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Unity Center officially open for business

By Darwin Robinson
 "I officially declare the Floyd County Friends Unity Center open for business and to serve all citizens of this wonderful area," said Floyd County Friends President Nick Long to a large crowd Sunday afternoon, January 16th, at the ribbon cutting ceremony.
 Floydada City Manager, and emcee, Gary Brown welcomed the crowd to the new county facility.
 Boy Scout Troop 357 of Floydada and Troop 259 of Lockney conducted the American Flag presentation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Contractor Ed Marks spoke and dedicated the Unity Center. He thanked the Lord for no accidents during construction and for blessing him and his crew as they labored on the building.
 Marks said, "I have met many new friends while working on this building and you all are now a part of the depository in my treasury of friends."
 Marks quoted a poem fitting the occasion entitled "The Bridge Builder."

*An old man, going a lone highway,
 Came at the evening, cold and gray,
 To a chasm, vast and deep and wide,
 Through which was flowing a
 sullen tide.*
*The old man crossed in the
 twilight dim-
 That sullen stream had no fears
 for him;
 But he turned, when he reached the
 other side,
 And built a bridge to span the tide.*
*"Old man," said a fellow
 pilgrim near,
 "You are wasting strength in
 building here.
 Your journey will end with the
 ending of day;
 You never again must pass this way,
 You have crossed the chasm,
 deep and wide,
 Why build you a bridge at the
 eventide?"*
*The builder lifted his old gray head.
 "Good friend, in the path I have
 come," he said,*

*"There followeth after me today
 A youth whose feet must pass this
 way.
 This chasm that has been naught
 to me
 To that fair-haired youth may a
 pitfall be.
 He, too, must cross in the
 twilight dim;
 Good friend, I am building the
 bridge for him."*
 Nick Long told the many friends gathered, "It's a dream come true! The road to success all started in November 1994 when Billy Colston went into the County Extension office to see County Agent Kerry Siders about a new show barn.
 "In March of 1995 the Floyd County Friends were organized with a common goal to help both Floydada and Lockney with problems of a facility for large scale events, primarily the County Fair and Stock Show.
 "It was an interesting and educational journey, but somehow 13 families stuck together constantly think-
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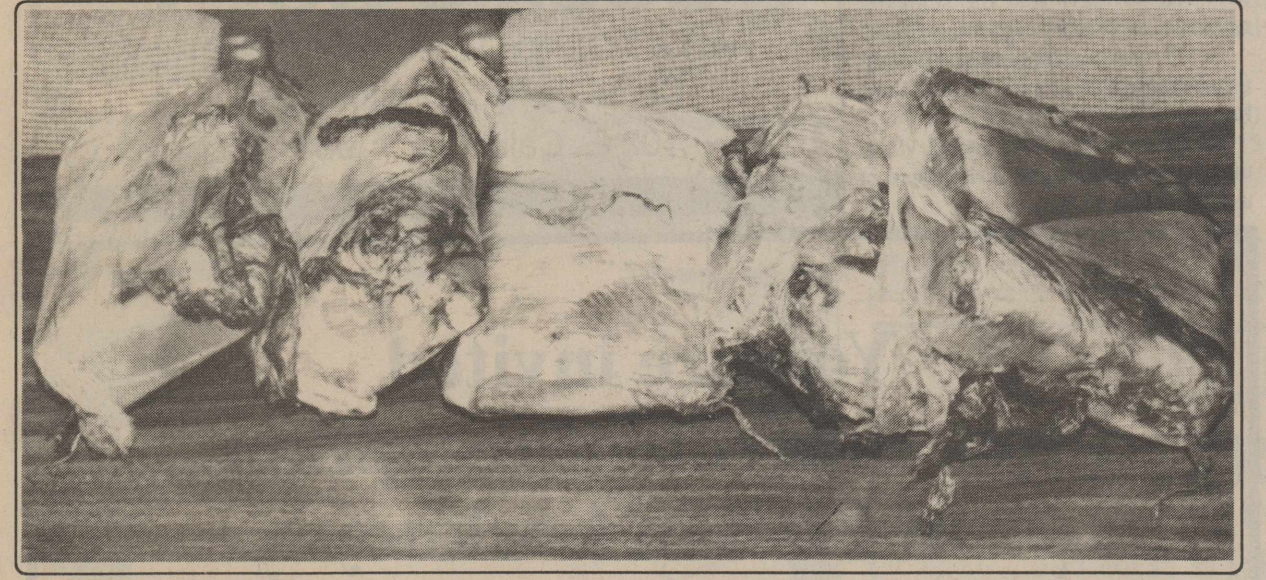
RIBBON CUTTING, CUTTING, CUTTING--Members of the Board of Directors of the Floyd County Friends lined up on stage at the Unity Center Open House, Sunday, January 16. Each one had scissors to cut the very long ribbon and officially open the new Unity Center. Staff Photo

Floydada mechanics find 10 pounds of marijuana hidden inside of tire

Floydada Ford mechanics trying to align a tire were surprised to find the cause of the wobbling was 10 pounds of marijuana hidden inside the tire.
 The new owner of the tire was just as surprised as the mechanics. The tire owner paid only \$35.00 for the tire. The marijuana contents were worth approximately \$10,000.
 "We know the owner did not know what was inside his tire. It changed hands many times before it got to him and the marijuana was inside the tire the whole time," said Floydada Police Chief Darrell Gooch.
 According to Gooch a young man originally found the wheel and tire

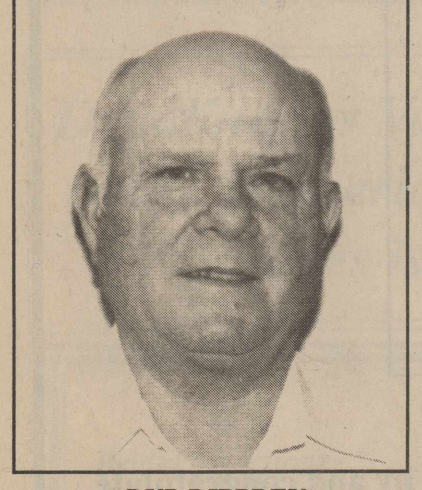
laying out on the Ralls Highway (Hwy. 62), while en route to Lubbock, around Christmas.
 The man took the tire home and put it on his front porch with a "For Sale" sign on the tire. There were no buyers and the father eventually took the tire to a local tire store and sold the tire, "for what he could get for it."
 The tire store then sold the tire for \$35.00 to a man who eventually brought it to Floydada Ford for alignment.
 "The tire wobbled," said Gooch. "He was trying to find out what was wrong with it."
 When the mechanics pulled the tire

apart, the marijuana was found inside. The marijuana was wrapped in cellophane and then covered in axle grease to try and throw drug dogs off the scent.
 Police were called and the marijuana was locked in the evidence room. According to Gooch, the axle grease does not deter drug dogs.
 "I like the newspaper to spread the word," said Gooch. "If you're missing your pickup wheel and tire, police may have your property. Just come by the police station and identify it, and the police will put you up in the local county Bed and Breakfast."



CONFISCATED MARIJUANA--Floydada Police confiscated 10 pounds of marijuana found hidden inside a tire. The packages were wrapped in cellophane and smeared in axle grease. The tire had been found laying on the Ralls Highway around Christmas. Staff Photo

Dub Dipprey retiring from FNB Lockney



DUB DIPPREY
By Darwin Robinson
 Lockney is losing a Main Street landmark to retirement this month. Dub Dipprey, Senior Vice-President of FNB of Lockney, is retiring January 28th after over 44 years with the same bank.
 Dipprey has been with FNB since
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Brag Page Deadline Approaches

The Valentine issue with the popular Brag Pages will be published February 10th.
 Anyone wishing to put a photo of their child, grandchild, or any other loved one, should have the pictures to the Hesperian-Beacon offices in Floydada or Lockney, by February 3rd, at 5:00 p.m.
 The cost for 1-3 children in a heart frame is \$10.00. If there are four or more people in the picture, the cost will be \$15.00 per frame.
 Each photo will be placed in a frame and will appear with the person's name, age, parent's names, and grandparent's names.
 There is no age limit for persons in the photograph.
 Photos may be color, or black and white. Photos of any size will be accepted.

LISD program brings realism to students in simulated accident

LISD members were briefed on an upcoming "Shattered Dreams" program, during their regular monthly meeting, January 13th.
 The "Shattered Dreams" program is intended to impress students with the trauma of simulated, but graphic, accident scenes.
 High School Principal James Poole told the trustees that DPS Trooper Raul Ascenio and Lockney Police Sgt. Chuck Martin had tentatively scheduled the program for April 24th and 25th.
 According to Poole, the program will stage a DWI accident involving two wrecked vehicles. Approximately 25 students (juniors and seniors), will be participants in the mock accident.
 Each vehicle will contain several students--some of which will be
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Public Hearing Set For New LISD Drug Policy

Lockney ISD will conduct a public meeting, January 27, at 7:00 p.m., in the gymnasium to provide input and answer questions on the student drug testing policy. The policy will be implemented in February.
 The public is invited to attend.

Unity Center hosting County Stock Show

The annual Floyd County Stock Show will be held for the first time at the new Unity Center in Muncy, January 28-30.
 Friday, January 28th, the swine and lambs must be in the barn by 6:00 p.m. Weight cards must be turned in to respective barn superintendents.
 Lamb judging begins at 8:00 a.m., Saturday, January 29th.
 All steers must be in place by 9:00 a.m. and ready for weigh-in at 10:00 a.m.
 Swine judging begins at 12:00 p.m., Saturday.
 Heifer judging begins at 10:00 a.m., Sunday, and Steer judging begins at 1:00 p.m.
 Monday, January 31, the Unity Center will host its first Buyer's Luncheon at 11:00 a.m. The luncheon is sponsored by the Floyd County Farm Bureau.
 The Premium Sale will also be in the Unity Center at 1:00 p.m., Monday.

Council gives citizens more time before demolitions

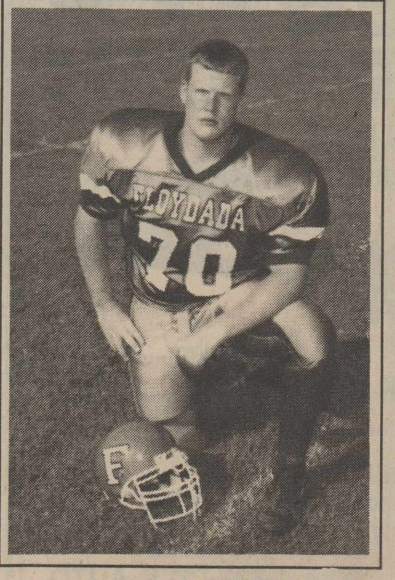
Citizens met with Lockney City Councilmembers during a public hearing, Tuesday, concerning dilapidated structures and possible demolitions of property.
 The public hearing concerned demolition of properties at Block 2, lots 16-17, Tuttle Addition (417 N.E. 7th), property of Jesse Arjona; and Block 7, lots 2-8, Moore addition (310 N.E. 5th), property of Juan Sanchez.
 Jesse Arjona Sr. appeared before the council and asked for more time to repair his property.
 "I'm willing to fix up the windows, ceiling, and roof," said Arjona.
 Councilman Gary Marr asked, "How long has it been since someone lived there?"
 Arjona said 5 or 6 years.
 Arjona told the council that he intended to put up new sheetrock and check out the wiring. He said he was disabled because of 2 back surgeries. Arjona said he would have help with friends and family to fix up the house.
 The council asked Arjona what kind of good faith could he show them if they postponed demolition.
 Arjona said he had already started clearing the lot and then he would start
 on the ceiling and then replace the windows. He would then start on the inside of the house.
 The council voted unanimously to recess the hearing until July 1st and see if any action had been taken to fix up the house.
 Juan Sanchez spoke next and also asked for more time.
 Although Sanchez lives in Wellington he said he wanted to fix up the property for his son to live in.
 The windows were broken out of the home, and new doors and a new roof were needed. Sanchez also said the wiring had been gutted out, but he had a brother who was an electrician and would help him fix the wiring.
 The council and Sanchez also discussed an open well on his property. Sanchez agreed to get the hole covered quickly.
 Sanchez said no one was taking care of the property and vandals continued to break out the windows.
 Sanchez told the council he would come on weekends to work on the property and would have new windows, new doors, and a new roof put on the house.
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FISD plans new play ground for Andrews

