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Jurors sentence Dickens County woman to 9 years

By Alice Gilroy

Floyd County Jurors were called to duty, November 12 and 13 to decide an injury to a child case out of Dickens County. In the end, the defendant, Stephanie Louis, was sentenced to 9 years.

The offense occurred in Spur however because of pre-trial publicity and other factors enough jurors could not be found to hold a trial in Dickens. So the case was moved Floyd County's District Court.

District Judge Bill Smith presided over the trial and the 110th District Attorney Becky McPherson argued the State's case. Attorney Mark Skelton argued for the defense.

After McPherson presented the evidence for the State (Louis did not testify) jurors retired for 25 minutes and came back with a guilty verdict and eventually with a sentence of 9 years of injury to a child (a 2nd degree felony) and 2 years for endangering a child (a State Jail Offense). The sentences will run concurrently. Louis will serve the lesser sentence first.

Louis, who is now 23, was 21 years old at the time of the offense.

According to the District Attorney's office, on January 20, 2006, Louis gave birth to a 7 lb., 20 inch. baby boy while sitting on a toilet at a friend's home. The

birth was in the early morning hours and other household members were asleep.

Louis had kept her pregnancy a secret and after the baby was born Louis left him head down in a toilet bowl for 1 to 2 minutes.

Louis then cut the umbilical cord, cleaned up the bathroom, placed the baby in 2 plastic bags, then a laundry bag and hid his body in a trash bag containing some of her clothes without waking anyone else.

Louis then went to bed and went to sleep.

According to McPherson, the following morning the other occupants of the house saw blood running down her leg and insisted she go to a doctor.

"She did not tell them about the baby," said McPherson.

"A friend took her to Sweetwater to see a doctor at the hospital but they were unable to find the hospital.

"While Stephanie Louis and the friend were gone the residents of the house found the baby and called law enforcement."

McPherson said the friend who took Louis to the hospital stated Louis was in a "partying mood" coming home, "even singing and laughing", until they arrived back in Spur and saw the Texas Ranger at the house, at which time she

became very upset.

"The medical examiner determined that there was air in the baby's lungs and that he was alive when he was born," said McPherson.

A fact which also weighed heavily on the jurors minds was that by the time the autopsy was completed and reviewed by several doctors, and she was indicted and arrested, Louis was pregnant again.

That baby was born while she was an inmate and CPS took immediate custody of it.

McPherson said she was pleased with the sentence of 9 years. "The jury did an excellent job with the evidence they had before them," said McPherson.

According to McPherson the Medical Examiner couldn't really tell the jury how the baby died so there could be no indictment for murder.

"However we do know her actions could have endangered the baby," said McPherson. "The Reckless Injury to a Child Indictment was returned based on the Medical Examiner's testimony."

McPherson also praised the law enforcement involved in the case. "Texas Ranger Tony Arnold, the Spur Police Department, and Dickens County Sheriff's did an excellent job investigating the case."



BURR FIRE--A long burning burr fire, northwest of Floydada, has not only brought an assault to the nasal passages of county and city residents for 2 weeks, but according to fireman Craig DuBois, it also burned some pasture belonging to Bill Hardin and out buildings and old trucks on other property. DuBois stated firemen have been called to the fire 4-5 times in the past 2 weeks and have logged 200-300 man hours. "The burrs are over a year old," said DuBois. "We finally backburned 500-600 feet to keep from being called out again, but we still had to go back Sunday night." DuBois said people will probably still be smelling the smoke for another week because "it's still churning out there."

Staff Photo

Lockney Council briefed on "Wreaths Across America"

By Judy Macha

The Lockney City Council met Thursday, November 15 and officially set a pay increase of \$100 for all city employees who had received their water and wastewater license. Council also heard a presentation about the upcoming Wreaths Across America ceremony to be held in Lockney.

Ed Marks told the council the "Wreaths Across America" ceremony would take place December 15 at the Lockney Veterans Memorial Park.

"News media will be here," said Marks. "This is a good opportunity to showcase our Memorial Park. The Park is putting some pride back in the neighborhood. We will have bands from Floydada and Lockney, a speaker, and 80 Floydada kids and 80 Lockney kids involved in

the ceremony."

Tina Graves spoke on behalf of the council, thanking Marks. "For all you have done and do with the park."

The council considered a resolution denying Atmos Energy rate increase. City Attorney Lanny Voss advised no action would be necessary as Atmos had settled with the cities involved. Atmos agreed to a 10% drop and to reimburse legal fees from last year.

The council was to consider Sgt. Casey Wallace as replacement for retiring Chief of Police Jerry Edwards. However they tabled this item of business to set another time when all council members would be present.

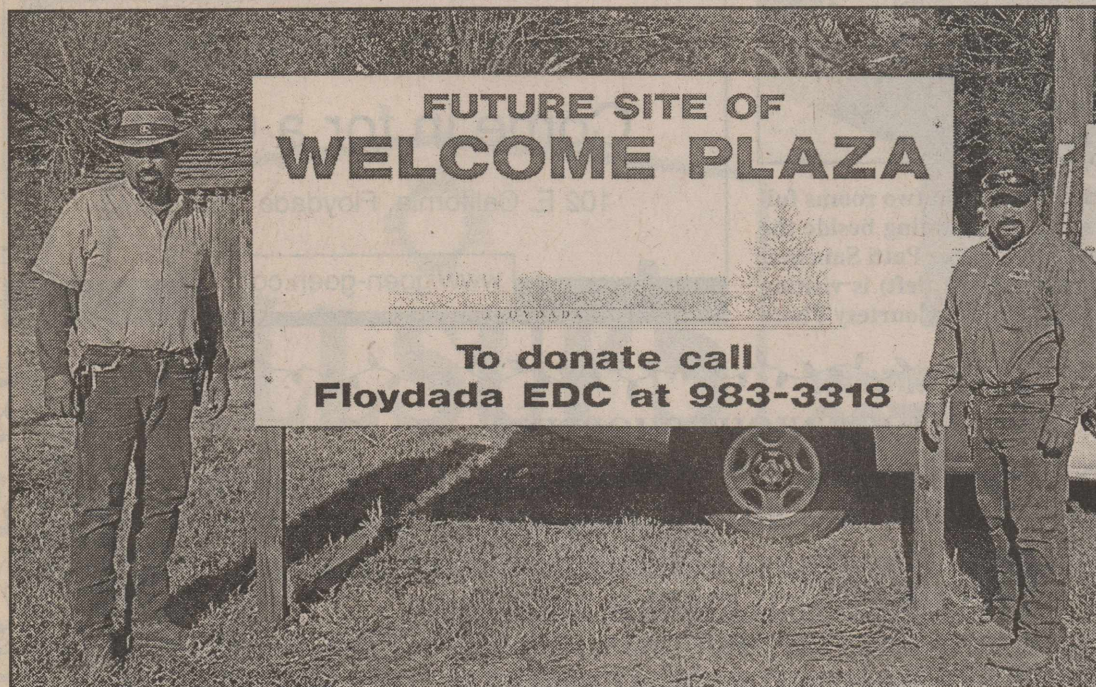
Chief of Police Jerry Edwards reported another successful Hunter's Education class com-

pleted. "We had 22 students this year, making a total of 385 who have gone through the class over the years. I plan to continue holding this class after I retire."

