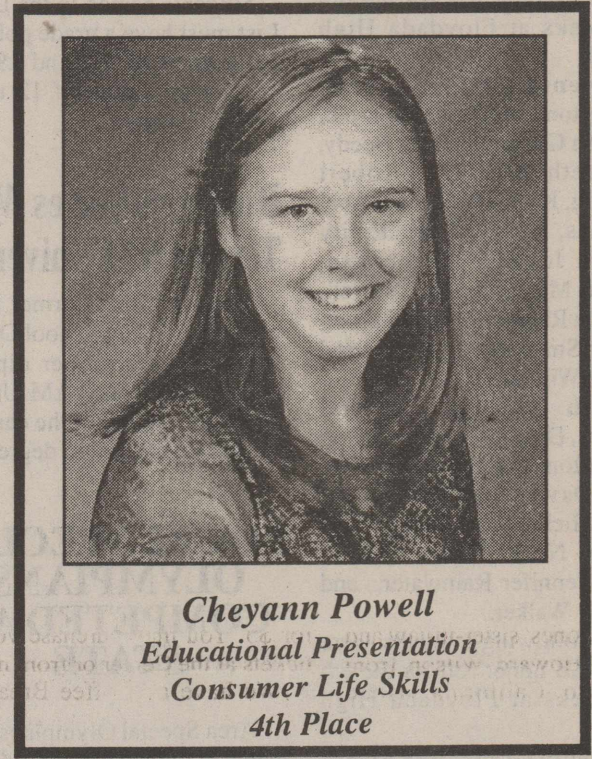
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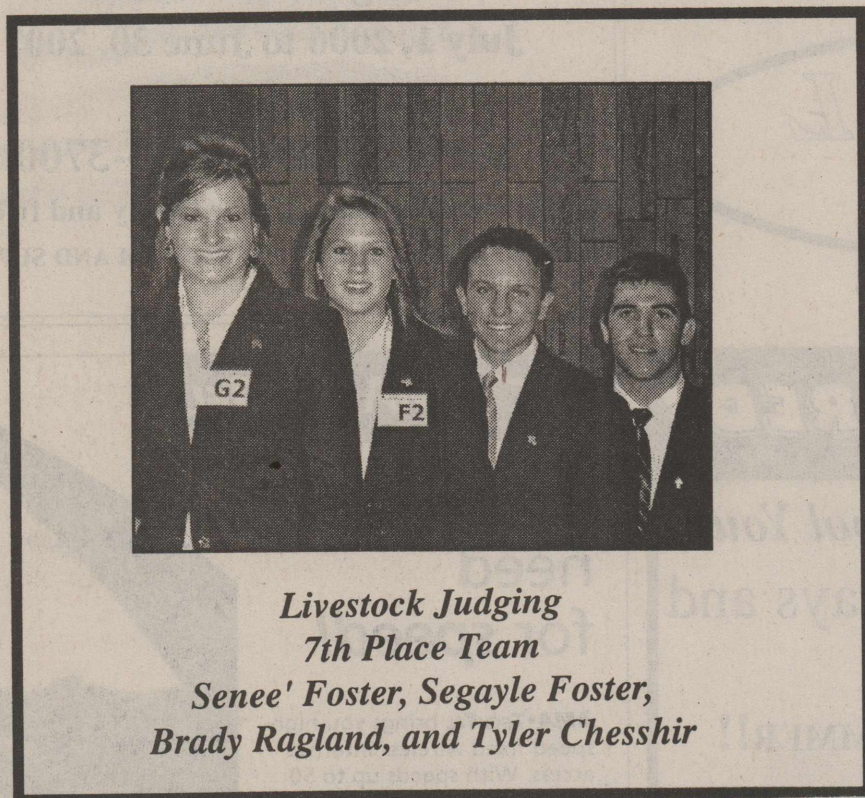
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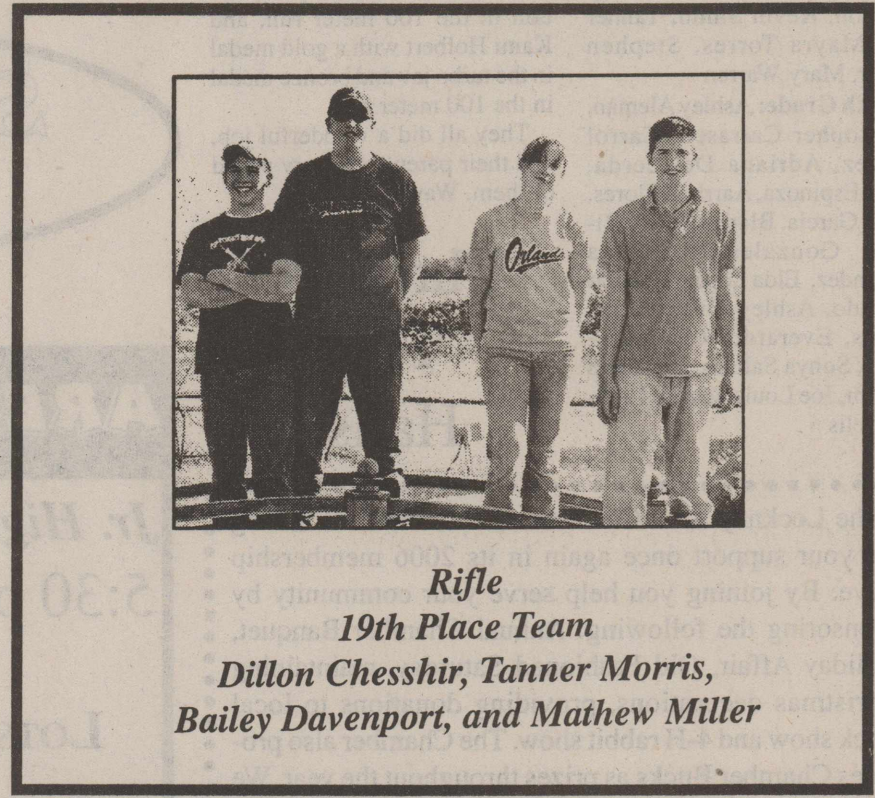
Katie Beth Crossland
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Cheyann Powell
Educational Presentation
Consumer Life Skills
4th Place



