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## Smith named coach of the year

By Robin Nixon

Regenia Smith received Junior High Coach of the Year by the Texas Tennis Coaches Association on Dec. 5 at Newk's Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels.

Coach Smith has been teaching and coaching in Floydada for the past 25 years. She has been coaching tennis for 15 of those years. Since re-joining the tennis coaching ranks in 2000, Coach Smith has been part of a tennis program that has won eight High School District Championships as well as eight Junior High District Championships. The Program has had seven Regional Team Championships and numerous regional qualifiers.

She is married to Johnny Smith and they have two sons, Kevin and Kody, who attend West Texas A & M University in Canyon.

Last year, both of her sons were Regional Champions and third place finishers at the State Tennis Tournament.

During Coach Smith's tenure Jenna Payne and Jessica Castenda won second place at the State Tournament, and Ross Bennett and Brandon

Rainwater were State Quarter-Finalists.

Coach Smith starts the students early by teaching Quick Start Tennis in her Elementary Classroom.

Last year, the U.S. Tennis Association honored Coach Smith by awarding her the 2007 Elementary P.E. Teacher of the Year award.

### Coach Smith's coaching philosophy:

"I feel very undeserving of this award because it is the program that is successful. The program is successful because of the kids' work ethic and dedication to a sport they love.

It is my philosophy that if you make tennis fun for kids they will want to excel and put forth the effort to excel. Everyone is not made to be a State Champ but everyone can play the game of tennis and enjoy it at some level. In Floydada, we only have two courts in the whole town and we have 50-60 kids that play. You practically have to take a number to get on a court. It is that kind of love for the game that kids have that makes me love my job and love the game of tennis."

Coach Regenia Smith (left) stands with former FHS graduate and current chairman of the "Coach of the Year" award committee Jack Gregory (right) after being honored as "Junior High Coach of the Year" on Dec. 5.  
Courtesy Photo

## CHRISTMAS TIME IN FLOYD COUNTY



Floyd County residents turned out in large numbers for Lockney's Holiday Happening and Floydada's Christmas on the Square. Above, Ryiann, Tuff and Gunnyr Araujo attend Lockney's Holiday Happening while (right) Ernest Back and Shana Guthrie greet Floydada Christmas on the Square visitors as Mr. and Mrs. Claus.

Photos by Sara Sisemore

## Spirit of Christmas information

Floydada's annual Spirit of Christmas will be serving their traditional Christmas turkey dinner this year on Christmas Day.

Volunteers are still needed for meal preparation and delivery to elderly and shut-ins. Delivery people, cooks and servers are needed, along with monetary donations to buy food. Monetary donations are always greatly appreciated and can be given at City Bank.

You may also drop off your

Producer's turkey card by December 19th at Fred Thayer's office at 122 E. California or mail it to: Fred Thayer, P.O. Box 9, Floydada, Texas 79235.

Approximately 400 meals will be served this Christmas Day.

The schedule of preparation and delivery will be in next week's paper. Call Sudy Cochran, 983-3171, Fred Thayer, 983-3121, or Dennis Morgan, 983-4907, to request a delivery or to donate food.

## KLLL Blood Drive to benefit Virginia Cage

United Blood Services will conduct the KLLL Blood Drive Friday, December 19, 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Floydada.

This Blood Drive is being held as a "Credit to Patient" to benefit Virginia Cage who is in need of a lot of blood.

To schedule an appointment, call Jan Appling at 806-697-2648.

## Wreath ceremony Saturday in Lockney

By Judy Macha

The Lockney area Veterans will be conducting a Wreaths Across America Ceremony at the Lockney Veteran's Memorial Park, Saturday, Dec. 13.

The ceremony will start at 10:00 a.m. in Lockney and will coincide with similar ceremonies across the United States on the same day at the same time.

Seven ceremonial wreaths will be placed at the flag poles to remember those who gave their lives in service.

They will include custom-made wreaths for Army, Marines, Navy Air Force, Coast Guard, Merchant Marines, and POW/MIA.

10:00 a.m.-Wreaths will arrive at the Lockney Veterans Memorial Park, 319 East Locust, escorted by patriot guard.

Opening remarks and Pledge of Allegiance by Ed Marks, President of Lockney Veterans Association.

10:00-10:10 a.m.-Wreaths will be placed at crosses by all who would like to help.

10:10-10:25 a.m.-State Representative Joe Heflin will speak.

10:25-10:30 a.m.-Travis Thornton will sing "God Bless the U.S.A."

10:30-10:45 a.m.-Main speaker, Bill Frazier will address those in attendance.

Frazier was born Feb. 1, 1952, in Dalhart. He graduated from Dalhart Senior High in 1970 and attended West Texas University 1970-1972. He and wife, Judy have two daughters and three grandchildren.

Bill volunteered for the Army on Feb. 29, 1972, and completed basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky. He then completed jump school at Ft. Benning, Ga., and Infantry training at Ft. Bragg, N.C. He was then assigned to the 82nd Airborne at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

He was later assigned as a Nuclear Security NCO at a Nike Missile base in Athens, Greece. After completion of his tour he was then assigned to a Nike Missile base in Homestead, Fla. He later served as a Recruiter and Retention NCO.

He retired from the Army on March 1, 1994 after 22 years of active military service. He was later discharged from the retired reserve rolls on March 1, 2002, a total of 30 years

## Lockney Area Veterans conducting event at the Lockney Veteran's Memorial Park starting at 10 a.m.

service. He served as: All State Post Commander Post 5681 Canyon 2000-2002, All State District Commander, District 9, 2005-2006, Area 1 Coordinator, State of Texas 2008-2009, National Deputy Chief of Staff 2008-2009.

His decorations include: National Defense Service medal (2nd award), Professional NCO Development Ribbon (2nd award), Overseas Service Ribbon (3rd award), Army Achievement Medal (5th award), Good Conduct Ribbon (7th award), Korean Service Ribbon, Army Commendation Medal (6th award), Korean Service Ribbon, Army Commendation Medal (6th award), Meritorious Ser-

vice Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Southwest Asia Combat Ribbon, Parachutist Badge and the Bronze Star.

10:45-10:50 a.m.-Reading of names of K.I.A.'s by the National Honor Society from Lockney and Floydada High Schools.

10:50-11:00 a.m.-Placement of wreaths at respective flag poles accompanied by band members from Floydada and Lockney.

J.C. Chappell will play his bagpipe while the P.O.W.-M.I.A. wreath is placed. These wreaths will be escorted by Veterans, Military personnel and Scouts.

Then, there will be a 21 Gun Salute, playing of Taps, and Ed Marks will say the closing prayer.

Wreaths will be laid at the 80 white crosses in Lockney's Veteran's Memorial Park December 13, to honor the following Floyd County Veterans killed in action.

Donations are still needed to complete the purchase of these wreaths. These wreaths are available for sponsorship at \$15.00 per wreath. If you would like to sponsor one or more wreaths, contact Ed Marks, 652-3157. Make checks out to Lockney Veteran's Association, P.O. Box 282, Lockney, Texas 79241. \$15.00 is not much to honor someone who gave their life for our freedom and for this country.

KIA'S

### WWI Conflict: Clifford Hartline

WWII Conflict: Oliver Alexander; Melvin Alexander; James L. Asher; Royce E. Baker; Edward Breeland; Clifford L. Bullock; Charles L. Cates; Cecil Cook; Samuel A. Dougherty; Milton O. Finley; Van I. Fujua; Norman S. Goen; Weldon M. Graham; Jimmy W. Green; William W. Green; Billy R. Greenwade; Ralph Hage; Raymond W. Hamm; Fred F. Hanks; S. Bud Harper; J.W. Harrison; Charles D. Hartley; Clarence L. Heard; William A. Helms; Denny C. Ivey; Marvin W. James; William L. Jameson; Jack Livesay; Wilbert P. Matthews; Mayo Watkins; J.W. McCarvey; Caleb McDermott; Robert T. Miller III; Clinton Mitchell; Herbert H. Morrison; Arvel C. Pyle; Ray E. Ramsey; Raymond R. Randolph; Glendon M. Reasonover; John B. Reece, Jr.; Herman M. Roberts; James F. Rogers, Jr.; James E. Roy; Edfred F. Shearer; David Silverman; Edrow F. Singletary; George T. Smalley; Austin G. Strickland; Herald D. Strickland; Kenneth D. Stubs; Philip G. Taylor, Jr.; Raymond V. True; Richard I. Tubbs; Walker L. Williams; Ernest S. Worsham; Milton D. Zimmerman.

Korea Conflict: Don C. Booth; David L. Catlin; John S. Duncan; Billy D. Hatley; Ray Jetton; Wallace B. Loyd; Howard Mickey; Billy G. Mooney; D.F. Payne.

Vietnam Conflict: Oyama Buchanan; Ken D. Burns; Tommie D. Emert; Timothy J. Hartman; Bernard Jaffe; George W. McGhee; Jack Osborn.

Iraq Conflict: Johnny Peralez, Jr. and Wesley Hunter.

## Food pick up Saturday

The Lockney Boy Scouts will be collecting canned foods or non-perishable foods Saturday, Dec. 13 between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. If not picked up please take your cans to the Community Storehouse. Please put your bags on the front porch. Your generous donations will be given to the Lockney Salvation Army to be distributed to those in need in our community.

In the spirit of the season, we will be collecting food, toys, coats, gloves, hats, and shoes to donate to the Spirit of Sharing in Floydada. Look for the basket in our store.

Merry Christmas!

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## Extension agent briefs county on 2008 crops

By Sara Sisemore  
Managing Editor

The county commissioners' court – commissioners Jon Jones, Bill Quattlebaum, Ray Nell Bearden present – heard from J.D. Ragland, Floyd County Ag Agent on Monday, Dec. 8, concerning the weather conditions during this year's cotton harvest. He reported, "Mother Nature's been really good to us." He said his estimation is that the county is 85 percent done with their cotton harvesting.

"The average," he said, "for yield is two and a half to three bales on irrigated acres and one and a half down to not even being harvested on dry land cotton."

Overall, he said this year's cotton harvest is "maybe not quite as good as was hoped for."

About the wheat crop Ragland said, "We need rain."

Ragland also said there has been some problems with leaf rust early this wheat season and warned for farmers to keep an eye on their crops in the spring.

Ragland also reported that during this year's Crops Conference on Jan. 21, seven CEU hours will be provided for those producers who need some more hours. This all-day event will be held at the Unity Center.

"We've changed the schedule for the County Stock Show," Ragland reported to the court. He said this year's shows will all take place on Sat-

urday, Jan. 3., and the auction sale will take place on Monday evening, Jan. 5.

The court approved two to one, with Quattlebaum voting "nay," to an interlocal agreement with Hale County for distribution of the SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) grant received by the Llano Estacado Alliance for Families (L.E.A.F.) of Plainview.

According to the SAMHSA website, this \$6,000,000 grant was received for use with the "Child Mental Health Initiative" for the 19th Congressional District. The project period is set at six years, from 2008 to 2014. The website, www.samhsa.gov, says the program is to "serve families with children and young people, ages 5 to 21, living in a vast geographic area that has a low population density, a majority Hispanic population, and high levels of poverty."

Also, the court unanimously approved an interlocal agreement between Floyd County and the cities of Floydada and Lockney for maintainer work.

The court also approved going out for bids on the sale of a storage shed, fuel tank and an '85 Chevy pickup.

The sealed bid for the sale of a 1984 Ford was opened and the court unanimously accepted Juan Perales, Jr.'s bid of \$250.