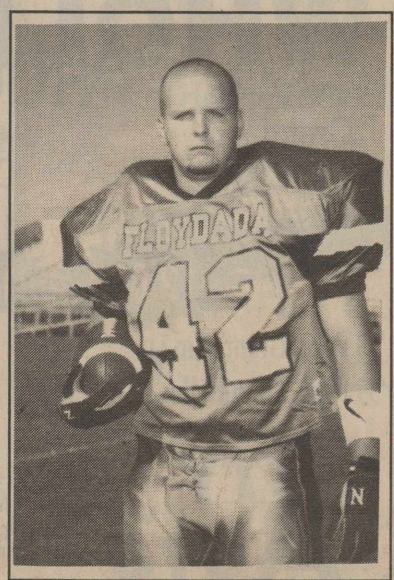
By Darwin Robinson
 The Floydada Independent School District board voted unanimously last Thursday, January 13th, to give full authority to the City of Floydada to install an outdoor classroom and recreational facility at R.C. Andrews Elementary School.
 R.C. Andrews Principal David Hutton spoke to the board concerning the real need for updating and renovating the R.C. Andrews Elementary play ground.
 Hutton said, "Sometime back we decided we would like to renovate the play ground and consolidate the equipment. It is spread out over five acres right now and some of you probably played on it when you were kids."
 "So we are asking that you agree to allow the city to apply for and develop a play ground grant from the Texas Department of Wildlife."
 "When the city receives the grant, then they will pay to set up an out-
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Floydada seniors named to All-State

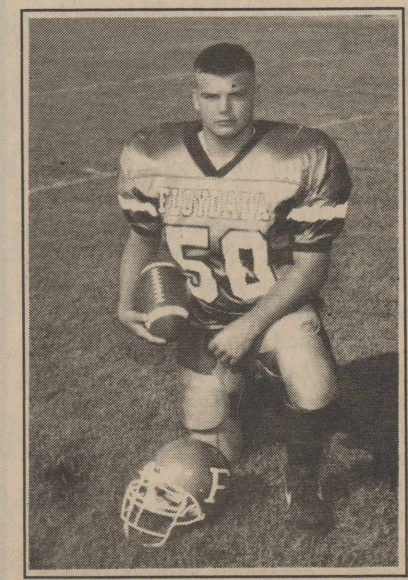
Scot Holster and David Lightfoot, have been named to the Texas High School Coaches Association Academic All-State Football Team. Corey Clemens received Honorable Mention.
 The Floydada Athletes were named to the Class 2A second team.
 Requirements for consideration are a GPA of 92 or above, a member of the team in good standing, a senior, and be of good moral character.



SCOT HOLSTER

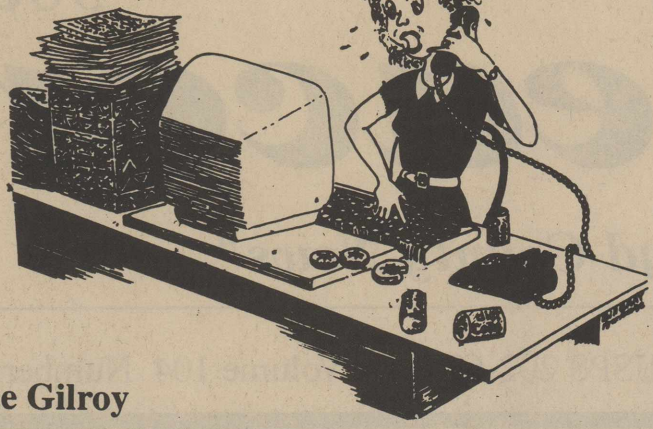


DAVID LIGHTFOOT



COREY CLEMENS

BY THE WAY



By
Alice Gilroy

I've come to the conclusion that I'm nothing more than a "country bumpkin".

I don't feel like a "country bumpkin" when I'm around all you other "country bumpkins", but as soon as I leave town I very often feel like I'm on another planet.

My family and I went to Sipapu Ski Lodge in New Mexico this weekend with the Boy Scouts. It was a wonderful relaxing week-end and the family running Sipapu made us feel right at home. We should have stayed at the ski lodge--but we had to venture out into the "artsy" world of Taos, New Mexico, on Saturday night.

It was past supper time when we started looking for a place to eat. We had been shopping with Francis and Debbie Montandon and their children. The other Scouts were eating at good ol' dependable Wendy's Restaurant.

The Gilroys and Montandons wanted to be adventurous.

We got a recommendation to go to "Fred's" for "New Mexican" food. When we got there the line was out the door. I ran in to ask how long the wait was, and was told 25 minutes. I put our name on the list and ran back to the car.

We decided we were too hungry and drove to another "New Mexican" food restaurant. They took us right in--because there wasn't anybody else.

While the waiters rushed around pulling tables together to accommodate the large crowd, I happened to look at the prices on a menu.

The cheapest thing on the menu was \$13.00. Nachos were \$16.00.

I pointed this out to the Montandons--who pointed it out to my husband. Before I knew it I was standing there by myself. I apologized to the waiter and slithered out the door.

Back to reasonably priced Freds. By this time the wait was only 10 minutes.

We are sitting along the wall, people watching and trying to make diners feel guilty enough to hurry through their meal.

My son, Brandon, leans into me and whispers, "Mom, look at the walls."

I looked. From top to bottom--side to side--corner to corner--hanging on the wall--was every size, shape, and color of crucifix that you could imagine. They were made out of any and every kind of material--from wood to barbed wire.

Brandon whispers, "Mom, don't you think that's weird. Doesn't it give you the creeps?"

I didn't know what to say. We've been trying to educate Brandon on weird religions and what can happen to people who follow "men of God" blindly. We've always used the Rev. Jim Jones as an example. (You remember him. He was the nut who poisoned his church with Kool-aid.)

Anyway, I said, "Well it is a little weird. I guess they call it art."

Next Debbie Montandon leans over and whispers, "Alice, look at the ceiling."

I tried to lift my eyes without lifting my head. It didn't work. As soon as I looked--all the kids looked.

There on the low ceiling--wall to wall--was a giant mural. The mural was of giant women angels. Giant naked women angels. Giant naked Well Endowed women angels. They were carrying very happy faced men off to Heaven.

My mouth dropped open. The kids mouths dropped open. I tried to close it before anyone noticed.

Then they called us to tables.

My son sat down and told me he didn't want to stay. He didn't think it was right for them to have pictures like that, and he didn't think we should eat there. He was very worried, and very upset with us for staying--no matter how hungry we all were.

I told him it was O.K. I said, "God isn't mad at us for eating here. He knows we are hungry. I know it's weird, but the food must be O.K. Everyone else is eating it."

He slouched in his seat and said, "Well alright. But I'm not going to drink the purple Kool-aid!"

Floydada Police Report

January 5th, 10:00 a.m., Floydada Police arrested Linda Ratliff, 42, of Floydada, for outstanding city warrants.

January 7th, Anthony Muniz, 24, was arrested for outstanding city warrants.

January 8th, Lourdes Palacio, 35, was arrested on felony warrants.

January 8th, police were called to the 900 block of S. Garrison in reference to a domestic disturbance. Michael Green, 24, of Floydada, was subsequently arrested for Assault.

January 8th, police received a report of a burglary in which a TV and VCR were taken from a home.

January 10, at 4:30 p.m., police were called to the 600 block of E. Ross in reference to a fight. Police talked with witnesses and complainants. According to Police Chief Darrell Gooch the stories conflicted and no charges have been filed at this time.

January 11, Ida Segura, 18, of Floydada, was arrested for outstanding city warrants.

January 12th, police assisted Motley Sheriff in recovery of stolen property. A search warrant was conducted

at 605 E. California and several articles of stolen property taken during a burglary in Motley County were found in the residence. Also located, according to Gooch, was marijuana residue, "dope pipes", and a white powder substance. "The white powder is believed to be cocaine," said Gooch. "The substance has been sent to DPS lab for analysis." There were no arrests at this time.

January 14th, police stopped a vehicle on Hwy. 62 for a traffic violation. The driver, Richard Russell, 21, of Floydada, was arrested for DWI.

January 15th, police stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation, at 1:12 a.m., in the 800 block of W. Jackson. Shannon Bailey, 17, of Floydada, was arrested for DWI.

Also on January 15th, police received a call at 2:30 a.m., concerning reckless drivers in the Pay-N-Save parking lot. The vehicles were located at the Silver Screen parking lot a few minutes later. According to Gooch, "Police talked to several individuals in the parking lot and arrested Jason Harrison, 22, and Justin Payne, 19, for Public Intoxication."

Lockney Police Report

January 4, Lockney Police received a report of two check forgeries at a business in the 200 block of N. Main Street. Suspect's were identified and the information has been turned over to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

January 9, police stopped a vehicle for speeding on U.S. 70. The driver, Aurora Harris Canales, 51, of Ft. Worth was found to have outstanding traffic warrants held by the Department of Public Safety in Mineral Wells.

January 11, police arrested Timothy Scott Ballejo, 18, of Lockney on a warrant issued charging him with Injury to a child. The offense took place in Lockney on December 14, 1999.

January 12, police were contacted by a parent of Lockney Jr. High Student who reported that some items including cash were taken from the students belongings during the school day.

January 14, police were contacted by a parent of Lockney Jr. High Student who reported that some items including cash were taken from the students belongings during the school day.

January 15, police stopped a 1995 Green Ford for running the stop sign at the intersection of Loop 75 and U.S. 70 just after midnight. The driver, Armando Garcia, 19, of Lockney was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated and taken to the Floyd County Jail.

Staged accident scene will bring realism to LISD students

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ceased. All students will be "made up" with paint and cosmetics to appear injured. Local fire and rescue personnel will use "Jaws of Life" and other means to remove victims from the vehicles.

Parents will also be involved in the process, by writing an obituary for their son or daughter who was killed in the accident.

Coach Terry reported to the board that additional expenditures needed to be made. He said that some football helmets were not up to safety standards and needed to be replaced, and the track team needs some new hurdles.

Terry also said additional equipment for the power lifting team needed to be purchased. "Lockney has not had a powerlifting team in several years," said Terry.

The Board also discussed the calendar for the upcoming school year. No action was taken but several members felt strongly that the semester needed to be over by Christmas Break.

Board members entered into Executive Session to evaluate LISD Superintendent Raymond Lusk.

After the session the board voted unanimously to extend Lusk's contract until 2003.

Lockney Council grants extension to citizens with dilapidated buildings

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The council voted unanimously to give Sanchez 6 months to show improvement and good intentions at fixing up the property.

The council told Sanchez the building inspector would check the house every month to see if any work was being done.

Javier Bernal appeared before the council and asked them to consider a 2nd delay on the demolition of a trailer house on N.E. 1st Street. Bernal told the council he had obtained a \$4,000 loan to fix up the home.

Councilmembers asked Bernal if he had brought a itemized list of what he was going to do to the property and the cost of improvements. He said he had not.

"This is the 2nd time we have requested an itemized list," said Mayor Marr. "We gave you an additional 30 days and you said you would bring us one."

Councilman Anderson told Bernal, "I want you to understand that \$4,000 worth of repair may not bring your property up to standards. You have a copy of the ordinance and you have to decide if your repairs are cost effective. You may spend the money and still have a dilapidated structure--you have to check into that."

"I want you to succeed," said Anderson. "But I don't want you to spend that money and it still not be right. You have to address fire, water, and electrical codes--not just appearance."

Councilman Stapp suggested to Bernal that he find someone who could tell him what kind of money it would take to meet those standards."