Livestock Judging
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JURAHÉE JONES

Jones graduates West Texas A&M

Jurahee Jones graduated from West Texas A&M University May 13, 2006. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Education.

She plans to go to Texas Tech University this fall to work on her Masters degree in Agriculture Education.

She is the daughter of Joe and Anne Jones and the granddaughter of Travis and Sue Jones, all of Floydada; and Frank Tillman of Junction.

FHS "A" Honor Roll

The following students were on the A honor roll for the 6th six weeks at Floydada High School.

Eleventh Grade: Britnee Brotherton and Morgan Marble.

Tenth Grade: Charles Beedy, Elizabeth Bertrand, Robert Beuning, Kimberly Bueno, Abel Cortinas, Blake Greer, Emily Griffin, Jennifer Leatherman, Kristyn Muse, Morgan Norrell, Melinda Ramos, Randa Shurbet, Amber Smith, Kody Smith, and Kelsey Williams.

Ninth Grade: Crystal Alvarez, Dillion Chessir, Colton Covington, Bailey Davenport, Chad Davis, Johanna Dawdy, Dusty Hicks, Sean Miller, Titus Miller, Nikki Nino, Valerie Perez, Jennifer Rainwater, and Whitley Walker.

The following students were on the AB honor roll for the 6th six weeks at Floydada High School.

Eleventh Grade: Jose Alaniz, Cameron Battey, Taylor Beedy, Marlen Carmona, Abran Enriquez, Robert Foster, Joann Gonzales, Helen Gutierrez, Kami Holbert, Tate Jones, Tana Lloyd, Ryan Monreal, Brandon Rainwater, Kelsey Ross, Juliann Rannels

Tenth Grade: Magdiel Alvarado, Carolina Arizpe, Payte Beedy, Camaray Gooch, Cassidy Gooch, Christopher Hayter, Landon Lackey, Aleidy Martinez, Rejinaldo Martinez, Brandon Monreal, Adam Rainwater, Martika Rando, Jimmy Simpson, Kevin Smith, Tanner Sue, Mayra Torres, Stephen Turner, Mary Warren

Ninth Grade: Ashley Aleman, Christopher Carrasco, Carrol Chavez, Adriana Delacerda, James Espinoza, Aarrhon Flores, Orlaia Garcia, Blanca Garza, Richard Gonzales, Adrianna Hernandez, Elda Lopez, Geraldo Mercado, Ashley Ovalle, Luis Ramos, Everardo Rodriguez, Lopez, Sonya Salinas, Elizabeth Sansom, Joe Louis Suarez, Lindsay Wells

COLLEGE NEWS

Dunlap named to President's List

Schreiner University has named Melissa Dunlap of Floydada to the President's List. Melissa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunlap of Floydada, and was named to the list for the 2006 spring semester.

To qualify for the President's List, full time students must have passing grades in all classes, earn a 3.7 grade point average, and have at least 12 hours credit for the term.

Ford and Stapp make Dean's List

West Texas A&M University released its Dean's List for the Spring 2006 semester.

Mark Ford, son of Bernie and Cindy Ford of Lockney was named to the Dean's List. He is a Sophomore majoring in Sports/Exercise Sciences.

Jeremy Stapp, son of Rodger and Belinda Stapp of Lockney was named to the Dean's List. He is a Senior majoring in Accounting.

Students named to the Dean's List must have a grade point average between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Bice graduates West Texas A&M University

Alicia K. Bice, former Lockney Independent School District teacher, received her diploma from West Texas A&M University May 13, 2006. She earned a Master of Education degree.

LOCAL SPECIAL OLYMPIANS COMPETED AT STATE

Area Special Olympians competed at the State Special Olympics Meet held at Maverick Stadium in Arlington on May 26-28. They enjoyed a trip to Six Flags and the zoo along with the competition.

Bringing home medals were Paul Lopez of Lockney, with a gold medal in the running long jump and bronze medal in the 400 meter run; Crissy Jiminez of Lockney with a gold medal in the turbo jav and bronze medal in the 100 meter run; Krystal Garza of Petersburg with a bronze medal in the turbo jav and 5th place ribbon in the 100 meter run, and Kami Holbert with a gold medal in the turbo jav and bronze medal in the 100 meter run.

They all did a wonderful job, and their parents are very proud of them. Way to go!

Through The Halls

The Lockney Area Chamber of Commerce is asking for your support once again in its 2006 membership drive. By joining you help serve your community by sponsoring the following: Annual Chamber Banquet, Holiday Affair, Old Fashioned Saturday, maintaining Christmas decorations, providing donations to local stock show and 4-H rabbit show. The Chamber also provides Chamber Bucks as prizes throughout the year. We also have combined with the Beautification Committee to help clean up and dress up our downtown area.