The farm contract request from Jim Byrd Farm Inc. for grading a ranch road on the hill 30 miles northeast of Floyd County was also approved by the court.

## 1,500 pounds of food collected



Local boys scouts collected over 1,500 pounds of food to donate to the Spirit of Sharing on Saturday, Dec. 6. Pictured are some who helped collect the food: (back row, l-r) Tess Smith, Wade Hill, Christy Gibbens, Tami Nielson, Seth Nielson, Darla Chappell, Matthew McGowen, David McGowen, J.C. Chappell; (second row, l-r) James Gibbens, Donald Gibbens, Jordan Moore, Mark McGowen, Max Nuniz, Brooke Smith; (front row, l-r) Hunter Smith, Tucker Kidd, Alice Hopper and Lyndi Hopper.

Courtesy Photo

### ■ Canned goods delivered to Spirit of Sharing

By Curtis Emert  
Assistant Scoutmaster

The Floydada scouts held their annual scouting for food on Saturday, Dec. 6. They had a very good turn out from the people of Floydada, collecting 1,580 pounds of canned goods.

These canned goods were delivered to the Spirit of Sharing around 12:15p.m. that after-

noon. Margie and Johnny Bill Sue helped the scouts unload the food.

There were 23 people who helped pick up food, including: Christy, Donald and James Gibbens; Tess, Hunter and Brooke Smith; Wade Hill; Lyndi and Alice Hopper; Tucker Kidd; Darla and J.C. Chappell; Tami and Seth Nielson; David, Mark

and Mathew McGowen; Landry Morren; Max Nuniz and Jordan Moore.

Thanks are extended to everyone who showed up to participate and everyone who gave food to help the less fortunate at this time of year.

The Scouts want to wish everyone a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

### FHS National Honor Society Inducts New Members



By Kathy Styles

Monday, Nov. 24, 2008 Floydada High School's National Honor Society, A.E. Baker Chapter presented nine new inductees into the organization.

The purpose of this organization is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of secondary schools.

Jennifer Rainwater, NHS President, gave the welcome and history. Member Bailey Davenport spoke on Scholarship. Kenya Pesina, Vice-President, presented the meaning of Service. Mean-

while, Kaylie Nutt delivered what the Leadership role represented within the organization. A talk on Character was made by Sean Miller, which summed up the purpose of the National Honor Society organization.

The following students were recognized as new inductees: Seniors – Dillon Chesshir, Lindsey Wells; Junior- Leslie Gonzales; and Sophomores- Whitley Beedy, Lexie Covington, Brityn Helms, Libby Hicks, Rylee Shurbet, and Lynnde Smith. The ceremony included collar placement by Maisey Martinez, Kelbie Day and Evan Johnson. Pinning on the NHS symbol pins were Nikki

Nino; Secretary Crystal Alvarez; and Lexie Terrell. Tapping was performed by J.C. Chappell and Titus Miller. Makenzie Schwertner and Abigail Miller were in charge of the book registry.

A biography about each new inductee was presented by Treasurer Diane Flores, Connie Garcia and Hallie Bertrand.

NHS members Geraldo Mercado, Joseph Segura, Whitley Walker, Dusty Hicks and Colton Covington served as escorts for the new inductees.

Following the ceremony, a reception for members and their guests were held in the Floydada High School Library.



LOCKNEY COAT DRIVE A SUCCESS---Over 500 coats were collected and delivered to the Lockney Community Storehouse in about two hours Saturday, December 6 during a combination effort by men from Lockney's First Baptist and First United Methodist Churches. Shown with some of the coats are (l-r) Tino Moreno and Barry Barker. According to Mr. Barker, quite a few bags of children's coats were also delivered to the Lockney Elementary School. "The people of this community are wonderfully generous. Every time we put out word of a need for the Storehouse, the response is unbelievable," said Barker. In addition to the actual coats collected, \$71.00 was donated at the worker's 8:00 a.m. kickoff breakfast Saturday morning. Barker also pointed to a stack of boxes containing canned goods collected by Lockney High School National Honor Society members under the direction of Julie Ellison, "We are so thankful to the NHS kids and others who are even now collecting food for us, such as the Scouts, Health Fair, and Elementary kids."

Staff Photo

### Diabetes support group meets Dec. 18

The Diabetes Support Group will be meeting at the Texas AgriLife Extension Office on Thursday, December 18, 2008, at 5:30 p.m.

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# THE PAPERBOY

By Chris Blackburn, Publisher

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY LAND APPLICATION PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010170001

**APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.** City of Floydada, 114 West Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas 79235, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Permit No. WQ0010170001, which authorizes the disposal of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 500,000 gallons per day via surface irrigation of 128 acres of non-public access agricultural land. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutant into waters in the State. TCEQ received this application on August 1, 2008.

The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located 0.5 mile south of U. S. Highway 70 and approximately 1.5 miles east of Farm-to Market Road 1958 in Floyd County, Texas. The wastewater treatment facility and disposal site are located in the drainage basin of White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the City of Floydada, City Hall, 114 West Virginia, Floydada, Texas.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comment or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing. If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission hearing.

The Commission will only grant a contested hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

Further information may also be obtained from City of Floydada at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Gary Brown, City Manager, at 806-983-2834.

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In case you haven't been keeping up with current events, President-elect Barack Obama continues to fill his cabinet positions. I'd say the review by those in "the know" have been favorable.

For those fearing Obama would line his cabinet with liberals, that has not been the case. The appointment of Secretary of Defense Robert Gates should speak volumes to conservatives.

Gates, a Republican and the former Director of the CIA, was fine in his position as President of Texas A&M University. To many Aggies, he is the best president in the school's history. While there, he declined the nomination to serve as the first Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security when it was created following the September 11, 2001, attacks. He also declined the position as Director of National Intelligence in 2005.

However, following the exit of then Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld in 2006, Gates accepted the appointment to lead the defense department.

I think what has happened in Iraq since Gates took over speaks for itself. Simply put, we've gone from losing the war to nearing it's completion. To those that know him, Gates is considered a soft-spoken genius.

Time Magazine named Gates one of the year's most influential people in 2007 and he was named one of America's Best Leaders by U.S. News & World Report in 2008.

Without a doubt, Obama was very wise to let Gates continue in his position and will probably leave him there as long as he will stay. He will be one of the few men to serve a president from each party in this position.

When all of the dust settles on this piece of history, Gates will go down as one of the very best Secretaries of Defense we've ever had.

Back to Obama's Cabinet: Other members, Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State and Bill Richardson as Secretary of Commerce, are viewed as centrist.

So far, Obama seems to be siding with experience in his picks.

The authority to appoint Cabinet members is grounded in Article II of the Constitution, which stipulates that the President "may require the opinion, in writing, of the principal officer in each of the executive departments."

The first Cabinet, appointed by President George Washington, had just four members, but take a look at the four: Secretary of State, Thomas Jefferson; Secretary of the Treasury, Alexander Hamilton; Secretary of War, Henry Knox; and Attorney General, Edmund Randolph.

If you're not a history buff, you'll have to trust me that those four individuals would make any president a hand.

Over time, the Cabinet expanded to its current membership of 15 officials plus the Vice President. Additionally, each President may give "Cabinet level rank" to other members of the administration. All appointees are submitted to the Senate for consideration where they must receive a simple majority vote for confirmation.

The list of President-Elect Obama's Cabinet members, those either announced or under serious consideration based on recent reporting, is as follows:

Secretary of Treasury - Timothy Geithner

Secretary of State - Hillary Clinton  
Secretary of Defense - Robert Gates  
Attorney General - Eric Holder  
Secretary of Homeland Security - Janet Napolitano

Secretary of Health & Human Services - Tom Daschle  
Secretary of Commerce - Bill Richardson  
Ambassador to the United Nations - Susan Rice

Secretary of Agriculture - ?  
Secretary of Education - ?  
Secretary of Energy - ?  
Secretary of Housing & Urban Development - ?

Secretary of Interior - ?  
Secretary of Labor - ?  
Secretary of Transportation - ?  
Secretary of Veteran's Affairs - ?  
With the exception of Eric Holder and Tom Daschle, I'd say Obama would get high grades from most with his appointments. Holder and Daschle are another matter entirely.

It will be interesting to follow the remaining appointments. Conservatives are saying the rest will be liberal. The liberals are a little ticked claiming the ones already appointed are no where near liberal enough. My bet is that he will continue to side with experience and pick mostly good ones with a couple of duds.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I'm writing in regard to Medicare cutting home oxygen funding.

For those who rely on supplemental oxygen to breathe and remain in their homes verses the hospital and nursing home, we have only 5 weeks to act. Medicare is cutting funding for home oxygen to everyone that has been on oxygen for 36 months. This is serious business for those who go to dialysis, doctor visits, or just enjoy getting out of the house.

Starting in January Medicare will allow payment for only one (1) cylinder per month. They are cutting all reimbursement for sup-

plies, equipment, and services. Those on home oxygen will now be responsible for over \$200/month for their supplies, services, emergency calls, etc.

Many will be unable to afford these costs and will end up in emergency rooms, hospital stays, and nursing homes just to have access to the oxygen supply needed to stay alive.

Medicare will pay more for one (1) visit to the hospital than they would have paid to continue quality oxygen service at home for an entire year.

Congress must act immediately to stop this insanity. If Congress fails to intervene

these serious Medicare cuts will begin affecting thousands of home oxygen patients in January.

In addition it will have disastrous effects on small business owners who provide services for home oxygen patients.

Bankrupting the small business owners will then affect the manufactures with millions of dollars of bad debt.

I implore you to get involved immediately.

Sincerely,  
Allen Colvin  
Lubbock

Dear Editor,

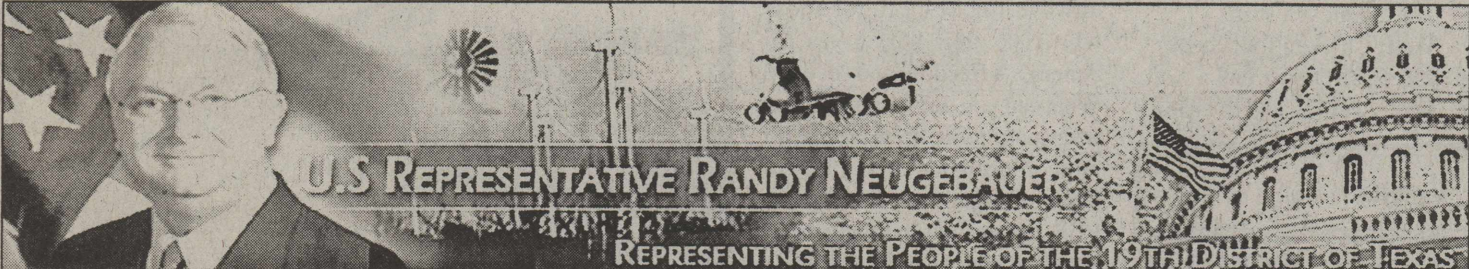
Once again, we wish to commend the people of the City of Floydada, Precinct 4 Commissioner, Jon Jones, Judge Penny Golithly, Nancy Marble of the Floyd County Historical Society, and, of course, parishioners of Saint Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, as

we dedicate the "Roots of the Catholic Faith" historical marker at the park eight miles south of Floydada. Their interest, participation, and hospitality ensured that the historic occasion will be remembered. Floydada has, once again, exemplified all the best characteristics of small towns: faith, friendliness, hospitality,

and helpfulness.