Job applications received for City Secretary position were discussed. A date and time was set to interview applicants.

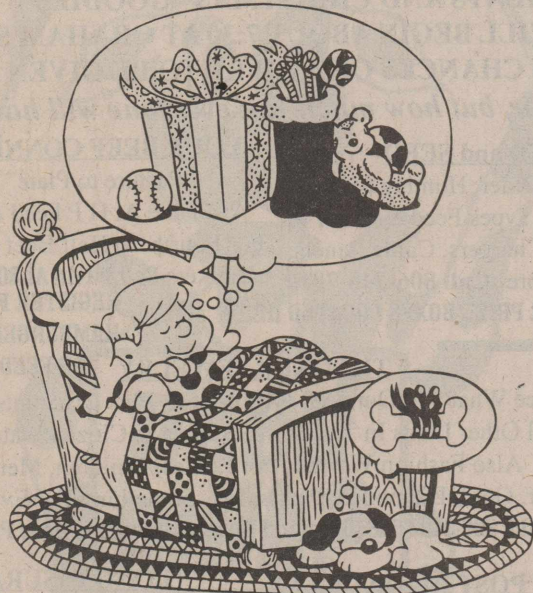
In other business the council considered and unanimously passed two variances; one for business in residential district at 100 blk. of NE 3rd and one for a fence at 313 W. Spruce to be set 15 feet behind the curb.

Kelly Prayor presented the financial report for LEDC. Income for October 2006 through September 2007 was \$34,512.01 and the total expenses were \$26,602.46 for a net income of \$7,909.55.



WELCOME TO FLOYDADA--City workers Julian Alaniz (left) and Eddie Sanchez (right) stand next to the sign erected at the "Y" which is to be the future site of the Welcome Plaza.

Staff Photo



Craig Gilly Highway will be dedicated

The Craig Gilly Memorial Highway will be dedicated, Saturday, November 24, at 10:00 p.m. The ceremony will be brief, but organizers are hopeful that guests will try to make it colorful.

"Craig was known for his Hawaiian Shirts," said Clar Schacht. "So, we are hoping if you have a Hawaiian Shirt you'll wear it to the dedication."

The ceremony will take place at Hwy. 207 and FM 689.

Both Lockney and Floydada Chambers will sponsor their special downtown Christmas events on December 13th.

The deadline for children's Santa letters is December 6th. All letters must be at the Lockney & Floydada office by the end of the day, December 6th.

If your child's class does not do Santa letters you can bring the letter to the newspaper and we will make sure Santa receives them.



CHAMBER STORE--Floydada Chamber Manager Patti Sanchez stands in the middle of the very colorful gift shop at the Chamber of Commerce office. The Chamber of Commerce went from a very small cramped room to a large space with several offices and a large entrance that now houses a waiting room and a gift shop full of a variety of Floydada memorabilia.

Staff Photo

A "Cowboy Christmas" is Dec. 13th on the Floydada Square

This year's theme for the Floydada Chamber of Commerce annual Christmas festival will be "Cowboy Christmas".

Cowboy Christmas will be Thursday, December 13, 2007 and will kick off with a parade at 5:30 p.m., followed by the lighting of the tree and more.

Anyone interested in signing up to be in the parade, please call Patti at the Chamber office, at 983-3434 to register. Monetary prizes will be given away for the parade's best entries. First place will win \$100, 2nd place will win \$50, and 3rd place will win

\$25.00.

The deadline to register for the parade is December 10.

Anyone interested in being a vendor, please call the Chamber office for information and an application. Applications are due December 7. Spaces are available.

Businesses that will be open, please call the Chamber office to list your business hours for that night.

For more information call the Chamber Manager, Patti Sanchez, at 983-3434.

Lockney's "Old Fashioned Christmas" is Dec. 13th

Lockney's "Old Fashion Christmas" will be held on December 13 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

All activity, including Santa's visit, will take place inside the "Old Theatre."

The program will start at 6:00 p.m. with "The Christmas Story" read by Rev. Brian Adams.

A dance group will perform a "Christmas Special", and elementary school kids will sing Christmas songs.

At 7:00 p.m. Santa Claus will arrive on a "hay wagon" and pic-

tures will be taken this year inside the "Old Theatre" from 7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m. the award winning "Lockney Longhorn Band" will perform Christmas music on stage.

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce will be selling tickets that night for anyone wishing to ride on the hay wagon for 25 cents. The chamber will also be selling hot chocolate and popcorn for 25 cents each.

Stores will be open late for holiday shoppers.

A view from

The Lamplighter



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Roaming around the world in whatever time it takes.

Each day we read newspapers from all around the world. Obviously, this involves the internet. Sometimes, we comment on what we have read, but not often. Our usual schedule is 1st, the Israeli papers, simply because what happens there will happen here as soon as the authorities in the White House and in Congress get their marching orders. Then, as a usual rule, it's the papers in Hong Kong, Taipei, Manila, Singapore, London, Tokyo and Moscow. Sometimes, there are others thrown in the mix, maybe even Sidney or New York, or Houston or Dallas.

(It's gotta be a slow day before we check in with New York, simply because the local paper usually carries all the stories--the anti-Bush ones that Associated Press has not already carried--that would normally appear in the NY Times first.)

One has to be somewhat careful, though. The other day we saw a story in the Manila Times, dated on a Sunday, dealing with the death of the idiot hero Norman Mailer. We had not seen the story anywhere else, and, knowing the importance the world attached to the name Norman Mailer, wondered why. Sure enough, next day it ap-

peared in the Austin paper as front page news.

All of which brings up another time, another place. We went through an entire war thinking World War Two started when the

Japanese bombed America's naval base in Hawaii on December 8, 1941. Then, after Corregidor and several years in several Japanese POW camps, we find out that it all happened on the 7th, not the 8th. What was Sunday morning at daylight in Pearl Harbor was early Monday morning where we were. When the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor Sunday morning, it was already Monday morning in the Philippines. So perhaps America's media can be excused in this instance.

I must confess, though, that long ago I began to become disillusioned with America's daily press. And one would have to include t.v. in that mix. My own problem is that I have a long memory, and I remember very vividly when television first be-

came a part of America's way of life. We used to have a good friend, Margaret Meyers, who worked for many years as a Capitol reporter for the old Dallas

Times Herald. She was a very good reporter, competing with the group from the Dallas Morn-

ing News that included Allan Duckworth, Dawson Duncan, Richard Morehead, and occasionally Jimmy Banks, and beating them on many stories. Margaret's name was well known in both Austin and Dallas.

Then television came along. (Yes, gentle reader, we had a television station even in those days, courtesy of Lyndon B. Johnson, who just happened to be the Democratic Majority Leader and

in position to make sure that no one else qualified for a t.v. station in Austin, and no one did, thanks to Lyndon and Lady Bird.) Margaret had made her mark, not only as a good reporter, but as something of a spokesperson for women's rights, whatever those rights are. So they (Austin's only t.v. channel) had her on one of those panels discussing that particular matter. Anyhow, she told me later that when she got home, the phone was ringing, and it kept ringing. Very few people, she said, commented on what she had said. Most just wanted her to know, "I saw you on television." Even then, it became apparent that what was said on television was of less importance than merely showing up. That was the important thing, just appearing.

