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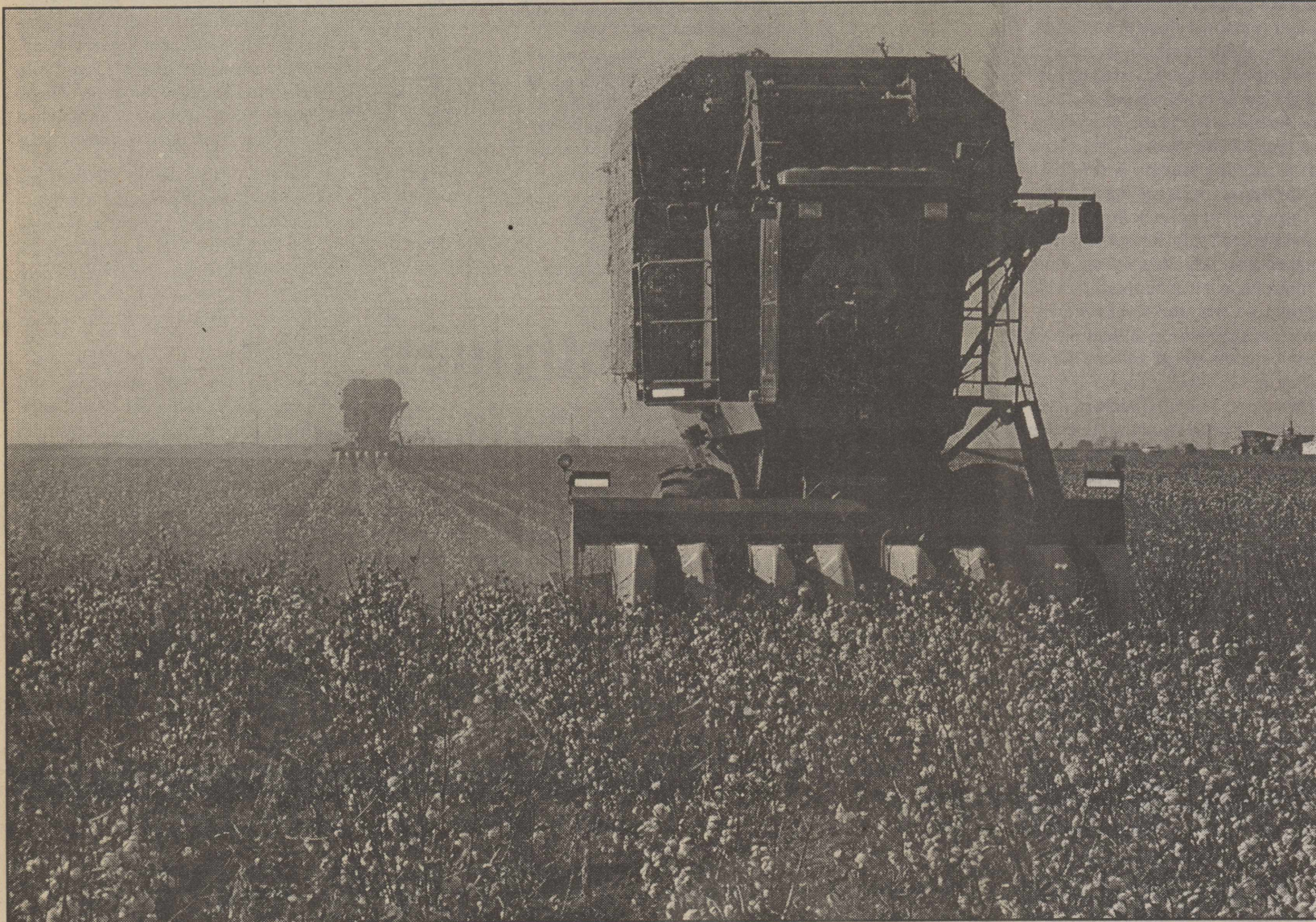
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FARMERS DOUBLE TEAM COMBINES--Taking advantage of a spell of dry weather, farmers work in teams to have cotton fields stripped before more wet weather moves in this week.

Area farmers in race against wet weather

Cotton farmers are working fast to strip their fields just in case the weather turns wet again.

