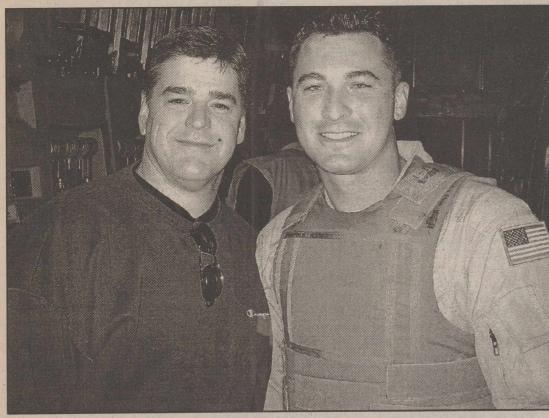
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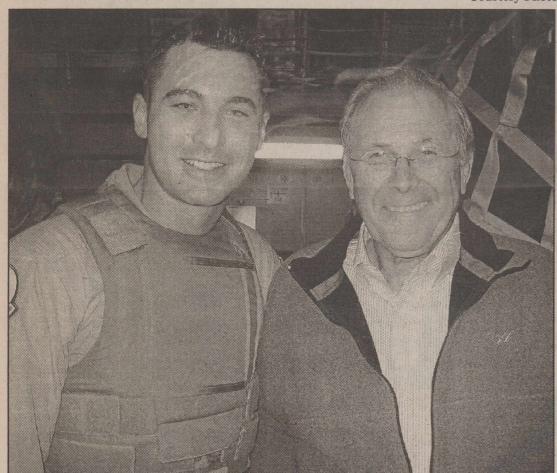
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LOCKNEY NATIVE USAF AIRMAN JARED LAMBERT was a member of the C-17 flight crew that flew Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld to and from Iraq on his last official visit to the country. Rumsfeld toured Iraq thanking US Troops for their service and dedication to their country. Lambert was able to get his picture taken with FOX News Commentator and Radio Talk Show Host Sean Hannity (above) and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld (below).

Courtesy Photo



Cotton Conference at PBA January 16

The 2007 Caprock Cotton cepting preregistration until Janube held at the Plains Baptist As- all program materials. sembly Camp between Ralls and Floydada.

8:00 a.m. The cost remains at \$25

Conference is scheduled for ary 12th, after this date a \$10 late Tuesday, January 16, 2007. Once fee will be collected. This inagain this year's conference will cludes lunch, conference cap and

The conference is open to all area producers as well as anyone Registration begins at 7:00 interested in the cotton produca.m. with the program starting at tion industry. Over 20 booth exhibitors will be on hand introducper participant. We will be ac- ing the latest in cotton related technology and equipment.

This year a total of 7.5 CEU's will be available for all types of applicators. Those hours will be: 4 general, 2 IPM, 1 Laws & Regulations and .5 Drift.

The program will start at 8:00 a.m. with topics on Quality Cotton for Milling, Transgenic Crops, Verticillium With Alternaria Leaf Blight and many others.

Looking back on '06

In Floyd County the Year of 2006 will be remembered as one of the driest in history. Drought losses for the State of Texas reached \$4.1 billion.

The drought led to failed crops. Dryland cotton failed to produce but irrigated cotton did much better than expected,

This newspaper headlined the accomplishments of our youth and our families. We were there to mourn the deaths in our community and celebrate the births.

The hard work of our citizens were highlighted in stories of community service and sacrifice.

The politics and votes of the governing bodies of our school boards, city councils, and commissioner's courts were covered every month to keep you informed on the work of your elected officials.

As always Floyd County citizens spent one more year working together to get things done and making their community a better place to live and raise a family. Some of the work was quiet and behind the scenes. Some of it made headlines.

The following is a breakdown of what made front page news in the Hesperian-Beacon in 2006.

January 2006 started off with continued drought. The commissioners passed a county fire ban by declaring, "Floyd County under imminent threat of severe damage, and injury or loss of life or property resulting from wild-

The Commissioners also declared Floyd County in a state of

County politics heated up with contested races for the primaries in March and the general election in November.

District Judge of the 110th Judicial District. The Republican primary had

the most contested races in the

Contested primary races in-

Pct. #2 Commissioner Race between incumbent Lennie Gilroy and challengers Linden Morris and Preston Belt; between Craig Gilly, Penny Golightly, and Kirt Wyrick for the Republican contestant for County Judge. (The winner of this primary race would face Democrat challenger Margaret Ponce).

Another contested race in the primary was between Republicans Bill Smith and Tempie Francis for District Judge.

The headline in the January 12 edition was the story of Sgt. Johnny Peralez Jr., being killed in An Najaf, Iraq, when a roadside bomb struck the Hummer in which he was traveling. Peralez Jr., and four others were killed.

Peralez was born in Lockney, February 1, 1980. He was the grandson of Jose and Tomasa Peralez, of Lockney.

Tyson Carthel, of Lockney, made the front page when he was named to the 2006 All State Band. He plays the trombone.

County Youth competed in the Stock Show. Grand champions were: Mason Lipham, steer; Morgan Norrell, barrow; McCrae McCormick, gilt; Tyler Chesshir, lamb; Kortney Williams, goat, Tylee Williams, heifer; and Marla Reeves, rabbit.

The January 26 edition told the tragic story of the death of Lauren Powell, 19, as a result of a car accident in Floydada, January 21

February

The first paper of February By deadline day, January 2, 17 reported on the close of ginning individuals had signed up to run season. The final count was: for office in Floyd County. Two 202,586 bales ginned in the

others filed their intent to run for County from the 2005 cotton crop. This was down 60,035 bales from the 2004 crop.

June hailstorms and tornadoes were blamed for the reduction in

The paper reported on the new automated voting machines and the county's decision to combine polling locations. The decision was made because of the shortage of new voting machines and bilingual workers at polling

The paper also reported on concrete being poured for the Veteran's Memorial Park in

Redistricting put both Floydada ISD and Lockney ISD back in 2A. The membership range for inclusion in 2A was 194-414 students.

Lockney had 196 students and Floydada had an enrollment of

The Lockney High School Band had 8 musicians qualify for State competition. They were: Erin Mangold, Patrick Doucette, Zach Montandon, Bryan Cooper, Lauren Stewart, Alex Hall, Aura Rodriguez, and Stephana Villarreal.

The City of Floydada was given a \$10,000 matching grant from TDA for a rural beautification program. The money will be used to buy planters for downtown sidewalks.

March

The March 2 edition told of Staff Sgt. Wesley Hunter, a 1998 graduate of LHS, being injured in a roadside bomb in Baghdad, Iraq on February 26. Hunter is the son of Bill and Kathy Hunter, of Lockney.

FISD trustees voted to hold a \$5.5 million dollar bond election for new construction.

Floydada High School's Team Tennis advanced to State Playoffs in Round Rock.

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Hardin leaving Courthouse

By Darwin Robinson

County Judge William D. Hardin has been working at the Floyd County Courthouse for the past 45 years and will serve his last day on December 31st.

Hardin told the Hesperian-Beacon, "I was the court reporter for the 110th District Judge upstairs in the District Courtroom for 25 years before being elected as the County Judge 20 years ago.