The council agreed to delay action for 3 months. In three months the council wanted to see a list of what had been accomplished.

The council also discussed a request by Joyce Lopez to put a "manufactured home" on S.W. 6th Street. Councilmen were worried that "manufactured home" may have been another name for "mobile home", and requested a picture of the structure. They approved the action if the house met zoning ordinances and city regulations.

The council also discussed the

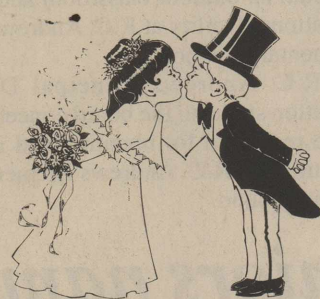
progress being made on tearing down the Huggins house across from City Hall. "We have gotten bids," said Marr. "We are trying to get it done as cheaply as we can so we don't have to put such a large lien on the property. There would be a better chance of someone buying the property if the lien was smaller."

The council approved a bid of \$3,400 to demolish property at 815 W. Poplar. The bid was made by Vernon Wickware.

Council also unanimously approved a change in policy which would allow employee's dependents to opt out of health insurance coverage and apply that money to salary. Employees would still have to be covered, but their dependents would not.

Councilman Anderson wanted employees to be sure and check the insurance policies closely and make sure they understood what it might take to get back on the insurance once someone gets off.

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ISSUE UPDATE

with
Mac Thornberry

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With the New Year Comes a Small, but Important, Honor for Veterans That is Long Overdue

Seeing a United States flag lifted off of a coffin, neatly folded, and handed to a widow is very moving.

It is a small but meaningful expression of appreciation by the federal government for those who have risked their lives to preserve our freedom.

Until now, these funeral honors were done as a courtesy, not as a right. Thanks to the Defense Authorization bill passed last fall, that is about to change.

As of January 1st, full military funeral honors will be guaranteed by law to every active military veteran discharged on honorable or general conditions. Two service members will fold and present the American flag to survivors, and Taps will be played.

The Defense Department is sending information kits to funeral home directors, who should request the military honors.

By all reports, this law is coming at a time when it may be used most. Over 16 million World War II veterans will reach age 80 by the year 2008. The Defense Department estimates that nearly 600,000 veterans will die this year.

It is important to honor those who have honored their country by serving in our military. It is important we remember them with an expression of this Nation's gratitude. It is an opportunity to say thank you for a debt that can never be fully repaid.

Their sacrifices have made possible the freedoms we enjoy as Americans.

For more information on this or any other issue before Congress, please write Mac Thornberry at 131 Cannon Building, Washington, DC 20515, or through his website at www.house.gov/thornberry/

Courtroom Activities

In County Court, January 14, Clyde Walker, 21, of Floydada, pled guilty to Driving While License Suspended. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail plus court costs. Also on the 14th, Walker pled guilty to a Nov. 18, 1999 DWI charge. He was fined \$600.00, court costs, and sentenced to 90 days in jail.

January 17, Tony Odell Williams was charged with two counts of DWLS. There was no disposition on these cases.

Deadline for
Brag Pages is
Feb. 3rd.

FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP
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January 28 at 6:00 p.m.
Paul Walker, Director of Social Services will speak.
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Floydada
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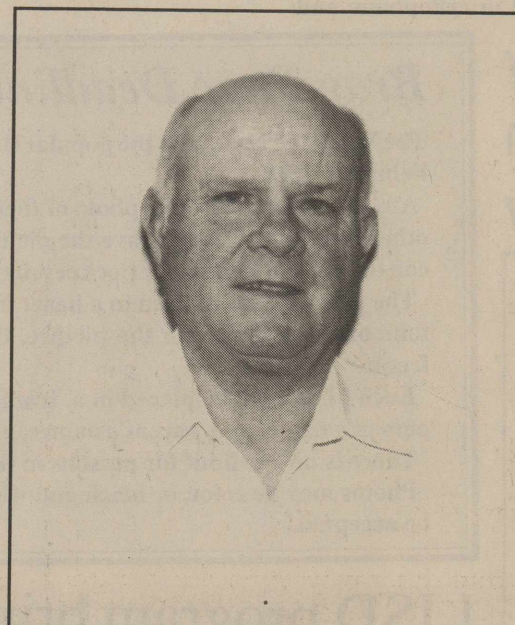
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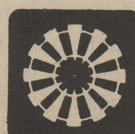
You are invited to a retirement reception at FNB in Lockney



Dub Dipprey

All our customers and friends are invited to come by and congratulate Dub on his retirement after 44 years with FNB of Lockney.

Reception: **Sunday, January 30th, 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.**



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MEMBER FDIC EQUAL HOUSING LENDER

Unity Center officially opens doors for upcoming events

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ing of how to get to the next level. "They supported one another in defeat, celebrated victories, always compromising and had a flat out drive to just hang on and never quit.

"There is no way to thank the many people that made the Unity Center become a reality, nor the thousands of local donors and supporters, nor the foundations and corporations and those who gave their talents and time."

Long added, "There were many prayers that went into this and the Good Lord listened and like always God blessed this county with more of a building than we asked for."

Long introduced the names of the 13 Floyd County Friends for the first ribbon cutting of the afternoon. They are: Nick and Melissa Long, Tom and Dora Ross, Jody and Shawnda Foster, Martin and Robin Stoerner, Kenny and De Chance, Mike and Ginger Mathis, David and DarLee Foster, Jon and Elaine LaBaume, Coy and Rosemary LaBaume, Billy and Sherry Colston, John and Karen Quebe, Hulon and Anne Carthel and J.D. and Angela Ragland.

Grant Writing Chairman and FCF 1st Vice-President Dora Ross introduced Mr. Gene Owen representing The James and Eva Mayer Foundation of Plainview for the second ribbon cutting ceremony. Other Trustees of the foundation are Mr. David Wilder and Mr. Paul Lyle.

Ross told the audience, "When we began our grant research, we were excited to find several foundations existed in our neighboring community of Plainview.

"We began our relationship with The James and Eva Mayer Founda-

tion in the early part of 1996. In 1998, our relationship strengthened when they gave us \$100,000. This donation was an integral part in raising the remainder of the funds necessary to complete the Unity Center.

"Because of the important role they have had in our fund-raising, we are pleased that the 20,000 square foot arena is named in their honor, The James and Eva Mayer Arena," Ross concluded.

Floyd County Friends 2nd Vice-President and Audit Chairperson Shawnda Foster spoke and congratulated everyone for their help and dedication.

Foster told of the consolidation efforts of FNB of Lockney to incorporate their plans for an assembly building into the plans of the Unity Center.

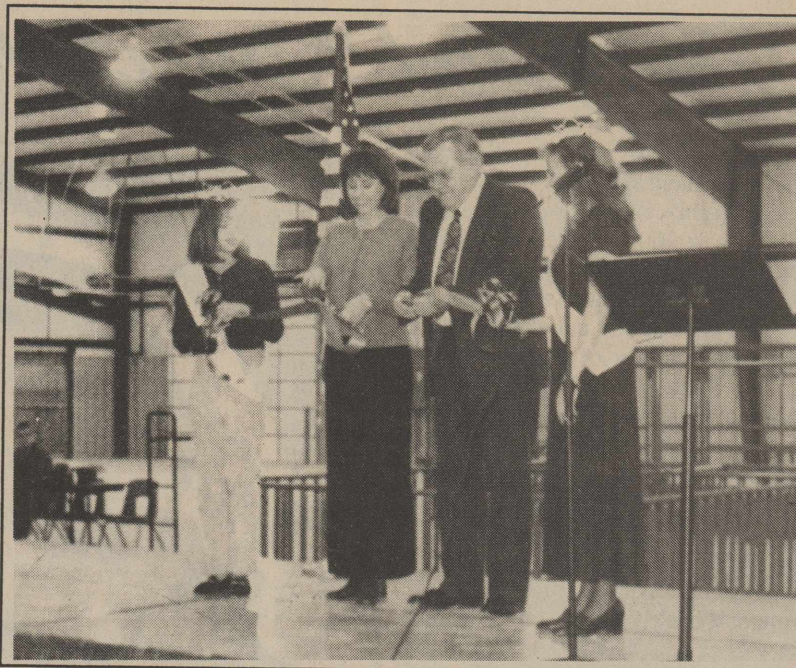
Foster introduced FNB President Ronnie Hardin for the third ribbon cutting of the afternoon dedicating the south part of the Unity Center which houses the kitchen and dining area.

Site Foreman and Unity Center Manager Jon LaBaume told the group about the long hours and the overseeing of many details in order to see the center to near completion.

"In a couple more weeks this center will look even better and in another month we will be just about finished.

"We have set up some rules and regulations. We hope everyone can live with them when they rent the building. I have an answering machine set up, so just call and I'll get back with you concerning renting the building," LaBaume added.

Walter Davis, contractor of the overhead doors and the inside ceilings, gave the benediction to close the ceremony.



MR. GENE OWEN (center), trustee of James and Eva Mayer Foundation, snips the ribbon with Floyd County Friends V.P. Dora Ross. On left is Miss Junior Miss Marla Reeves. On right is Young Miss Janee Hrbacek. This ribbon cutting officially opened the James and Eva Mayer arena.

Staff Photo



RONNIE HARDIN, (center), president of FNB Lockney, cuts the Unity Center ribbon with Shawnda Foster, officially dedicating the FNB Community Room. On the left is Miss Floyd County Cienna Carthel. On the right is Little Miss Jordan Sherman. The little Queen in the center is Tiny Miss Alexis Holbert.

FISD plans new recreational facility

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door classroom and recreational facility on the R.C. Andrews property," Hutton added.

Hutton presented the board with a proposed description of the facility with a matching 50% grant estimate of the total cost at \$94,299. Other bids may be higher or lower.

"With in kind work provided by city and FISD employees, there should be very little cost of our 50% involved," Hutton stated.

Grant writer Dora Ross was present to explain the diagram of the proposed facility. Also, present were several ladies who represented the Site-Base Committee for the project.

Those listed on the Site-Base Committee were: Jan Beedy, Dana Crossland, Robin Nixon, Sue Reeves, Hope Warren, Maybelle Monreal, Wayne Parkman, Sandy Rando, Alejandro Ruiz and Anthony Sisemore.

Ross told the board, "This facility will meet every state and federal requirements to be play ground safe. It passes all requirements by the Consumer Protection Safety Council for the physically and mentally challenged children.

"This recreational facility will accommodate 50 to 60 children. The 4th grade has approximately 100 children and we figure one-half will be on this

structure, while the others will be in the basketball and football areas," Ross added.

The proposed facility will have different types of slides, swings, bridges, climbing walls, ladders, and a bubble panel.

In a related matter, Board Member Jill Warren made the motion to authorize FISD board to apply for a grant from the Chapman Forestry Foundation to purchase trees for planting on the play ground. It was seconded by Board Member Steve Lloyd and unanimously passed.

Board Member Amado Morales inquired about some concrete expenses at the high school that he thought were excessive.

Superintendent Jimmie Collins explained the reasons for certain expenses dealing with the concrete work at the high school gym.

"The concrete under each of the front doors of the gym has raised up and we are having to break out the old concrete and replace it," Collins said.

Administrative Assistant Dick Van Hoose reported to the board that FISD tax collections were presently standing at 71.83% collected. This is slightly ahead of last year's collections.

The "Teacher of the Month" was introduced by R.C. Andrews Princi-

pal Hutton. Hutton said, "Dana Crossland is a super teacher and a very energetic lady. She teaches the 5th grade and is doing a fantastic job."

The board approved the travel expenses up to \$800 for Board Member Morales to attend the annual meeting of "Opportunities for Hispanic Students" in San Diego, California.

Van Hoose stated, "This is about the same amount the other board members spent going to the meeting in Houston."

Secretary Charlene Brown made the motion to extend the contract of Superintendent Jimmie Collins for one year with a 5% increase in salary. It was seconded by Dean and unanimously passed.