Thanks to the Hesperian staff for the publicity given to the November 22nd event. Many thanks to all who helped in any way.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Most Rev. Placido Rodriguez, C.M.F.  
Bishop of Lubbock



### Automotive Bailout

This week, the House and Senate may consider a plan for the federal government to provide loans to the U.S. automotive industry. The latest proposal involves taking funds previously allocated to the Energy Department to make loans to automakers to help them advance energy efficiency in new cars and trucks and allowing the automakers to use those loan funds for additional purposes.

Executives from the auto companies, as well as representatives for workers, suppliers and auto dealers, have been to Capitol Hill twice asking for this assistance to the struggling companies before the Financial Services Committee, of which I am a member. I have also heard from auto dealers across District 19 about the difficult situations they are facing, as well as from many taxpayers who are frustrated that their tax dollars could be used for this purpose.

One of my questions to the automotive industry is how much is enough to stabilize these companies and whether allowing these loans will simply begin a long process of continued federal support for the domestic auto industry.

I believe it is not the role of Congress to decide winners and losers in our economy. If Congress moves forward on this legislation, how many more industries will be the next in line for assistance? How much more of the taxpayers' dollars can we lend out as we continue down this road?

These are difficult questions to answer, but I will continue to listen and review the details of

the latest proposal as those are laid out in advance of a vote later this week.

### Travels to Afghanistan and Africa

Last week, I traveled with

U.S. Senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK), Representative Robert Aderholt (R-AL) and Representative Jeff Miller (R-FL) to Africa and Afghanistan. The purpose of our trip was to meet with leaders in these countries to learn more about the

economic, military and social issues impacting their lives. While in Afghanistan, we were able to meet with U.S. troops who are continuing the fight against Taliban extremists to support the young Afghan government.

## COMING SOON

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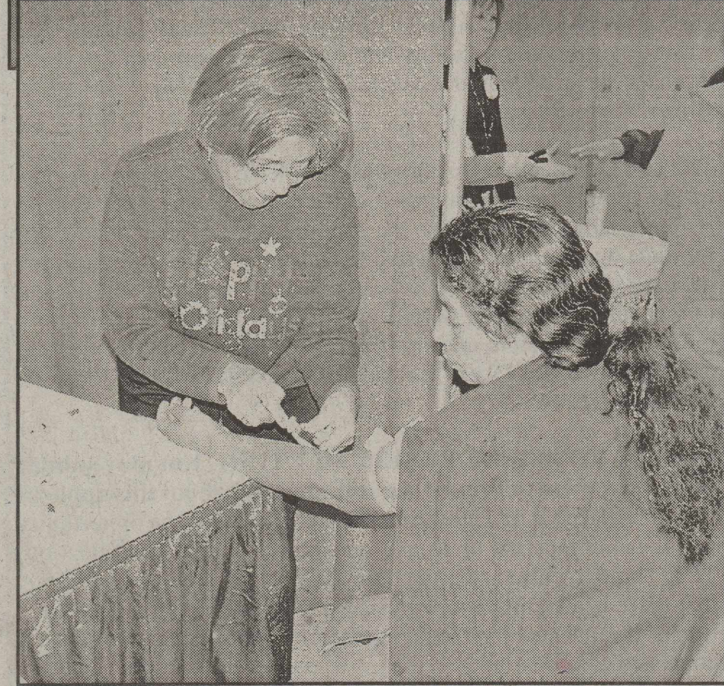
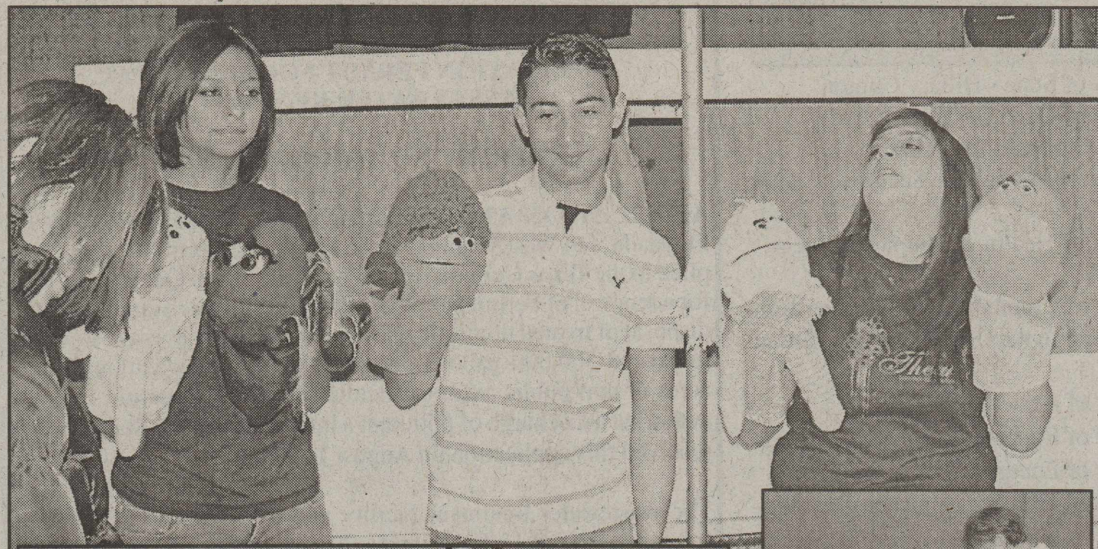
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# MANGOLD HEALTH FAIR



**LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE** class offered puppet shows (above, left) to entertain and inform the children who came out to Mangold Memorial's Health Fair last Saturday. The stage of the Elementary cafeteria held crafts for children and the opportunity for kid photo ID's as well as the puppets. Shown are (l-r) Dora Bueno, Timothy Padilla and Destinee DeLeon. Other visitors took time to have a bone density scan (above) and a cholesterol test (left).

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Vera Jo Bybee

We have had some beautiful days this past weekend. However by the time you receive this paper the weatherman says we may have some snow. I like warm weather best.

December Holidays are really here. The stores are all decorated so pretty with Christmas carols playing everywhere. It is still hard for me to feel festive though. Donnie died one year ago Friday, Dec. 5.

Then Saturday I made myself go out to the Pheasant dinner Louie, Martin and all their helpers put on. I took Donnie's big picture out there. There were very few men out there that helped Donnie start this dinner when pheasant season first started in Floyd County. This dinner has been held every year for the hunters. There weren't quite as many to eat with the guys this year. For years Donnie and his

friends fed 150 to 200. I still have one of the books where they all registered. They came from far and wide. Donnie enjoyed every minute cooking for it.

Christmas is at the Center, too. Quite a few have called this week already making reservations to eat our Christmas dinner Friday, Dec. 19. Everybody loves Wanda's turkey and dressing and all the trimmings. Wanda appreciates everyone calling early so she knows how much to cook.

Now the Center will only be open Monday, Dec. 22 and Tuesday, Dec. 23 and will be closed Dec. 24 and Christmas Day the 25th, also Friday, the 26th. I hope all the shut-ins who get their meals delivered will remember there will be no meals delivered those three days by the Center.

Several of our Ladies are recuperating this week and need our prayers: Lynda Holley tak-

ing therapy in Lubbock; Wanda Motes taking therapy in Lockney nursing home; Maxine Hill and Patsy Ford in Lockney's Mangold Memorial Hospital.

I received the cutest saying from my daughter, Dara, in Plano about forgetfulness. I just have to write a verse or two for you. "My forgetter's is getting better but my rememberer is broke. To you that may seem funny but to me that is no joke. When shopping I may see someone, say Hi and have a chat. Then when that person walks away I asked myself, 'Who in the heck was that?'"

I hope I will remember to write more verses next week.

### Menu

**December 15-December 19**  
**Mon:** Mexican chicken  
**Tues:** Chicken strips  
**Wed:** Chicken fried steak  
**Thrs:** BBQ on a bun  
**Fri:** Turkey and dressing

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Word

The Center's Christmas Party will take place Friday, Dec. 19 at 5:00 p.m. The board decided not to exchange gifts this year, instead they suggested that those who attend the party to donate money because the Center is struggling to make ends meet. There will be a box on the desk so we can put money in it. Come and enjoy singing, snacks, and visit with friends.

Gordon Hambricht recently traveled to New Jersey Coast Guard Training base at Camp May. Gordon was able to get into his Navy uniform so he could present grandson Cam Chambers his certificate into the Coast

Guard. It was very exciting for Gordon, and his grandson was delighted he had his grandfather to present the certificate to him. There were others receiving certificates, but Cam was the only one there whose grandfather had come to present the certificate.

Our sympathy to the family of Johnnie Johnston Shepherd.

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

In memory of **Elena Hopper** - Richard and Wilma Ward.

In memory of **Doyle Walls** - Bob and Evalene Goodnight.

In memory of **Keith Patzer** - Louis and Janice Lloyd, 1956 Study Club.

In memory of **Rudy Ochoa** - Louis and Janice Lloyd.

Thought for the week - Life is uncertain - eat dessert first!

### Menu

**December 15-December 19**  
**Monday**-Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, corn, roll, cobbler  
**Tuesday**-Beef stew, beans, corn bread, pineapple cake  
**Wednesday**-Salmon patties, beans, spinach, corn bread, carrot cake  
**Thursday**-Chicken pot pie, salad, roll, Jello  
**Friday**-Baked ham, sweet potatoes, black eye peas, roll, peaches

## BUFFALO GRASS CHAPTER OF NSDAR

By Sherry Colston

The Buffalo Grass Chapter of NSDAR met on Tuesday Nov. 25 at the Floyd County Historical Museum at 6:30 p.m. for the regular stated meeting.

Regent, Debra McCarty, opened the chapter in the ritualistic order. The President General's message was read by Pricilla Minter. She also read the national defense article about the attacks on U.S. Soldiers by Islam radicals. Sherry Colston read the constitution sidelight about the right to bear arms in America. Violet Cooper read the article of how Old Glory got its name. Dana McCarty read the history of the Lakota Circle of life and death.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as corrected. Following the meal of chicken salad and brownies, compliments of Sherry Colston, Kelly Colston, and Margaret Berry, our program was presented by Dave Griminger Deputy State Captain Panhandle/South Plains of the Patriot Guard Riders and assisted by Kelly Colston, Ride Captain for the Panhandle/South Plains.

### Mission Statement:

The Patriot Guard Riders (PGR) is a diverse amalgamation of over 100,000 riders from every state in the nation that ride together as the "Patriot Guard Riders" to honor fallen soldiers at funeral services across the country. Mr. Griminger said that they do not care what you ride or what your political background is, whether a hawk or a dove. You do not have to be a veteran. Your prerequisite is Respect. Each mission has three basic objectives: 1) Show our sincere respect for our fallen heroes, their families, and their communities. 2) Shield the mourning family and friends from interruptions created by any protestors. We accomplish our mission through strictly legal and nonviolent means. 3) These missions include fallen heroes of the current fight for freedom and veterans of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam. We also honor our fallen heroes in law enforcement and firefighting. We have one thing in common besides motorcycles and that is unwavering respect for those who risk their very lives for America's freedom and security. What can you do? Visit our site at [www.patriotguardofTexas.org](http://www.patriotguardofTexas.org) for more information or to join. For more information or to invite the PGR, please call the Panhandle/South Plains Ride captain at 983-2669.

Everyone appreciated his informative message.