One can only hope that we, in the weekly newspaper business, command the same brand of loyalty. Our readership demands that we cover, thoroughly, certain kinds of stories. So you will note that we try to cover all those things going on in our rural areas. We try to cover sports thoroughly, as we do the agricultural situation. We admit, right off, that we do not do as good a job on any of those situations as we would like, but we think we do a

better job than many of our contemporaries in the daily media. And, after all, we have limited resources. We remember once, apropos of nothing, when we became owner of the Hesperian many years ago, we went by his office to see Kinder Farris, the principal stockholder at that time in the First National Bank. Kinder was very kind, unlike what a banker is supposed to be, when we were outlining our problems. As I remember things, we were discussing the situation over at the sheriff's office (at that time). He was urging us to "get off Fred's back," referring to the then Sheriff Fred Cardinal. I didn't think we were "on his back." Then he said, off-handed, "I read two newspapers: The Wall Street Journal and the Floyd County Hesperian. That's all I figure I ever need. One of them keeps me informed about what's going on nationally, the other keeps me informed about what's going on in this community." I did not spend much more time, thereafter, worrying about what he thought about our publication.

I know there are a lot of people in this County other than the banker. There are thousands of people out there who only get close to a banker when they want to borrow money. We report everything that is happening to them, just as we do about everyone else in this county. Sometimes we report it even if somebody don't want it reported. It must be working, because people keep reading the paper.

Anyhow, we will keep reading the world's news, just as we try to keep up with what's going on locally. That's what is important to local people, and all news, in the final analysis, is local.

Holiday Health Fair is Dec. 1st

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital's annual "Holiday Health Fair" will be held on Saturday, December 1, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria.

Your admission to the Health Fair will be a donation of a canned good or a new toy to be donated to the Salvation Army Christmas Cheer Program.

There will be over 30 booths providing glaucoma checks, cholesterol screens, blood sugar and blood pressure checks and you can consult with a hearing specialist. Also, United Blood Institute will be holding a blood drive.

Again this year at the Health Fair will be "Project KidCare" a children's identification project that provides a picture and current information about your child in a handy vinyl pocket. This is part of a national effort to provide parents with personal safety id's of their children in the event of an emergency. KidCare is being offered as a free public service to families in the area. If your child attended last year, bring your packet to be updated. If you didn't attend last year, a new packet will be issued.

Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will be at Cogdell Clinic Lockney on Friday, December 21 to hold the annual mammography clinic. If you would like to make an appointment for a mammogram, you may do so by calling 1-800-377-4673.

The "Holiday Health Fair" will have booths manned by various local and area organizations plus children's activities booths. Local and area merchants will provide door prizes, and a healthy lunch will be available.

This event is designed to be informative and fun for the entire family. Mangold Memorial Hospital invites everyone to attend.

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CHAMBER OPEN HOUSE--The Floydada Chamber of Commerce had tables in two rooms full of food and desserts for guests to their Open House, Friday, November 19. Standing beside the colorful Cowboy Christmas Tree are: (l-r) Olga Enriquez and Chamber Manager Patti Sanchez. Commissioner Lennie Gilroy is checking out the food and Sheriff Paul Raissez (left) is visiting with Commissioner Jon Jones (foreground). Courtesy Photo

Courtroom Activities

In County Court, November 13, 2007, Pedro Luna Hernandez, 27, of Lockney, was charged with Resisting Arrest. There was no disposition on this case.

Palo Duro Basin Oil & Gas Update

By Tom Musser

Floyd County: On Saturday November 17, 2007 the Apollo Energy Operating Company, LP, W.D. Miller Lease Well #2 horizontal drilling permit expired without being drilled. The surface location for the W.D. Miller #2 was built in November 2005 and was located 660 feet from the South Line and 660 feet from the West Line of Section 24 Block 1, AB&M Survey, 4 miles Northeast of Floydada. The terminus location of the horizontal section was to be 2750 feet from the South line and 2820 feet from the West Line of Section 24. This would have placed the terminus location of the W.D. Miller #2 2857 feet Southeast of the location of the Apollo Energy Operating Company, LP, W.D. Miller Lease Well #1.

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CABLER PRESENTED WITH FLAG--The Lockney Veterans Association presented Ryker Cabler with a retired Army flag recently. Shown here are: (l-r) Bill Weir, Jan Cabler, Susan Cabler, Ryker Cabler, Ray Cabler, John Cabler, Norma Ragland, and Ed Marks. Ryker is the son of Jan and John Cabler, of Lockney. Courtesy Photo

Floydada Rehab holds Birthday Party

By Joyce Williams
Residents of the Floydada Care Center gathered in the dining room for the monthly birthday party a day earlier than scheduled, Wednesday, November 14 at 3:30 p.m. The party date was moved up to accommodate the Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday.

Birthday honorees included Jimmy Grubbs (Nov. 1) and Louise Perryman (Nov. 22). Mrs. Carrie Davis and Jay Royce Bradshaw of the City Park Church of Christ provided gift bags for the honorees. Mrs. Doris Snodgrass created individual birthday cards for each honored resident and employee, including Jana Whatley, Susie Rodriguez, Dora Luna, Cindy DeBois, Yolanda de La Garza, Jessie Flores and Mary Borjas. Cathy's Floral gave Mrs. Perryman a lovely corsage of red

Floyd Data - Myria Dade had family for her Thanksgiving dinner, which included Ray and Marilyn Holcomb. Shirley Kirkland was Myria's guest.

and gold lilies and a red carnation boutonniere to Mr. Grubbs. After the birthday song and picture taking, Mrs. Sylvia Luna read a poem, "God Loves Me Still," reminding us that even though we may be ordinary, even old, or broke, that God still loves us.

One visitor, Mrs. Hope Martin, attended the party with her mother, Mrs. Miriam Wright. Visitors are always welcome.

Refreshments of cupcakes baked in ice cream cones and pink fruit punch were served to all.

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Please make reservations by Noon, Friday, December 7, by calling the church office.
Different program and meal for 3rd. grade and under includes a gift.



BUSINESS OF THE MONTH honors were given to Dollar General by Chamber of Commerce. Pictured are (left to right) Sarah Martinez and manager, Cindy Ibarra. Employees not pictured are Shirley Jarrett, Pauline Cooper, Renea Weeks, Silvia McDougal, Marivel Esquivel, Melissa Delacerda, and Caroline Gomez. Staff Photo

Breast Cancer Screening and Mammography at W.J. Mangold

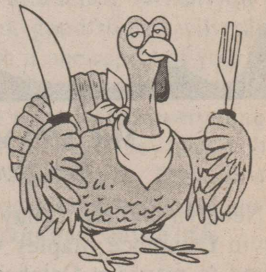
The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening and Mammography Clinic at W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital/Cogdell Clinic, located at 320 N. Main Street, in Lockney on December 21, 2007.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early

detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

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Galay and Staples exchange vows



MR. AND MRS. KEVIN STAPLES
Nee Nenelyn Galicha Galay

Nenelyn Galicha Galay and Kevin Lawrence Staples were united in marriage October 20, 2007. Reverend Shaun Rabb officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Lyly and the late Francisco Galay of Alcontra, Rombion in the Philippines.

The groom is the son of Howard and Annelda Staples of South Plains, Texas. He is the grandson of the late Harold and Mildred Hamm and the late Harry and Carrie Staples of Shapleigh, Maine.