After two weeks of moisture the dry days have allowed producers back into their fields. Snow and rain is in the forecast again--but it may not affect too many Floyd County farmers.

The headlights off of strippers can be seen in fields all over the county, as farmers work in the dark to beat the forecast.

"There were a lot of people worried about what the rain was going to do to the grade of cotton," said Scott Gin Manager John Woelfel. "The wet weather affected it a little bit--but not

near as bad as we feared. It probably cost the producer about 2-3 cents less a pound."

The Spring hail affected almost all Floyd County cotton producers and cut the cotton production. "However, the cotton that is coming in is good," said Woelfel. "The irrigated fields are producing up to 2 1/2 bales an acre and as low as 1 1/4 bale. The non-irrigated is producing 1/2 to 3/4 bale."

"This county normally plants anywhere from 185,000 to 190,000 acres of cotton," said Ag Extension Agent J.D. Ragland. "I would guess that the hail wiped out at least 30% of the crop."

"Christmas on the Square" is December 5

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring their annual Christmas on the Square, December 5th, from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Downtown businesses are staying open until 8:00 p.m., giving everyone a chance to shop at home for their Christmas decorations, gifts, etc.

Several businesses will serve refreshments and door prizes will also be given away.

Santa Claus will arrive on the square, via a city fire truck, at 5:00 p.m. Santa pictures will be taken inside Hale's Insurance, on Main Street, from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Pictures with Santa Claus are \$5.00 each. "They will be digital pictures," said Chamber Manager Irene Hernandez. "The pictures will be available the

next day."

Floydada youngsters, kindergarten through 5th grade, will sing Christmas carols under the pavilion from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Fifteen minute hay rides will be given around town, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Passengers will be loaded between Script Printing and the First National Bank of Floydada. The trailer will load up every 30 minutes.

"We are hoping everyone will participate in this year's Christmas on the Square, as well as they did at last year's event," said Hernandez.

"If you give your local businesses a chance they will be able to save you a lot of out-of-town Christmas shopping hassle. We have a lot to offer right here at home."

Lockney's Holiday Affair is Dec. 5th

The Lockney Area Chamber has added a new "draw" to the Dec. 5th city wide Holiday affair - a raffle. Tickets may be purchased from any of the Chamber directors at a cost of \$2 for one, or \$5 for 3.

The evening of the holiday affair, three names will be drawn at City Bank. Each will receive \$100 in "Chamber Bucks" to help the winners with their holiday shopping at Chamber member businesses in Lockney.

As part of their "shop Lockney" drive, the Chamber will hold the first in a series of drawings for \$100 in

chamber bucks on December 5, in conjunction with Lockney's Holiday Affair. Shoppers making a minimum purchase of \$25 at a Lockney Chamber member business will automatically be entered into the series of three drawings, each for \$100 in chamber bucks. Subsequent drawings will be held December 12 and December 19. Shoppers will automatically be entered into the drawings with each \$25 purchase, and there is no limit on entries.

Businesses will be open till 9:00 p.m. December 5 during this city wide

Christmas party for the convenience of holiday shoppers. Most of the businesses will offer refreshments for their shoppers.

Santa will be arriving via firetruck at City Bank at 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout

Troop 43 will be offering pictures taken with Santa for a price of \$3 for 1 to 2 kids, and \$5 for larger groups till 7:30 p.m.

There will also be separate contests for the best decorated home, and business. You must call Ginger Mathis at 652-2960 to register before Decem-

ber 5, if you want your home or business judged. Should you get an answering machine, please leave your name, address to be judged, and phone number. Entries will be judged on December 5. First place will win \$50 in chamber bucks; second place will be awarded \$25 in chamber bucks; and third place will receive \$10 in chamber bucks.

Readers win turkeys

Twenty five turkeys were given away to individuals in the Floyd County Hesperian promotion, courtesy of local businesses.