The next Buffalo Grass meeting will be held on December 16 at the Honey Do's Restaurant in Lockney at 6 p.m. Bring

a Chinese Christmas present. Members present were: Nancy Marble, Susan Dunavant, Carolyn Cunningham, Violet Cooper, Dana McCarty, Debbie McCarty,

June Sherman, Margaret Berry, Pricilla Minter, Sherry Colston and guests Dave Griminger and Kelly Colston. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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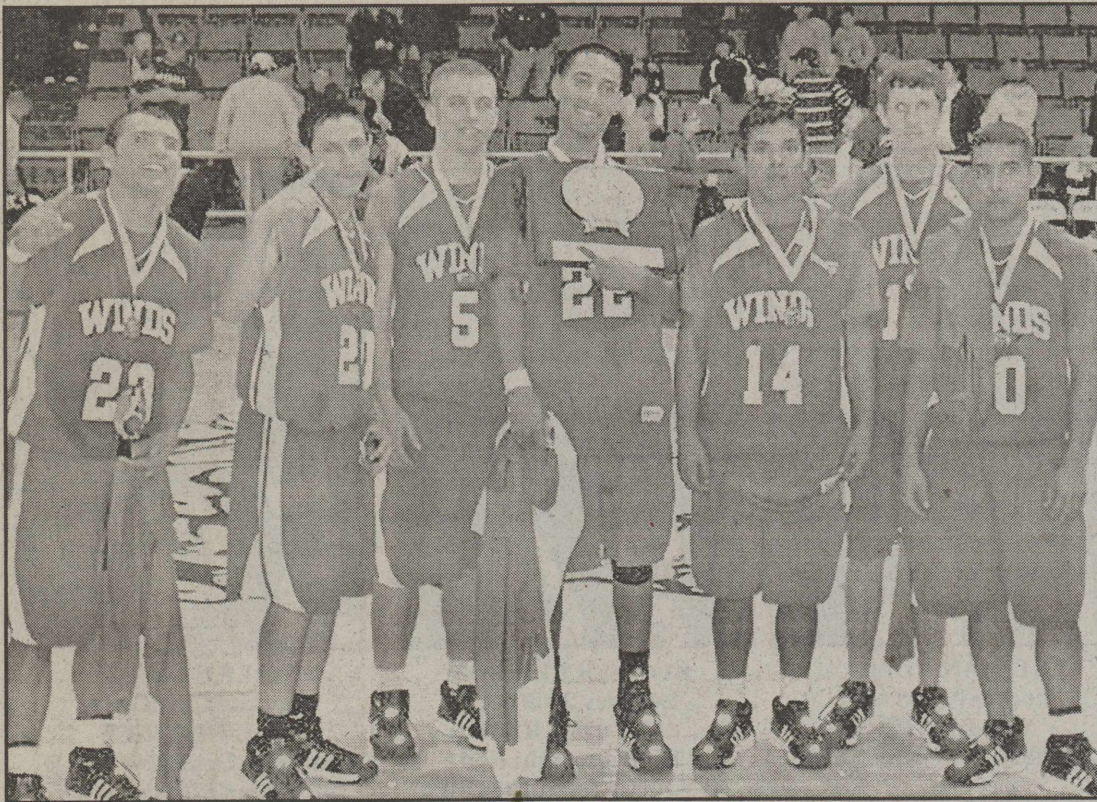
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The Floydada Whirlwinds captured 1st place at the Anton Tournament held December 4th - 6th. The 'Winds played Anton in the championship game and won 59-38. Pictured are: Aarrhon Flores, Steve Caballero, Titus Miller, Byron Smith, David Diaz, Mason Lipham, and Joseph Segura. Titus Miller was named MVP of the tournament. Aarrhon Flores and Steve Caballero were selected to the All-Tournament team.



The Lady Winds won their first tournament championship since 2005 in the Anton Tournament held December 4th - 6th. Pictured are (back row, l-r) Avery Miller, Megan Aleman, Breann Gooch, Laken Reedy, Whitley Beedy, (front row, l-r) Lexie Terrell, Blanca Suarez and Tara Hughes with the Tournament Championship plaque. Not pictured is Brityn Helms who broke her collarbone during the final quarter of the game.

## FLOYDADA JUNIOR HIGH RESULTS

By Coach McCandless

The Floydada Junior High Lady Winds 7th grade "A" team played Friona on December 4th and lost by a score of 43-17.

Scoring results are as follows:

Casandra Delgado - 6 points; Brittany Rodriguez - 6 points; Kyarah Pesina - 2 points; Crissy Rodriguez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 1 4 2 10 17  
Lady Squaws - 12 7 14 10 43

The FJHS Lady Winds 7th grade "A" team played the Tulia Lady Hornets on December 8th and came up short at the buzzer by a score of 45-15.

Scoring results are as follows:

Brittany Rodriguez - 4 points; Stephanie Lerma - 4 points; Raehne Martinez - 2 points; Braxton Turner - 2 points; Crissy Rodriguez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds 1 6 4 4 15  
Tulia 8 12 9 12 45  
SEASON RECORD: 1-3  
DISTRICT RECORD: 1-3

The Lady Winds 7th grade "B" team played the Lady Squaws on December 4th and lost by a score of 21-15.

Scoring results are as follows:

Mattie Sanders - 5 points; Michaela Jackson - 3 points; Marimar Lira - 2 points; Cristal Irlas - 2 points; Ileana Moreno - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 4 2 6 3 15  
Lady Squaws - 2 5 6 8 21

The Lady Winds 7th grade "B" team played the Tulia Lady

Hornets on December 8th and came up just short at the buzzer by a score of 24-22.

Scoring results are as follows:

Tiara Villa - 6 points; Mattie Sanders - 5 points; Ileana Moreno - 4 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 4 7 7 4 22  
Lady Hornets - 6 4 0 14 24  
SEASON RECORD: 2-3  
DISTRICT RECORD: 2-3

The FJHS Lady Winds 8th grade "A" team took on the Friona Squaws on December 4, 2008 and won huge by a score of 24-6.

Scoring results are as follows:

Emily Hall - 7 points; Anna DelaFuente - 6 points; Malorie Alaniz - 5 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 1 1 16 24  
Lady Squaws - 2 3 3 6

The Lady Winds 8th grade "A" team played the Tulia 8th grade girls on December 8, 2008 and lost by a score of 41-25.

Scoring results are as follows:

Emily Hall - 11 points; Malorie Alaniz - 10 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 4 1 6 4 25  
Lady Hornets - 12 14 7 8 41  
SEASON RECORD: 2-2  
DISTRICT RECORD: 2-2

The FJHS Lady Winds 8th grade "B" team took on the Friona Squaws on December 4, 2008 and came away with a huge win by a score of 57-10.

Scoring results are as follows:

Samantha Maldonado - 18 points; Jianna Davenport - 10 points; Ashley Luke - 10 points.  
SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 12 29 45 57  
Lady Squaws - 2 2 8 10

The FJHS Lady Winds 8th Grade "B" team played the Tulia Hornets on December 8, 2008 and took a win at the final buzzer by a score of 29-22.

Scoring results are as follows:

Samantha Maldonado - 11 points; Jianna Davenport - 4 points; Audrey Pecina - 4 points; Amy Gonzales - 4 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 11 6 2 10 29  
Lady Hornets - 4 8 6 4 22  
SEASON RECORD: 4-0  
DISTRICT RECORD: 4-0

## FLOYDADA JV RESULTS

By Coach Eddleman

LADY WINDS JV - 35  
LADY HORNS JV - 37

The Floydada Junior Varsity Lady Winds played the Lockney JV Lady Horns on November 14, 2008 and came up just short at the final buzzer by a score of 37-35.

Scoring results are as follows:

Sarah Jo Miller - 10 points; Leslie Alvarado - 7 points; Nikki Seymour - 5 points; Yelitza Serrato - 3 points; Liz Suarez - 2 points; Crystal Martinez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 7 1 7 10 35  
Lady Horns - 11 13 4 9 37

LADY WINDS JV - 56  
LADY FILLIES JV - 23

The Lady Winds JV team played the Olton Fillies on November 18, 2008 and won big by a score of 56-23.

Scoring results are as follows:

Crystal Martinez - 14 points; Sarah Sanders - 10 points; Leslie Alvarado - 9 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 8 points; Tyanne Battey - 6 points; Yelitza Serrato - 6 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Liz Suarez 1 point.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 11 15 16 14 56  
Lady Fillies - 6 7 6 4 23

LADY WINDS JV - 56  
LADY CATS JV - 36

The FHS Lady Winds JV basketball team took on the Lady Cats JV from Idalou on November 22, 2008 and outscored them 56-36.

Scoring results are as follows:

Leslie Alvarado - 16 points; Tyanne Battey - 13 points; Sarah

Sanders - 7 points; Liz Suarez - 5 points; Yelitza Serrato - 4 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 2 points; Crystal Martinez - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 6 20 12 18 56  
Lady Cats - 8 11 8 9 36

LADY WINDS JV - 32  
LADY TIGERS JV - 27

The Lady Winds Junior Varsity basketball team played the Slaton Lady Tigers JV on November 25, 2008 and gained another win at the final buzzer by a score of 32-27. The Lady Winds held Slaton scoreless in the first quarter and to one point in the third quarter.

Scoring results are as follows:

Sarah Sanders - 16 points; Leslie Alvarado - 4 points; Liz Suarez - 4 points; Nikki Seymour - 2 points; Mariah Vargas - 2 points; Crystal Martinez - 2 points; Tyanne Battey - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 10 4 10 8 32  
Lady Tigers - 0 12 1 14 27

LADY WINDS JV - 61  
LADY LOPES JV - 33

The Lady Winds JV continued their winning ways as they outscored the Lady Lopes JV on December 2, 2008 by a score of 61-33.

Scoring results are as follows:

Leslie Alvarado - 23 points; Liz Suarez - 12 points; Mariah Vargas - 7 points; Tyanne Battey - 6 points; Sarah Sanders - 5 points; Nikki Seymour - 4 points; Yelitza Serrato - 2 points; Sarah Jo Miller - 2 points.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Lady Winds - 15 12 17 17 61  
Lady Lopes - 6 10 6 11 33  
SEASON RECORD: 4-1

## Lady Winds on 5-game winning streak

By Coach Styles

The Lady Winds are on a five game winning streak after taking three games this past weekend to win the Anton Tournament.

The first win of the streak was against Groesbeck, a 64-48 win at the Fantasy of Lights tournament during the Thanksgiving weekend. Lexie Terrell led the scoring with 18. Tara Hughes had 15. Brityn Helms led the defensive effort with 6 steals and 12 deflections. Breann Gooch also had 5 steals. The Lady Winds connected on 9 three-point shots.

On December 2, they traveled to Post and recorded a hard fought 55-50 win. Leading the way for the Lady Winds was Whitley Beedy with 15. Megan Aleman had 12. Tara Hughes paced the defense with 7 deflections.

This past weekend they played in the Anton Tournament. Hart was the first round opponent. The Lady Winds were victorious in a 72-24 win. The scoring was very balanced. Whitley Beedy had 12, Avery Miller 11, Laken Reedy 10, Megan Aleman 10, Blanca Suarez 9, Tara Hughes 8, Breann Gooch 5, Lexie Terrell 5, and Brityn Helms 2. There was a great defensive effort by the entire team.

We would then face Post (second time in four days). The Lady Winds claimed a 54-42 win. Leading the Lady Winds was Whitley Beedy with 16. Megan Aleman had 15. Blanca Suarez led the defensive effort, Lexie Terrell dished out 4 assists and Avery Miller came in to grab 6

rebounds.