The bride was given in mar-

riage by the groom's father respectfully on behalf of her mother.

The bride wore an exclusive gown with a sweetheart neckline. Her gown was an A-line silhouette with a beaded bodice and details continuing on down the dress. Her train was chapel length and was adorned with a beaded pattern. She carried a bouquet of white roses with a touch of pink around the edges.

She carried on the tradition of something old which was a handkerchief given to her from the groom's mother. Something new

was her necklace, earrings and bracelet, given to her by the groom's family. Something borrowed was her veil from her friend Jane Daniels. Something blue was her garter.

Leading the processional was the flower girl, Baylee Staples, the groom's niece.

Matron of honor was Jane Daniels and bridesmaids were Flora Fawcett and Ann Mills, all friends of the bride.

Each attendant wore a full length antique rose gown and carried a pink rose.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a white vest and a white rose in his lapel.

Best man was Bill Staples, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Brandon Daniels and Robert Eckert, friends of the groom.

Groom's attendants wore black tuxedos with antique rose vests and each had a rose in his lapel.

After lighting the unity candle, the couple's song, "So It's You" was sang by Christian Baustisa. Baylee Staples, the groom's niece, sang "Love Is A Cross."

After the couple exchanged marriage vows, they were honored by a poem recited by the groom's sister, Stacey Staples entitled "United Hearts."

The couple was presented to family, friends and guests, then exited to the song "Believe It or Not."

Following the ceremony, a reception was given in honor of the couple. The attendants were Stacey Staples, the groom's sister, Arlaine Berkes, the groom's aunt and April Berkes, the groom's cousin.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's family.

After their honeymoon in Las Vegas, Nevada, they are now at home in Fort Worth, Texas.

SOCIETY

1950 Study Club News

By Billie Jordan

On Tuesday evening, November 6, 2007, the 1950 Study Club met at the Floyd County Historical Museum. The program's guest speaker, Michael Runningwolf, was introduced by Sandy Forehand.

He told about the many places he had lived and how he came to Floydada two and one-half years ago. He is proud of his Indian ancestry and shared history of his and other tribe's contributions toward the development of our multi racial country.

Dressed in Indian clothing and playing his flute like instrument, he presented a most interesting program for the club members. Following the program, hostesses Sue Daniels and Sue Lovell served refreshments.

The president, Margaret Jones, began the business meeting. Roll call and minutes of the last meeting were read by Jane McCulley, secretary. Sue Daniels gave the treasurer's report.

The annual Christmas Greeting Page published in the Christmas edition of the Floyd County Hesperian is our fund raiser for the club projects. Co-chairmen this year are Fern Hartsell and Nancy Lawson. Each member received a list of names to contact.

The \$5.00 donation pays for the Greeting Page and the club's donations to the Floydada Senior Citizens, the Floydada Re-Hab and Care Center, the scholarship for a student to attend the Hugh O'Brian Seminar, honor the senior girls from Girlstown and other projects. The club sincerely appreciates all of the participants in this fund raiser.

Members attending were Joy Assiter, Carlyn Crawford, Sue Daniels, Geneile Evans, Sandy Forehand, Fern Hartsell, Margaret Jones, Nancy Lawson, Sue Lovell, Jane McCulley, Doris McLain, Lovene Moore, Shirley Morton and Mary Quattlebaum.



JACK AND DORIS DICKSON of Burleson, Texas celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on October 27, 2007. A celebration in their honor was hosted by their children and grandchildren at Crestmont Baptist Church in Burleson. The couple have two children, Cherry Nixon and her husband Dwain Nixon of Burleson and Tracy Dickson and his wife Angie of Burleson. They have five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1934 Study Club News

By Wilma Gowens

The 1934 Study Club met Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Wilma Gowens. The meeting was called to order by President, Diana Glover. Diana Glover led in prayer. Betsy Dempsey read the minutes and called the roll which was answered with "Thankful Things."

A very interesting program was given by Glenda Livingston on the lives of "First Ladies to our Presidents from Texas."

Members present were: Faye

Bertrand, Wilma Colston, Betsy Dempsey, Diana Glover, Wilma Gowens, Emagene Haenisch, Jo Lyles, Wanda Turner, Marie Warren, Ila White, Margarette Word. Those unable to attend were Willie Mae Ferguson, Nell McClung and Flora McNeill.

Our next meeting will be December 11, 2007 in the home of Faye Bertrand. We wish to all a Happy Thanksgiving and hope for each member to be able to be in attendance.

Floydada Senior Citizen Menu

- Monday-BBQ chicken, broccoli, potato salad, bread and pickles, cinnamon applesauce
- Tuesday-Lemon chicken, red beans, zucchini, cornbread, lemon pudding
- Wednesday-Polish sausage, steamed cabbage, roll, blonde brownies
- Thursday-Sheppard's pie, tossed salad, roll, banana pudding

Lockney Senior Citizen Menu

- Mon: Soup and cornbread
- Tues: Chicken strips
- Wed: Chicken fried steak
- Thrs: Kings Ranch chicken
- Fri: Fish

Buffalo Grass Chapter NSDAR

By Sherry Colston

The Buffalo Grass Chapter of the NSDAR met on Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. for our monthly meeting at the Lockney Branch Library in Lockney, Texas.

Presiding Regent, Debra McCarty, opened the meeting in ritualistic order. The program was introduced by Debra McCarty. Lou Burleson, who is a history storyteller, gave her remembering the past with her story of Rosie the Riveter, the women who stepped forward to replace the men in the factories while the men went off to the war (World War II). Rosie encounters prejudice and harassment during this time in American history.

Following the refreshments hosted by Violet Cooper and Carolyn Cunningham, the business meeting continued with Lovey Nance reading the Presidents General's message about the new projects for the year.

Pricilla Minter read the National Defense Report - a letter to the editor about 911 - Where were you?

Violet Cooper reminded us that November 11th is Veterans Day and to fly your flag. The Constitution sidelight was given by Sherry Colston on the importance of popular sovereignty - one of the basic principles of the Constitution. Dana McCarty read the Cheyenne Legend of the Buffalo hunt as the Indian Highlight.

Sherry Colston read the min-

utes of the previous meeting and they were approved as read. Susan Dunavant gave the treasurer's report of \$996.12. She reported that 16 of 24 members had paid their dues.

Under unfinished business, Margaret Berry made the motion that it is the responsibility of the hostesses to arrange for the meeting place and secure the keys if need. Dorothy Hodges seconded the motion and the motion carried. The money making project to help the DAR Schools was tabled until Margaret Berry could get more information.

Margaret Berry presented the idea that we can send manufacturers coupons to a coordinator for military families overseas to be used at the PX's and BX's to help the cost of good and food. These bases are in England, Germany, Turkey or anywhere there are families with the military. June Sherman moved that we participate in the coupon project. Pricilla Minter seconded and the motion carried. So bring the coupons next meeting.

Nancy Marble reported that we still did not have a meeting place for our Christmas meeting but will secure one by the November meeting. Debra McCarty, regent, reminded us of the genealogical workshop at the Southwest Collection at Texas Tech on Saturday, October 27, from 9 am - 1 pm.

Regent, Debra McCarty, thanked the hostesses Carolyn

Cunningham and Violet Cooper for delicious refreshments.