"I have enjoyed, and I appreciate, the opportunity serving the people of Floyd County all of 19, and Robert, 15.

these years," said Hardin.

Judge Hardin graduated from McAdoo High School and then continued through Lippert's Business School in Plainview.

He and his wife, Roberta, have been married 52 years and they have lived in Floydada all

They have a daughter, Rosemary Finley who lives in Floydada. Rosemary and her husband, Jim, have two sons, Jess,



COUNTY JUDGE BILL HARDIN

Martha Farris earns Honorary Doctorate

By Jennifer Sicking

Martha Farris' granddaughter had a simple question when she learned her grandmother would be awarded an honorary doctorate from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor on Dec. 16.

"One of my granddaughter's said, 'Do we have to call you Dr. Grandmother now?'," Farris, a 1942 UMHB graduate, recounted with a laugh.

While that won't be a requirement for family members, or anyone else for that matter, Farris said the award from her beloved said. university surprised her.

She received the telephone call at the end of September from Dr. Jerry Bawcom, university president, telling her she had been selected for the honorary doctorate. Family members had flown in to visit that weekend, but she remains sure they were in on the

all grinning," she said. "I nearly dropped the phone. Dr. Bawcom said 'are you there, are you alright?' I said 'Did I hear what I think I heard?"

She did and on that recent Saturday morning, she was hooded and presented with her honorary

Although this isn't the first time Farris has been recognized for her accomplishments, it is one that means the most to her,

"It would be the epitome," she

It's an award, she said, she doesn't deserve.

"I just feel so inadequate. I'm deeply grateful. I feel a great humility," she said. "I never thought it would happen to me. It happens to presidents and min-

Yet, university trustees and other officials think otherwise "I looked back and they were citing Farris' many accomplish-

ments. Bawcom said Farris was recognized for her many years of service to her hometown and the

'She demonstrated her love of Floydada where she has lived most of her life," he said. She taught Elementary and

High School English and Speech in Missouri City, Texas and served on the Floydada ISD

School Board. The Study Club of Federated Women's Clubs named her Woman of the Year in 1950. The Floydada Chamber of Commerce also named her Citizen of the Year. After serving as a Girl Scout leader and as an area service chairperson, the Caprock Council of Girl Scouts presented her with the Woman of Distinction Award.

She also has served in the First Christian Church of Floydada for 55 years by teaching Sunday

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MARTHA FARRIS, of Floydada (center) receiving her Honorary Doctorate from Mary Hardin Baylor University, December 16. On the right is Baylor President Dr. Bawcom. Courtesy Photo

Palo Duro Basin Oil and Gas Update

Courtesy of Tom Musser

Briscoe County: On Friday December 22, 2006 OGL Holdings LLC filed an application to re-enter the Marathon Oil Company, G. Mayfield Lease (04997) Well #1 to a depth of 9500 feet. The G. Mayfield #1 is located 467 feet from the North Line and 1980 feet from the East Line of Section 199, Block G&M, Denison & Southeastern Railroad Company Survey, 7 miles Northwest of Silverton. The Silverton (Canyon) Field Discovery Well, the G. Mayfield #1, was originally drilled in 1981 and is the only well in Briscoe County to have reported oil and gas production.

During 1982 the G. Mayfield #1 reported production of 3,554 barrels of Oil and 1,550 mcf of casinghead gas. In 1981 Marathon Oil Company drilled the G. Mayfield #1 to a total depth of 9526 feet and plugged back to a depth of 7924 feet. The 1981 producing perforations were from 7880 to 7892 feet and from 7898 to 7906 feet in the Canyon Formation.

The January 1982 initial potential test of the G. Mayfield #1 was 136 barrels per day of oil and 14.3 mcf per day of gas and 73 barrels per day of water. The formations tops listed by Marathon Oil Company are: San Andres 1934; Glorieta 2868; Clearfork 3152; Tubb 3772; Abo 4480;

Wolfcamp 5871; Cisco 6925; canyon 7877; Strawn 7946; Mississippian 8695; Granite Wash 9420; Granite 9510.

The G. Mayfield #1 has 13 3/8 inch surface casing set to 597 feet and 9 5/8 inch intermediate casing set to 4668 feet. Originally 7959 feet of 7 inch longstring casing was set, but 4805 feet of the 7 inch casing was cut and pulled out of the well during the plugging and abandoning of the

In December 1982 Marathon Oil Company plugged and abandoned the G. Mayfield Well #1 setting a cast iron bridge plug with 4 sacks of cement at 7830 feet, setting 130 sacks of cement from 4843 to 4508 feet, cutting and pulling 4805 feet of 7 inch longstring casing, setting 50 sacks of cement from 550 to 440 feet and setting 20 sacks of cement from 30 feet to surface.

Floyd County: PetroGlobe Energy USA Ltd. Cox Lease Well #1013 which reached total depth on December 18, 2006 is awaiting completion

Hale County: The PetroGlobe Energy USA Ltd. Ramsower Lease Well #1113 is being spudded this week. The Ramsower #1113 is located in Section 113, Block D-2, Tyler Tap Railroad Company Survey, 5 4/10 miles Northeast of Plainview.

A view from



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

No one really likes to hear "I told you so." It is far better, we are told, to move on to other things, leaving the reader, or the listener, to do the remembering.

Admittedly, that's very difficult. Sometimes, it's almost impossible. This is one of those situations where it's almost impossible. Particularly when we have a President in office whom we have supported, most of the time. He has ignored our advice for years, but we have had to lend support simply because the alternatives were even worse. Very seldom have we been able to go forth and champion this President, like we have Mac Thornberry, for instance, knowing full well that when the dust settles, we will be able to take pride in his position.

Much of our unhappiness with this President revolves around his foreign policy, particularly as it relates to the Middle East, and Mexico. It is the one single issue upon which we based so much of our support in the beginning. For it is this single issue, the foreign policy matter, that determines whether or not so many of our youngsters live or die. We had thought that while neither John Kerry or George Bush had the experience necessary, at least Bush had the temperament to be President. Kerry did not, in our

We have never been one to think our youngsters should not answer the call to colors. We did.

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada City Council

met Tuesday, December 19, and

approved a resolution supporting

Without that urge to defend our country in time of war, our republic would be doomed. We still remember the horror with which we watched thousands of our youngsters head for Canada to avoid military service in Vietnam, and the subsequent outrage we felt when President Carter extended "amnesty" to those who

But with that feeling of responsibility on the part of our youngsters, also goes a feeling that our political leaders ought to be very reluctant to put our youngsters in harm's way. We can see little difference between Lyndon Johnson's vain, cynical, approach to the Vietnam War and George W. Bush's cynical, political, approach to the whole Middle East. After all, it is someone else's blood. Someone else's life. Despite all the propaganda that has been imposed on the American people, that is what it comes down to.

So we were amused...amused is not the word for it...to see buried in the columns of the New York Times, a rendition of how America's ethnic votes went during the last election. It must have been a terrible shock to Karl Rove and George W. Bush to see the Jewish voting population, after all the pandering this President has done to Israel in the past six years, go 88 percent Democratic.