A.B. Duncan Elementary Principal Bob Campbell addressed the board and emphasized his cooperation with R.C. Andrews Elementary in preparing their students for Reading and Writing in the TAAS tests.

R.C. Andrews Elementary Principal Hutton told the board they were ahead in their preparations for the TAAS tests. Their preliminary test scores in September and taken again in December, 1999 showed a dramatic increase.

Junior High Principal Clinton Smith spoke to the board and showed on paper where the 6th and 7th graders were passing 8th grade Writing. They also were passing in Math and Reading.



CONTRACTOR ED MARKS SPEAKS AT UNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING

Local J.P. attends seminar

Judge Michelle D. Araujo was certified in the recent 40 hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held January 9-14, 2000, in Austin.

The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, located in Austin and a Department of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. The seminar is held in January for all newly elected or appointed Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code.

The seminar addressed topics such as Judicial Ethics, Contempt, Criminal and Civil Jurisdiction and Venue, Trial Procedure, Truancy, Traffic

Laws, Magistrate Duties, Juvenile Laws, Search Warrants, Family Violence, Landlord and Tenant Law and Inquests.

"After attending this school I now have a total of 60 hour of completion for continuing education" said Araujo. "With new laws being enacted by legislature every two years the capacity to be able to intake the new information is tremendous. Not only do you have to know these new laws, you have to be able to implement them immediately in your office. I look forward in expanding my horizons in the ever constant cycle of the education process and utilizing what I have learned along with facing the challenges the learning cycle is accompanied with."

Dub Dipprey to retire from FNB Lockney

Continued From Page 1

1956. When he first started working at the bank, he was a student at Lockney High School. He worked part-time doing odd jobs.

Dipprey said, concerning his retirement from Lockney's work force, "I plan on going fishing for about 15 years, then hunting. After that I may have to get a part-time job."

FNB President Ronnie Hardin said, "The directors and employees of FNB greatly appreciate Dub's long years of

service and his contribution to the bank over the years. He will be missed, but not forgotten."

Dipprey was born in Seymour, Texas on October 10, 1937.

He moved to Lockney in 1947 and received his schooling in the Lockney schools.

Dipprey and his wife, Doylene, were married on December 14, 1956. They have three children, Todd, Tina, and Tyke and seven grandchildren.



RADIO SHACK WELCOMES PERALEZ HOME--Rick Peralez, a native of Floydada, and a 1982 FHS graduate, was recently hired to work at Floydada's Radio Shack. Peralez worked at the Plainview Radio Shack for 8 years - managing the store for 5 years. He then managed the Plainview Sears for 4 1/2 years, before moving back to Floydada to work at Radio Shack. He is married to Connie Martinez, a native of Floydada.

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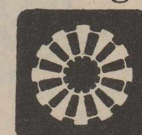
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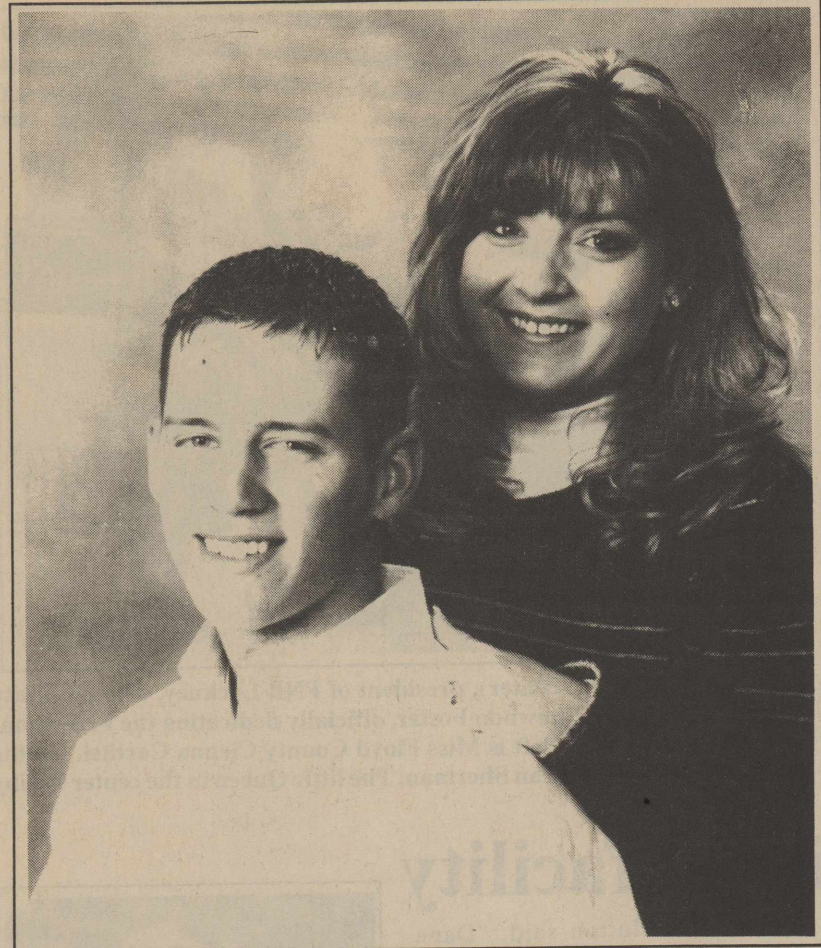
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Josh Pruett and Tisha Daniel

Daniel and Pruett

Patsy Pierce, of Shallowater, and Gary Daniel, of San Antonio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tisha Daniel, to Josh Pruett.

Pruett is the son of Scott and Cris Pruett of Bangs. The bride's grandmother is Evelyn Queen, of Lubbock. The groom's grandparents are, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Berry, of Goldthwaite, and Mr. and Mrs. Conar Elliott of Bangs.

The couple will marry January 22, 2000, at the First Baptist Church in Bangs. The bride is a graduate of Aledo High School, and is currently the manager of Bath & Body Works North Hills, in Fort Worth.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bangs High School and Texas Tech. He is employed at Dyn Corp., in Fort Worth.

The couple will make their home in Fort Worth.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Gladys Ragle

And our -spring weather continues! It is unbelievable that January is being so mild. Where has winter gone? The Lockney Community lost a good citizen with the passing from this life of Bill Glascock. We extend our sympathy to Nell and her family.

Open house for the "Unity Arena" between Lockney and Floydada was held Sunday and I hope it will live up to its name and each community will have equal access to it and share equally.

Our sympathy goes out to Ruby Hartman on the loss of her brother.

"Weekly Words of Wisdom"

The trouble with our times is that the future is not what it used to be. One good thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time.

MENU

January 24-28
Monday-Meat Loaf, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Tuesday-Salmon Patties, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Wednesday-Chicken Fried Steak, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Thursday-Barbecued Chicken, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Friday-Pork Roast, vegetable, salad, dessert.

Yeary and King exchange wedding vows

Charla Dawn Yeary and Kelley J. King exchanged wedding vows in a candlelight ceremony on Saturday, January 1, 2000, in the First United Methodist Church. The Reverend Kenney Kirk officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Max and Vikki Yeary of Floydada. The groom is the son of Fred and Becky King of Choctaw, Oklahoma.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride selected a gown of white Italian Satin from the designers of Bridal Original. The gown featured long illusion sleeves covered with Alencon lace appliques, and a soft scoop neckline and back that was edged with a row of pearls. The fitted bodice was accented with Alencon lace that was further enhanced with pearls and crystal sequins. The basque waistline allowed the full ball gown skirt to fall gracefully to the floor and sweep into a chapel length train. The entire bottom of the gown was edged in a double row of pearls. Charla chose to accent her gown by wearing a single strand of pearls that originally belonged to her late great grandmother, Mrs. O.R. Beard. To complete her ensemble, the bride selected a shoulder length veil with layers of white illusion attached to a pearl encrusted headband.

She carried a traditional bouquet fashioned by her aunt, Jennifer Donaghe, from white silk roses. Incorporated into her bouquet was a pair of navy blue gloves crocheted by her great-great grandmother, Mrs. C.B. Lyles, and worn by her great grandmother, Mrs. Marjorie McElyea, for her marriage to the late C.W. Jones. She also wore a blue wedding garter.

Mandi Yeary, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Candice Guffee of Duncan, Oklahoma, friend of the bride, and Lori King, sister of the groom. The bridesmaids wore black gowns fash-



Mrs. Kelley J. King
(nee Charla Dawn Yeary)

ioned with velvet bodices accented by bows down the back and ending in crepe skirts with crepe overlays in the back. They carried long-stemmed white roses accented by black ribbon and pearls.

Mary Warren, friend of the bride, was the flower girl. She wore a black velvet dress accented with a white color. Mary wore a halo of black and white rosebuds in her hair. Her bas-

ket was accented with black and white silk rosebuds. Candlelighters were Chad Wesley Hinkle, cousin of the bride, and Becky Warren, friend of the bride. Becky's dress matched those of the bridesmaids.

The groom and groomsmen chose black tuxedos with satin lapels, black embossed satin vests and white shirts accented with black stud buttons. Josh King, brother of the groom, served as

best man. Groomsmen were Brad Hardin of Harrah, Oklahoma, and Brad Yeary, brother of the bride. Ushers were Jess and Cliff Yeary, cousins of the bride, from Quitaque.

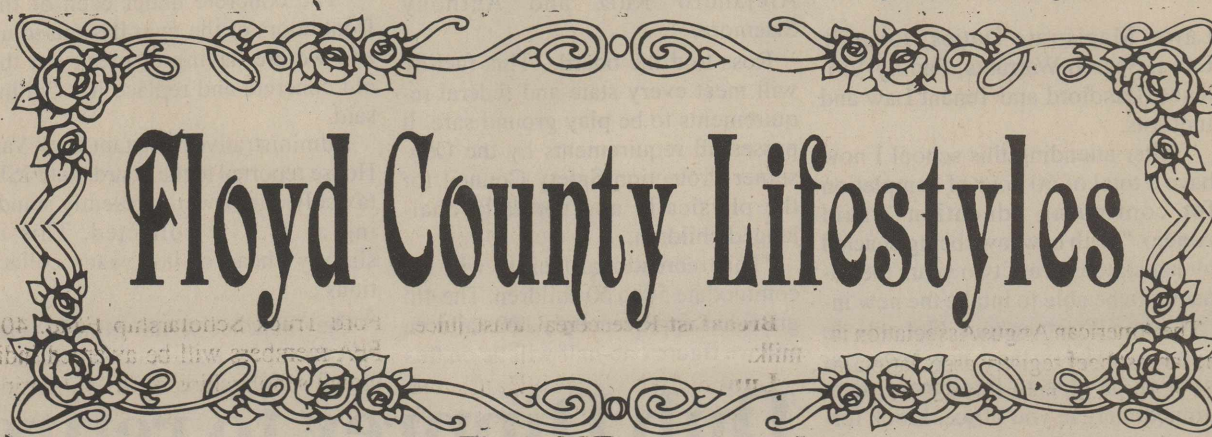
Musical selections were presented by Grant Hambright and Penny Ogden. Jennifer Meeks registered guests. Photographs were taken by Bill Fulton, uncle of the bride.

A reception given by the bride's parents in the fellowship hall honored the couple. A four tiered wedding cake accented with white roses and stacked on crystal columns was served by Regina Nelson, friend of the bride, and Jenna Fulton, cousin of the bride. Punch was served from a crystal punchbowl that belonged to the late Mrs. O.R. Beard by Shanna Fulton and Tiffany Hart, cousins of the bride. Zacha Guerra, friend of the bride, presided over the food table which featured a fruit centerpiece and hot and cold hors d'oeuvres. Members of the house party were: Dixie Harris, Vickie Derryberry, Brenda Yeary, Kay Rainwater, Connie Bertrand, Duffy Hinkle, Jacqueline Owen, and Jennifer Donaghe.

The couple will make their home in Abilene.

The groom's parents were hosts to a barbecue dinner in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church following the rehearsal.