Those present were Violet Cooper, Margaret Berry, June Sherman, Susan Dunavant, Nancy Marble, Lovey Nance, Pricilla Minter, Debra McCarty, Dana McCarty, Dorothy Hodges, Carolyn Cunningham and Sherry Colston. Friends of the DAR present were Clementine Carthel, Lou Burleson, Maria Brown and Laura Turner.

Our next meeting will be November 27, 2007 at the Floyd County Historical Museum with Sherry Colston and Dana McCarty as hostesses. Our program will be given by Michael RunningWolf on the Micmac Heritage. We welcome all DAR members and those who would like to join us in preserving the American Heritage.



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DUNCAN EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS OF THE WEEK--(Back, l-r) Educators Phyllis Smith and Sammy Bradley; (front, l-r) Students Logan Everett, Alex Glass, Bethany Morales, Rosary Perez, Jaqueline Pancardo, Kylie Stovall, and Yareli Pecina.

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Lockney High School "A" & "A-B" Honor Rolls

LISD has released its Semester 1 Cycle 2 "A" and "AB" honor rolls.

"A" honor roll is as follows:

Twelfth grade-Bryan Cooper, Desirree DeLeon, Leah Ford, Senee Foster, Criselda Jimenez, Courtlyn Long, Ashley McCulloch, Zachary Montandon, Tanner Morris, Lauren Stewart, Ernest Vasquez

Eleventh grade-Patrick Doucette, Kyler Ellison, Seagyle Foster, Daryn McCarter, Brendi Morales, Estella Rodriguez

Tenth grade-Lezlie Jackson, Tessa Saul, Anna Sherman, Jathan Williams

Ninth grade-Molly Cazares, Judith Mangum

"AB" honor roll is as follows:

Twelfth grade-Nolan Armstrong, Sofia Ascencio, Alston Becker, Mario Camacho,

Asa Cole, Laura Fulton, Emily Guerrero, Jimmy Hrbacek, Kimberly Jimenez, Paul Lopez, Garrison Marricle, Ashley Raissez, Lorenzo Salazar, Jonathan Suarez, Stephana Villarreal

Eleventh grade-Heather Brock, Jonathan Coleman, Adrian Cortez, Raul Cruz, Jonathan Grant, Lucas Hall, Brett Johnson, James Mercado, Timothy Padilla, Emily Prayor, Caleb Schumacher, Tori Wilburn

Tenth grade-Angel Cortez, Alisha Damron, Destinee DeLeon, Konner Ellison, Dillon English, Anthony Hernandez, Malory Johnson, Walker Kemp, Billy Lee, Josue Silva, Bethany Wilson

Ninth grade-Devin Caballero, Maria Castorena, Sabrina Guerrero, Shialo Huerta, Kami Hunt, Haven King, Antonia Morales, Robbie Reyes, Isabel Solis, Juanita Villarreal



LINDSEY BROWN

Brown named Captain

Lindsey Brown, granddaughter of Curtis and Iya Sanders, was named Captain of the award-winning Flower Mound Rosettes.

Lindsey leads the Rosettes, a precision dance team of 60 girls that perform various styles of dance at community and school functions. Lindsey was recognized this past summer as Miss High Kick among 700 girls attending Starmaker Camp. Lindsey will lead the team through next year as they end their year with a performance at the State Capitol.

Lindsey has danced with the Rosettes for four years where she has been recognized on the Elite Jazz, Kick, Tap, and Lyrical teams. Lindsey will graduate in May of 2008.

She is the daughter of Shawnda (Sanders) Brown.



Dietrich completes student teaching assignment

Jalee Dietrich of Lockney, an elementary education major at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, is completing her student teaching assignment this fall.

She has been assigned to a third grade class at Perry Elementary School in Perry, Oklahoma, and is working with cooperating teacher Teresa Jones.

Dietrich is the daughter of Michael and Jo Beth Dietrich of Lockney and is a graduate of Lockney High School.

A total of 118 students have received teaching assignments this semester in Oklahoma, Texas, Costa Rica and England.

Lockney School Menu

November 26-November 30

Monday

Breakfast-Pancakes or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Burrito or corndog, corn, baby carrots, fruit, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast-Biscuit and gravy or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Steak fingers or chicken patty, potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Eggs and sausage or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Chicken quesadillas or ham, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk

Thursday

Breakfast-Mini corndogs or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza or tuna sandwich, salad, fruit, milk

Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch-Hamburger or grilled cheese, fries, salad, fruit, milk

Thanks for reading the Hesperian-Beacon

Lady Winds open season with win over Roosevelt

By Coach Styles

The Floydada Lady Winds opened up the 2007-2008 basketball season with a 45-20 win over Lubbock Roosevelt on Tuesday, Nov. 6th. Leading the way for the Lady Winds was Whitley Beedy with 9 points, Megan Aleman-8, Lexie Terrell-8, Jennifer Leatherman-6, Whitley Walker-6, Blanca Suarez-3, Tara Hughes-3, Brianna Weeks-2, and Morgan Norrell-1.

Jennifer Leatherman led all rebounders with 5. Megan Aleman had 4. Leading the Lady Winds on defense was Whitley Walker with 8 deflections, Laken Reedy had 5, Blanca Suarez had 5, and Megan Aleman also had 5. The Lady Winds suffocating defense allowed the Lady Eagles only 20 points. The Lady Winds force Roosevelt into 26 turnovers.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Floydada	13	15	9	8	45
Roosevelt	4	4	4	8	20

On Saturday, Floydada travelled to Springlake-Earth. The Lady Winds jumped on the Lady Wolverines early and never looked back. Leading the Lady Winds in rebounding was Jennifer Leatherman with 8 boards. Brianna Weeks had 7, and Lexie Terrell had 6. The Lady Winds were led on defense by Whitley Walker and Lexie Terrell with 3 steals.

Scoring for the Lady Winds was Jennifer Leatherman-11, Megan Aleman-9, Brianna Weeks-8, Blanca Suarez-8, Whitley Walker-8, Lexie Terrell-6, Tara Hughes-5, Whitley Beedy-4, Morgan Norrell-3, and Laken Reedy-2.

Lady Winds JV Basketball Report

Yannis - 7 points; Breann Gooch - 6 points; Crystal Martinez - 6 points; Yelitza Serrato - 6 points; Lexi Covington - 2 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Angela Wiley - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS
Lady Winds JV - 15-9-8-16-48
Springlake-Earth- 9-8-7-7-31

The Lady Winds JV basketball team played host to the Olton JV team on November 13, 2007. The Lady Winds won big by a score of 44-10.

Scoring results are as follows: Leslie Alvarado - 8 points; Angela Wiley - 7 points; Brityn Helms - 6 points; Crystal Alvarez - 4 points; Lexi Covington - 4 points; Crystal Martinez - 4 points; Yelitza Serrato - 4 points; Crystal Yannis - Yannis - 3 points; Breann Gooch - 2 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points.