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It is not a requirement of membership to work or serve on committees or come to meetings. However, all help is appreciated.



MELANIE HUGGINS

Huggins graduates from WTAMU

Melanie Huggins, daughter of James and Carol Huggins of Lockney, received her diploma from West Texas A&M University May 13, 2006. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and graduated with Summa Cum Laude honors.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords. The highest level of honor recognition is Summa Cum Laude (3.90 - 4.00).

Local students make A.S.U. Dean's List

Angelo State University has released its 2006 Spring Semester Dean's list.

Rachel Leigh Griffin, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Randall Griffin of Floydada was named to the Dean's List. She is a pre-pharmacy major.

Heath M. Stoerner, son of Martin and Robin Stoerner of Lockney was named to the Dean's List. He is an animal science major.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.



WEST TEXAS SHOOTING STARS TEAM-(back row,l-r) Coach Jaime Suarez, Blanca Suarez, Devin Caballero, Liz Suarez, Nikki Seymour, Sarah Sanders, Sandra DeLaGarza, Sarah Jo Miller, Elyanna Duran, Megan Aleman; (front row, l-r) Adam Suarez, Haden Lipham, Nathan Caballero, Jake Graham, Janson Graham, Cole Covington, TyAnne Battey, Tara Hughes, Avery Miller. (not pictured, Lea Falcon, Kimberly Russell, Landry Morren, T.K. Farris, Coach Sylvia Suarez) Courtesy Photo



WEST TEXAS SHOOTING STARS, 2ND PLACE-This team placed 2nd in the Caprock Invitational Tournament held in Lubbock, June 9-11. (back row, l-r) Tara Hughes, Megan Aleman, Lea Falcon, Kimberly Russell, Coach Jaime Suarez; (front row, l-r) Sandra DeLaGarza, Liz Suarez, Blanca Suarez, Devin Caballero, TyAnne Battey. Courtesy Photo

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Menu

June 26 - June 30

Monday: Chicken fried steak or PBJ sandwich, mashed potatoes, green peas, fruit, hot rolls, milk
Tuesday: Beef taco or PBJ sandwich, pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit, milk

Wednesday: Pizza or PBJ sandwich, tossed salad, baby carrots, fruit, milk

Thursday: Popcorn chicken or PBJ sandwich, potatoes/gravy, green beans, fruit, milk

Friday: Hamburger or PBJ sandwich, baked fries, salad, fruit, milk

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Cotton  **News**

By Shawn Wade

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When World Trade Organization Director General Pascal Lamy arrived in Washington this week to discuss the status of the Doha agricultural negotiation process he was no doubt hoping to hear some willingness that the W.S. would consider additional concessions and move the negotiations forward.

Fortunately for U.S. agriculture the message he received from both farm groups and House Agriculture Committee Chairman Bob Goodlatte (R-VA) was clear and unequivocal.

Based on published reports of the meetings he conducted with Goodlatte and representatives from eleven farm organizations, it appears that Lamy heard the same basic message at least a dozen times - the current U.S. offer is as good as it gets.

The united stand is welcome news to farmers and ranchers who have spent months listening to a growing chorus of international interests wanting the U.S. to give up even more than the significant cuts already proposed and get less in return.

In a statement issued after his meeting with Lamy, House Agriculture Committee Chairman Goodlatte said, "Earlier this year, members of the WTO called on the United States to make an ambitious and forthcoming proposal, and the U.S. answered that call."

Goodlatte further stated that since the U.S. proposal was put forward "no other country has introduced a proposal that even comes close to the U.S. offer."

Goodlatte said he told Director Lamy "in no uncertain terms" that additional U.S. concessions are not an option and there was absolutely no support in the Congress for considering any change in the U.S. proposal.

"The U.S. has yet to see strong action on the part of other WTO members, such as the EU," Goodlatte said. "The U.S. will not accept an agreement that benefits our international trading partners by putting our produc-

ers at a disadvantage. We will not unilaterally disarm."

2006 Heat Unit Calculator now available

Plains Cotton Growers has updated and expanded its popular Heat Unit Calculator for 2006 to include three Kansas observation stations: Dodge City, Garden City and Winfield. To use the new calculator visit PCG's web site at: <http://www.plainscotton.org/rkh/hu2006/index.php>

With the additions the updated 2006 Calculator features data for the following locations in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas: Abernathy, Amarillo, Big Spring, Borger, Brownfield, Crosbyton, Dalhart, Denver City, Dimmitt, Dodge City KS, Dumas, Floydada, Friona, Garden City KS, Guymon OK, Hart, Hereford, Lamésa, Levelland, Littlefield, Lubbock, Morton, Muleshoe, Olton, Plainview, Post, Seminole, Silvertown, Spur, Tahoka, Tulia, Vigo Park, Winfield KS.

The PCG web page will calculate how many Degree Day 60s (DD60s), or Heat Units, have been accumulated at numerous weather stations across the Texas High Plains.

Heat Units are to an exact science, although when used in conjunction with plant mapping in the COTMAN modeling system, heat units can be a valuable crop-monitoring tool.

DD60s, or Heat Units, are calculated by adding the high and low temperatures (in Fahrenheit) for a day, dividing by two, and then subtracting sixty.

DD60s (Heat Units) for the day = (High Temp + Low Temp) / 2 - 60

"Make a difference: nominate and vote!"; FSA opens county committee election process

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns has announced that from now through August 1, 2006 agricultural producers can nominate eligible candidates to serve on USDA Farm Service Agency

(FSA) county committees. County committee elections are scheduled to be held in the Fall.