The businesses and winners chosen are as follows:

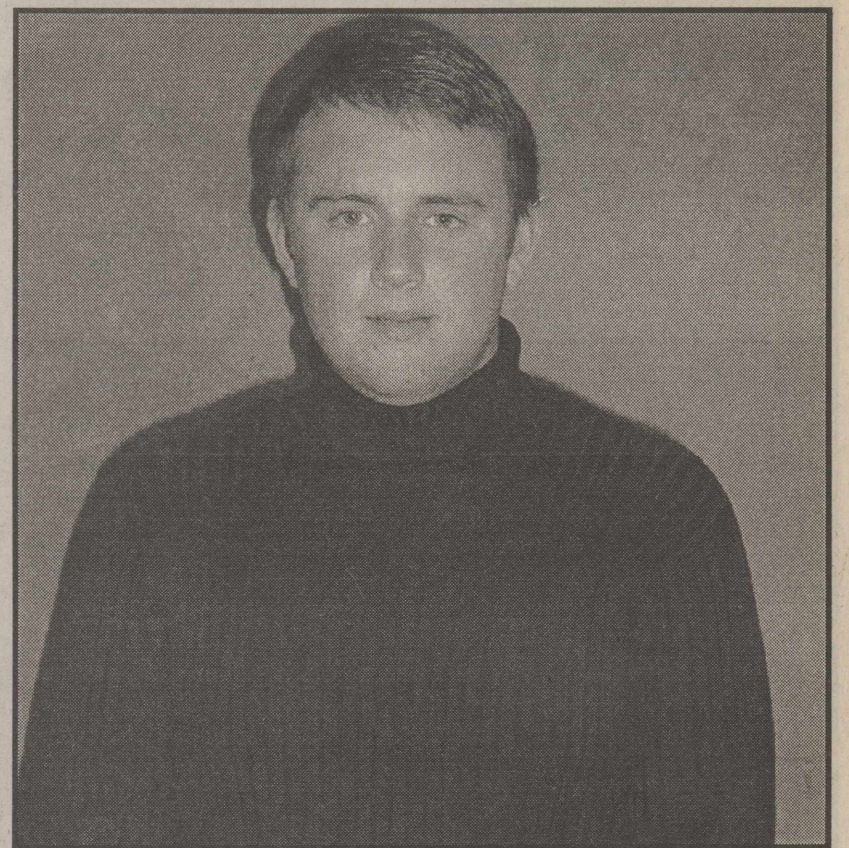
American State Bank, Marie Warren; Duckwall's, J.R. Turner; Caprock Motor Parts, Jackie Gregory;

City Bank, Lockney, Jean Newton; city Auto, Dennis Carter; 1st National Bank of Floydada, Shonda Guthrie; Cornelius Conoco, Sammy Bradley;

Clark Pharmacy, W.L. Carthel; Davis Lumber Company, Boyd Reay; Darty Gin, Paul Attebury; Floydada Coop Gins, Omar Burlison;

Kirk & Sons, Frances Barnett; Stapp Body Shop, F.L. Montandon; Lockney Insurance, Dale Ross; Producer's Coop, Willis Bunch;

Oden Chevrolet, Judy Griggs; Payne Family Pharmacy, Phyllis Smith; City Bank, Floydada, Tess Smith; Lowe's Pay-N-Save Lockney, Paula Pesina; Pizza Gold, Carrie Davis; Hesperian Beacon-Floydada, Thelma Parr; Hesperian Beacon-Lockney, Carol Vasquez; Lowe's Pay-N-Save Floydada, Juanita Lopez; and Nielson's Restaurant & Catering, Loretta Burns.



JESSE FINLEY, of Floydada, was the recent winner of a \$10,000 Savings Bond in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal's "2002 Make Kids Count Scholarship Giveaway", sponsored by Texas Tech. Jesse is the 15 year old son of Jim and Rosemary Finley, and the grandson of Bill & Roberta Hardin, and Jerry and Julia Finley, of Floydada. He plays football and participates in the FFA Ag Issues Team. He says he is undecided at this time at what he will major in--but he does intend to go to Texas Tech. His father, Jim, credits his mother-in-law, Roberta Hardin, with submitting Jesse's name into the contest. "She was there for every drawing --she has really been taking care of us!"

Rangers investigate hanging

Texas Rangers have been asked by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department to investigate the hanging of F.L. Williams, 62, of Floydada.

Authorities say Williams was found hanging from by his shirt, Wednesday morning, November 20. Williams shirt was tied to an angle iron that supports a privacy petition in a holding

cell. "The petition is the type of wall that separates stalls in a public restroom," said Texas Ranger Stuart Willer. "There is space above and below the wall. The bar that supports the wall runs from the floor to the ceiling."