The Lady Winds would face Elida, New Mexico in the finals. The Lady Winds would start slow and were down by as much as 10 points in the first quarter. The quarter ended with Elida on top 15-7. The Lady Winds outscored the Tigers from Elida 19-8 in the second stanza to take a 26-23 lead at halftime. The Lady Winds would add to the lead and entered the last quarter with a 42-33 lead.

The quarter was costly for the Lady Winds. Brityn Helms went down on the floor for a loose ball with an Elida player and broke her collarbone. Hopefully, she will get back for district.

Elida was not about to go down without a fight. Connecting on three 3's they clawed back and took the lead 48-47. Two free throws by Whitley Beedy put the Lady Winds up 49-48.

Elida came down and went inside for two points to go up 50-49. There was less than a minute to play and the Lady Winds ran time off the clock down to 7 seconds when they were fouled. The free throw is missed and Elida got the rebound and a chance to win it at the buzzer. They eluded a couple of Lady Winds' defenders and dribbled inside half court and shot the ball. The ball was on line and it bounces off the rim. This was their first tournament championship since 2005, the first for any player in high school on this year's team.

Laken Reedy came in to give the Lady Winds a spark in the second quarter, scoring 8 points. Megan Aleman led the scoring

with 16 and Whitley Beedy had 13.

This was a team effort. All nine players were instrumental in obtaining this championship win. Megan Aleman was selected the MVP of the tournament and Whitley Beedy was named to the All-Tournament team.

The Lady Winds are: Laken Reedy, Megan Aleman, Tara Hughes, Blanca Suarez, Lexie Terrell, Whitley Beedy, Breann Gooch, Brityn Helms and Avery Miller. Managers for the Lady Winds are Kacy Powell and Stephanie Caballero.

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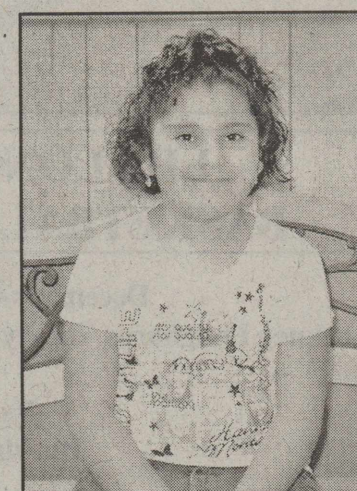
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## Muse graduates from basic training

Army Reserve Pvt. Kristyn L. Muse has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier has studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

She is a 2008 graduate of Floydada High School. Muse is the daughter of Christina Meyers of Floydada.

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## Floydada School Menu

December 15-December 19  
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**Breakfast**-Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fresh fruit choice, sugar cookie, milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast**-Breakfast pizza or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Barbequed chicken, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast**-Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, milk

**Lunch**-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk

Thursday

**Breakfast**-English muffin with egg, cheese, sausage or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

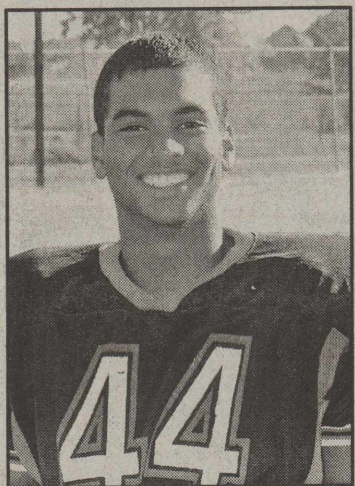
**Lunch**-Fajita chicken over rice, broccoli and cheese, seasoned corn, French bread stick, pineapple crisp, milk

Friday

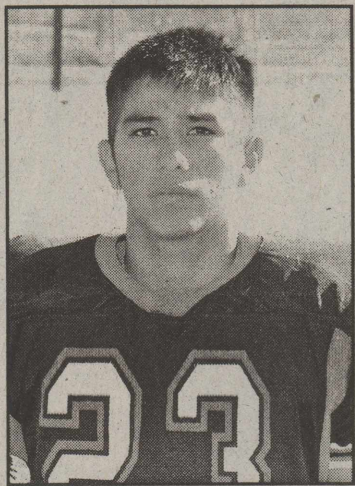
**Breakfast**-Cinnamon roll, fruit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

**Lunch**-Pizza, tossed salad, fresh fruit, chocolate cake, milk

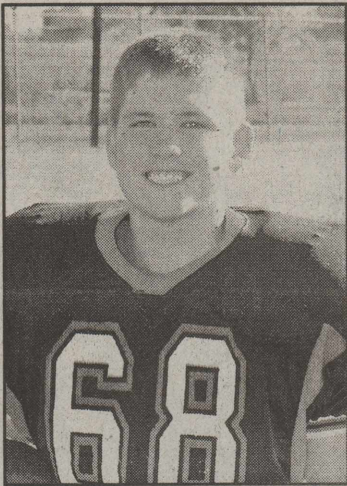
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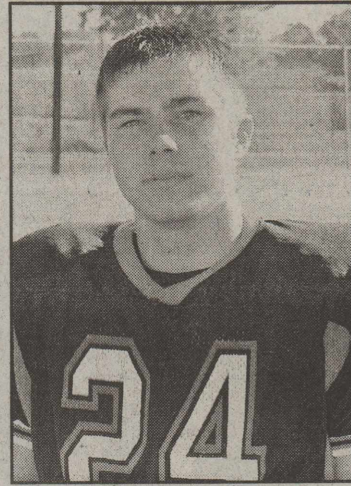
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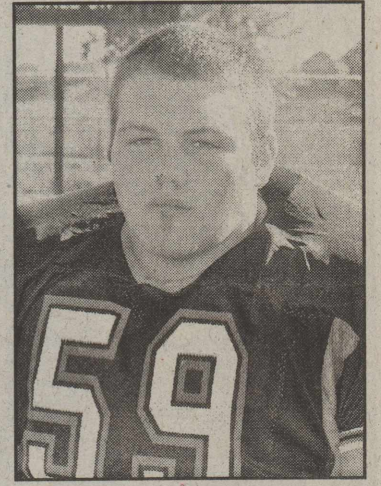
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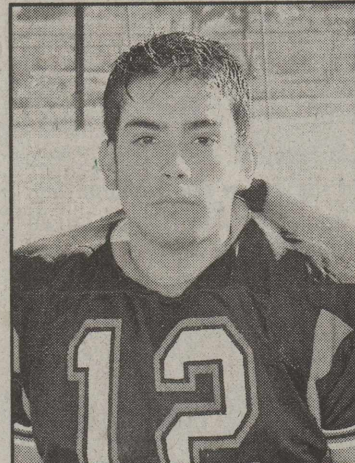
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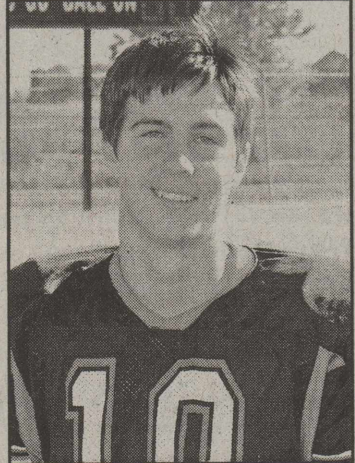
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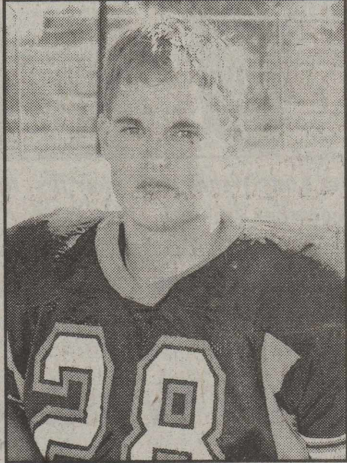
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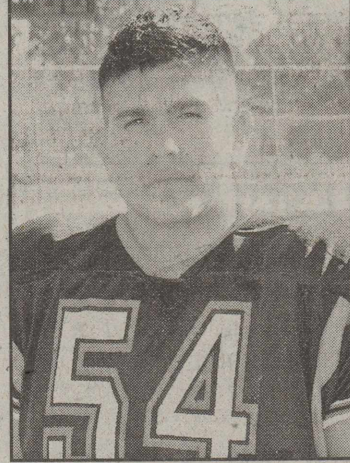
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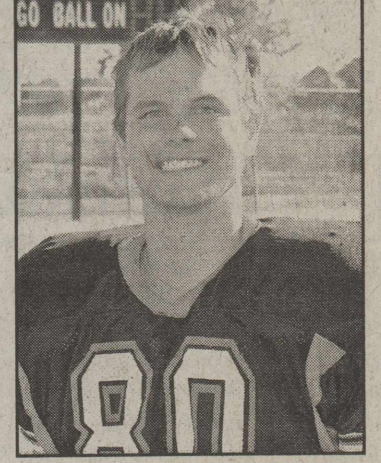
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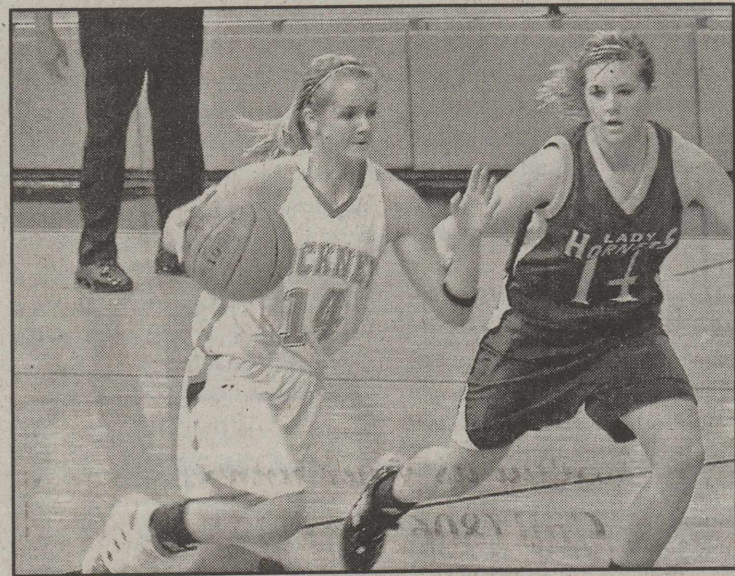
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## LJH BASKETBALL REPORT

**7th Grade Report**  
*Lockney vs Ralls @ Lockney*  
12-1-08

*By Coach Garrett*

The Lockney 7th grade basketball team faced Ralls on Monday night. Even with a tireless effort by the home-team Horns, Lockney never could quite get the handle on the game and fell to Ralls 36-24. It marked the Horns' first loss of the season.

Taking good shots and making good shots had been the key to success for the Horns thus far this season. However, on Monday night, the shots were there...they just wouldn't go in. The Horns

never could get the ball in the hoop very consistently, and that greatly contributed to losing the game. Although they greatly out hustled the Jackrabbits on both ends of the floor, they never could sink the big shots that they really needed to get back in the ball game. Every time the Horns made a run, Ralls was able to hold them off and make a big basket of their own.

**Leading scorers:**  
Nathan Caballero - 8 points  
Collin Fulton - 5 points  
Anthony Nunez - 4 points  
Mariano Alonzo - 3 points  
Ky Teeter - 2 points  
Steven Carlin - 2 points

**7th Grade Report**  
*Lockney vs Anton @ Anton*  
12-8-08

*By Coach Garrett*

The Lockney Shorthorns traveled to Anton Monday night to take on the Bulldogs. It was an intense affair with several key, game-changing moments. In the end however, the Shorthorns were able to overcome a large deficit and secure a tough road victory.