True, the Jewish population in America is very small, but their influence in politics far exceeds

Gary Brown, "This resolution

will help continue 50 percent

matching grants for City park

projects. These grants are for

their numbers in the general population. The last time we checked, for instance, their numbers in the U.S. Senate was four times their representation in the general population. A similar situation is true, in general terms, of the so-called "Hispanic" population. There the numbers are somewhat more encouraging for Republicans, though still dismal. We have been hearing of the inroads supposedly made by George W. Bush in the Hispanic population, but when push comes to shove, it is not there. According to the New York Times, (and we have no idea where they got their figures, or how they got them) "Hispanics" in America, whoever they are, voted for the Democrats by 70 percent. That is about the same percentage, or less, that voted for Republicans nearly 50 years ago. The blacks, too, unsurprisingly, went Democratic by about 89 percent, right along with the Jewish population at 88 percent. If we believed the media propaganda, we would know that the Jews and Blacks are at each other's throat politically, and

So one wonders at the vaunted political acumen of George Bush and Karl Rove. Their reliance on "group politics" has come a cropper. Blacks still vote the way they have voted for years. Hispanics, despite all George Bush has done in regards

could never come together at the

ballot box

Floydada Council resolves to fund parks

to "amnesty", still vote the way George Parr and Lyndon Johnson intended them to vote. Jews, despite all the loss of life by American soldiers and Marines in Iraq on their behalf, still voted for Bush's opposition. About the only ones who voted for Bush candidates were "white" voters.

It makes one wonder. Surely, Bush's actions in the Middle East and along the Mexican border could not be the result of ignorance. Nobody could be that dumb. Could it be that it is part of a well thought-out scheme we will all be privy to someday? For the sake of our country, let us

For instance: It could be plausibly claimed, someday, that the (current) seemingly chaotic condition of the Middle East was actually an effort by Bush to prevent the region from becoming monolithic under the influence of some weird religious leader who actually believed the story of Abraham and Hagar and Sarah, and their children, and their Egyptian overlords. And that the current lock on American politics (through Bush and the American Congress) by Israel was actually a successful effort by this Administration to enlist Israel on the West's side in a volatile region.

As far as the Mexican border situation is concerned...well they just had that one figured wrong. It didn't turn out the way it was supposed to. The vote was supposed to go the other way.

Farris gets Doctorate

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school and vacation Bible school, singing in the choir, planning the World Day of Prayer and playing the piano for the children's assembly. She also helped to convert a church building into a community day care center, and supported Lockney Youth Center and has used her time and resources to support the Floydada Library and children's reading programs.

She currently serves on the Worship Committee, the Council of Ministries, and she is the chairperson for communications and public relations and the pastoral assistant for correspondents at First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Farris is an avid reader, writer, and composer. She has written short stories and poetry and has composed music. She is a member of the Creative Writer's Club, the Great Books Literary Club, and past president of the 1929 Study Club. She has been a member and former president of the Floydada Art Association, and for 21 years she promoted the works of local artists by coordinating the art exhibit in the First National Bank of Floydada. She has served with the American Cancer Society for over 20 years.

She has stayed true to the purple and gold of UMHB too. Bawcom said she placed the university at the top of her priority list because she wanted the students to experience what she did.

To that end, Farris served as the honorary chair of Challenge Beyond 2000, a successful capital and endowment fundraising campaign. She contributed generously to the Parker Academic Center and the Mayborn Campus Center through that campaign. She also established the Bess Bobo White Music Scholarship in memory of her mother, who was a 1916 graduate of UMHB.

It's a small repayment for what the university gave to her, she said.

"Whatever I've done for this university, I've done out of love," she said. "I know what it has done for me and I desire to do it for someone else.'

Her appreciation of the university has grown through the years, she said

"I look back on the years and I see the impact the people and the atmosphere had on the re-

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mainder of my life," she said. "Being in a Christian atmosphere with loving, giving people helped to mold my life.

She came to UMHB when she was 16 years after a life of following her Baptist preacher father through the South. She was born in Cameron but at the age of 1 her family moved to North Carolina. Before turning 16, she had lived in Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and Florida before returning to Texas when she was a senior in high school.

It was natural to follow her mother to UMHB. Her mother not only graduated from the university in 1916, but also stayed for an additional year assisting a music teacher. Farris established the Bess Bobo White Music Scholarship in memory of her

In speaking to the students and 169 graduates at the commencement, Farris said she planned to continue her support of the uni-

"This day is not the end of the journey in giving and caring," she said. "It's just a pause to celebrate, then I'll pick up my bag

increased funding for the Texas community parks and State parks.' Recreation and Parks Program. In other matters, the council According to City Manager

CHD buys heart monitors

By Darwin Robinson

purchase of two heart monitors it gives the EMS 544 runs for the and approved Christmas bonuses for the EMS employees.

Board Member Tom Farris said, "These new heart monitors will be placed in each of the two EMS ambulances.'

The Floydada EMS made 30 The Floydada Caprock Hos-runs during the month of Novempital District Board met Tuesday, ber, according to Farris. "This December 19, and approved the was fewer runs than average, but

year to date," said Farris. The PNS Cogdell Clinic update showed the clinic make a profit of \$37,057.29 for the month of November, 2006.

more years on the Floydada Housing Authority Board. Aide Arizpe was appointed as the new Resident board member to serve a one year term. Following a closed executive

reappointed Fernando Arvizu and

Philip Smitherman to serve two

session, the board took no action on positions of Municipal Court Judge and Justice of the Peace for Precincts 1 and 4.

Brown told the council in a written statement, "I am sure there will be talk about Tali (Jackson) being paid for two jobs, doing both jobs during the same time frame and more. I think this subject may have to be revisited more than once as the jobs are worked together and challenges

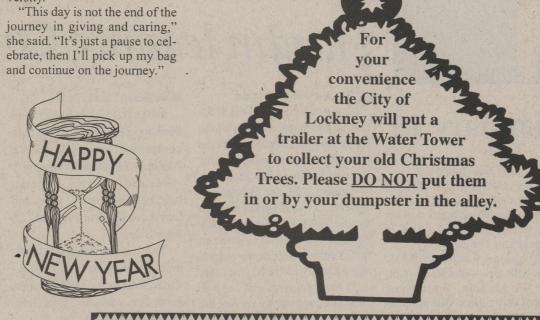
are presented." The City Council Cash Report ending November 30, 2006 showed Total Cash and C.D.'s in

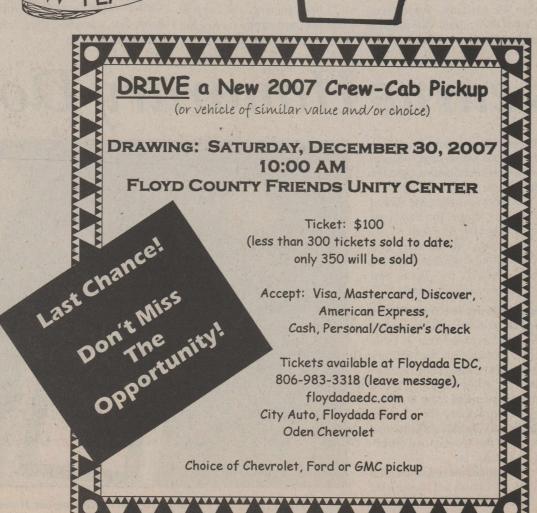
the bank at \$1,519,831.17. A Financial Statement distrib-

uted to the council from the Floydada Economic Development Corporation, ending October 31, 2006, showed a Balance On Hand of \$68,181.04, with a Revolving Loan Fund Balance of \$10,054.10.