Williams was cut down by a jailer. Records indicate EMS was called to

the scene at 2:38 a.m. Williams was transported to W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital and then to UMC in Lubbock. He has been released from the hospital.

A brother to F.L. Williams, Rev. John Williams, says he does not believe the authorities report of the hang-

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Mangold Health Fair is Dec. 7th

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital will hold its tenth annual "Holiday Health Fair" on Saturday, December 7, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria.

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

Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will be at the Fair to do mammography. If you would like to make an appointment for a mammogram, you may do so by calling 1-800-377-4673. United Blood Institute will be holding a blood drive and there will

also be bone marrow testing at this year's fair.

There will be over 30 booths providing glaucoma checks, cholesterol screens, blood sugar and blood pressure checks, body fat evaluations and posture evaluations. Flu shots, pneumonia shots and immunizations will be available for a nominal fee.

Again this year at the Health Fair will be "Project KidCare" a children's identification project that provides a picture and current information about your child in a handy vinyl pocket. This is part of a national effort to provide parents with personal safety id's of their children in the event of an

emergency. KidCare is being offered as a free public service to families in the area. If your child attended last year, bring your packet to be updated. If you didn't attend last year, a new packet will be issued.

The Health Fair booths will be manned by various local and area organizations. There will also be children's activities booths. Merchants will provide the door prizes, and a health lunch will also be available.

"This event is designed to be informative and fun for the entire family," said Hospital Administrator Sharon Hunt. "Mangold Memorial Hospital invites everyone to attend."

Newspaper Offices Closed

Both the Lockney and Floydada offices of the Hesperian-Beacon will be closed on Thursday and Friday. There are drop boxes available at both locations.

Christmas Deadlines

The Christmas Edition of the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon will be printed on December 19.

Letters to Santa Claus and Christmas greetings from businesses will be included in this special edition.

Schools should have their letters to Santa Claus submitted to this newspaper by December 5th.

Parents--if the class your child is in does not write Santa letters but sure and have your child's letter submitted by Dec. 5th.

By The Way

By Alice Gilroy



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Mangold Memorial makes moves to get Critical Access designation

The Board of Directors and Medical Staff at W. J. Mangold Memorial Hospital met November 13, with Sharon Hunt, Administrator and Russell Baccus, Accountant with Durbin & Company in Lubbock regarding Critical Access Hospital designation for the hospital.

Critical Access Hospital designation allows qualifying hospitals to be reimbursed by Medicare on a cost basis rather than on a prospective payment system (PPS). PPS was ushered in during the 1980's with the onset of the DRG payment system. In 1997, Congress passed the Balanced Budget Act, which introduced prospective payment systems for outpatient services, home health, and skilled nursing facilities. Prospective payment systems reimburse providers based upon a set fee for a particular service or diagnosis. This type of payment is

difficult for smaller hospitals due to their lower payment systems cause reimbursements to fall well below cost. Cost-based reimbursement allows these facilities to be reimbursed according to reasonable and allowable costs.

According to Mr. Baccus, W. J. Mangold Memorial Hospital would have had the following gains had it been critical access: 2002 - \$417,894; 2001 - \$302,268; 2000 - \$230,282; 1999 - \$60,300.

"These numbers definitely show a significant advantage for the hospital to obtain this designation," said administrator Hunt. "This shows the amount of money that the hospital has lost during these years due to Medicare reimbursements being so far below cost."

Baccus said the hospital can opt to discontinue its designation as a criti-

cal access hospital at any point in the future if it appears it would benefit the Hospital to do so. "This is not something that the hospital must be locked into forever," said Hunt. "The hospital is in great shape at this time. Seeking this designation does not mean that our hospital is in a desperate situation.

It merely changes the way we are reimbursed by Medicare, which should be a benefit to all."

"With healthcare costs continuing to rise, this should continue to be advantageous in the future. Changes in operations should be minimal, with no changes in services being anticipated at all. The hospital will have to de-

license two beds due to the fact that critical access hospitals are limited to 25 beds total, only 15 of which can be acute care beds. The other 10 can be used as swing beds. The 15 acute care patient limit is also a factor that will have to be closely monitored during busy times."