Agricultural producers who participate or cooperate in programs administered by FSA and live in the local administrative area conducting an election may be nominated for candidacy for a committee. Farmers and ranchers can obtain a complete list of eligibility requirements by visiting a local USDA Service Center or online at: www.fsa.usda.gov/

Individuals may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Additionally, community based organizations representing minorities and women may nominate candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign nomination form FSA-669A. The form includes a statement that the nominee agrees to serve if elected.

Farmers and ranchers should keep the following dates in mind during the 2006 county committee election process:

* The nomination period began June 15 and August 1, 2006 is the deadline to file nomination forms at local USDA Service Centers.

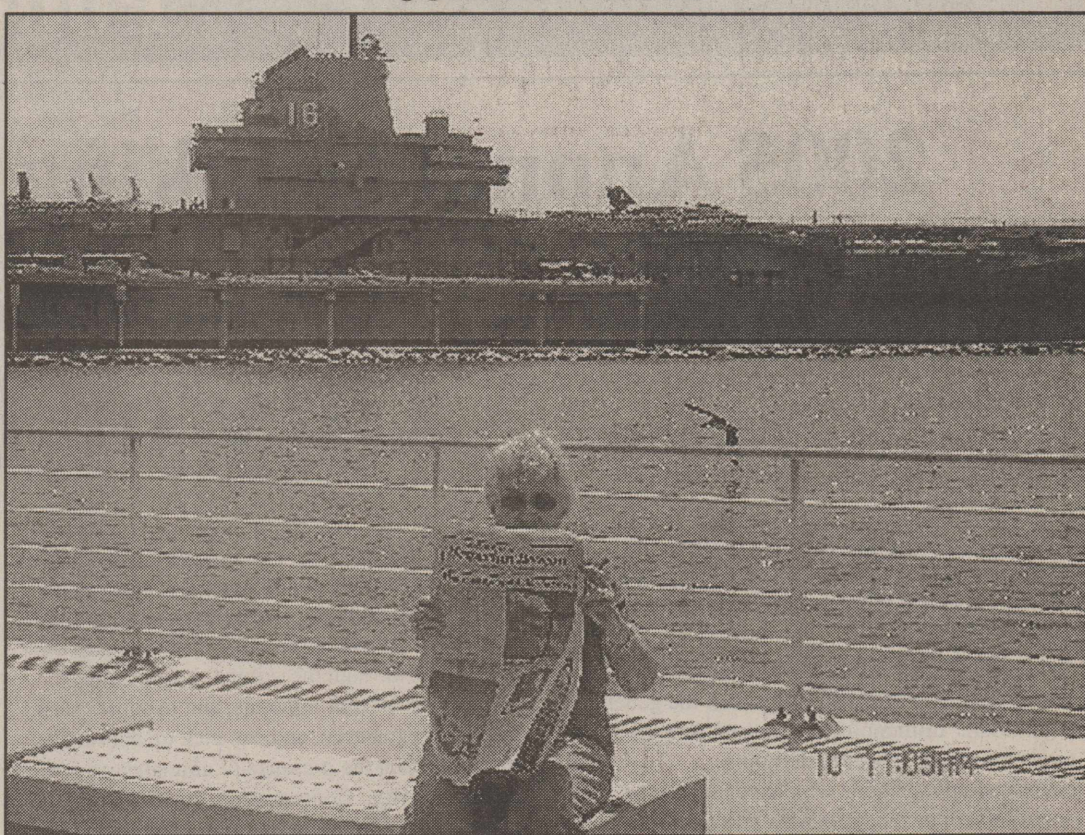
* USDA will mail ballots to eligible voters by November 3, 2006. The last day to return voted ballots to the local USDA Service Center is December 4, 2006.

* Newly elected county committee members will take office January 1, 2007.

Farmers and ranchers who serve on county committees help make decisions necessary to administer federal farm programs offered in their communities such as commodity price support loans and payments, conservation programs, disaster payments and employing county executive directors.

For more information about FSA county committees or to obtain a nomination form (FSA-669A), visit a local USDA Service Center or online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/>

CONTEST PHOTO



CONTEST PHOTO--PATSY GRAHAM and THE HESPERIAN-BEACON on vacation in Corpus Christi in front of the Lexington on a hot sunny day.

Cotton Market Weekly

A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Good speculative demand helped cotton futures strengthen Thursday, boosting closing prices near the session's highs. Cotton traders and experts also continued to watch the weather situation this week, particularly in West Texas, as questions over the health of the 2006 cotton crop linger.

"The word 'normal' no longer seems to apply to West Texas growing conditions," a cotton market observer explained. "As far as I can see, there is nothing but above normal temperatures, below normal precipitation, and soil-drying winds in store for the struggling farmers of Texas in the near-term forecast."

Isolated thunderstorms moved through some parts of Texas this week and produced gusty winds and light rain on the High and Rolling Plains. Coverage was sparse, and accumulations were generally less than a quarter of an inch. Therefore, drought-like conditions in the state persist. Above average temperatures continue, and the ongoing hot, dry weather is taking its toll on the young crop.

Soil moisture levels continue to deteriorate, making dire growing conditions worse. Many cotton seeds that were planted in dry soil on the Texas High and Rolling Plains have yet to germinate due to lack of moisture, and some seedlings that have sprouted on dryland acreage are stunted and weak. In fact, dryland plants throughout the plains are struggling, and a general rain is urgently needed to ensure healthy stands.