The couple was honored with a bridal shower on November 6, 1999, in the home of Mrs. Loretta Leatherman. Other hostesses included: Mrs. Ann Evan, Mrs. Dixie Harris, Mrs. Sheree Cannon, Mrs. Barbara Gilliland, Mrs. Teresa Hollums, Mrs. Charlene Langley, Mrs. Robbie Odom, Mrs. Sue Daniels, Mrs. Gail Noland, Mrs. Holly Lee, Mrs. Kay Cage, Mrs. Sue Reeves, Mrs. De Chance, Mrs. Melva Dorman, Mrs. Kathy Jahay, Mrs. Judy Lloyd, Mrs. Hope Warren, and Mrs. Dee Sanders. Following the shower, the bride, her mother and her sister, hosted a luncheon for out of town guests.



Floyd County Lifestyles

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

The center is open Monday through Friday. If you are 60 years old or older this center is for you. If you plan on eating lunch please call the center at 983-2032 by 10:00 a.m.

Flora McNeill returned home last Sunday evening, January 16th, from a 13 day trip on the Radisson Diamond Cruise-ship going to Puerto Rico, San Blas Island, Columbia, Aruba, Panama Canal, and Costa Rica. There were 30 in the tour group.

A large crowd attended the ribbon cutting of the "Floyd County Library." The new building is being built on the vacant lots south of the West Texas National Bank on the square, Tuesday, January 11th. There were several interested people from around the area in attendance. One that I know about who had a dream of this new building to be built was Olen Watson of Midland. His daughter LouAnn Barker

and her husband Brent and their youngest daughter brought Olen to the event.

Last Sunday, January 16th at 2:00 p.m. a ribbon cutting took place opening the new building "Floyd County Friends Unity Center" located at Muncy. About 400 people came to tour the building. They are already booking activities and events that will take place in this building.

We do appreciate you remembering the center when you want to make a memorial donation.

In memory of David Campbell: T.L. and Dorothy Holland.

Will Martin made a donation to the center.

Roberta Hardin had knee surgery last week. She is at home now.

Thought For The Week

The best way to eliminate an enemy is to make him a friend.

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MENU

January 24-28

Monday-Pork Chop, baby lima beans, harvard beets, hot roll, pumpkin bars or crunch.

Tuesday-Baked Chicken, mushroom sauce, black-eyed peas, zucchini, grapefruit sections, wheat roll.

Wednesday-B-B-Q Beef, baked potato, okra, apricots, roll or cornbread, cookies.

Thursday-Turkey, cornbread dressing, green beans, tossed salad, 1000 Island dressing, Hot roll, apple cobbler.

Friday-Taco Salad with lettuce, onion, cheese, meat, pinto beans, picante sauce, tortilla chips, apricots.

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Fire Up with FHS Seniors 2000

Jody Suzanne Bueno is the daughter of Francis Bueno. Jody considers her most significant accomplishments are "never giving up and excelling in math and science all four years." Her favorite television show is "ER" and her favorite food is chicken fried steak. Jody plans to attend Texas Tech University and pursue a chiropractic career.

David Rainwater is the son of Karol and Mike Rainwater. David feels he has 4 important accomplishments from FHS. They are "going past District my Junior year and beating Lockney, having gone through 4 years of the Lockwoods, made friends through school and graduating." His favorite hobby is riding motorcycles and his favorite comic strip is "family circus." David plans to attend WTAMU and major in architecture, "find a good home and start a family."

Jennifer Bunch is the daughter of Willis A. Bunch, Jr. and granddaughter of Ruby G. Bunch. Returning to school after two years, working very hard and receiving good grades are Jennifer's most significant accomplishments. Her favorite colors are blue and green and her favorite subjects in school are science and English. After graduation Jennifer plans to enter pediatric nursing or enter the armed forces.

Kylan Sanders is the daughter of Dee and Mark Sanders. Her most significant accomplishments are in her academic studies. Kylan's favorite subjects in school are math and art. Kylan intends to enter Texas Tech University and pursue a dual major in mathematics and computer science.



FISD TEACHER OF THE MONTH-5th Grade Teacher Dana Crossland is being presented her certificate by FISD Board Member Bill Dean. Crossland was honored for her dedication and energetic teaching style. Staff Photo

Williams becomes new member of American Angus Association

Brazos Williams, Lockney is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph Missouri. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the

American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows other national and regional events.

The American Angus Association is the largest beef registry association in the world, with more than 33,000 active adult and junior members.

Beedy wins Grand Champion Steer at Odessa Stock Show

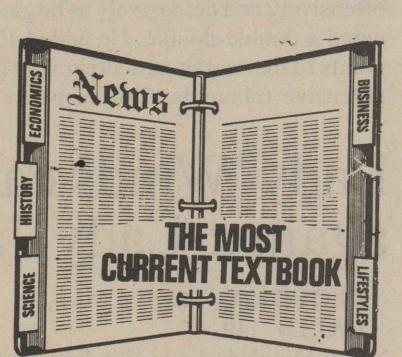
By J.D. Ragland
Payte Beedy walked away with Grand Champion Steers honors at this year's Sandhills Stock Show and Rodeo held December 28 thru January 1 in Odessa. Beedy topped the field of 168 head of entries with his 1272 pound middle heavy weight steer named J.D. The steer his family had purchased from

Ragland Herefords. Also exhibiting was Brady Ragland who received 6th and 14th places with his two entries. Kristen Kellison, Lockney FFA, exhibited the 1st place Heavy Weight in class 5. Congratulations to those exhibitors on their outstanding Floyd County 4-H representation.



Be on the lookout for returning students and teach your children "street smarts," before sending them off to school.

Additions to R.C. Andrews Elementary Honor Roll are:
3rd Grade, "A" Honor Roll, Kelsey Williams.
4th Grade "B" Honor Roll, Geraldo Mercado



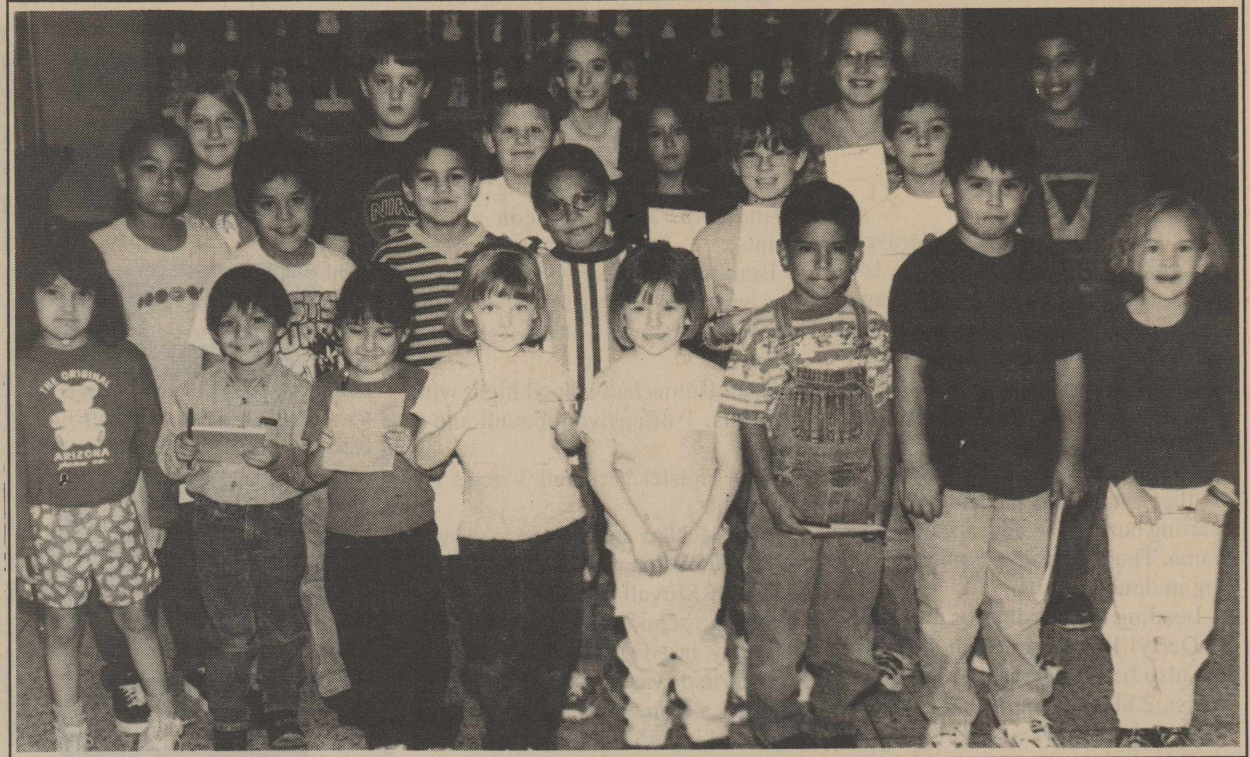
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Lockney School Menu

- January 24-28**
Monday
Breakfast-Pancakes, syrup, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch-Chicken Fried Steak/PBJ Sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, peach cobbler, hot rolls, milk.
Tuesday
Breakfast-Breakfast Burrito, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch-Nacho Grande/Corndog, lettuce and tomato salad, corn, applesauce, milk.
Wednesday
Breakfast-Scrambled eggs, ham, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch-Pizza/Tuna Sandwich, lettuce and tomato salad, carrot sticks, ranch dip, banana pudding, milk.
Thursday
Breakfast-Rice, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch-Fish Sticks/Ham and Cheese on bun, pinto beans, squash casserole, applesauce, cornbread, milk.
Friday
Breakfast-Cinnamon Rolls, cereal, toast, juice, milk.
Lunch-Hamburger/Tuna Sandwich, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles, orange half, milk.

Floydada School Menu

- January 24-28**
Monday
Breakfast-Cereal, graham crackers, cinnamon rolls, yogurt, milk, juice.
Lunch-Lasagna/PBJ Sandwich, garlic bread, tossed salad, corn, fruit cocktail, milk.
Tuesday
Breakfast-Cereal, graham crackers, breakfast pizza, milk, juice.
Lunch-Nacho Grande/Chef Salad, lettuce, tomatoes, picante sauce, apple, milk.
Wednesday
Breakfast-Cereal, graham crackers, biscuits, peanut butter, jelly, milk, juice.
Lunch-Fried Chicken/PBJ Sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, teas toast, fruit with marshmallows, milk.
Thursday
Breakfast-Cereal, graham crackers, French toast, sausage, syrup, milk, juice.
Lunch-Fish Strip/Chef Salad, tartar sauce, cole slaw, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, peaches, milk.
Friday
Breakfast-Cereal, graham crackers, breakfast burritos, salsa, milk, juice.
Lunch-Hamburger/PBJ Sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, French fries, carrot sticks, frozen yogurt, milk.



LITTLE LONGHORNS SELECTED--Chosen as Little Longhorns for the week of January 17-21 at Lockney Elementary School are (Ito) back row. Megan Blackwell, Tanner Morris, Bryan Cooper, Lauren Stewart, Andra Guerrero, Windy Adams, D.J. Rosales; (2nd row Ito) Chais Silva, Jessie Peralez, Adam Contreras, Hugo Mondragon, Segayle Foster, Jake Davis; (Ito, front row) Selena Gonzales, Robert Martinez, Vanessa Whyte, Allison Poole, Tylee Williams, Joe Alvarez, Andrew Raissez, Samantha Medlin.

TTU to host Super Saturdays starting February 5th through March 4th

By Tina Vecchio
The Institute for the Development and Enrichment of Advanced Learners (IDEAL) at Texas Tech University, will host the spring session of Super Saturdays, beginning February 5th through March 4, 2000. Registrations are currently being accepted. Super Saturdays is designed to provide students in Kindergarten through 7th grade with academic and creative

experiences beyond the regular school curriculum. Classes offered include aerodynamics, animal science, art, biotechnology, cooking, computers, creative writing, geology, theatre and others. Instructors for the classes include members of the Texas Tech faculty, professionals in various fields, and public school teachers. Students may take as many classes as they wish, most classes are limited to 15 students. Super Saturdays meets

each Saturday for five weeks. The average cost is \$69.00, but fees vary according to subject. To participate in the Super Saturdays program, students must submit a recent report card with a B+ or better average. For more information or to register for Super Saturdays, contact Tina Vecchio, Program Coordinator for IDEAL, Texas Tech University, Box 41008, Lubbock, 79409 or call 806-742-2420, ext. 241.