Overall, Ms. Hunt, the board, and medical staff felt like this was a good option for the hospital and something that should be pursued. The next step, after official approval by the board, is to complete an application to be submitted to the Texas Department of Health, who will then conduct a survey of the hospital. If approved, the hospital will begin receiving cost-based reimbursement, which should improve payments significantly.

Durbin & Company conducted this feasibility study which was funded by a grant from the office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA).

The newspaper offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday. I know that is one more day than most businesses close--but we make up for it in overtime close to the Christmas holidays.

I've gotten spoiled by the extra days we take at Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is always more restful for me than Christmas. Maybe because Thanksgiving is always on a Thursday and we can always give ourselves an extra long weekend around here.

I hope everyone is not waiting until Thursday to stop and think about what you are thankful for. Personally I've been thinking about it a lot lately.

I'm most thankful for what prayer has done for my life. Recently I've had some of my most stressful days ever, here at the paper. But--I've also seen prayer work in wonderful ways at the same time.

Sometimes God makes you wait for answers to prayers--and sometimes God answers them right away. Most of the time we've already forgotten what we prayed for and suddenly we realize the prayers were already answered. Lately I've seen prayer work quickly and obviously. For that I'm thankful.

I hope I can remember these times when something else comes along and I think God is taking too long.

I'm thankful that God doesn't always answer prayers the way I think He should. I'm thankful that I don't know the big picture--because I know

I couldn't handle it.

I don't believe there are unanswered prayers. I just believe the answers aren't always what we were expecting and the answers are much better than we could ever have imagined.

God is so faithful. It is impossible for Him to be anything but faithful. His love is everlasting and steadfast. If I had been the only human being in the whole world, God would have still sent His son to take my place on the cross. And, Jesus would have willingly died--just for me.

If you can think of nothing else to be thankful for in your life--be thankful Jesus loved you enough to die for you.

Be thankful that He is as close to you as your own prayer.

Speaking of prayer. I received this on the internet and I checked it out. As far as I can tell--the story is true.

The story comes from the Presidential Prayer Team web site.....

"Fifty Christian truckers got together to pray to pray that somehow the sniper terrorizing the Washington, DC area would be caught.

"Ron Lantz would be retiring as a driver in a few days and didn't even live in the area, but he felt sure that God would answer their prayers. In fact, he told the others there that God was going to use him to catch the sniper.

"A few days later he was listening to the radio as he was driving again

through the region and felt compelled to pull off the highway to a rest stop. It was just twenty miles from where the prayer meeting had taken place. As he pulled in, he was shocked to see a car similar to what was being described on the radio right there before his eyes.

"Carefully trying to read the license plate, a chill went up his back as the numbers matched. He quickly called 911 and remained there for what he said were the longest 15 minutes of his life until the police arrived. He even pulled his truck across the exit, there would now be no escape for these elusive murderers. The rest is now history--the snipers were taken into custody without incident.

"Ron's testimony is being beamed around the world. It shows the power of prayer. And in a class act, showing his true character, when asked what he would do with the award money, he said the half million dollars would simply be given to the victims' families.

"The snipers killed 10 and wounded 3 around our nation's capital over the past three weeks, leaving the entire region in a state of terror. Yet out of the great darkness has also come a great beam of light as the world has heard a clear testimony of the power of prayer."

The Presidential Prayer Team honored trucker Ron Lantz as an American Inspiration

To check out this story and the Presidential Prayer Team website, go to: www.presidentialprayerteam.org

Courtroom Activities

In District Court, November 25: John Mitchell Perkins, 23, of Paducah, pled guilty to Theft of Vehicle. He was sentenced to 18 months in State Jail, and a \$1,000 fine.

In County Court, November 20: Billy Joe Luna, 20, of Lockney, was charged with Fleeing. There was no disposition on this case.

In J.P. Court for the month of October: 19 speeding tickets were handled, 7 no driver's license, 5 no seat belts, 1

expired inspection sticker, 1 expired registration, 2 for drag racing, 1 no insurance, 1 minor in possession of alcohol, 1 in possession of drug paraphernalia, 1 failure to identify.

Daisy Yannis, 21, was charged with Disorderly Conduct.