Season Record: 3-0
SCORE BY QUARTERS
Lady Winds JV - 10-17-6-11-44
Olton JV - 1-1-4-4-10

The Floydada defense was responsible in making the Lady Wolverines turn the ball over 33 times. This led to some easy baskets. The Lady Winds are flying all over the court for loose balls and fast break opportunities. The Lady Winds are 2-0 on the season

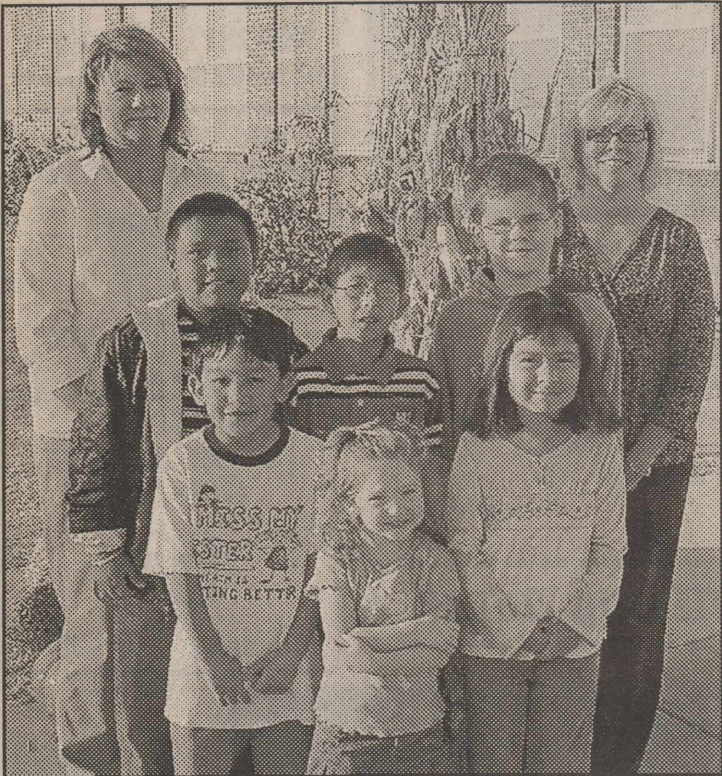
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Floydada	11	23	19	8	61
Springlake-10	8	10	20	48	

Tuesday-Nov. 13th the Fillices from Olton trotted in to Whirlwind Gymnasium. It seemed like someone had put a lid on the Lady Winds goal. The ball seemed like it had a mind of its own. That did not prevent the Lady Winds pressure defense from forcing Olton into 26 turnovers. Olton worked the ball quickly and forced Floydada's defense into working very hard.

The Lady Winds never stopped hustling. When your shooting is below the norm, defense is where you can make up the difference. When you play hard, good things will happen even if one aspect of your game is not on. I am so proud the way this team leaves everything out on the court. They play with tremendous heart. They are a fun group to coach. Come out and support the Lady Winds.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Floydada	9	17	17	10	53
Olton	2	13	12	8	35

Our next scheduled games are Tues. Nov. 20 at home against Slaton and Sat. Nov. 24 at Levelland. We are trying to get a game for Friday, Nov. 16th but have not found one yet.



DUNCAN EDUCATORS AND STUDENTS OF THE WEEK--(l-r, back) Rebecca Sistrunk and Laura Nutt; Students of the Week are (l-r) Marcos Olvera, Marcos Cervera, Bryce Day, Jacob Chavarria, Kendal Hughes, and Margarita Deleon. Courtesy Photo

Floydada School Menu

November 26-November 30

Monday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, toast & jelly, or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Pizza, seasoned corn, tossed salad, sliced peaches, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast-Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots w/Ranch, fresh fruit cup, Texas toast, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancake and sausage on a stick or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Oven crispy chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, fancy gelatin, milk

Thursday

Breakfast-English muffin with egg, cheese, sausage or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch-Nachos grande, lettuce and tomato, orange smiles, cornbread, milk

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Lunch-Corndog, oven fried potatoes, fresh broccoli w/Ranch, sparkly apple, crispy cereal treat, milk

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By Shawn Wade

At the conclusion of two weeks of procedural posturing and finger-pointing, the United States Senate, in its closing moments before recessing for a scheduled Thanksgiving break, failed to muster the 60 votes needed to approve a cloture motion put forth by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV). If successful the cloture vote would have limited debate on H.R. 2419, better known as the 2007 Farm Bill, and set the stage for its final consideration.

A final tally of the votes shows the cloture motion received 55 Yea votes, just 5 short of the 60 needed to be approved, and 42 Nay votes largely divided along party lines. Senators Norm Coleman of Minnesota, Chuck Grassley of Iowa, John Thune of South Dakota and Gordon Smith of Oregon were the only Republican Senators voting for the measure.

Texas Senator John Cornyn did not cast a vote on the measure, while Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison recorded her vote against the cloture motion.

Had the motion passed and cloture invoked the Senate would have been poised to immediately take up the measure and proceed to a final vote no more than 30 legislative hours after the passage of the cloture motion.

As it stands, the status of H.R. 2419 is unchanged and the fate of the legislation, which ironically is something both sides would prefer was passed before the end of the year, will hinge on the willingness of Democrat and Republican leaders to agree on a process both sides can live with upon their return. Otherwise, the only option will be to take another shot at invoking cloture and thereby force the debate to move forward under expedited rules.

Farm bill advocates concerned about this latest set-back should remember that delays in the Senate are nothing new, especially with major legislation like the farm bill, and should not be seen as a sign that the process is dead in the water. Instead, it is wise to remember that protracted Senate farm bill debates are more the norm than the exception.

This was certainly the case in late 2001 when it appeared the Senate was set to pass a new 2001 farm bill, only to have an apparent deal blow up at the last minute. Ultimately, U.S. agriculture ended up with a good 2002 Farm Bill, but not until May of that year.

Circumstances are slightly different this year, since the five-year 2002 farm bill has now technically expired. This is one of the primary reasons why there is almost universal agreement that the best course of action is for the Senate to keep working diligently to move the process forward.

Even opponents of the Senate bill agree that it is preferable that

work on the legislation continues and that a new, five-year bill be passed as quickly as possible. It seems that although a one-year extension of the 2002 farm bill could come into play, it should be viewed as clearly being the option of last resort.

Feedback from inside the Washington Beltway indicates that principles involved in the Senate process are still upbeat and believe that the process will not only move forward when they return after Thanksgiving, but that the bill has a good chance of getting finished before Christmas.

Although they share the belief that the best possible course is to pass and approve a new farm bill as quickly as possible, West Texas Representatives Mac Thornberry, Randy Neugebauer and Mike Conaway, have signed on as co-sponsors of a bill to extend the provisions of the 2002 Farm bill for one year.

They explain that should the Senate fail to get their bill completed, this measure could be used to extend the current farm safety net through the 2008 growing season. The extension bill was introduced by the House Agriculture Committee's ranking Member Bob Goodlatte (R-VA) and would extend current law through September 30, 2008.

Farm bill supporters are encouraged to keep communicating the importance of passing this legislation to their Senators even though they aren't in Washington. It is important that they continue to be impressed with the importance of getting this legislation completed as quickly as possible upon their return.

HAC Chairman Collin Peterson to address 7th Annual Texas Commodity Symposium
House Agriculture Committee Chairman Collin C. Peterson (D-Minnesota) has agreed to address the 7th Annual Texas Commodity Symposium on November 28.

The symposium will be held in conjunction with the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show in the Grand Plaza Room at the Amarillo Civic Center. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the Symposium will begin at 9:00 a.m. The symposium is free to all and will conclude with a catered lunch at noon.