According to USDA's crop progress report for the week ended June 11, the proportion of stands in Texas categorized as good to excellent amounted to 27 percent while 36 percent were rated fair. The percentage of the crop ranked poor to very poor rose to 37 percent, an increase of four percentage points.

Meanwhile, USDA reported net export sales of U.S. cotton in the week ended June 8 totaled

115,500 bales, 58 percent less than the previous week and 52 percent lower than the four-week average. Major buyers were China, Turkey, Colombia, and Indonesia.

Export shipments of 439,500 bales were 57 percent more than the previous week and 15 percent more than the four-week average. Primary destinations included China, Turkey, Mexico, and Indonesia.

"Seasonally, old crop sales wane around this time of year," said one analyst. "While sales figures were low, they were well within the expectations of many in the market. Export shipments finally got back on track as the total for the week was the largest since the week ended May 11. However, we'll need to ship roughly 365,000 bales of cotton a week to reach USDA's estimate," he continued.

On the spot cotton market, online trading by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas in the week ended June 15 totaled 7,184 bales compared to the previous week when 1,692 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 45.04 to 50.96 cents per pound compared to 42.29 to 48.25 cents per pound the previous week.

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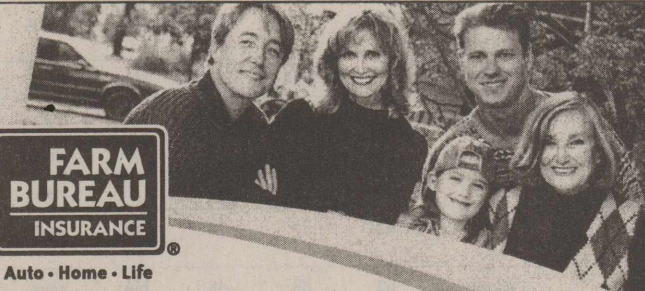
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Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The EPA/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

WATER SOURCES: The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water before treatment include: microbes, inorganic contaminants, pesticides, herbicides, radioactive contaminants, and organic chemical contaminants.

En Español

Este informe incluye información importante sobre el agua potable. Si tiene preguntas o comentarios sobre este informe en español, favor de llamar al tel. (800) 426-4791 para hablar con una persona bilingüe en español.

Where do we get our drinking water?

Our drinking water is obtained from Surface and Ground water sources. It comes from the following Lake/River/Reservoir/Aquifer: MACKENZIE LAKE. TCEQ completed an assessment of our source water and results indicate that some of our sources are susceptible to certain contaminants. The sampling requirements for our water system are based on this susceptibility and previous sample data. Any detections of these contaminants will be found in this report. If we receive or purchase water from another system, their susceptibility is not included in this assessment. For more information on source water assessments and protection efforts at our system, please contact us.

Our Drinking Water Meets or Exceeds All Federal (EPA) Drinking Water Requirements

This report is a summary of the quality of the water we provide our customers. The analysis was made by using the data from the most recent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) required tests and is presented in the attached pages. We hope this information helps you become more knowledgeable about what's in your drinking water.

Inorganic Contaminants

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	MCLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2005	Arsenic	2003	6	6	10	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes. <i>* The arsenic value was effective January 23, 2006. In the event of a violation, you will be notified.</i>
2002	Arsenic	2003	4000	4000	10	0	ppb	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes. <i>* The arsenic value was effective January 23, 2006. In the event of a violation, you will be notified.</i>
2005	Barium	0.116	0.089	0.089	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2002	Barium	0.116	0.143	0.143	2	2	ppm	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Chromium	1.8	1.8	1.8	100	100	ppb	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Fluoride	2.01	1.16	1.16	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2005	Fluoride	2.01	2.82	2.82	4	4	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
2005	Nitrate	0.28	0.1	0.1	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Nitrate	0.28	0.45	0.45	10	10	ppm	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Selenium	1300	0	0	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
2002	Selenium	1300	2600	2600	50	50	ppb	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from mines.
2005	Combined Radium 226 & 228	0.1	0.1	0.1	5	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.
2005	Gross beta emitters	9.3	9.3	9.3	50	0	pCi/L	Decay of natural and man-made deposits.
2005	Gross alpha	6.9	6.9	6.9	15	0	pCi/L	Erosion of natural deposits.

Required Additional Health Information for Arsenic

The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for arsenic decreased from 0.05 mg/L (50 ppb) to 0.010 mg/L (10 ppb) effective January 23, 2006. Because the highest reported arsenic level on this report is between 5 ppb and 10 ppb, the following information is required by EPA:

"While your drinking water meets EPA's standard for arsenic, it does contain low levels of arsenic. EPA's standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. EPA continues to research the health effects of low levels of arsenic, which is a mineral known to cause cancer in humans at high concentrations and is linked to other health effects such as skin damage and circulatory problems."

Organic Contaminants TESTING WAIVED, NOT REPORTED, OR NONE DETECTED

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level

Year	Disinfectant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MRDL	MRDLG	Unit of Measure	Source of Disinfectant
2005	Chloramine Residual	1.27	0	4.8	4	4	ppm	Disinfectant used to control microbes.

Disinfection Byproducts

Year	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	MCL	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2005	Total Haloacetic Acids	2.8	0	6	60	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2005	Total Trihalomethanes	0.8	0	3.1	80	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

Unregulated Contaminants

Bromoform, chloroform, dichlorobromomethane, and dibromochloromethane are disinfection byproducts. There is no maximum contaminant level for these chemicals at the entry point to distribution.