Almador Rosa, 34, Robert J. Campos, 29, and Max Flores, 18, were charged with Public Intoxication.

There was one small claims suit filed by Britt R. Gregory against Richard and Carmela Casillas.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

A few weeks ago the Helping Hands Hospice of West Texas was asked to help our family take care of our mother, Marjorie McElyea. The family whole-heartedly recommends the Hospice to any one who might have a loved one suffering from illness. Every individual from the Hospice who came to help our mother was cheerful and professional. We were given information about what to expect as the illness progressed--every-

thing was just as Vonda told us it would be.

One day, Vonda came by the house unexpectedly, and told us all to leave for one hour while she stayed with Mema. The gesture of kindness was greatly appreciated and is an example of the exemplary care provided by the Hospice.

All the family members are grateful to the Hospice for the care it provided for Mema and the support it gave to the family. Words cannot ad-

equately convey the thanks to Vonda, Amy, Isabelle, and the other hospice caregivers that we feel, but please know that we are forever grateful to each of you.

No one can know when an illness may befall a family member, but if that family lives in the Floyd County area, the Helping Hands Hospice of West Texas is a wonderful service form which to get help both physically and emotionally.

The family of Marjorie McElyea

Dear Editor,

On November 17, my wife and I drove to Floydada to see the Veterans War Memorial. My wife and I were amazed as we looked at the memorial. It is beautiful.

I would like to thank everyone involved in this magnificent memorial. It is not often that veterans are appreciated in such a manner. Once again, thank you.

Curtis D. Jester

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Citizens ask city for paving



THE FIRST 25 NAMES were drawn on Friday, in the \$1,000 giveaway raffle for Kids Korner in Floydada. Larry Ogden (right), representing one of the raffle's sponsors--Lighthouse Electric, pulled out 25 names that will be dropped back into the hopper for the next drawing on December 2. If your name wasn't drawn in this first round you still have a chance to be included in the next drawing by buying a ticket for \$5.00 or 5 tickets for \$20.00. The 25 names drawn were: Assiter Insurance, Wynell Hinsley, Shorty Turner, Laura Farris, Marble Bros., Jon Jones, Jeff 7 Shawna Taylor, Sheila Joiner, Margie Fowler, Bettina Weaver, Gabrielle Anderson, Julianne Cornelius, Julian Lipham, Kay Steen, Don McCandless, Paul Spadaro, George Farris, Nick Long, Bill Dean, Chad Guthrie, Clar Schacht, Rick Peralez, Dixie Smith, Bill Harbin, and Joe Dunbar. There were also two winning tickets pulled for extra prizes. Bettina Weaver won a package from Sue's Gifts, and Joe Dunbar won a \$25 gift certificate from Lone Star Candy Company.

Happy Thanksgiving Lockney Chamber receiving donations

The Lockney Area Chamber of Commerce is now accepting donations to pay for replacing the current city street Christmas decorations. The Chamber would like to have the new decorations paid for in time for Christmas 2003 display. Donations may be turned in to any of the Chamber directors.

Salvation Army to fill Christmas Basket orders

"Any Lockney citizen wishing to receive a family Christmas basket, courtesy of the Salvation Army, must come by the Lockney Salvation Army Store with a current bill showing their address," said Alicia Luna, chairperson of the Lockney Service Unit. "It is not necessary for a senior citizen to come in, as they automatically qualify. Luna will be in the Lockney Salvation Army Store, located at 105 W. Locust, to accept basket orders Monday thru Friday, December 2 through December 11, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. "Absolutely no more orders will be accepted after the 11th," stated Luna. The store has a current need for donations of winter clothing, coats, and blankets.

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During the regular Floydada City Council meeting, November 19, Stan Payne, representing citizens who have property joining south Sunset street, made a presentation requesting improvement to Sunset street.

After the presentation for south Sunset street, Kyle Smith asked the council to remember north Sunset street. Councilman Schacht made a motion that City Manager Brown get additional cost estimates and present to the council and Stan Payne and Kyle Smith. The motion was seconded by Councilmember King and passed unanimously.