In a written City Manager's Report, Brown told the council, "The electric department is working with the Blue Moon people to get things worked out to where Blue Moon can install the needed receivers/senders throughout our

"I have contacted the engineering firm that is working with the City of Tulia on the rebuild of their electric system. The more I look at what the firm did for Tulia, the better I like what I see. Their plans and specifications are laid out really nice. We must move forward with this project. Our electric system is important to our citizens and the operation







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Hesperian-Beacon looks back on County news through 2006

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The primary election was over and the only clear winner to represent Republicans in Floyd County was that for District Judge. In this race Bill Smith beat out Tempie Francis. Smith faced no challengers on the Democrat ticket.

In the Commissioner Pct. #2
Race, there was no clear winner
and a run-off election was called
for between Lennie Gilroy and
Lindan Morris.

Another run-off was called for in the County Judge Race. It came down to the two with the most votes--Craig Gilly and Penny Golightly.

'The deadline for municipal election signup passed with only one contested race developing. On the FISD board the at-large position was up for grabs between Marty Lucke and Bud Taylor.

The March 23rd paper had a picture of "neighbors helping neighbors". After hearing of all the fires and devastation in the upper Panhandle, some of the neighbors around the Floyd and Motley County area sent truck loads of hay to the people in need in the Pampa and Miami area. Hay was donated by Wes & Lynn Campbell, Vance & Betty Campbell, Rick and Kathy Kellison, and Larry and Kathy Ferguson. Danny and Rhonda Thomas of Thomas Trucking donated the trucks for hauling and Greg Schmiazried and Shawn Kunselman drove the trucks to Pampa.

Floydada Rotary presented Fred Thayer with the "Service Above Self" award.

April

In the April 13th edition citizens honored in the Lockney and Floydada Chamber of Commerce banquets were highlighted.

In Floydada, Nick Long was named Citizen of the Year; Employer of the Year was County Judge Bill Hardin; Volunteer of the Year was Sharon Hinton; and the Extra Mile winner was Joyce Williams.

In Lockney, Ed Marks was named Citizen of the Year and Joe Marks was named Fireman of the Year. J.D. Copeland and

Claude Brown were Citizens Through the Years.

In the April 11 runoff, incumbent Commissioner Lennie Gilroy beat challenger Lindan Morris by 2 votes.

Penny Golightly beat Craig Gilly by 17 votes for the Republican position in the County Judge's Race. Golightly now faced off Margaret Ponce who was running as a democrat for County Judge.

April 7th, 120 planters, with small trees, appeared on downtown sidewalks in Floydada.

The April 27 edition told of FHS BPA (Business Professionals of America) members who qualified for the National Leadership Conference. They were: Amber Smith, Dustin Ochoa, Trey Helms, J.C. Simpson, Britnee Brotherton, Mary Warren, Tori Terrell, and Kalli Ferguson.

FISD trustee voted to put the bond issue for new construction to a vote on May 13. The \$5.5 million will be used for new construction and renovations at A.B. Duncan Elementary for the purpose of combining the Duncan campus with the Andrews campus.

May

In the May 4 edition, was a story on the April 30 vote of the Commissioners, at the request of County Clerk Marilyn Holcomb, to consolidate voting precincts. The Commissioners also voted to include early voting in Lockney, instead of just in the Courthouse as in years past.

The front page of this first issue in May told of the Memorial flags being stolen at Lockney's Veteran's Memorial Park.

The May 11 paper featured a story on Layne Kirk making the decision to either sell or close down his historical business-Kirk and Sons. The business has been part of Floydada history and downtown landscaping since

The May 18 paper said Floy-dada voters approved the school bonds for new construction.

The last paper for the month of May highlighted the top graduates in Lockney and Floydada High School.

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Lockney's Valedictorian was Rebekah Thornton and Salutatorian was Emily Mercado.

Floydada's Valedictorian was Jarrett Kirk and Salutatorian was Jeffri Vaughn.

Winning at the State UIL Meet were FHS students: Abel Cortinas, silver, Science Team competition and gold in individual biology competition; Britnee Brotherton and Jarrett Kirk, silver, in Science Team competition, bronze in individual overall; Reagan Heflin and Sean Miller, silver, Science team.

The Floyd County Historical Museum Board was happy to announce the purchase of the building on the corner of Main and Missouri, and attached to the Museum. The Museum plans to restore the historic building to its original appearance.

June

The first edition in June highlighted the Floyd County Pioneers honored at Old Settler's Day. Pioneer Man of the Year was Ham Gammage; Pioneer Woman of the Year was Lahoma Matsler; and Pioneer Couple of the Year were Guy and Margaret Ginn.

The June 15 edition ran what would become the winning photo in The Hesperian-Beacon's photo contest. The photo was of Stacy Reeves and Jay Leno.

Bill Smith was sworn in as District Judge June 13th.

July

The County kicked off July with various 4th celebrations in Floydada and Lockney.

July 13 the Lockney Junior Chamber of Commerce worked hard plugging "turfalo grass" into the open air amphitheater in Lockney for downtown beautification.

With the help of private donations veterans flags were once again flying at the Memorial Park.

Lockney was awarded a grant for downtown renovation which will be used to build new sidewalks and ADA ramps.

August
County Extension Agent J.D.
Ragland gave a "failed crop" report to the Commissioners Court
August 14.

He reported out of the 181,309 acres of cotton planted, 11,833 acres (6.53 percent) have been declared failed crops due to the lack of rain.

In another story it was reported that estimated drought losses for the State of Texas reached \$4.1 billion. Texas Cooperative Extension economists said the current drought equaled the multi-year dry spell of the 1950's and could go down as the worst ever reported.

September

Gentle soaking rains came to Floyd County, the first weekend in September.

Lockney reported 5 inches and Floydada area received 3-5 inches. Harmony got over 6 inches.

The first edition of this month told of a Bible ministry that had been started to honor Craig Gilly, the former Commissioner of Pct.

3. Gilly passed away August 28, 2006. Bibles were being purchased, in Gilly's name, to be presented to "new" Christians at the Women's Christian Conference. Bibles left over would be given to the Women's Job Corp being started in Floyd County.

September 17 Myria Dade celebrated her 100th birthday.

The paper also told of the Justice Department approving the consolidation of voting precincts in Floyd County and the early voting location in Lockney.

Jim Finley was named Chief Appraiser for Floyd County. His first day was September 25, 2006.

South Plains Baptist Church celebrated 100 years.

September 30, Bearie Coleman celebrated her 103rd birthday.

October

Floydada had another very successful Punkin Day, October 14, despite drizzling rain.

Marla Reeves was declared the winner of the Hesperian-Beacon photo contest with her picture of Jay Leno reading The Hesperian Beacon.

Floyd County had it's first Women's Christian Conference at Muncy's Unity Center, October 21st. The event was well attended by hundreds of women. Proceeds went to Christian Women's Job Corps.

Enrollment numbers were reported as down at LISD by 12 students, to a total of 604. In FISD, enrollment was down by 35 students to 939.