Floydada Ford-Mercury to award \$1,000 FFA truck scholarship

Floydada Ford-Mercury will award 1 scholarship to a local student as a part of the National Future Farmers of America (FFA) Ford Truck Scholarship Fund. Ford Division, Ford Dealers, and the Ford Motor company Fund will award \$405,000 to the FFA/Ford Truck Scholarship Fund. 405 FFA members will be awarded individual scholarships of \$1,000 during the 1999-2000 school year. Students can apply for the scholarship program at Floydada Ford-Mercury or through any one of the 7,268 FFA chapters. All applications require an endorsement by a local participat-

ing dealership. Ford is the largest sponsor in the FFA's \$1.5 million scholarship fund and Ford has participated in the fund for the past three years. Over 270 Ford dealers are participating in the scholarship program committing \$500 per scholarship award. Ford division and the Ford Motor company Fund match the ford dealer investment dollar for dollar. Each scholarship recipient receives \$1,000 toward continuing their agricultural education at any accredited two-year or four year college, university or vocational school next fall.

FFA is a national organization of 451,997 members preparing for leadership and careers in science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state and national programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. The organization has 7,268 local chapters located throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands. FFA's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

Lockney High School Honor Roll

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| <p>1st Semester "A" Honor Roll 9th Grade
Julian Chavira, Garrett Mathis, Will O'Connell, Ben Sherman.</p> <p>10th Grade
Alana Gallaway, Melanie Huggins, Lindsay Mayo, Kaci Young.</p> <p>11th Grade
Lacy Austin, Holli Carthel, Karlon Hooten, Jeffrey Hunter, Traci McQuhae, Milissa Schaeffer.</p> <p>12th Grade
Meradith Burson, Allyson Clark, Courtney Cummings, Brooke Hooten, Danny Huggins, Adam Jones, Kristen Kellison, Nicole Mosley.</p> <p>"B" Honor Roll 9th Grade
Katy Austin, Cody Bayley, Aaron Blanco, Nathan Burson, Todd Cotham, Leslie Cuellar, April Dorman, Jana Edwards, Janee Hrbacek, Rusty Keaton, Katie Kelley, Cody Lass, John Lopez, Matt McPherson, Brady Rasco, Julia Robles, Nichole Thomas.</p> <p>10th Grade
Elida Balderas, Margarita Blanco, Kelly Crawford, Jenna Ford, Leticia Guerrero, Linsi Jones, Wade Miller, Elizabeth O'Connell, Amber Wood.</p> | <p>11th Grade
Justin Brown, Crystal Castro, Elizabeth Duran, Jolee Fletcher, John Gonzales, Brandon Hennagan, Lexi Jones, Lindsey Mathis, Valentina Salazar, Kelsey Schumacher, Desha Smith, Heath Stoerner, Albert Thornton.</p> <p>12th Grade
Jennifer Graves, Yara Guerrero, Jessie Ledesma, David Martinez, Josh Quebe, Javier Salazar, Leah Schumacher, Amanda Thompson, Brandi Wright.</p> <p>3rd Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll 9th Grade
Garrett Mathis, Will O'Connell, Ben Sherman.</p> <p>10th Grade
Margarita Blanco, Alana Gallaway, Melanie Huggins, Elizabeth O'Connell, Kaci Young.</p> <p>11th Grade
Lacy Austin, Holli Carthel, John Gonzales, Jeffrey Hunter, Lexi Jones, Traci McQuhae, Milissa Schaeffer.</p> <p>12 Grade
Courtney Cummings, Brooke Hooten, Danny Huggins, Adam Jones, Kristen Kellison, Jessie Ledesma, Nicole Mosley.</p> | <p>"B" Honor Roll 9th Grade
Angelica Alvarado, Katy Austin, Aaron Blanco, Nathan Burson, Julian Chavira, Beatriz Cordero, Todd Cotham, Sergio Cruz, Leslie Cuellar, April Dorman, Jana Edwards, Janee Hrbacek, Katie Kelley, Cody Lass, Julie Martinez, Matt McPherson, Julia Robles, Laci Schumacher, Nichole Thomas.</p> <p>10th Grade
Kelly Crawford, Sara Davis, Jenna Ford, Leticia Guerrero, Lindsay Mayo, Wade Miller, Amber Wood, Maria Zavala.</p> <p>11th Grade
Holly Arjona, Brittany Aston, Justin Brown, Crystal Castro, Brandy collings, Elizabeth Duran, Jolee Fletcher, Brandon Hennagan, Karlon Hooten, Lindsey Mathis, Valentina Salazar, Kelsey Schumacher, Desha Smith, Heath Stoerner, Jarrett Thornton, Elizabeth Torrez.</p> <p>12 Grade
Meradith Burson, Allyson Clark, Jennifer Graves, Yara Guerrero, David Martinez, Josh Quebe, Brandi Wright.</p> |
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High Plains Weevil Eradication Committee call for fall referendum

The Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Steering Committee met with the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation last Friday in Plainview.

The purpose of the meeting was to begin the process of establishing a budget for the Northern High Plains Zone and to determine the chances of the zone beginning the diapause phase of the eradication process in 2000, assuming a referendum could be passed.

Matt Brockman, special assistant to

Susan Combs, gave the committee the bad news that due to several factors there was no possibility that the zone could begin spraying in 2000. The committee then decided to call for a referendum in the early fall of 2000.

The committee spent most of the day working on a proposed budget for the zone with Lindy Patton and Ossama E-Lissy and other members of the Foundation staff. The Foundation staff will take the preliminary numbers back to Abilene to double check the numbers and then will send

them back to the Steering Committee for them to review and suggest any changes they feel necessary.

The Steering Committee will spend the spring and summer of 2000 working on the budget, the assessment, and determine the date to call for a referendum. Grower input is always welcome and any growers that would like to make suggestions should feel free to call any Steering Committee member.

The Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Zone is made up of Floyd, Hale, Briscoe, and Swisher Counties.

Additional Texas Counties approved for livestock assistance program

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that 61 additional Texas counties, including Floyd County, have been approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency for the Livestock Assistance Program for a total of 161 counties.

LAP, administrated by FSA, provides direct payments to eligible livestock producers in approved counties that suffered grazing losses due to natural disasters during 1999. Nationwide, \$200 million has been allocated for livestock producers for weather-related losses as part of the \$8.7 billion farm assistance package passed in October. An extra \$10 million in funding was approved in H.R. 3194, which provides \$576 million in additional emergency funding.

For drought-related losses, LAP benefits are available in approved counties where precipitation was 40 percent or more below normal for at least four months and where there was at least a 40 percent loss of available grazing during a 90-day period due to drought.

Eligible producers must have suf-

fered a 40 percent or greater loss of grazing for a 90-day period during 1999. Eligible livestock include beef and dairy cattle; buffalo or beefalo when maintained on the same basis as beef cattle; sheep; goats; swine; and equine animals used commercially for human food or kept for the production of food or fiber on the owner's farm or ranch.

The approved counties include Anderson, Archer, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Baylor, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Borden, Bosque, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Brown.

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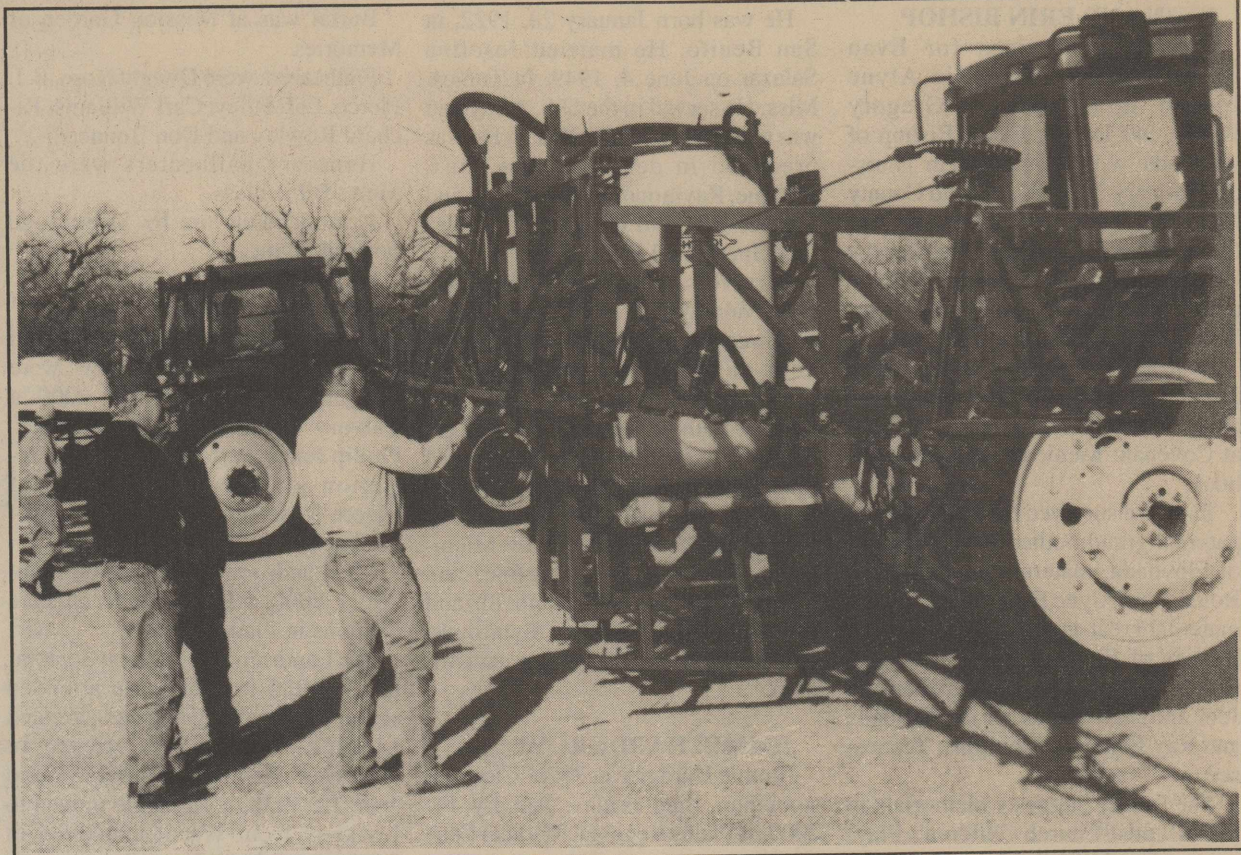
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Upshur, Upton, Uvalde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Ward, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, Wood, Young and Zapata. The deadline for sign-up is January 21, 2000.

For more information on the Livestock Assistance Program, producers should contact their local USDA-Farm Service Agency.

Floyd County Farm News



CAPROCK COTTON CONFERENCE 2000 CONCLUDES-- Approximately 180 local farmers received three necessary CEU's during the conference. The Conference was held January 18th at the Plains Baptist Assembly. Participants check out equipment during a break in the conference.

Combest pledges full support for agriculture

By Shawn Wade

The recent breakdown in negotiations of the World Trade Organization has focused a lot of attention on the trade distorting agricultural support programs carried out by WTO member nations.

The continued existence of such programs abroad and the fact that they tend to disadvantage the American farmer and rancher in the world mar-

ketplace has spurred House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest to discuss the necessity of protecting U.S. producer interests.

Combest has said that without an agreement to reduce agricultural subsidies by WTO member nations the U.S. should begin a review of all the options available to help producers who are forced to compete with foreign governments.

Combest noted that he is willing to do whatever is necessary to make sure American agriculture stays competitive in the world market.