Dora Ross representing Floydada Economic Development Corporation made a presentation about trying to find office space for the Texas Department of Human Services. There is currently a study being made by the Texas Department of Human Services that shows a possibility that the office is currently operating in Floydada may be closed. After discussion, Councilman Schacht made a motion for Dora Ross to develop a plan of action, including looking for a building to house the department in, and for Mrs. Ross to submit the proposal to the Texas Department of Human Services. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cornelius and passed by a 6-0 vote.

Mrs. Ross then gave a brief presentation on the progress on the Technology Center. The Floydada Economic Development Corporation has been able to secure grants totaling \$35,000 to purchase and remodel a building. Reverend Anthony Sisemore made a request on behalf of First Baptist Church, for the city to close the alley running east and west between the 100 block of east Kentucky and east Tennessee. There are no utilities in the alley right of way. The right of way is in the parking lot of First Baptist Church. No action was taken on the request as the planning and zoning commission has not met and acted on the request.

On a motion by Councilmember Schacht, seconded by Councilmember Cornelius, the council approved the use of the airport fuel flowage funds to be used for part of the 10% match for the airport rebuilding project. Councilman Sue made a motion, seconded by councilmember King, for the mayor to sign a note, if needed to pay for the new electric bucket truck when it is delivered. The motion passed on a 6-0 vote. The money is to be borrowed until the electric department C.D. matures.

Carroll Sims has agreed to assume the position of Floydada Emergency Management Coordinator. Councilmember Cornelius made a motion to employ Mr. Sims. The motion was seconded by councilmember Sue and was unanimously approved. City Manager Brown brought the council up to date on the progress of the audit of the West Texas Municipal Power Agency.

Mayor Gilliland reported on the meeting of cities belonging to Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority. The M.M.W.A. was holding their regular meeting tonight and no action had been taken on the city's requested action. Councilmember Schacht made a motion to accept the planning and zoning commission's approval of a carport to be built at 410 W. Virginia, closer than 5 feet from the property line. The motion was seconded by councilmember Barrientoz and passed 6-0.

City manager Brown and City Secretary Lawson then asked the council to approve charging off some delinquent accounts. The accounts are more than 7 years old. The action is recommended by the city's auditor. Councilmember Nielson made the motion to approve, seconded by Councilmember Schacht and was approved unanimously.

The council reviewed the insurance coverage on the buildings and some rolling equipment. After a lengthy discussion councilmember Cornelius moved to make some adjustments to the coverage. Councilmember Sue seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

Margaret Perez was appointed to the board of directors of the Floydada Housing Authority for a one year term on a motion of Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Cornelius. The vote was 6-0.

The council then approved the minutes of the October 15, 2002 meeting and reviewed cash balances and expenses and approved the payment of the October city bills.

During the open forum citizen Schacht expressed his thankfulness and gratitude for the city employees' willingness to do jobs which were not theirs to do.

The meeting was attended by the mayor, all six council members, the city manager, city secretary, city attorney and approximately 20 guests.

Mayor Gilliland adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:55 p.m.

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OOPS

In the November 14th addition, of the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, we listed the mums that circle the flag pole of the Floyd County Veterans Memorial as donated by the wrong person. The mums were donated by VFW Post 5616. We are sorry for our error. Good job VFW Post 5616 they were beautiful.



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THE HOME OF VICKI & DANNY CLARK, of Lockney, will be one of the homes featured in the Hospice Holiday Mystery Home Tour, December 8. Six luxurious homes will be open from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Hospice office at 305 N. Main, or Schacht Flowers Jewelry and Gifts, at 112 W. Popular, in Lockney. Please meet in the Hospice office at 1:30 p.m. to enjoy refreshments and to receive your mystery tour map. Everyone will be departing from Hospice at the same time. Tickets are \$5.00 per person, and all proceeds go to Hospice Charitable Organization that serves Floyd and surrounding counties.

Holiday Blood Drive Scheduled

Lockney Holiday Health Fair announces a community blood drive to replenish the area blood supply and stock hospitals' shelves for the holiday season. The drive will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Lockney Elementary Library. All donors will receive a T-shirt.

"If you did not have a chance to donate blood during the fall, your donation is especially precious as we prepare for the holidays," said Connie Hollinshead, Community Relations Representatives of United Blood Services. Traditionally, blood donations decline during the holidays; the people of Lockney can help assure that a blood shortage does not occur this year," Ms. Hollinshead said.