The Texas Commodity Symposium is hosted by Corn Producers Association of Texas (CPAT), Texas Grain Sorghum Association (TGSA), Texas Wheat Producers Association (TWPA), Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. (PCG) and the Texas Peanut Producers Board (TPPB).

Due to a tight travel schedule

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Lamesa	288,729	21+	2.16	36.00
Lubbock	943,286	21+	2.38	35.84
Mike Strength Uniformity Bark				
Lamesa	4.23	29.56	80.89	3.5%
Lubbock	4.12	29.51	80.65	1.7%

during the Thanksgiving break, Chairman Peterson has agreed to join the meeting via telephone at 11:00 a.m. CDT and present Symposium participants his thoughts on the 2007 Farm Bill process and his expectations when Congress returns to work on December 3.

In addition to Chairman Peterson, other featured speakers include Texas Department of Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples, former Congressman and House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest, and Bryce Anderson, agricultural meteorologist and market analyst with the Data Transmission Network (DTN).

Also addressing the Symposium will be Don Gohmert, State Conservationist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and John Fuston, State Executive Director for the Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA), who will be giving important program updates. Chris Albracht, Morning Show Host and Program Director for KGNC Radio, will serve as the Master of Ceremonies for the event.

All producers are encouraged to register early for a chance to win special door prizes. For more information please contact Rachel Myers, Vice President and Director of Producer and Legislative Affairs for the Texas Wheat Producers at (806) 352-2191 or email (rmyers@texaswheat.org).

2007 harvest proceeding at rapid pace

High Plains cotton producers completed another busy week of harvest and appear to be on pace to have as much as three-quarters of the area's 3.02 million cotton acres off the stalk by Thanksgiving.

Reports of rapid progress and excellent yields continued unabated throughout the week and are lending plenty of credence to the latest USDA production estimate of 5.3 million bales for the region.

Quality also continues to be another eye-catching characteristic of the 2007 crop. Reports from the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Division Classing offices indicates cotton ginned this past week is grading slightly better in some categories compared to the previous week and has pushed season average quality measurements for the crop up ever so slightly.

The following is a summary of the cotton classed at the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Division Cotton Classing Offices for the 2007 production season.

Neugebauer proposes farm bill extension

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer (TX-19) joined two of his West Texas colleagues, Congressman Mac Thornberry (TX-13) and Congressman K. Michael Conaway (TX-11), on November 15, to introduce legislation extending the 2002 Farm Bill for an additional year.

Portions of the 2002 Farm Bill began to expire on September 30, 2007, leaving agriculture producers without any guidelines to plan for next year's crop. Congressmen Neugebauer, Thornberry and Conaway support a one-year extension in order to allow sufficient time for the Senate to pass a Farm Bill and for the House and Senate to work out differences between their bills.

Following a telephone press conference, Congressmen Neugebauer, Thornberry and Conaway issued the following statements:

"My preference, and the preference farmers and ranchers have conveyed to me, is that a five-year Farm Bill provides the most certainty for the planning decisions they have to make," said Neugebauer.

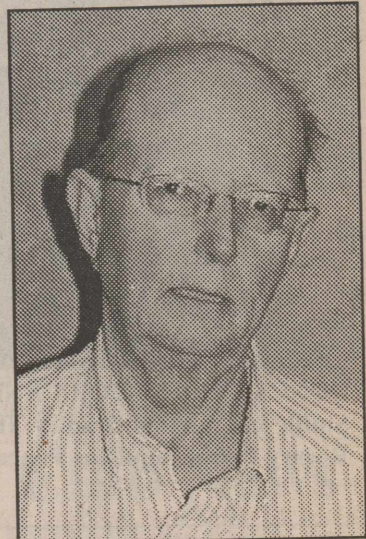
"However, the Senate is running out of time to complete a bill this year, much less work out differences with the House on our bill. This one-year extension provides the time Congress needs to work out a good five-year Farm Bill that can be signed into law as soon as it is completed. We shouldn't leave farmers guessing what farm policy will be or how long it will take to get it done.

We need a Farm Bill that protects and promotes American agriculture and assists the dedicated farmers who work diligently to bring their food and products to the American people. It is an honor to stand alongside my colleagues from West Texas to stand up for, and ensure America's farmers and ranchers have an extension bill in place to plan for next year."

Congressman Thornberry added, "Inside the Washington Beltway there aren't a whole lot of farmers and ranchers, but outside the Beltway there are a whole lot of farmers and ranchers waiting for Congress to act so they can plan and plant next year's crop. This will give them the certainty necessary to do that."

Additionally, Congressman Conaway said of the one year 2002 Farm Bill extension, "It has become increasingly clear that the Senate will be unable to pass a Farm Bill within the proper amount of time required to give America's producers ample notification to prepare for future business plans. I have long stated that an investment in agriculture is wise Federal policy. With that said, I am proud to put my name on legislation that does just that - provides the proper tools, resources and practices that have a proven track record of working not only for the American farmer and rancher but for the American taxpayer and consumer. Should this legislation move forward it should be noted that this is a

simple one-year extension and our work in Congress is far from complete. I look forward to working, hopefully in a bipartisan manner, on the good work that I was proud to initially support that came from the House Committee on Agriculture in June. As we move forward with the Farm Bill debate, it is essential that we craft responsible farm policy that is in the best interest of the American consumer, producer, and taxpayer."



THE NEW MANAGER AT PRODUCERS COOP is Don Mullen. Don started his new job on November 6th. He and his wife, Virginia, moved to Floydada from Denver, Iowa. Mullen says he has worked for Co-ops for 42 years. "All I've ever done is work for Elevators," said Mullen. Don and Virginia have 2 children: David, who lives in Kent, Washington, and Melissa, who lives in Rosharon, Texas. The Mullens say they are looking for a home in the area.


Staff Photo



FOOD SHOW WINNERS--Five Floyd County 4-H'ers took part in the South Plains District 2 Food Show held Saturday, November 10 at Levelland High School. 4-H members, the categories they participated in and their placing were. Top row left to right: Kennedy Coon, Junior Nutrition Snacks, Faithe Hambright, Junior Main Dish - 2nd, Michaela Jackson, Intermediate Main Dish - 1st, Macee Brotherton, Junior Fruit & Vegetable - 2nd and Kailee Jackson, Junior Bread & Cereal - 1st.

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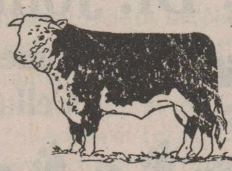
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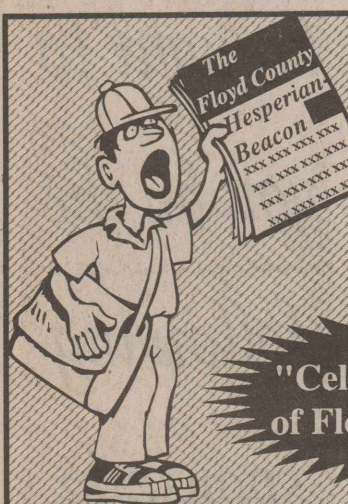
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Contract 0905-00-045 for FY 2008 RRPM'S AND SPECIALTY MARKINGS in LUBBOCK County, etc will be opened on December 05, 2007 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

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, bidders 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 reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
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Obituary



HERSHEL SWEPSTON

Hershel Fielding Swepston, 96, of Floydada passed away on November 17, 2007 at Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center.