Year or Range	Contaminant	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
2002	Chloroform	14.77	0.5	0.5	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2005	Chloroform	14.77	29.04	29.04	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2002	Bromodichloromethane	10.14	0.6	0.6	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2005	Bromodichloromethane	10.14	19.68	19.68	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2002	Dibromochloromethane	4.32	0.7	0.7	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.
2005	Dibromochloromethane	4.32	7.93	7.93	ppb	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection.

ALL drinking water may contain contaminants.

When drinking water meets federal standards there may not be any health based benefits to purchasing bottled water or point of use devices. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Secondary Constituents

Many constituents (such as calcium, sodium, or iron) which are often found in drinking water, can cause taste, color, and odor problems. The taste and odor constituents are called secondary constituents and are regulated by the State of Texas, not the EPA. These constituents are not causes for health concern. Therefore, secondaries are not required to be reported in this document but they may greatly affect the appearance and taste of your water.

About The Following Pages

The pages that follow list all of the federally regulated or monitored contaminants which have been found in your drinking water. The U.S. EPA requires water systems to test for up to 97 contaminants.

DEFINITIONS:

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)
The highest permissible level of a contaminant in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)
The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)
The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)

The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination.

Treatment Technique (TT)
A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Action Level (AL)
The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ABBREVIATIONS

- NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Units
- MFL - million fibers per liter (a measure of asbestos)
- pCi/L - picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
- ppm - parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
- ppb - parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
- ppt - parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
- ppq - parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter

Lead and Copper

Year	Contaminant	The 90th Percentile	Number of Sites Exceeding Action Level	Action Level	Unit of Measure	Source of Contaminant
1999	Lead	1.1	0	15	ppb	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
1999	Copper	0.084	0	1.3	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.

Turbidity NOT REQUIRED

Total Coliform REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO COLIFORM BACTERIA.

Fecal Coliform REPORTED MONTHLY TESTS FOUND NO FECAL COLIFORM BACTERIA.

Secondary and Other Constituents Not Regulated (No associated adverse health effects)

Year or Range	Constituent	Average Level	Minimum Level	Maximum Level	Secondary Limit	Unit of Measure	Source of Constituent
2002	Aluminum	0.067	0.134	0.134	50	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Aluminum	0.067	0	0	50	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Bicarbonate	214	293	293	NA	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
2005	Bicarbonate	214	135	135	NA	ppm	Corrosion of carbonate rocks such as limestone.
2005	Calcium	40.1	34.8	34.8	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2002	Calcium	40.1	45.4	45.4	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Chloride	17	13	13	300	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity
2005	Chloride	17	22	22	300	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element; used in water purification; byproduct of oil field activity
2002	Copper	0.005	0.009	0.009	NA	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2005	Copper	0.005	0	0	NA	ppm	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
2005	Hardness as Ca/Mg	204	213	213	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
2005	Hardness as Ca/Mg	204	194	194	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium and magnesium.
2002	Magnesium	28.9	26.8	26.8	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2005	Magnesium	28.9	30.7	30.7	NA	ppm	Abundant naturally occurring element.
2002	pH	7.6	7.4	7.4	7	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
2004	pH	7.6	7.8	7.8	7	units	Measure of corrosivity of water.
2005	Sodium	62	75	75	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2002	Sodium	62	48	48	NA	ppm	Erosion of natural deposits; byproduct of oil field activity.
2005	Sulfate	76	124	124	300	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2005	Sulfate	76	28	28	300	ppm	Naturally occurring; common industrial byproduct; byproduct of oil field activity.
2005	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	214	135	135	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
2005	Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	214	293	293	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring soluble mineral salts.
2004	Total Dissolved Solids	385	526	526	1000	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
2002	Total Dissolved Solids	385	243	243	1000	ppm	Total dissolved mineral constituents in water.
2002	Total Hardness as CaCO3	235	223	223	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
2002	Total Hardness as CaCO3	235	246	246	NA	ppm	Naturally occurring calcium.
2005	Zinc	6.3	6.3	6.3	5	ppb	Moderately abundant naturally occurring element; used in the metal industry.

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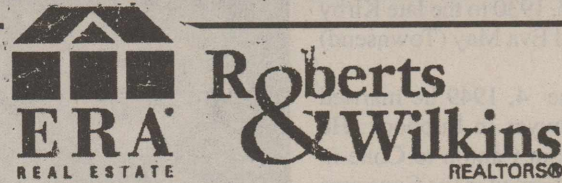
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All creditors having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time prescribed by law.

Dated this 12th day of June, 2006.

WALDO BAXTER
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR OF
THE ESTATE OF **RENA BAXTER**
C/O **KAREN HOUCHIN**
ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE
P.O. BOX 421, 124 W. CALIFORNIA
FLOYDADA, TEXAS 79235
PHONE (806) 983-5556, FAX (806) 983-8022

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Floydada I.S.D. will accept bids for the purchase of fuel and oil and other services for its transportation department for the school year 2006-2007.

Bids will be accepted in the Superintendent's office until 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2006. Bids will be opened on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's office and a recommendation made to the school board on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 at the regular meeting. Bids packets can be obtained at the Superintendent's office at 226 West California Street. Floydada I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the estate of **MAMIE BUNCH, DECEASED**, has been commenced by the issuance of letters testamentary to the undersigned on June 9, 2006 by the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in **Cause No. 5747**, styled IN RE ESTATE OF **MAMIE BUNCH, DECEASED**, in which court the matter is pending.