The October 26 paper reported the MacIntosh lease well was flowing an excellent supply of gas. The large flare was attracting people to the site.

November

The November 2 paper headlined the County Championship Trophy changing hands. The Floydada Whirlwinds took it back from the Longhorns at Mitchell-Zimmerman Field, October 27. The score was Whirlwinds, 14, Longhorns, 0.

Also in football news, Floydada's undefeated Tiger League Team, the Eagles, earned a trip to Tiger League Super Bowl in Plainview. They won at the Bowl and became the first Floydada Tiger League Team to hold this title.

The November 7 elections brought in Penny Golightly as County Judge, Jon Jones as Commissioner Pct. #4, and Tali Jackson as J.P. Pct. #1 & #4.

County schools honored local veterans in a student led program at FHS, at the Veteran's Memorial, and in a luncheon at Lockney Elementary.

December

As in years past Floyd County residents spent the month planning ways to help neighbors during the holiday season.

The Spirit of Christmas meal for shut-ins and elderly was being planned. Toys were being collected for children through Reflections of Love. Charity drives were being conducted by the Salvation Army, Boy Scouts, and the Child Welfare Board.

The Veterans Memorial in Lockney announced they would soon be placing white crosses at the Memorial Park in honor of Veterans killed in action.

Superintendents from FISD. LISD and Petersburg ISD clashed over who to hire as the CSSA Coop Director. After a vote by the Floydada School Board that stated any recommendation for a new Director must be unanimous by all Superintendents, the Petersburg ISD and Lockney ISD pulled out of the Cooperative. Both superintendents expressed the opinion that they believed a majority vote on the CSSA Board should be all that is needed to conduct the business of the Coop. The three school districts will now have to find other Cooperatives to join to meet the needs of their handicapped and disabled children.

Amado Morales, the Democrat challenger to Commissioner Jon Jones, filed his intent to challenge the count of the November election in the Pct. #2 Commissioner Race.

The final vote in this race was Jones 275, Morales, 271.

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BETH BRAMELT (left), member of the Family and Consumer Sciences Committee accepts a check from Sharon Hunt (right), Mangold Memorial Hospital Administrator for the Do Well, Be Well With Diabetes classes sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension beginning January 29 at the Floyd County Extension Office. The classes are free and will take place on Monday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 through February 26.

Diabetes facts and figures provided concerning management of disease

By: Linda Anderson lw-anderson@tamu.edu

Diabetes is a serious illness. But the good news is, it doesn't have to be a life-threatening one. Early diagnosis and treatment, and good management practices are the keys to a long and healthy life for persons with diabetes.

According to the American Diabetes Association (http:// www.diabetes.org/main/application/commercewf) when a person has diabetes, his or her body doesn't produce insulin (type 1) or properly use insulin (type 2), a hormone needed to convert some foods into energy. No one knows what causes diabetes, although genetics and such factors as lack of exercise and obesity may contribute.

Facts and figures from the Americans with diabetes - but only about 11.1 million diagnosed. This means nearly one-

The costs of all these cases of diabetes is enormous. The ADA estimated the total direct and indirect cost in 1997 (the most rebillion was medical and treat-

By Margarette Word

The Center was closed Mon-

day and Tuesday December 25

and 26, so that our staff could

enjoy being with their families.

where they could be with me this

Christmas season, so Christmas

eve I drove out to Carr's Chapel

and attended their Annual Ole

Time Christmas celebration

They had a beautiful decorated

real Christmas tree and there

was a large crowd of people

from that community in atten-

They had a program with the

children reading stories and

singing a song. A lady, Karen

Chandler Stoker of Plainview,

sang several songs which I en-

joyed very much. Then Santa

entered and the children young

and old were greeted, some re-

ceiving a gift and some got an

apple and candy cane. It was fun

watching the children receive a

gift from Santa. Such an excit-

ing time for the children, as well

as the parents and grandparents

seeing their children so happy.

Christmas Day I enjoyed a

Our sympathy to the family of

Our sympathy to the family of

Happy birthday to those who

Jan. 1, Ophelia Wade, Faye

Gooch and Jonelle Fawver; Jan. 4, Jo Payne; Jan. 5, Bobbie

Hamilton; Jan. 9, Roberta Russell and Wayland Jones; Jan. 11,

Nathan Mulder; Jan. 13, Sheree

Cannon; Jan. 20, Henry Russell;

Jan. 21, Betty Baker; Jan. 22, Bo

Poage, Jessie Bradley and Delmas McCormick; Jan. 24,

Wanda Turner; Jan. 26, Bill

Shurbet; Jan. 28, Doyle Walls;

Jan. 30, Royce Gilmore; Jan. 31,

Pete Salazar.

have a January, 2007 birthday:

turkey and all the trimmings din-

ner at the First United Method-

ist Church

Jean Baird.

Kay Zimmerman.

It was an enjoyable evening.

My sons and families were not

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for indirect costs, such as disabil-

A simple blood test by a health care provider is required for a diagnosis of diabetes. However, being aware of the symptoms can lead to an earlier diagnosis and a better quality of life. The ADA lists some of the symptoms to look for: frequent urination, excessive thirst and extreme hunger, blurry vision, increased fatigue, irritability and unusual and unexplained weight loss.

Once the medical diagnosis has been made, proper treatment and management can make life healthier for the person with diabetes. A combination of exercise, weight control, proper diet and sometimes medications can keep the person – not the disease – in charge of his or her life.

For information on living with ADA list about 17 million diabetes - especially Type 2 plan to attend Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes program, hosted by Texas Cooperative Extension and third - 5.9 million people with taught by Melissa Long,, Extendiabetes - don't know they have sion agent for Floyd County. Call 806-983-4912 to find out more.

Classes are scheduled for five Monday nights from 5:30 to 7:30 beginning January 29 and concluding February 26. Two lescent year figures are available) sons each evening will be taught to be \$98 billion. Of that, \$44 with a short dinner break in between. Please call and sign up to ment costs, and \$54 billion was attend by Friday, January 19

Thought for the week - Start

thinking about the New Year

Resolutions you will want to con-

New Year and very good health

Menu

January 1 - January 5

Monday- Happy New Year!

Tuesday- Baked ham, carrots

and zucchini, tossed salad,

Wednesday- Roast, mashed po-

tatoes, tossed salad/1000 Island,

Thursday- Taco salad, pinto

beans, tossed salad/1000 Island,

Friday- Beef stew, black eyed

cornbread, pineapple cake

biscuit, brownie

cornbread, fruit salad

Wishing you all a very Happy

sider for the year of 2007

and happiness.





MCPHERSON

Favorite Uncle Dub (J.W.), fun Aunt Marcy and cool Aunt Kari are crazy about their nephew, Matthew Payce McPherson.

Matt and Megan had Payce on December 20, 2006 and he weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long

His grandparents are Steve and Becky McPherson and Clyde and Ann Shugart.

Great-grandparents are James and Marcy Russell; Wanda Shugart; Gay and Gale McPherson and Donnie and Vera Jo Bybee.

Floydada Rehab

honored Thursday, December 21,

by the City Park Church of Christ. December hostesses included Kellie Williams, Amanda Hinsley and Joyce Williams. Honorees included six ladies: Norma Martin (Dec. 6), Doris Snodgrass (Dec. 15), Wanda Boren (21), Dulan Sargent (22) and Modean Brooks (Dec. 28).