Combest has already announced plans for a series of hearings to discuss the future of the current Farm Program and to determine what, if any, changes should be explored in the future.

Panhandle Plains Federal Land Bank announces staff promotions

Panhandle Plains Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) CEO Robert R. Williams Jr. announced promotions of association staff and changes that took place with the New Year.

Staff promotions include Sandy Justice at Perryton and Alan Eubank at Pampa both moving to Vice President, and Terrie Hartman at Amarillo moving to Loan Administrator. Kellie Garner, a Dumas native, joined the Amarillo office full time as Loan Assistant.

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Panhandle-Plains FLBA passed a significant milestone at the close of 1999 when loan volume exceeded \$150,000,000.00. "The Association has grown from \$135,000,000.00 when we merged in February of 1997," according to CEO Williams. "Steady growth and good credit quality have provided significant financial stability for the association. This strong financial position will provide immediate and long term cash benefits to our members."

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fourth consecutive, annual cash patronage to our stockholders to be paid in January. The focus of our association will remain constant, Striving to add value to membership," said Williams.

Farm Bureau scholarship available

Graduating seniors planning to enter college in Fall, 2000, whose families have been Texas Farm Bureau members since at least March 15, 1998, are eligible to apply for the organization's seventh annual Youth Foundation Scholarship, said Floyd County Farm Bureau President, Danny Nutt.

"A scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 per year, renewable up to four years, will be awarded by May 2000, on the basis of academic achievement, extracurricular activity involvement and other considerations, including recommendations and financial need," Danny said.

The Youth Foundation, a charitable

organization, was established by the Texas Farm Bureau for the purpose of awarding scholarships and agricultural grants for TFB youth.

Applications for the scholarship must be postmarked no later than March 15, 2000. For more information contact the Floyd County Farm Bureau office.

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ABI DEALERS ATTEND SEMINAR-- ABI Dealers Thrasher gravel pit last week. This was the first annual training seminar for the Texas Crusher System.

Texas Crusher System brings dealers to Floydada for first training seminar

ABI Dealers from across the United States were in Floydada last week for a maintenance training seminar offered by Texas Crusher Systems. This was the first annual training seminar for Texas Crusher Systems.

ABI Crushers were invented by A.T. Thrasher, of Floydada, in 1997. Dealers of ABI (Auto Balance Impactor) came for training in "trouble shooting" for their own equipment. They received hands on training at the Thrasher gravel pit and a class on rotor refurbishment.

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A.T. Thrasher, designed and manufactures the ABI which is a new technology of hard rock crushing. Ninety-five percent of all material is handled within the confines of the crusher, and the crushing is rock on rock.

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"The rotor height of the ABI at 30 inches, is larger than other crushers, which permits the inside of the rotor itself to be autogenous, carrying rock on rock."

"The ABI has very few wear parts compared to other vertical manufacturers," said sales representative Gabriele Hughes. "It cost very little to operate the machine because of this."

Dealers for ABI were in Floydada from Utah, Las Vegas, New Braunfels, Oregon, Arizona, and Texas, attended the January 12 seminar.

Elections near for County Farm Service

Time for the Floyd County Committee election for LAA-2 is near. This is the northeastern part of the county. Adrain Helms is the present committeeman for this community.

The importance of the county committee system stems from a simple concept that local farmers know their communities and their business, and how best to make national programs work locally. Committee members know what issues are facing farmers in their area since they are elected by their peers and are themselves active farmers.

Keeping in mind the importance of the work your committee does, please come in and pick up a nomination form if you would like to nominate an individual. The final date to receive nomination forms is January 21, 2000. The ballots will be mailed February

24, 2000. Votes will be counted on March 14, 2000, at the Floyd County Farm Service Agency office.

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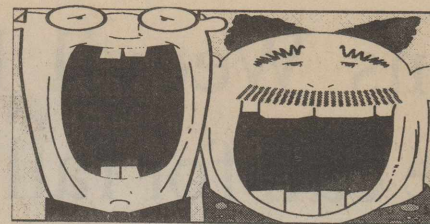
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Obituaries



This Week's Announcements

EVAN AND ERIN BISHOP

Graveside services for Evan Howard Bishop and Erin Alyne Bishop, infant twins of Gregory Brown and LeAnn Evans Bishop of Floydada, will be at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 20, 2000 at Floyd County Memorial Park with Reverend Anthony Sisemore, pastor First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home in Floydada.

Evan and Erin Bishop were born on Sunday, January 16, 2000 and passed away on Monday, January 17, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

They are survived by their parents; paternal grandmother, Nancy Bishop of Floydada; maternal grandparents, Ronald and Alyne Evans of Floydada; maternal great-grandmother, Dorothy Reeves of Floydada; and aunts and uncles, Mike and Rozanne Bishop and Joel and Ann Evans all of Floydada and Ray Evans of Memphis, Tennessee.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church Children's Playground Fund 401 S. Main, Floydada, 79235.

R.L. CAMDEN

Services for R.L. "Bob" Camden, 77, of Slaton were held at 2:00 p.m., January 15, 2000 at Grace Lutheran Church with the Rev. Paul Bortnem officiating.

Burial was in Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Englund's Funeral Service.

He died Thursday, January 13, 2000, at covenant Medical Center.

He was born May 7, 1922, in Floyd County. He attended schools in Floydada. He married Elsie Siewert on August 5, 1944, in Slaton. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was a veteran of World War II. He was a fireman for the military. He moved to the Southland area from Amarillo in 1949, and to Slaton in 1962. He was a cotton and hay farmer and raised cattle. He worked for Slaton Independent School District and was park caretaker for the Slaton/Lubbock County Courthouse.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Linda Parker of Slaton; a brother, Tom of Amarillo; three sisters, Ruby Custer of Slaton, Margaret Beck of Waco and Audrey Furrow of Ruidoso, New Mexico; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

ENRIQUE GUERRA

Services for Enrique DeLeon Guerra, 77, of Plainview were held at 10:00 a.m., January 17, 2000 at Bartley-Silva Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Raymond Flores officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Cemetery under the direction of Bartley-Silva Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, January 13, 2000 at Covenant Hospital.

He was born January 28, 1922, in San Benito. He married Josefina Salazar on June 4, 1949, in Tunica, Miss. He served in the U.S. Army and was a veteran of World War II. He was preceded in death by five sons, Enrique, Raymond, Ruben, Mario and Sergio; and two daughters, Sandra Luz Guerra and Elisa Guerra.

Survivors include his wife; five sons, Valerio of Fort Stockton, Mario of Three Rivers, Ernest and Lazaro, both of Plainview and David of Lockney; five daughters, Dalia and Sandra, both of Lamar County, Lisa Luna of Robstown, Biana of Plainview, Sylvia Orosco of Liberal, Kansas; two brothers, Manuel of Uvalde and Victor of Saginaw, Michigan; three sister, Rosa Martinez and Olivera Ibarra, both of Chicago, Ill., and Ernestina Augino of San Benito; 44 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

JIMMIE HARDGROVE

Jimmie Hardgrove, 88, of Clovis, a stockman, died Friday, January 14, 2000, at Plains Regional Medical Center.

He was born November 13, 1911 in Burleson, Texas to James and Daisy (Lewis) Hardgrove.

Hardgrove was reared on a farm north of Floydada with his parents Daisy and Jim Hardgrove and sisters Capitola and Elizabeth. He graduated from Floydada High School in 1929, and worked around Floydada in the horse and mule trading business. He also worked at the Electric Company, the ice plant and broke horses for W.M. "Colonel" Massey. In 1936 he married Boma Gene Smalley, also of Floydada. In 1927 they moved to Clovis New Mexico where he and his father bought Clovis Livestock Auction.

During World War II, he traveled the country buying horses and mules for the government. After selling the sale barn, he ran the registered horse sale until his retirement. He was active in the cattle business and raised and owned thoroughbred horses. Just before his death, he had another winner.

He was a member of the Curry County Mounted Patrol, the Cattleman's Association, New Mexico Horse Breeders, First United Methodist Church and was a charter member of the Men's Bible Class.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Daisy Hardgrove, and one sister.

Survivors include his wife, Gene Hardgrove of Clovis, one son, Jim Hardgrove of Allen; one daughter Betty Martin of Clovis; one sister, Elizabeth Nelson of Federal Way, Washington; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Service were held Monday January 17, 2000 at the First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Charles Bader officiated.

Burial was at Mission Garden of Memories.

Pallbearers were Dwight Rose, B.J. Pierce, Earl Riley, Carl Williams, Richard Rowley and Don Bonner.

Honorary pallbearers were the Men's Bible class.

Arrangements are by Steed-Todd Funeral Home.

REGINALD LANDRUM

Memorial Services for Mr. Reginald W. Landrum, 97, of Plainview, were held on Friday, January 14, 2000 at Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. Phillip Jones, Pastor, officiating. Cremation is under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Mr. Landrum died Tuesday, January 11, 2000, at Integrated Healthcare Systems in Plainview.

Mr. Landrum was born on September 2, 1920 in Waco. He attended schools in Lockney and had attended Lipart's Business College in Plainview. He married Ada Fay Race June 12, 1938 in Tullia. He moved to Lockney from Waco, and lived in Lockney all his life, until moving to Plainview in 1988. He was a retired carpenter, having retired in 1988. He was a Baptist.

He is survived by his wife of Plainview; one daughter, Sandra Thompson of Plainview; two sons, Murriel Ray Landrum, and Floyd Dennis Landrum, both of Little Rock, Arkansas; seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

NORMA J. MEADOR

Private services were held for Norma Jean Meador, 69, of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Cremation was under the direction of American Burial and Cremation Services of Las Vegas, Nevada.

She died Monday, January 10, 2000 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mrs. Meador was born on June 27, 1930 in Floydada. She was the daughter of Frank Moore, former judge in Floyd County.

She moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1994. She had lived and worked in the Panhandle area until the death of her husband, Joe B. Meador, in 1994. She was also a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, Stacy Eubank of Las Vegas, Nevada; two sons, Larry Dean Walls of Fort Worth and Joseph Meador of Austin and 10 grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that a contribution be made to the Bright Angel Church of Christ Building Fund in Las Vegas, Nevada.

ALTA ROBERTSON

Graveside services for Alta Robertson, 91, of Bedford, will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 15, 2000 at Floydada Cemetery with Reverend Anthony Sisemore, pastor First Baptist Church of Floydada officiating.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, MeLinda Susan Karnok of Athens, Georgia and Carol Kainz of Colorado Springs, Colorado; two brothers, Donald of Lubbock and Roy Gene of London; a sister, Gladys Hancock of Seminole; six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mrs. Robertson died Wednesday, January 12, 2000 in Bedford, Texas.

Mrs. Robertson was born on March 13, 1908 in Collin County to the late Mr. John Strain and Mrs. Ada Chaddick Strain. She attended schools in Plano. She moved to Floydada in 1925 from Collin County and to Bedford in 1993. She married Joe R. Robertson Sr. in 1924. He preceded her in death in 1985. She was a homemaker and a Baptist. She was also preceded in death by a son, Joe Robertson, Jr., a daughter, Glenna Walls, four brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include six sons, James Robertson of Marble Falls; Melvin Robertson of Grapevine; Bob Robertson of Ft. Worth; Earl Robertson of Huntsville; Kenneth Robertson of Baytown and Jerry Robertson of the Woodlands; three daughters, Patsy Dunn of Lubbock, Patricia Goss of New Carey and Karen Pratt of Katy; 29 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

RETA SAMPLES

Funeral services for Reta Samples, 96, were at 10:00 a.m., January 12, 2000 in Temple Baptist church with the Rev. Richard Dickerson, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Llano Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral directors.

Mrs. Samples died Monday, January 10, 2000.

She was born in Celeste and had lived in Amarillo for 68 years. She was a member of Temple Baptist Church and the Joy Club.

In 1929, she married Charles H. Samples in Lockney. He is deceased.