The first half was characterized by the Bulldogs putting extreme pressure on the Lockney backcourt. Several times the Horns just couldn't get the ball past half-court. And other times, they struggled mightily when being trapped. The Horns were guilty of several traveling, double-dribble, and carrying violations. And they just never seemed to catch up with the speed of the game, nor did they find a way to slow the game down themselves. That, combined with a solid shooting half by the Bulldogs, contributed to a 9 point half-time deficit.

Even with the score 19-10 at the half, the Horns did not lose hope. They showed a lot of heart, character, and ability as they narrowed the Bulldog lead to 2 at the end of the 3rd quarter. With the Horns scoring 13 points of their own in that 3rd quarter, they regained their swagger and built confidence for the final quarter. The fourth quarter, although it was a battle, pushed the Horns

to what could have been their breaking point; but they did not break. They found themselves down 3 with a little over a minute to play.

On the ensuing possession, Ky Teeter was able to make an incredible acrobatic shot to cut the lead to 1. And then, when the Horns needed a big stop, they got it. Collin Fulton, who had been swatting Bulldog shots all night, snagged a key rebound and found David Johnson on an outlet pass. After moving the ball up the court through passing, Anthony Nunez found Teeter under the basket, and Teeter was fouled going up for the shot. Teeter knocked down the first free throw, but failed to convert the two points. However, Nathan Caballero wrestled a rebound away from a Bulldog defender and found himself on the free throw line in a tie game. Although Caballero missed the first shot, he made a game-winning free throw to seal the game for the Horns. Lockney added one insurance basket to make the final score 35-32.

**Leading scorers:**  
Nathan Caballero - 15 points  
Collin Fulton - 10 points  
Ky Teeter - 8 points  
Kolby Williams - 2 points  
The Horns are now 3-1 on the season and will face New Deal on Monday December 15 in Lockney. The Horns would like to express their deep gratitude again to the fans who traveled to Anton. Thank you so much.

## LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH HONOR ROLL

Lockney Junior High has released its "A" Honor Roll for its Semester 1 Cycle 2 grades.

**Eighth grade:** McKenzie Kemp, Justin Roberts, Taylor Rose, Mary Sammann, Luke Sherman, and Lindsay Stewart.

**Seventh grade:** Jake Bramlet, Michael DeLeon, David Johnson, Matthew Teeter, and Emily Williams.

**Sixth grade:** Haley Dunbar, Yesenia Garcia, Darby Long, Elisa Naranjo, Ashley Roberts, Nicholas Sherman, and Dixie Williams.



## LHS LONGHORN BASKETBALL RESULTS

December 4-6, 2008  
Lockney Longhorns Varsity at Nazareth Tournament

|          | Vs Bushland |     |     |     |       |
|----------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
|          | 1st         | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
| Bushland | 15          | 13  | 12  | 22  | 62    |
| Lockney  | 6           | 10  | 15  | 20  | 51    |

|         | Vs Sudan |     |     |     |       |
|---------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
|         | 1st      | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
| Sudan   | 4        | 15  | 15  | 8   | 42    |
| Lockney | 2        | 10  | 9   | 7   | 28    |

|          | Vs Nazareth |     |     |     |       |
|----------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
|          | 1st         | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
| Nazareth | 12          | 15  | 15  | 14  | 56    |
| Lockney  | 9           | 18  | 11  | 6   | 42    |

## Lockney School Menu

December 15-December 19  
Monday

**Breakfast**-Pancake on stick or cereal, toast, juice, milk  
**Lunch**-Hot dog/chili or popcorn chicken, broccoli/ranch, corn, pineapple, milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast**-Pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk  
**Lunch**-Chicken soup or grilled cheese, salad, applesauce, crackers, milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast**-Muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk  
**Lunch**-Steak patty or corn dog, potatoes, green beans, sliced pears, roll, milk

Thursday

**Breakfast**-Eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk  
**Lunch**-Pizza or burrito, salad, peaches, milk

Friday

**Breakfast**-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk  
**Lunch**- Sack lunch

## Local student graduates from ENMU

Landon M. Schumacher, from Lockney is among the 168 graduation candidates at Eastern New Mexico University this fall. Commencement is Saturday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. at ENMU's Greyhound Arena in Portales. Schumacher is a candidate for Bachelor of Science in community physical education.

He is a graduate of LHS and is the son of Mark and Charlotte Schumacher.

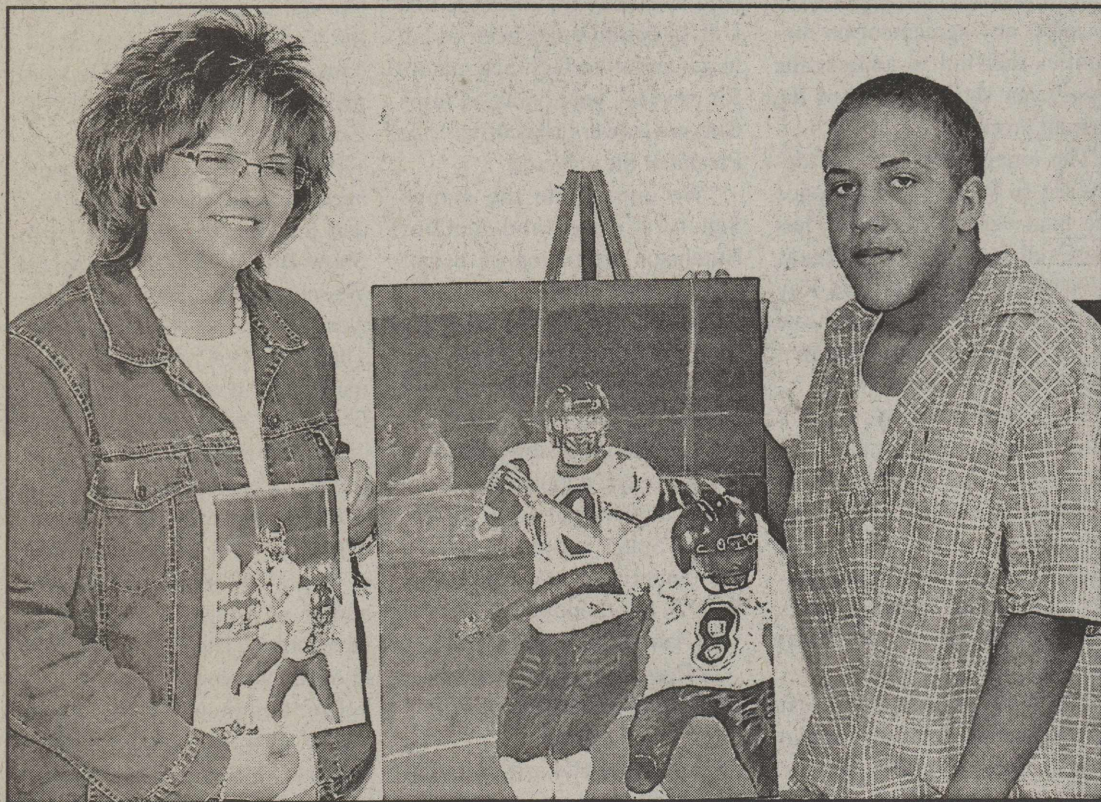
**Upcoming Lockney School Events:**  
*Thursday, Dec. 11 - All-School Sing-Along in elementary gym starting at 10 a.m. (\*students only\*)*  
*Thursday, Dec. 18 - Band concert at 6:30 p.m. at LHS Gym*  
*Early school dismissal Dec. 17-18, 1:45 p.m.;*  
*Dec. 19, 11:45 a.m.*



**LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS** for the week of 12-1-08: (back, l-r) Shelby Dunbar, Hannah Kidd, Jace Klein, Daylen Gatica, Nehemiah Ascencio, (center, l-r) Eulny McCulloch, Bethany Salazar, Christopher Zuniga, Tyra Rosalez, Hannah Casias, (front, l-r) Angelica Alvarado, Townlei Hernandez, Joshua Jimenez, Fernando Valdez and Elida Mendez. *Staff Photo*



**LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS** for the week of 12-08-08: (back row, l-r) Grip Fortenberry, Patience Brown, Julian Jimenez, Cody Trejo, Nival Gomez, (third row) Makayla Ponce and Janae Reyes, (second row, l-r) Sheridan Keyser, Nathan Dolloff, Jonathan Rodriguez, Jonathan Sammann, Isaiiah Issac, (front row, l-r) Nathaniel Castillo, January Casias, Ryann Araujo, Joshua Jimenez, and Jadin Lara. *Staff Photo*



**PHOTO TO PAINTING**--18 year old Lockney High School senior Jonathan Grant, for an art project, did a painting from a football photo taken of him and Kyler Ellison by Connie Barnett. She had previously submitted the photo to the Cannan Photo Contest and titled it "Don't Touch My Quarterback." The player shown to the front of the painting is Jonathan. Donna Webb, Grant's Art teacher said, "I think its awesome and he needs to do more." The project took Grant about two weeks to complete. He is the son of Sally Grant of Vernon and the late Virgil Grant. He is the grandson of Esther Lee and John Mathis of Lockney. Shown left to right are Connie Barnett and Jonathan Grant. *Staff Photo*

## Golightly honored by judicial academy

By Joyce Francis

Floyd County Judge Penny Golightly has been honored by the Texas Judicial Academy for going the extra mile to be prepared to handle her duties as county judge.

Judge Golightly was inducted as a Fellow in the Texas Judicial Academy Nov. 20 at the Moody Gardens Hotel in Galveston during the 2008 Fall Judicial Education Session.

The Academy, a partnership between the Texas Tech University school of Law and the Texas Association of Counties, names as Fellows each year those judges who attain significant judicial education above that required by state law.

The educational program of the Texas Judicial Academy is overseen by the Texas court of Criminal Appeals and includes instruction by higher court judges, law school faculty as

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Most importantly, it can cause serious injury or death to the traveling public. Recently, TxDOT has seen an increase in vandalism of roadway warning and safety devices. These types of incidents are reported to the local law enforcement, investigated and prosecuted.

"TxDOT considers tampering with roadway warning devices serious and will not tolerate it," said Brent Foard, Hall County Maintenance Supervisor. When a roadway safety device is deliberately damaged, stolen, or tampered with the cost can be more than a dollar amount," said Foard. All of these devices are there for a reason and if taken down, it cre-

ates a real safety problem".

According to state law, tampering with a roadway warning device, such as bridge safety end treatments and highway signs is a

Class B Misdemeanor and carries a penalty of not less than \$25 or more than \$1,000, or up to a two-year jail sentence, or both the fine and jail time.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### PUBLIC MEETING

Thursday, December 11, 2008  
6:30 p.m.