(Dec. 29).

The birthday boys each re-

Mrs. Doris Snodgrass created

Refreshments served were red

Also Mary Alice Davis visited Wanda Withers and Evelyn Boren. Sylvia Meza, Community Life Coordinator read the poem, "I Believe In Angels." Visitors are always welcome at the party held the third Thursday of each

Birthdays

By Joyce Williams

Eight birthday celebrants were at the Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center.

The monthly party was hosted Witherol (Dec. 20), Evelyn

The gentlemen included: Pete Roe (Dec. 22), and Frank Cole

Each birthday girl was presented a gift bag containing lipstick, nail polish, card and a candy cane.

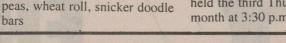
ceived a blue gift bag, holding after shave and other toiletries, along with a card and candy

a personally designed gift card for each honoree. Cathy's Florist gave beautiful red and white carnation corsages to the ladies and red carnation boutonnieres to the gentlemen.

soda pop and white iced caked decorated with Christmas colors. The Birthday Song was sang by

Guests included Mrs. Ekine Reid, who visited her mother, Mrs. Doris Snodgrass, Mrs. Myrtis Cope, and Mrs. Wanda Hickerson visited Dalon Sargent.

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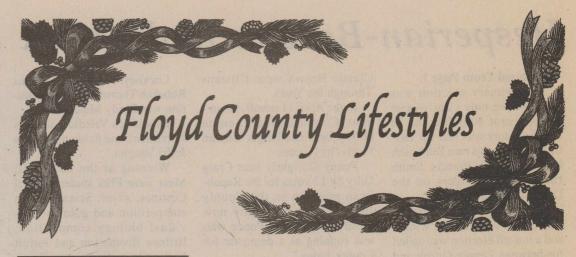
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Lockney **Senior Citizens** News

By Vera Jo Bybee

I want to wish all of you and yours a very Happy New Year. May the year 2007 bring you lots of prosperity, good health and happiness.

Enjoying lunch with Wilma Edwards on Thursday, Dec 21 were Edith Cooper, Mary Carter, Judy Macha and Vera Jo Bybee.

Wilma entertained us by playing Christmas Carols on her piano. We all tried singing with her. It was a fun time.

Wednesday, December 20, Donnie and I became great grandparents for the second time. It's another boy! Read all about him elsewhere in the paper.

His name is Matthew Payce McPherson. Saturday, December 23, at the age of 3 days, Baby Matt (or Payce is what they want him called) came to Lockney with his parents Matt and Megan to visit his grandparents Becky and Steve McPherson. On Sunday morning all the family came to our house for breakfast honoring J.W and Donnie on their birthdays.

Later on Sunday they all went out to the other grandparents, Gay and Gale McPherson for a Christmas Dinner. Others present were David, Darlee, Addie and Will Foster.

Christmas Day, Baby Matt and parents returned to their home in Lubbock. Wanna bet Becky and Steve will be making more trips to Lubbock to see that grandson who doesn't even look like a new baby. He is so pretty. He is already wearing levis. Next thing you know, before we turn around, he will be wearing boots.

Bobby and Mervean Carthel had all their children home for

They are: Sherrey and Jim Price of Plainview, and their children, Lana and Lance and families; Lana and Coy Castleberry, and girls Brook and Bree, of Canyon; Lance and Misty Price, and daughter, Lee Ann, of Plano; Dart and Joann Carthel, of Lockney, and daughter, Toby, of Burleson; Jackie Pat Carthel, of Lawton, Okla.; Tammy Mitchell, and sons, Rowdy and Beau, of Farwell; Matt and Meredith and Zachary and girls, Lexie, Keely and Kate, of Lockney.

Aubrey and Bernice Kent, of Pampa, former Lockney residents, spent Christmas in Houston with their son Deral and wife

Jo Webb had guests for the Christmas Holidays. They were: her daughter Ruby and husband Jimmy Wardlow of Seymore; daughter Arlene Anderson, of Littlefield; and daughter, Lynda Holly, of Lockney. Sunday they all went to Jo's son, Randy Webb, and wife Denise, and son John's home in Plainview for Christmas

On Monday Christmas day they all helped Lynda celebrate her birthday before they all left for their homes.

1934 Study Club meets

By Wilma Gowens

The 1934 Study Club met Tuesday, December 12, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Marie Warren. President, Diana Glover called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Wanda Turner. Roll Call answered with "Holiday Plans" and the minutes from our last meeting were led by Secretary, Willie Mae Ferguson.

Frieda Simpson had our program and told a "Christmas Story." The story was one of hope and assurance that Jesus is alive and reigns!

Members present were: Faye Bertrand, Wilma Colston, Betsy Dempsey, Willie Mae Ferguson, Diana Glover, Wilma Gowens, Emagene Haenisch, Nell McClung, Flora McNeill, Frieda Simpson, Wanda Turner, Marie

Warren, Ila White and Margarette Word.

In lieu of Christmas gifts, each member gave a monetary offering for "The Relay For Life" can-

The 1934 Study Club is sad to see our dear friend, Frieda Simpson preparing to move from our area to be near her children. We wish her God's care, but will miss her kind, loving ways and sweet spirit and the fellowship that we all had with her. She has been a wonderful friend to all of us. It will be a sad time for each of us. We love you, Frieda, and look forward to times when we can see you.

The next meeting will be January 9, 2007 in the home of Wanda









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Texas A&M University Crop and Ag Report

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COLLEGE STATION- Cold weather put a chill on some farm operations in parts of the state, but allowed some producers to finish harvests. In other areas, wind-blown snow and moisture put harvests on hold, according to Texas Cooperative Extension

Extension agents report that lack of moisture continues to be the major concern for most producers.

"Deaf Smith County is in a hold pattern until the snow clears," said Rick Auckerman, Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in Deaf Smith County. "Producers have not been able to get back into the fields to resume cotton harvest yet. There are many modules sitting in the county, with many acres of cotton still on the stalk."

"Seasonable weather has returned to the (Permian) Basin as cotton producers are in full bore to finish their crops," said Lee Howard, Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in Martin County.

"Area gins report about twothirds finished and look at no later than mid-January having this crop completed.

But Howard reported, "Extremely dry conditions still persist, and we need a rain for the small grains to have a chance to even make grazing.

"Conditions are still dry, but better with recent rainfall last week," said Randy Reeves, Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in Harrison County. "But cooler temps have slowed ryegrass growth, coupled with dry weather.

"Growers that perceive they have enough deep moisture are trying to put out anhydrous ammonia on corn ground for '07," said Dirk Aaron, Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in Bell County. "This continues to be questioned by experts: That lack of moisture in the soil profile leads to loss of the fertilizer.

The following conditions were reported by Extension districts this week:

PANHANDLE: Temperatures were below average most of the week before warming to near normal by week's end. No moisture was received. Most areas reported soil moisture as short, but some areas received adequate moisture. The cotton harvest was temporarily stalled by last week's snow, but is about 90 percent complete. The sorghum harvest is complete, and wheat was rated mostly fair to good, with some early planted fields already providing grazing. Moisture is needed. Range conditions were rated mostly fair. Fire danger remained high. Cattle were in fair to good condition, and supplemental feeding continued.