Survivors include two sons, Charles L. Samples of Bowie and Ted R. Samples of Lockney; a daughter, Jody Wise of Carrollton; a sister, Maurine Cathey of Stonewall; 11 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

J.D. WEBB

Services for J.D. Webb, 71, of Lorenzo were held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 14, 2000 at Lorenzo First United Methodist Church with the Reverend Gary Boles officiating.

Burial was in Ralls Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday, January 11, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center.

He was born July 17, 1928, in Terry County. He married Mary Aycock on January 6, 1946, in Portales, New Mexico. They owned Webb Nursery in Idalou for several years. He moved to Lorenzo from Willcox, Arizona where he had farmed for 18 years. He had been a resident of Floydada. He was a farmer and a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, MeLinda Susan Karnok of Athens, Georgia and Carol Kainz of Colorado Springs, Colorado; two brothers, Donald of Lubbock and Roy Gene of London; a sister, Gladys Hancock of Seminole; six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Teen mood swings can be more than growing pains

By Angela Mendoza

The teenage years can be filled with emotional turmoil, but certain events can cause feelings of depression and despair to take a deadly turn.

"Adolescents may seem more reactive than adults and their moods often have dramatic ups and downs," said Dr. Flossy Eddins-Folensbee, an assistant professor of psychiatry at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The desire to make good grades, be part of a peer group, excel in sports, or meet parental expectations can put great pressure on the younger generation. The stress is enough to make some teens turn to suicide, now the third leading cause of death for this age group.

Certain behaviors, such as changes in eating or sleeping habits, withdrawal from friends and family and feelings of despair, could signal depression. It is important for parents to remember this is a treatable problem and they should arrange for the teen to get professional help.

Sometimes a certain event can trigger feelings of loneliness, hopelessness or rejection. For teens who have recently experienced a breakup with a boyfriend or girlfriend, a parents' divorce, failing a class or not making a team, suicide might seem like the

only answer.

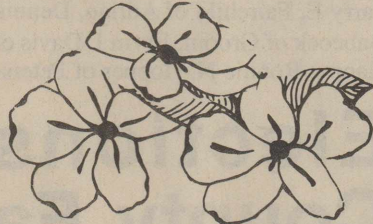
One or more of the following behavior changes could be a suicide warning sign:

- A sudden drop in grades.
- Drastic changes in physical appearance and peer groups.
- Writing "good-bye" notes and letters to friends.
- "Cleaning house" by giving away favorite belongs or throwing items away.
- Extreme boredom or withdrawal from favorite activities.

A family history of suicide or the recent suicide of a friend, teacher or relative could also increase a teen's risk.

"Parents and other adults should not discount talk of suicide as a ploy to get attention," Eddins-Folensbee added. "If they suspect a teen is contemplating suicide, they should take it seriously, confront the issue and consider a professional evaluation."

According to Eddins-Folensbee, one of the best things parents can do is keep the lines of communication open. Teens who have an affectionate home environment, where feelings are openly expressed and expectations are geared toward each individual child, tend to be more resilient to life's stresses.



Annual sign-up for medicare

By Mary Jane Shanes
Social Security Manager
Plainview, Texas

If you are eligible for Part B Medicare medical insurance but haven't signed up, you can do so now during the annual "general enrollment period" for Medicare--January 1 until March 31.

Beneficiaries with Part A Medicare hospital insurance who originally decided not to sign up for the Part B medical insurance when they first became eligible can take advantage during this three-month period. It is also an opportunity for those who had Part B coverage at one time but dropped out and now wish to enroll again.

Part B Medicare medical insurance helps pay for doctors' visits, outpatient hospital treatment and other medical services and supplies not covered by Part A Medicare hospital insurance.

The cost of the medical insurance premium is \$45 a month in 2000. However, beneficiaries who sign up

now instead of when they were originally eligible will have an additional 10 percent added to their premium for each year they could have enrolled in Part B but didn't. If you sign up at any time during the general enrollment period, your coverage will begin July 1, 2000.

If you do not have Part A Medicare hospital insurance, but are 65 or older and a U.S. citizen or a lawfully admitted alien who has lived in the U.S. for at least five years, you can sign up for Part B medical insurance only or for both Part A and B (hospital and medical insurance) at this time. The premium for hospital insurance varies depending on the amount of time you may have worked in jobs where you paid Social Security taxes.

If you are interested in enrolling in Medicare or would like more information, you can call, write or visit your local Social Security office, or call Social Security's national toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

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Brag Page Deadline

The Valentine issue with the popular Brag Pages will be published February 10th.

Anyone wishing to put a photo of their child, grandchild, or any other loved one, should have the pictures to the Hesperian-Beacon offices in Floydada or Lockney, by February 3rd, at 5:00 p.m.

The cost for 1-3 children in a heart frame is \$10.00. If there are four or more people in the picture, the cost will be \$15.00 per frame.

Each photo will be placed in a heart shaped frame and will appear with the person's name, age, parent's names, and grandparent's names.

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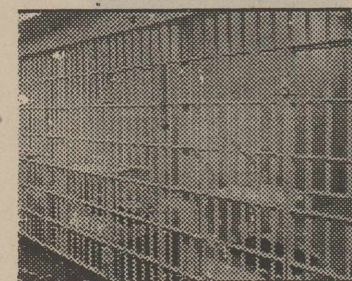
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LOCKNEY ISD PUBLIC MEETING

The Lockney ISD Board of Trustees and administration will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, January 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. The purpose of this meeting will be to provide input and answer questions on the student drug testing policy. This policy, which was approved by the Board of Trustees in December, will be implemented in February. Under provisions of this policy all staff and all students, grades 6-12 will be subject to drug and alcohol testing.

The rationale for and objectives of this program will be outlined during this meeting.

The public is invited to attend.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Motley County ISD is accepting bids for their auditor for the 1999-2000 school year. Please contact Betty Stevens, Motley County ISD Business Manager at 806-347-2676 for information. Sealed bids must be received at Motley County ISD, P.O. Box 310, Matador, Texas 79244, by 4:00 p.m. February 11, 2000.

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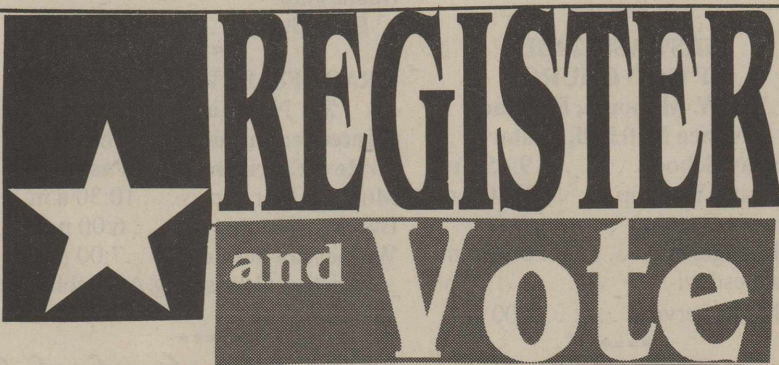
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF FLOYDADA

RECREATION AND PARKS ACCOUNT PROGRAM

The City Council of the City of Floydada will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 18, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Recreation and Parks Account Program (TFPA) for a Parks and Wildlife Department Grant. Topics to be discussed will include the application for playground equipment for the City of Floydada in the amount of \$60,000.00. The application will be available for review at City Hall during regular business hours. Persons who need special assistance wishing to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at 983-3834 at least 24 hours in advance.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Lockney will have a Public Hearing on February 10, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall, 218 E. Locust, to consider a zoning change in the J.D. Burtleston, Block D Addition.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for thermoplastic striping at various locations districtwide covered by C 905-00-22 in Lubbock County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., February 2, 2000, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspections at the office of Teddy J. Copeland, Area Engineer, Lubbock, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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THE CHARACTERISTICS OF AN ADDICTIVE RELATIONSHIP

By Ron Trusler

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Even the best of relationships have some flaws. The challenge is to identify those things that creep in and minimize the quality of a healthy relationship. Then we do what we can to change them and build on what we have.

If you are expecting to build a perfect relationship, you are going to be disappointed. Your ideal may not be reality. However, you can have a fulfilling relationship if you both work at it.

How can you know if your love is an addiction? People in addictive relationships have the following prominent characteristics.

1. They feel consumed with each other.
2. They fear letting go.
3. They fear risk, change and the unknown.
4. They experience little individual growth.
5. They do not experience true intimacy.
6. They play mind and power games with each other.
7. They give in order to get some-

thing back.

8. They attempt to change the other.
9. They need the other to feel complete.

10. They seek solutions outside the self.

11. They demand and expect unconditional love.

12. They refuse to commit themselves.

13. They look to others for affirmation and worth.

14. They fear abandonment when routinely separated.

15. They create old, negative feelings.

16. They want closeness but they are afraid of it.

17. They tend to take care of others' feelings.

I hope this list is not too confusing. If you have any questions, about it you can contact me at the numbers listed at the bottom of this column. If you have some interest in this area, you might save this column and contrast it with next week's column about "Characteristics of a Healthy Relationship."

The Paper Pulpit

By: Pastor Henry Russell



"HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE"

By Pastor Henry Russell

I was walking down Life's Highway a long time ago.

One day I saw a sign that read Heaven's Grocery Store.

As I got a little closer the door opened wide,

and when I came to myself I was standing inside.

I saw a host of angels; they were standing everywhere,

one handed me a basket and said, "My child, shop with care."

Everything a Christian needed was in that Grocery Store,

And all you couldn't carry...you could come back the next day for more.

First, I got some **Patience, Love** was in the same row,

Further down was **Understanding**, you need that everywhere you go.

I got a box or two of **Wisdom**, a bag or two of **Faith**.

I just couldn't miss the **Holy Ghost**, for He was all over the place.

I stopped to get some **Strength and Courage** to help me run this race.

By then my basket was getting full, but I remembered I needed some **Grace**.

I didn't forget **Salvation**, for **Salvation** was free.

So I tried to get enough of that to save both you and me.

Then I started up to the counter to pay my Grocery bill,

For I thought I had everything to do my Master's will.

As I went up the aisle I saw **Prayer** and I just had to put that in,

for when I stepped outside, I would run in to sin.

Grace and Joy were plentiful; they were on the last shelf.

Song and Praise were hanging near, so I just helped myself.

Then I said to the Angel, "Just how much do I owe?"

He just smiled and said, "take them everywhere you go."

Again I smiled at him and said, How much do I really owe?"

He smiled again and said, "My child, Jesus paid your bill a long time ago!"

May the Lord of peace himself give you his peace no matter what happens. The Lord be with you all.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

607 W. Lee St., Floydada
J.D. Young, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:
Evening Services 7:30 p.m.

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Floydada
Glenn Truett, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 8:00 p.m.

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Doug Rainbolt - Minister
Floydada
Sunday:
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
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Wednesday:
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Sunday:
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Discipleship Training, Nursery, Mission Friends, Team Kid, Bible Drill, Youth Drama and Adult Bible Study 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Celestial Ringers 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Children's Choir 4:00 p.m.
Evening Meal 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Time (All Ages) 6:30 p.m.
Nursery, Preschool Choir, RA's, GA's Sanctuary Choir, Youth Bible Study, Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir 7:00 p.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Pastor
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Monday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

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Floydada
Wendell Horn, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Fellowship 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney
Russ Byard, Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
UMY 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
United Methodist Women,
Hill Circle, 3rd Tues. 9:30 a.m.
Ruth Wesley Circle:
2nd & 4th Mondays 10:30 a.m.

FRIENDSHIP CHAPEL CME

Floydada
Rev. James Jenkins
Sunday 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday:
Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
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Monday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday:
Prayer Service 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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Lockney
Russell Harris, Minister
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Ralph Jackson
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
BTU 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Mid-Week Prayer 7:00 p.m.
Thursday:
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
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Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
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Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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Lockney
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Wednesday:
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Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Wednesday:
Family Night 7:00 p.m.

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Wednesday Mass 6:30 p.m.
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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Christian Training 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

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Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 5:00 p.m.

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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
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Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
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Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service 7:30 p.m.

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