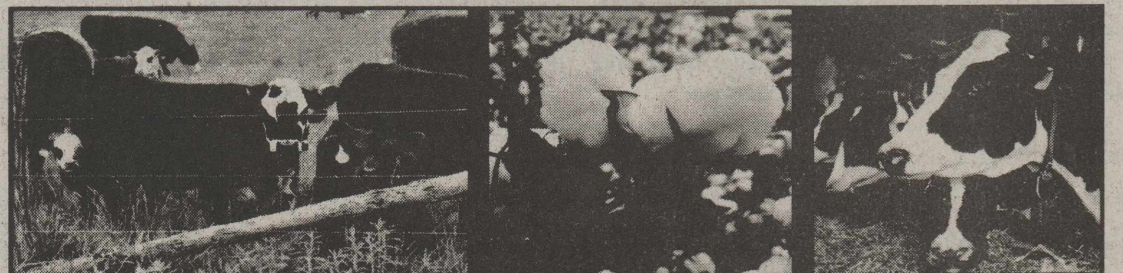
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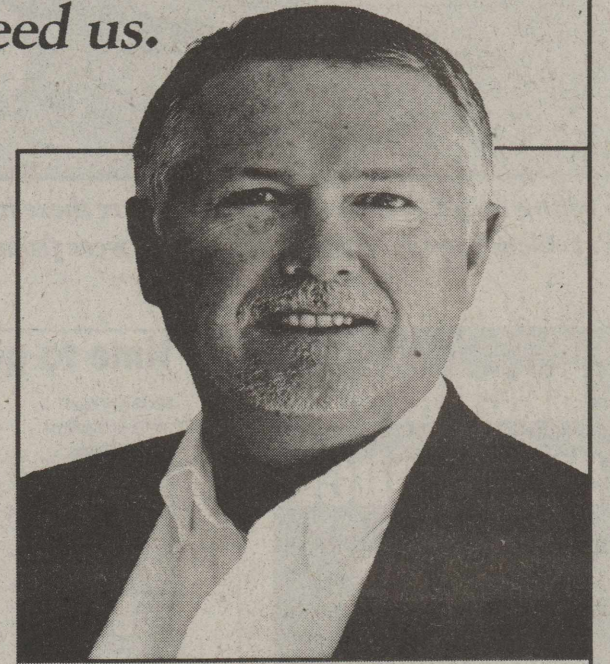
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Vicki Emert was awarded the District "Award of Merit" at this year's Comanche Trails District Boy Scouts' Christmas party on Dec. 8. This award is given to a deserving person who contributes their time and energy to the scouting program. Vicki is the third grade den leader. Her husband, Cubmaster Curtis Emert says she helps him keep his mind together.

Courtesy Photo

### USDA to conduct request for Referendum on pork program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) announced on Wednesday, Dec. 3, that it will conduct a Request for Referendum Dec. 8, 2008, through Jan. 2, 2009, among eligible producers and importers of hogs, pigs, pork, and pork products.

This process will determine if producers want a referendum on the Pork Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Order, commonly known as the Pork Checkoff Program. Participation is voluntary, and only individuals who desire a referendum on the Pork Checkoff Program should submit a request. USDA will only conduct a referendum on the order if at least 15 percent of the total number of eligible pork producers and importers request a referendum. The total number of producers and importers eligible to participate in the Request for Referendum is approximately 69,446; therefore, at least 10,417 eligible producers and importers must request a referendum.

If necessary, the referendum will be conducted within one year after the results of the Request for Referendum are announced. If results of the Request for Referendum indicate that a referendum is not supported, a referendum would not be conducted. Producers and importers who were engaged in pork production or in the importation of hogs, pigs, pork, or pork products between Jan. 1, 2007, and Dec. 31, 2007, and were at least 18 years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2007, are eligible to participate.

For producers, the Request for Referendum will be conducted at the USDA County Farm Service

Agency (FSA) offices where their administrative farm records are maintained. For producers not participating in FSA programs, the opportunity to participate will be provided at the County FSA office where the person owns or rents land. Forms may be obtained at: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/LSMarketingPrograms>.

In order to vote, Form LS-54-1 and supporting documentation, where applicable, such as a sales receipt, veterinary bill, feed bill, copies of grower contracts, cancelled check, or proof of payment must be returned in person, by mail, or by facsimile to the appropriate county FSA office by the close of business Jan. 2, 2009. Form LS-54-1 and supporting documentation returned by mail must be postmarked no later than midnight on Jan. 2, 2009, and received by Jan. 9, 2009.

LS-54-1 and accompanying documentation, such as Customs Form 7501, can be returned in person, by mail or by facsimile. Forms returned by mail must be postmarked no later than midnight on Jan. 2, 2009, and received by Jan. 9, 2009. It is recommended that the form and supporting documentation be mailed via an express service.

Eligible producers may obtain form LS-54-1: Pork Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Request for Referendum from the Floyd County FSA office either in person, by mail or by facsimile. The Floyd County FSA office is located at PO Box 598; the phone number is: 806-983-3763 and the fax number is: 806-983-6426.

# Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

By Shawn Wade

WTO Director General Pascal Lamy is pushing what may be the last 'last-ditch' effort to secure a Doha Round agricultural agreement before the curtain closes on the Bush Administration.

Unfortunately for Lamy, and those sympathetic to his position, it appears that the draft agriculture negotiating framework (modalities) he proposed earlier this year that has raised significant concerns among U.S. agriculture industry groups is also being questioned by many members of the U.S. Congress.

In an effort to communicate those concerns Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin is circulating a letter to President George Bush urging him to instruct U.S. negotiators to reject any agreement on modalities that fail to address the significant shortcomings of the current proposal.

The letter, which will be delivered to President Bush once the final version is signed, has garnered the support of Texas Senators John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison who have agreed to sign the letter before it heads to the President.

The Senate letter says Lamy's latest proposal for establishing the negotiating framework to complete a Doha Round agricultural agreement should be rejected by U.S. negotiators unless substantial improvements are made to correct its shortcomings.

Commenting on the latest developments, Senator Cornyn says, "I support expanding trade policy that opens new markets for American-made products. An important role of the government in this economy is keeping markets open and creating new markets for what we produce. This is why I am concerned that the most recent WTO negotiating text in Geneva shortchanges American agriculture."

"Our trade ambassador has offered stark concessions in the farm safety net in exchange for

new overseas marketing opportunities for American farmers. Farmers are nervous because the generous offer has gone unreciprocated. And worse, some countries are trying to erode away our negotiating position by demanding more while offering nothing.

"The trade ambassador thus far has had the courage to tell Geneva that, for the United States, no deal is better than a bad deal. I am concerned that the ambassador may soon be hastily summoned to Geneva and once again face pressure to swallow the same bad deal or worse. American agriculture is still not interested in a bad deal."

Senator Cornyn's sentiment that no deal is better than a bad deal is exactly the message that U.S. agriculture has been trying to get across to U.S. negotiators for several years, says Plains Cotton Growers Executive Vice President Steve Verett.

"We appreciate the stance Senator Cornyn and Senator Hutchison are taking on behalf of U.S. agriculture," concludes Verett. "The only acceptable path to concluding the Doha Round in agriculture is the path that includes a willingness on the part of our trading partners to match the magnitude of the offers already put forth by the United States and produce very substantial market access gains for U.S. agriculture."

### 4th Annual Southwest Farm & Ranch Classic; January 27-29 Lubbock Memorial Civic Center

The Southwest Farm & Ranch Classic trade show is set for its 4th annual appearance at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Jan. 27-29, 2009. The show is designed to create a forum for agricultural producers, manufacturers, suppliers and service vendors to meet and exchange ideas.

The Southwest Classic show is also an excellent opportunity for members of the non-agricultural general public to learn more about the agriculture industry and its impact on the Lubbock area economy.

In addition to a wealth of information from participating vendors about new products and services available to agricultural producers, the Southwest Classic show also works closely with state and local agencies to provide valuable professional development seminars and workshops. The program is designed to be both informative and entertaining and includes seminars and demonstrations for agricultural producers of all sizes and the general public interested in agricultural topics.

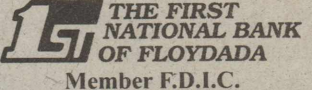
Show program highlights include demonstrations by well-known horse trainer Van Hargis, an exhibit of antique tractors provided by the South Plains Antique Tractor Association, on-site quilting demonstrations by the Community Quilters Guild, education courses organized and presented by Texas AgriLIFE Extension (TALE).

Participants are also encouraged to mark their 2009 calendars and plan to attend the Farm Show Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 28 at the Southwest Farm and Ranch Classic. The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce will host the Farm Show Breakfast in the Banquet Hall of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The keynote speaker at the 2009 Farm Show Breakfast event will be Richard Brock, of Brock Associates. Richard is author of a marketing advisory newsletter, "The Brock Report," as well as providing daily marketing comment by radio and online. Brock is an agricultural economist and has been helping farmers, farm owners, and agribusinesses make educated grain marketing and purchasing decisions for 25 years. Find out more about him online at: <http://www.brockreport.com> and make sure you reserve your seat on Wednesday morning Jan. 28 to hear him in person.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held of the Board of Trustees of the Floydada Independent School District, Thursday, December 11, 2008 beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the Board conference room, 226 West California, Floydada, Texas.

1. Call to order.

2. Public Hearing on Application of Texas Land Partners, LP, for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property, pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax code, which was filed with the Superintendent on or about August 29, 2008.

3. Adjourn.

If during the course of the meeting, discussion of any items on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

Central Office

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#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the estate of **WARREN DOYLE WALLS, DECEASED**, has been commenced by the issuance of letters testamentary to the undersigned on December 3, 2008 by the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 5812 styled IN RE ESTATE OF WARREN DOYLE WALLS, DECEASED, in which court the matter is pending. All creditors having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned at the address shown below within the time prescribed by law.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2008.

DALIA B. WALLS  
INDEPENDENT CO-EXECUTOR OF THE  
ESTATE OF WARREN DOYLE WALLS

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INDEPENDENT CO-EXECUTOR OF THE  
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**MATERNITY CLOTHES** for sale-- Sizes range from medium to X-large. If interested contact Amanda at 983-2636.

12-18p

### PETS

**BORDER COLLIE PUPS** for sale. Poco Bueno Stock Dogs. Call Tim at 983-3322 or email: trixy@pocosd.com or tim@pocosd.com

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12-11p

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1-29-09p

**COVINGTON CONSTRUCTION--** Home repairs and remodels. Contact Monte Covington, 548-3357.

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### SERVICES

**CEMENT WORK--**Need a new driveway, sidewalk, patio or flower bed curb? Call Gary Bennett at 983-5120 (home) or 778-8549 (cell).

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### HELP WANTED

**FIELD INTERVIEWERS--**Aspen of DC/Macro International seeks Data Collectors for a 4 month survey of HUD-assisted households in Bailey, Castro, Collingsworth, Donley, Floyd, Hall, Lamb, Parmer, Randall and Swisher counties in Texas. Collect data and conduct in-person, computer-assisted interviews. Local travel required (costs reimbursed). Some weekend and evening hours likely. Flexibility and ability to work independently a must. Computer proficiency required. College degree or 2-3 years experience preferred. Background check required. \$10.50/hr. Must attend 10 day paid training in January in San Antonio, Texas. **Must indicate Cluster 53 in "subject" line of e-mail or fax/letter cover. Send resume to:** EMAIL: admin@aspenofdc.com FAX: (202) 318-7112; MAIL: MACRO HUD QC, c/o Aspen of DC, Inc., 1200 G Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005

12-11p

### HELP WANTED

First United Methodist Church of Floydada seeking part time music minister for Chancel Choir. Call 806-983-3706 or come by 203 West Kentucky Street for more information.

12-11

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY

Case No. 2008-E3

On the 19th day of November 2008, I impounded the following estray:

Kjnd of Animal: Cow  
Breed: Longhorn  
Color: Red  
Sex: F  
Age: 3  
Size: 1000

Brand, Marks, Identifying Characteristics: White on forehead; Circle NS on left hip.

and on the 19th day of November, 2008, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Floyd County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of record brand Floyd County, Texas, for the owner of the said estray, but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 10th day of December, 2008, said estray will be sold at public auction/Sheriff's sale at 10:00 a.m. on December 10, 2008.