SOUTH PLAINS: Low temperatures were in the teens, with highs in the 40s F to 50s F on sunny afternoons. Soil moisture was short to adequate.

Cotton and grain sorghum harvests neared completion. Cotton modules were picked up from fields as gins continued processing the crop. Field operations included shredding stalks, chiseling fields and listing old beds. Wheat is in fair to good condition and needs more moisture. Pastures and ranges were in poor to fair condition. Cold night tem-

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ROLLING PLAINS: Many area counties received 5-6 inches of snow late in the week, bringing welcomed moisture. The region also received the first hard freeze, with temperatures dropping below 21 F several nights in a row. The lowest temperature recorded was 10 F. Cotton producers hope the freeze will open the remaining cotton bolls. Some winter wheat fields were hurt due to wind-blown snow and dust, but most of the wheat looks good.

Some producers started to look for stocker cattle to turn out on

Other producers began leasing wheat fields. Forage for livestock was available, but supplemental feeding continued. The southeastern counties still need rain to fill stock tanks. Without rain, winter grazing may be short.

NORTH: Soil moisture ranged from very short to surplus. Pecans were from 60 percent to 99 percent harvested. Cotton was completely harvested in nearly all counties. Oats were almost completely planted. Pecan harvesters reported good yields, with a surprisingly good crop. Sorghum harvest is complete. Winter wheat was completely emerged. The wheat crop benefitted from last week's showers, and the annual pastures looked

Surface water remained low, and rainfall totals were still below average for the year. Rain is needed to replenish ponds. Unseasonably low temperatures caused some yellowing in winter pastures, but damage to the wheat crop appeared minimal and yield prospects are excellent. Some ryegrass was burned by the cold weather. Many producers were relying on ryegrass to reduce winter feeding costs, but the growth has been short.

The cold weather increased the need for supplemental feeding of livestock. Producers continued selling cattle and looking for hay. Range and pastures were in poor

to very poor condition. EAST: Cold temperatures and dry soil conditions slowed winter pasture growth. Most counties still need rain. Winter feeding of the limited hay supply and protein supplements was in full swing, and fall calving continued. Anderson County reported cattle prices strong on pairs and bred cows, but the calf market was still affected by high corn

FAR WEST: No report.

WEST CENTRAL: Daytime temperatures were low with very cold nights. Dry conditions continued with very high winds. Small grains and pastures need moisture. Some oats fields were damaged by the freeze, while the cotton harvest neared completion. Dryland cotton yields were below average, but irrigated cotton showed good yields. Live-

stock remained in fair condition. Stock tanks were going dry, and supplemental feeding increased. Culling, reducing and selling off livestock continued due to the dry, cold conditions.

The pecan harvest was very

Local Conditions

short. The region's annual pecan show had only 70 entries ^ the

average number is 95. CENTRAL: Soil moisture ranged from short to very short, and grasses were showing signs of stress due to below-freezing temperatures and lack of moisture. The pecan crop was very light, and its harvest proceeded rapidly. Hay supplies are dwindling, with many producers having only enough to last through

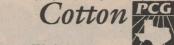
SOUTHEAST: Cool temperatures and wind evaporated all excess moisture.

Hay consumption increased, with several nights at or below freezing. Producers provided supplemental feed for cattle, with some last-minute hay baling of roughage. Winter pasture conditions declined due to lack of rainfall, and grazing became limited. The last of native pecans were being picked up, but yields were very low. Some farmers prepared for early spring planting of corn and milo.

SOUTHWEST: Cold weather helped winter vegetables and cool-season grasses, but the region remained dry. Counties north and east of San Antonio received some rain, but a large portion of the area has been completely dry since Oct. 25; the 19month period from April 2005 to Dec. 11 is the driest on record. The peanut, cabbage and spinach harvests continued.

COASTAL BEND: Some counties reported light rainfall, but soil moisture remained short. Temperatures were cool. Farmers applied fertilizer to land for 2007 crops. Forages were damaged by the cold, dry conditions. Cold weather and drought necessitated full supplemental feeding for range cattle.

SOUTH: Mild conditions with little precipitation continued throughout the region. Sugarcane, citrus and fall vegetables were harvested. Last weekend's short freeze damaged some winter vegetable crops, but most were doing well. The cold front brought some showers, which benefitted wildlife. Producers continued field work in preparation for the next crop season. Some hay was



By Shawn Wade

growing season.

basis, flat they are also keeping

2006 seed drop rates in effect for

The combination of the two

means that technology prices for

cotton planting seed sold on a

standard seed count basis will be

exactly the same as they were in

Seed purchased in nonstandard

count bags may see a difference

in technology cost per bag of

seed depending on the average

seed counts turned in to

Monsanto by the cotton seed

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Monsanto expects 2007 price

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ing seed.

the 2007 growing season.

after they receive seed size infor-A little bit of good news in the mation from seed companies that days leading up to Christmas is always welcome and that is exare not selling bagged seed on a actly what cotton producers standard seed count basis. Monsanto extends Drought across the country got from

Relief Program Monsanto following the For High Plains cotton produccompany's announcement that it was holding the line on cotton

ers the good news went even furtechnology prices for the 2007 ther with the additional announcement that Monsanto will For High Plains cotton producalso extend its Technology and Seed Drought Relief programs in ers that means 2007 technology fees, including the per acre capped cost amounts, will all be

The Drought Relief Programs offer protection for all cotton vaexactly as they were in 2006. rieties containing Monsanto traits Monsanto officials explained and seed cost protection for their that in addition to keeping tech-Stoneville and NexGen varieties. nology prices, which are established on a cost per thousand seed

The only change to the Drought Relief program from the 2006 growing season resides in the Seed Drought Relief Program for Monsanto's Stoneville and NexGen planting seed varieties. Instead of last year's 100 percent refund amount, growers who plant Stoneville or NexGen brand cotton seed will be eligible to receive a refund equal to 50 percent of the suggested retail price of the seed.

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2006 Cotton Quality Summary

The following is a summary of the cotton classed at the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Division Cotton Classing Offices for the 2006 production seaso

Office	Bales	Color	Leaf	Staple
Lamesa	66,225	21+ - 70% 31 - 28%	2.82	35.95
Lubbock	299,131	21+ - 60% 31 - 37%	3.04	35.88
	Mike	Strength	Uniformity	Bark
Lamesa	3.91	29.30	80.63	11.6%
Lubbock	3.71	29.24	80.67	22.3%

Season Totals To Date:						
Office	Bales	Color	Leaf	Staple		
Lamesa	624,165	21+-64%	2.98	36.00		
		31-31%				
Lubbock	2,297,884	21+-55%	3.13	36.18		
		31 - 40%				
	Mike	Strength	Uniformity	Bark		
Lamesa	4.04	29.17	80.70	10.5%		
Lubbock	3.82	29.71	81.10	18.0%		