Hershel was born August 22, 1911 to A.T. and Beulah (Lewis) Swepston at headquarters of the Matador Ranch in Motley County. The family resided on the Matador Ranch until 1917 when they moved to a farm in the Hillcrest Community in eastern Floyd County. They moved to the home place near the Hillcrest School in 1921. He attended the Hillcrest School and graduated from Floydada High School in 1930 and Draughon's Business College in Lubbock in 1932.

Hershel worked for the QA&P railroad from 1935-1937 and then worked for Wilson & Son's Lumber Yard in Floydada. He married Hazel (Parker) Swepston on May 31, 1941. He continued to work for Wilson and Sons until June 10, 1942 when he joined the United States Army Air Corp. During his four years of military service he was stationed at a variety of post and was part of the first occupation forces to enter Japan after the Japanese surrender.

Following his discharge as a Sergeant in 1946 he returned to Floydada and worked as a bookkeeper for his father-in-law H.G. Parker at the Parker Furniture Store. A second Parker's Furniture Store was opened in 1948 in Lockney and Hershel became manager in 1952 and owner in 1970. He operated the store until his retirement in 1993.

Hershel was a member of the Masonic Lodge for 65 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Hazel, three sisters, Mary Ann Swepston, Christine Colston, and Lottie Burns and a grandson, Jason A. Swepston.

He is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Judy Swepston of Canyon; two grandchildren, Wade Swepston of Moody; and Julie Reynero of Canyon; four great grandchildren, Joseph and Josh Reynero, Jayson and Erin Swepston, one sister, Betty Campbell of Dougherty; and five nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were Monday, November 19, 2007 at 11 a.m., at the Floyd County Memorial Park Cemetery in Floydada with Rev. Les Hall officiating. Services are under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Family suggest memorials be made to Cal Farley's Boy Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, Texas 79174.



FBC LOCKNEY DEDICATES ANTIOCH CABIN AT PBA-- Sunday, November 11, 2007, was a special day for the members of First Baptist Church of Lockney and to Plains Baptist Assembly at Floydada. PBA has an improvement project of adopting old cabins out to churches for renovation. The men's ministry of First Baptist Church of Lockney adopted the Antioch Cabin. Dedicated volunteers invested about 3,500 hours over 10 weeks to completely remodel the facility. On Sunday the church held its evening session there to dedicate the cabin that it would be a place used for God's purpose and glory. A plaque from FBC Lockney will be placed on the wall of the cabin explaining the significance of its name, Antioch. Antioch is now one of the best facilities on the Plains Baptist campus. The cabin was ready for use this past summer camp season and housed 44 campers and sponsors during one session. Antioch will also be available during the retreat season to house groups for conferences and retreats. Antioch Cabin is a wonderful place to stay for a week or a day all year-round. Michael Wright (left), Executive Director of Plains Baptist Assembly, is shown presenting a plaque to Jim Bob Martin(right), Men's Brotherhood Director of First Baptist Church. This plaque expresses PBA's appreciation for the work and dedication shown toward the completion of this project.

As most of you know, Beth's father suffers from dementia and disappeared last Monday. After a "Silver Alert" was issued, he was found.

The prayers said in our behalf and the words of encouragement have given us the strength to handle a very difficult situation and have shown us how much you care.

We appreciate everyone who helped search for him and provided us with food. We especially appreciate all the teachers that comforted Jill and Jake during the long stressful week. It has not been easy for them.

Please continue to pray for us. We are all very weary and still have many difficult decisions to make. Thank you all very much!

The Larry Bramlet Family

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce would like to thank everyone that donated candy, his or her time, and for the monetary donations.

We were able to have a successful Trunk or Treat his year by all the wonderful donations. We are so appreciative to have a wonderful community that supports us.

We would like to thank everyone that participated in the Halloween costume contest.

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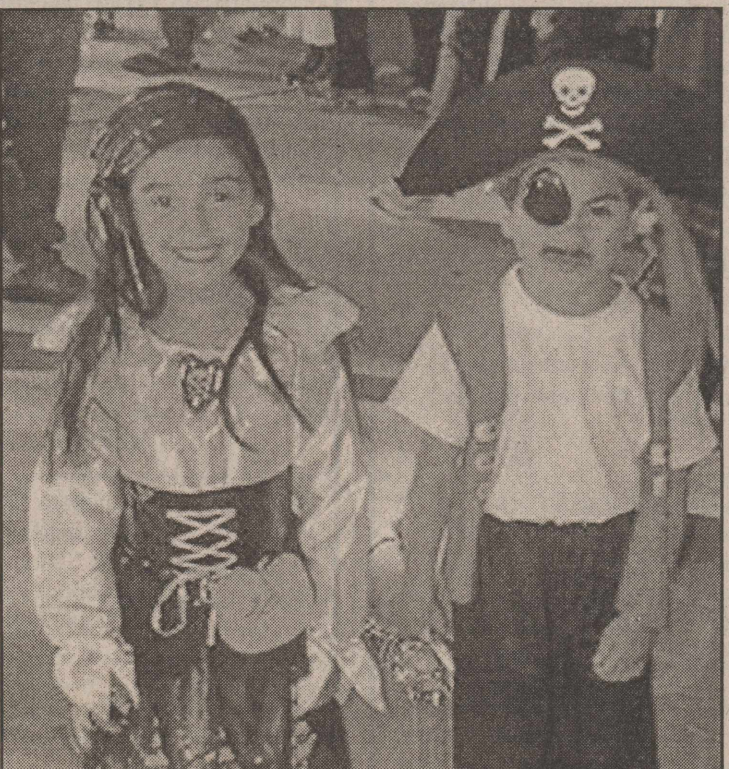
THIS WEEK'S

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH
The 2007 Christmas Brunch benefiting the American Cancer Society Relay for Life will be Saturday, December 1, 2007 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the home of Tom and Laura Farris, located at 1000 W. Kentucky, Floydada. Valet Parking will be provided.

Tickets are now on sale for \$10 and are available at First National Bank, Thayer & Washington and as always at the door. Door prizes will be given away. Mark your calendars now and get your tickets!

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Love Fund
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COUPLES 1ST PLACE at the Halloween Costume Contest were: Pirates Kylie Stovall and Piper Peralez (5 year olds) Courtesy Photo

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<p>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. *****</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lockney Rev. Brian Adams Pastor 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. *****</p>	<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>	<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Floydada Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening 6:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p>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. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>	<p>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH Lockney Jim McCartney, Pastor Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m. *****</p>
<p>CARR'S CHAPEL Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p>	<p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Ralph Jackson 401 N 12th St (983-5805) Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Study .. 7:00 p.m. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>
<p>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. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>	<p>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. Evening Service 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p>CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST Levi Sisemore- 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. *****</p>	<p>OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH 310 E. Mississippi Floydada Rev. David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m. Morning Praise...11:00 a.m. Evening Praise 5:00 p.m. Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>
<p>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 ... 6:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p>POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 N. Main, Lockney Sunday Services ... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Evening ... 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p>TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 p.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p>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 *****</p>	<p>TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Floydada Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor 983-5499 or 983-2887 Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. *****</p>	<p>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. *****</p>
<p>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. Youth (Sunday).....5:00p.m. Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p>American State Bank Member FDIC 217 W. California 983-3725</p>	<p>Goen & Goen Insurance 102 E. California 983-3524</p>
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