WITNESS my hand this 19th day of November, 2008.

Jerry Edwards

Deputy

12-4, 12-11c

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the estate of **ELENA HOPPER, DECEASED**, has been commenced by the issuance of letters testamentary to the undersigned on December 3, 2008 by the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 5813 styled IN RE ESTATE OF ELENA HOPPER, DECEASED, in which court the matter is pending.

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

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2008.

BILL HOPPER  
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR OF THE  
ESTATE OF ELENA HOPPER

C/O KAREN HOUCHEIN,  
ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE  
P.O. BOX 421, 124 W. CALIFORNIA  
FLOYDADA, TEXAS 79235  
PHONE (806) 983-5556, FAX (806) 983-8022

12-11c

#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Floyd County Commissioners' Court is taking sealed bids for:

White 1985 GMC 1500 Sierra  
VIN: TGTEC14HXFS516541  
350 Motor, 3 speed transmission  
Needs front end alignment.  
Runs good.

This vehicle can be viewed by calling Jon Jones at 806-983-1772

1985 Chevy Truck  
VIN 1GBE6DA8FV25595

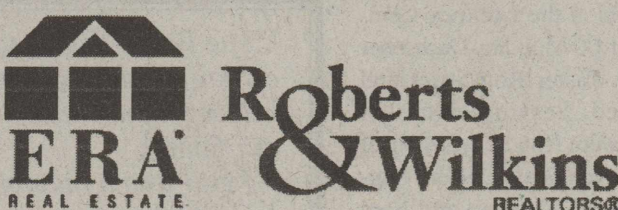
9x9 Storage shed

6x8 Tall fuel tank

These items can be viewed by calling Lindan Morris at 806-983-7879

We have the right to refuse any and all bids. All bids forms may be picked up at the Floyd County Judge's Office. All sealed bids will be opened on Monday, January 12, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. during the regular Commissioners' Court.

12-11c



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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

We the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Floyd County, Texas hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Quarterly report, filed with us on this 8th day of December, 2008 and that the total of funds held by the County Treasurer, as well as other assets in her hands are the sum of \$1,460,156.40.

First National Bank Certificate of Deposits \$ 0.00

WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 8th day of December, 2008.

Penny Golightly, County Judge  
RayNell Bearden, Commissioner, Precinct #1  
Billy Quattlebaum, Commissioner, Precinct #3  
Jon Jones, Commissioner, Precinct #4

12-11c

## Obituaries

**ANNA LOU JORDAN**  
Anna Lou (Kelso) Jordan, age 86, passed away on Thursday, December 4, 2008 at the Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center. Memorial services were held later in the week at the Masonic Cemetery in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Local arrangements were held by Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada. Mrs. Jordan is survived by her daughter, Linda Strickland and husband, Ron of Floydada.



**ALFRED A. SEAY**

Alfred A. Seay, 92, passed away on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at the New Mexico State Veterans Home in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico. He was born on November 12, 1917 in Floyd County to John and Mary E. (Fortenberry) Seay.

Al was a World War II veteran of the U. S. Army 185th Field Artillery, a retired farmer and rancher and a life member of the VFW Post 3224.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Mary E. Seay; his brother, Albert Seay; his sister, Nora Belle Davis; his son, Clifford Seay and by his wife, Lottie Williams Seay.

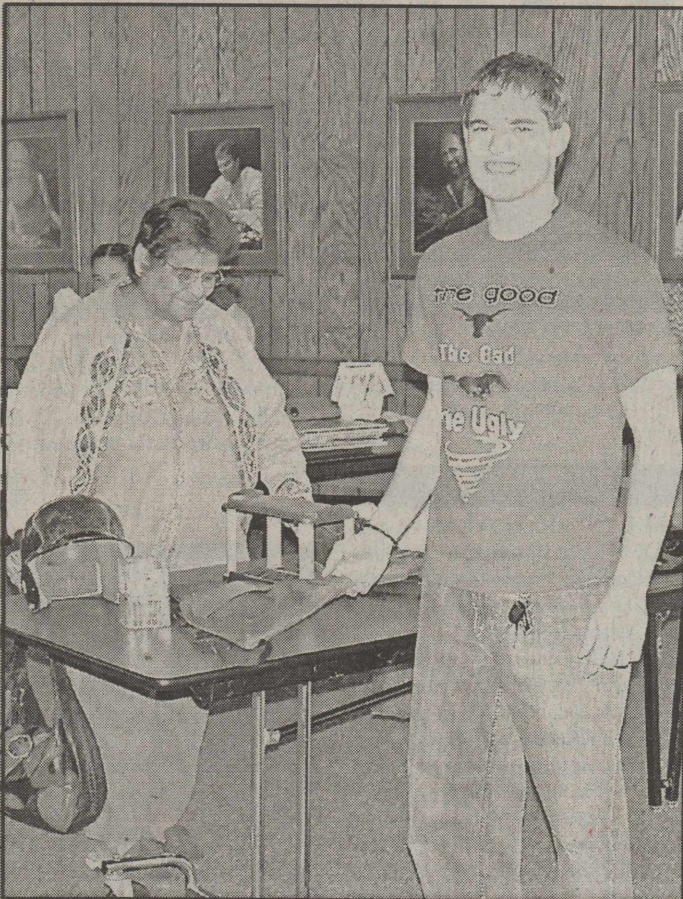
Survivors include his son, Ron Seay and wife, Clara of Garden Plains, Kansas; his stepdaughter, JoAnn Williams of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico; his grandchildren, Michael Seay and wife, Angie of Wichita, Kansas, Steven Seay and Allison of Manhattan, Kansas, Jenny Carmichael of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico and Diana McClanahan of Leonardtown, Maryland and by seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation for family and friends was held from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Sunday, December 7, 2008 at the Kirikos Family Funeral Chapel, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico and from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Monday, December 8, 2008 at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney, Texas.

Funeral services and interment were held at the Lockney Cemetery at 1:00 Monday, December 8, 2008. Pastor Ron Strickland officiated. Serving as casket bearers were Ron Seay, Michael Seay, Steven Seay, Clifford Higgins, Jimmy Durham and Sam Fortenberry.

Memorial donations may be made in memory of Alfred A. Seay to the New Mexico State Veterans Home, 992 S. Broadway, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico 87901 or to the Lockney Cemetery Association, c/o Moore-Rose Funeral Home, P.O. Box 395, Lockney, TX. 79241.

## AFRICA DONATION



**ALMOST \$1,300 RAISED FOR "INVISIBLE CHILDREN" OF AFRICA**--Patrick Doucette did what he could to help the cause after Kaury Edwards, his Youth Director at First United Methodist Church in Lockney, showed a movie entitled *The Rough Cut*. The final amount is the result of funds brought in by a yard sale Doucette held and of donations received. He said, "Seeing that movie made me feel I needed to do something about it. I figured this would be a good way to raise money. I know God put it on my heart, cause last year I would never have tried something like this. God blessed my effort and it turned out good. I am also helping to sell bracelets made in Uganda by people in the displacement camps. This gives them a paying job which helps them get back on their feet again." Doucette is the son of Jim and Denise Doucette and is a Lockney High School Senior.

Staff Photo

## Floydada, Lockney 4-H Clubs meet tonight

By Donna Keaton

The Floydada and Lockney 4-H Clubs will meet together on Thursday, Dec. 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. Everyone is asked to bring finger foods and desserts. The Community Service project for the month of December is to bring a small toy or canned goods to be donated to a charity.

The program for the meeting will be constructing a gingerbread house. Participants are asked to bring a small sack of candy to put on the gingerbread houses (gum drops, jelly beans, sweet tarts, licorice, red hots, peppermints, etc.). Recreation for the evening will be a White Elephant Exchange (bring something you really DON'T want, gift wrapped).

Club officers from Lockney and Floydada will be in charge

of the meeting.

Club managers for the 2008-09 programming year are Beth Bramlet for Lockney and Dana Faulkenberry from Floydada. If you have any questions please give them a call or you may call the Extension Office at 983-4912.

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*Extension Programs serve people of all ages regardless of race, color, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Courts of Texas cooperating. We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for all meetings.*

*We request that you contact the Floyd County Extension Office as soon as possible to advise us of any auxiliary and/or services needed.*

*The Patzer Family wants to express our appreciation for the thoughts, prayers, condolences and helping hands that many of you have shared with our family.*

*Keith was a man of faith, discipline, and excellence and that resonated throughout his life with his family, friends, and his practice.*

*We thank you for sharing the many stories that further dignified those and other character traits and his life. After his years of preparation and perseverance, he is now at peace and with his wife and spiritual family.*

*Thank you again from the bottom of our hearts.*

The Patzer Family

**As the Christmas Season approaches, you look to family and friends for support to make it through each day. Our family has been held up to God by so many, in so many different way.**

**We have been blessed by this county. So very many people came to help. Even people who do not normally farm called to see if they were needed in any way.**

**As I sat on the turnrow that Wednesday, I watched equipment begin to move toward our farm from so many different directions. It seemed like every person we ever knew converged and surrounded us with love and support.**

**We would like to offer our mere thanks to all for your help and support in this most difficult time. May God bless all of you. You are most cherished.**

The Paul Lloyd Family

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## Floyd County Church Directory

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

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

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

**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**  
Tevi 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.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Anthony D. Sisemore, Pastor  
Terry Simmons, 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.

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

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

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Rev. Ricky Carstensen  
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.

**GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Joe Bennett, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 7:30 p.m.

**MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister  
Bible Study ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.

**MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
401 N 12th St (983-5805)  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Joe Weldon, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

**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.

**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  
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.

**TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Washington and 1st St.  
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 ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Providence Community  
on FM 2301 293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 a.m.

**WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Floydada 983-3548  
Sunday Worship ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.

**American State Bank**  
Member FDIC  
217 W. California  
983-3725

**Goen & Goen Insurance**  
102 E. California  
983-3524

**Barwise Gin**  
Barwise Community  
983-2737

**Lockney Co-op Gin**  
652-3377

**City Auto**  
Buick, Pontiac, GMC  
201 E. Missouri  
Floydada  
983-3767

**Oden Chevrolet Inc.**  
221 S. Main, Floydada  
983-3787

**Clark Pharmacy**  
320 N. Main - Lockney  
652-3353

**Payne Family Pharmacy**  
200 S. Main, Floydada  
983-5111

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102 E. Shubert  
Lockney  
652-3385

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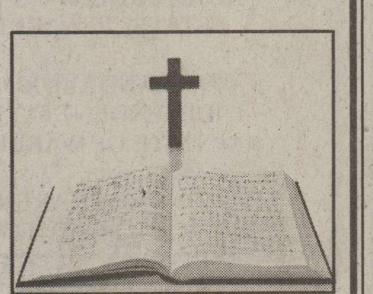
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**USO NEW CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE** Deadline extended

The deadline for the New Children's Book Drive has been extended to Wednesday, December 17th. These NEW BOOKS will be used by SOLDIERS at the USO at DFW to READ to their CHILDREN by VIDEO while stationed OVERSEAS.

Drop off books at Cornelius Conoco or the Hesperian-Beacon offices in Floydada or Lockney.

**UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE**  
The First National Bank of Floydada is hosting their open house on Friday, Dec. 19, from 9a.m. to 3p.m. Feel free to stop by and share in some holiday cheer.