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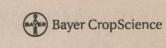
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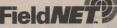
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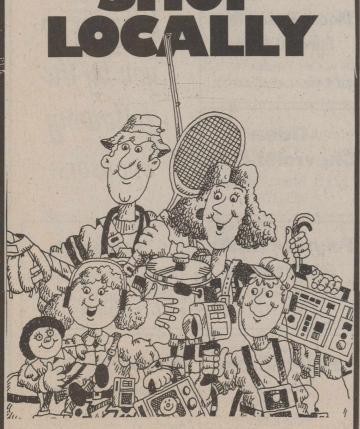
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City Council of the City of Floydada will receive sealed bids at the office of the City Secretary, 114 West Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas 79235 until 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 12, 2007 for the purpose of the following:

> One Full Size Crew Cab Pickup Truck One Full Size Extended Cab Pickup Truck One Full Size Tahoe or Excursion SUV

Instructions:

- 1. Bidding specifications for the above units may be obtained at the Floydada Police Department, 114 West Virginia Street," Floydada, Texas 79235 or by calling 806-983-2834 or by writing the City of Floydada, 114 West Virginia, Floydada, Texas 79235.
- 2. All bids shall be sealed and may be delivered or mailed to the Floydada Police Department at the above address. Please write 'Vehicle Bid" on the envelope if mailing.
- 3. Bids will be opened on Monday, January 15, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. and action will be taken on the bids on the regular meeting of the Floydada City Council on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Floydada City Hall, 114 West Virginia Street, Floydada,
- 4. The City Council of the City of Floydada reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and the right to waive formalities.

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SHERIFF SALE

The following vehicles will be sold January 8th at 10 am. Vehicles can be seen at 120 E. Missouri, Floydada, Texas.

- 1. 1997 Plym. LL VIN #2P4GP45R5VR306063
- 2. 1985 Linc. 4D VIN #1LNBP96FXFY679527
- 3. 1988 Dodg PK VIN #1B7HD14W1JS616923 4. 1997 Chevy Vn - VIN #1GBFG15R7V1027124

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date (s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FA-CILITIES CONTRACT (S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 0454-01-015 for REHABILITATION OF EXISTING ROADWAY in FLOYD County will be opened on January 9, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, b idders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from the reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 22196

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office (s)

Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin.

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bituaries



KATHRYN S. ZIMMERMAN

"Kay" Kathryn Zimmerman, 91, a longtime resident of Floydada, Texas, passed away Friday, December 22, 2006, at an Arlington hospital.

Memorial service: 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 5, 2007, at First United Methodist Church in Floydada. Private Internment: Floydada Cemetery in Floydada. Visitation: 4:00-6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 4, 2007, at Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Floydada.

Memorials: In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

Kathryn "Kay" S. Zimmerman was born November 4, 1915, in Denver, Colo., to William G. and Mary L. Saunderson. She earned a Bachelor's Degree from Stanford University, in 1937, and was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate. Kay was a member of First United Methodist Church in Floydada. She married Fred Zimmerman, Jr., on January 19, 1939, in Denver, Colo. He preceded her in death on March 5, 1980. Kay was also preceded in death by her parents, and sisters, Mary S. Lighthall and Dorothy S. Hubbell.

Survivors: Son, Fred Zimmerman, III, and his wife, Pat, of Dallas; daughter, Kit Huller and her husband, Stan, of Mansfield; grandchildren, Kim Zimmerman, of Boston, Mass., Stephanie Zimmerman, of Dallas, Jay Huller, of Waleska, Ga., and Kristi Huller, of Atlanta, Ga.; and, great-grandchildren, Kathryn Saylor Huller and Anna Elizabeth Huller, of Waleska, Ga.

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IMOGENE BAIRD

Imogene Baird, 76, of Floydada died on December 25, 2006 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, TX.

Imogene was born on January 8, 1930 in Memphis, TX. to the late Homer and Vera Ruth Smith Duke. She married Edward T. Baird in November of 1948. He preceded her in death on April 7, 1978.

She is survived by two daughters, Debra Bailey of Amarillo; Dixie Harris and husband, Franklin, of Floydada; four grandchildren, Tate Harris of Snyder, Jason Bailey of Tularosa, NM, Justin Bailey of Iowa Park, TX and Zacha Guerrero of Roaring Springs, TX; five greatgrandchildren; two brothers, Jackie Duke of Floydada and Billy Duke of Lovington, NM; two sisters, Wanda Davenport of Paoli, OK and Margie Baird of Tularosa, NM

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 27, 2006 at the funeral home chapel. Reverend Les Hall officiated. Burial was in the Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Senior Citizens, 301 E. Georgia, Floydada, Texas or the American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd Street, Lubbock, Texas 79423.

LIGHT THE CROSS **DONATIONS**

Donations to Light the Cross Fund have been made as follows: In Memory of Tom Pierce by James and Kay Cage.

Donations to the Light the Cross Fund may be deposited to the Ministerial Alliance Fund at American State Bank.

A Love Fund for Joel Trevino Family has been established at First National Bank of Floydada.



A VISIT WITH OL' MAN LISTER

By Steve McLean Email: olmanlister@gmail.com



ABOUT TIME

Ol' man Lister and I stomped the rain off of our boots as we entered the Bottomless Cup coffee shop, and as we hung our hats on the elk antler hat rack, we saw Stu Limpett sitting over in the corner booth, stirring a cold cup of coffee and staring out into the rain. Ol' man Lister headed his way while I got two clean cups for Lister and me and poured refills for the other Ponder Point patrons.

Lister sat down across from Stu and said, "Why the far away look, Stu?'

Stu sighed and said, "I'm just thinking Lister. I keep thinking about how my life is going by so fast and I've made so many mistakes. I've failed so many times I just don't know what to do anymore."

Ol' man Lister said, "Stu, do you know why God created both yesterday and today? He created yesterday to give us a place to bury our mistakes, and He created today to give us a place to live. Your only problem is that you are trying to live in yesterday and carry your mistakes around with you today. You've just got it backwards.

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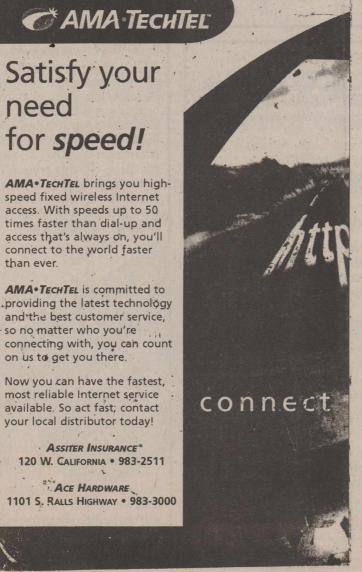
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810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Wednesday 7:30 p.m

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 Evening7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST 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 7:00 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 Worship8:30 am. Sunday School...... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10.50 a.m.

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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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NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

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Floydada Rev. David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m. Morning Praise..11:00 a.m. Evening Praise5:00 p.m. Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.

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

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Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship . 10:55 a.m.

Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Evening 7:00 p.m.

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

TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD 701 W. Missouri Rev. Ray Gonzales 983-5286 (church) 983-3047 (parsonage) Sunday School 9: 45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. EveningService 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Floydada Father Jose Relente Phone: 983-5878 Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m. Mon.Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m.

Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m. 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.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St. Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. 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.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Floydada

Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor 983-5499 or 983-2887 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH Providence Community on FM 2301 293-3009 Rev. Burnell Lund, Minister

Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.

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