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

Dated this 9th day of June, 2006.

JOY S. FINLEY
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR OF
THE ESTATE OF **MAMIE BUNCH**
C/O **KAREN HOUCHIN**
ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE
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All submission must be received at the school office at 226 W. California Street, Floydada, Texas, 79235 no later than 3:00 p.m. CDT on Thursday, July 6, 2006.

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Obituaries

BILL ASHLEY

Memorial services for Bill Ashley, 75, of Ralls will be held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, June 24, 2006 at the First United Methodist Church in Ralls.

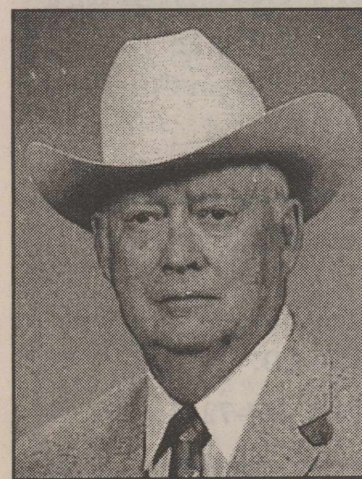
He died Monday, June 19, 2006 at his residence.

Ashley was born in Canton on October 7, 1930 to the late Kirby Leroy and Eva May (Townsend) Ashley.

On June 4, 1949 he married Grace Sawyer in Lubbock. He moved from Canton to Cone in 1948 and farmed in the Cone area for many years. He was a member of the Community Bible Chapel, had served as a Trustee of the Lorenzo ISD and took care of the Cone Cemetery.

He is preceded in death by a son, Mark Bradley Ashley who died June 19, 1989 and by a brother, Wendell Ashley.

Survivors include his wife, Grace Ashley of Ralls; a daughter, Chris Lawson and husband, Dale of Floydada; a brother, Larry Ashley of Ralls; a sister, Patsy Ruth Little of Kingswood; a granddaughter, Jennifer Nicole Ashley; a great-granddaughter, Kallie Brooke Workman; a step-granddaughter, Jana Manus and husband, Russell; a step-grandson, Greg Lawson and a step-great-granddaughter, Kathryn.



TED BRUCE

Services were held for Ted Bruce, 76, of Childress on June 16, 2006 at the First United Methodist Church of Childress.

Mr. Bruce died on Tuesday, June 13, 2006 in Childress.

He was born April 23, 1930 in Childress, Texas. He was a lifetime resident of Childress and Hall counties. Ted was the only son of Leslie and Ola Bruce. He farmed, ranched, and was an engineer for the Burlington Northern Railroad. He was best known for the breeding of quarter horses, having won the All American Futurity in 1977. He married Betty June Jackson on April 4, 1969 in Floydada.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

Survivors are his wife, Betty Bruce, of Childress; a son, Gene Bruce and wife, Cheryl, of Parnell; three daughters, Jackie Taylor and husband, Kerry, of Childress, Virginia Labus and husband, Vernon, of Panhandle and Julie Bruce of Lubbock; seven grandchildren, Leslie Bruce and wife, Shirece, of Childress, Lindsey Bruce of Lubbock, Matt Stampfli of Amarillo, Sarah Labus of Panhandle, Courtney Halsell and husband, Josh, of Clarendon, Cory Taylor and wife, Jennifer, of Denver, Colorado and Cody Taylor, and wife, Jody, of Dickens, and seven great-grandchildren, Skyler Greer, Seth Greer, Hadleigh Halsell, Taylor Halsell, Colby Taylor, Londa Taylor and Laila Taylor.

Our sincere appreciation to those who sent food, flowers and visits and other expressions of sympathy at the passing of our loved one.

To those who attended her service, your presence meant so much to us. To Jay Don, Francis and Chris who made her service a true celebration of her life. Our love and appreciation.

The Family of Clara Reecer

South Plains Baptist Church will celebrate their 100 year Anniversary on September 10, 2006. The church organized July 27, 1906 as Bethel Missionary Baptist Church.

The church is busy now making preparation for this important event. If you have any picture or items of interest of our church in these years send them to the church, P.O. Box 98, South Plains, Texas.

Morning worship service will be at 10:30. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. The afternoon will be a time for sharing, tall-tales and reminiscence.

The Hesperian-Beacon will be closed on Fridays during the summer months.



FLORINDA B. EDMONDS

Florinda Beltran Edmonds, 65, of Floydada died on June 16, 2006 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

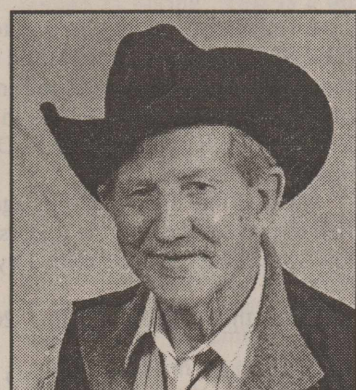
Mrs. Edmonds was born on November 30, 1940 in Brownsville to the late Manuel and Janie Beltran. A lifelong resident of Floydada, she married Eugene Edmonds in 1971 in Dickens. He preceded her in death on April 15, 1981. She was a nursing aide and care giver.

Mrs. Edmonds was also preceded in death by one son, Rafael Hernandez on May 21, 2000 and one daughter, Mary Hernandez in 1958.

Survivors include seven sons, Roger Hernandez, Carlos Hernandez, and George Hernandez, all of Floydada, Israel Hernandez and Raymond Hernandez, both of Plainview, Benny Hernandez of Dougherty, Fred Hernandez of Santa Maria, CA; four daughters, Ida Mae Hernandez and Amanda Garcia of Santa Maria, California, Janie Hernandez of Bakersfield, California, and Mary Deets of Las Vegas, Nevada; five brothers, Jose Beltran, Uvaldo Beltran, Antonio Beltran, Jesse Beltran, and Manuel Beltran and six sisters, Blanca Beltran, Maria Beltran, Minnie Beltran, Eva Beltran, Herminia Beltran, and Lydia Beltran; 28 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

Rosary services were held at 6:00 pm on Monday, June 19, 2006 at Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home Memorial Chapel.

Funeral Mass was celebrated at 2:00 pm Tuesday, June 20, 2006 at Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel in Floydada. Burial was also under direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Floydada.



A.W. "DUB" FERGUSON

Funeral services for A.W. "Dub" Ferguson, 79, of Floydada were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, 2006 at the Trinity Assembly Church in Floydada. Reverend Henry Russell and Reverend Vance Mitchell officiated and Charlie Stice assisted.

Burial was held at the Petersburg Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Ferguson was born on March 20, 1927 in Abernathy to the late Hesse Emmet and Helen Maurine Ferguson. A lifelong resident of Floydada, he married Mary Dorothy Elliott Thomas on January 17, 1966 in Idalou.

He was a ginner for Scott Gin for 38 years. He was a member of the VFW and the Trinity Assembly of God. He loved play-

ing the guitar, gardening, yard work and singing in the church. He was in the Air Force having served during WWII. He received the Good Conduct Medal and the WWII Victory Medal.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Herbert Ferguson; one sister, Dorothy Waggoner and one granddaughter, Jennifer Thomas.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Rodney Ferguson of Lubbock, Tommy Thomas and wife, Laura of Odessa and David Thomas and wife Linda of Floydada; two daughters, Wanda Thomas of Plainview and Stephanie Holbert and husband, Phillip of Floydada; two brothers, Billy Ferguson and wife, Betty of Beebe, Arkansas and Bobby Ferguson and wife, Martha of Cisco; one sister, Joyce Taylor of Wilson; eight grandchildren, Melissa, Ryan, Cory, Kyle, Nikki, Mandy, Kami and Alexis and nine great-grandchildren, J.J., Justin, Jeremy, Blake, Alyssa, Jordan, Ashley, Chloe and Josef.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Floydada Senior Citizens, 301 E. Georgia, Floydada, Texas 79235.

MARY C. LEWIS

Mary Corine Lewis, 83, of Lockney, died Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center.

She was born July 3, 1922 in Moriarty, New Mexico to the late O.W. and Martha Denning.

A lifelong resident of Floyd County, she married Albert Edward Mankins on February 9, 1938 in Llano Estacado. He preceded her in death on January 14, 1977. They lived in the Starkey Community until the early 1950's when they moved to Floydada. She worked at the Andrews-Ward Cafeteria for a short period. She went to work for the Floyd County Sheriff's Department as a dispatcher in the mid 1970's until 1979 when she married Sam Lewis on November 3, 1979. She enjoyed needle work, crocheting and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lockney.

She was preceded in death by one son, Bruce Mankins on Oct. 18, 1973; one step-daughter, Jan Proctor in 1997; two brothers and one sister.

Survivors include her husband, Sam Lewis of Lockney; two sons, Larry Mankins of Denton; Kenneth Mankins of Belton; one step-son, David Lewis of Plainview; one daughter, Waylene Mankins of Houston; one step-daughter, Jean Nelson of Dallas; 11 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 17, 2006 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney with J.D. Nance, officiating.

Burial was at Floyd County Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Alzheimers Association, 6630 S Quaker, Suite E, Lubbock, Texas 79413.

WILLIAM C. WATSON

William C. "Bill" Watson, 80, of Odessa passed away on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at Deering Nursing Home in Odessa.

He was born December 9, 1925 in Lockney, to the late Glen and Pauline Watson. He was widowed from Wanda Siebert in 1993. He was a farmer and cattleman until he retired in 1989. He was a member of the National Farmers Organization, TCFA and a life member of the Tula Veterans of Foreign Wars after being enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

Graveside services were at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 20, 2006 at the Lockney Cemetery. Burial was under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

The family suggests memorials be made to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, 4601 Hartford, Abilene, Texas 79605.

Survivors include two sons, Oran Watson of Odessa, and Lonny Watson of Canyon; two step-sons, Stan Siebert of Quincy, ILL, and Todd Siebert of Amarillo; three step-daughters, Kelly Macias and Linda Knabe both of Midland, and Tammy Fredman of Amarillo; one brother, Roland Watson of Lubbock; one sister, Leo Montandon of Lubbock; 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

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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
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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
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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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Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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Steve McLean - Minister
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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Floydada
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
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Wed. Bible Study 7:00 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 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday) 5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday) ... 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High 5:30 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.

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Rev. Ralph Jackson
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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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Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible ... 10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship ... 7:00 p.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
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Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 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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Rev. Ray Gonzales
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service ... 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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Floydada
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Deacon Ricky Vasquez
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Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
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TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Pedro Reyes, Pastor
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 p.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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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.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA
Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee,
Floydada
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service ... 7:30 p.m.

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Floydada
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
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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