Make a commitment now to donate blood at this drive. You may make an appointment for this drive by contacting Julie Ellison or Kathy Azua at Lockney High School, 652-3325.

Appointments are always appreciated as that cuts down on the waiting for the donors, and it helps United Blood Services with staffing.

Effective immediately, all persons who are insulin dependent and in good health can now donate blood. Persons 17 years old and older, weighing 110 pounds or more, and are in good health are eligible to give blood. The citizens of Lockney are encouraged to donate at the Lockney Holiday Health Fair on Saturday, December 7.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

The center will be closed Thursday, "Thanksgiving Day", but will be open on Friday. If you are 60 years or older this center is for you. Please call the center at 983-2032 by 10:00 a.m. if you plan on eating lunch.

Tuesday, November 20, Jonelle Fawver had a visitor with her at the center during lunch. She was Pat Parkey Skrabanek of Dallas.

Norma and Bill Feuerbacher were at the center too. Norma and Pat were college friends. They all had a good time visiting.

Bill and Norma Feuerbacher have just returned after attending Bill's army reunion held at Claremore, Oklahoma with twenty-five of his buddies. On this same trip the Feuerbachers attended two different rallies of Good Sams Travel Club rallies, the Samboree and the Avion.

Nell McClung recently was in Abilene where she attended a McClung family reunion. She spent a day last week visiting her brother R.C. and his wife Amy Patton at Snyder.

I spent Wednesday, November 20 in Hereford visiting my sister Ella and Cecil Oglesby. We also attended the "Festival of Trees" held at the Hereford Senior Citizens Center. We also

Menu December 2 - December 6

Monday - Roast Beef, potatoes, carrots, tossed salad/Ranch, wheat roll, cinnamon roll or cake

Tuesday - BBQ chicken, butter beans, spinach, coleslaw, cornbread, rice or bread pudding

Wednesday - Vegetable soup, spaghetti and meat sauce, zucchini, cucumbers and onions, garlic bread, and apple crisp

Thursday - Meatloaf, new potatoes with sauce, broccoli, celery sticks, wheat roll, and lemon cake

Friday - Turkey and dressing, poultry gravy, carrots, tossed salad/Ranch, and pineapple cake

ate lunch there. Their center has a big membership. I'm sure they served over two hundred the day I was there.

Our sympathy to the family of Fay Crader.

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

In memory of **Flora Sargent** - Doris Snodgrass and Elayne Reid.

In memory of **Tom Gooch** - Fay and Ruby Gooch.

"Happy Thanksgiving Day"

Lockney Senior Citizens Menu

December 2 - December 6

Monday - Hamburger steak

Tuesday - Spaghetti

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak

Thursday - Beef stew and cornbread

Friday - Chicken strips

American Cancer Society holds Christmas Brunch

The annual Christmas Brunch, sponsored by the Floyd County Unit of the American Cancer Society, will be held December 14th in the new home of the Scott Graham family, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Tickets are available for a donation of \$7.50, from any board member, the First National Bank of Floydada, or Thayer-Washington C.P.A.

Floyd County Lifestyles



FLOYDADA REHAB AND CARE CENTER BIRTHDAYS for the month of November are: (l-r) Jewell Burrow, Julie Belle Martin and Jim Grubb.

Floydada Rehab and Care Center News

Thursday, November 21 was birthday time at the Rehab and Care Center with members of the City Park church of Christ hosting.

The honorees were seated in the lobby and each wore a lovely corsage/boutonniere given by Arwine Florist and Gift Shop.

The poem was read and all joined in singing the Happy Birthday Song. Each one received a special gift package of items to be enjoyed in their room given by members of the church.

A delicious refreshment plate of pound cake and fruit punch was provided by the Care Center. Mrs. Bur-

row had as her special guest her daughter Kay Tinney. Leanna Davis, the activity director gave a very interesting account of what November means to us and of so many special events that have occurred in long years past.

The next party will be Thursday, December 19, 3:30 p.m. You are invited to be with us.

November is a special month
With much to celebrate.
We count our blessings one by one
And find that life is great!

We welcome Mrs. Martin, Her years are 82. She's raised a happy family With time for neighbors, too!

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Salutes to Mr. Grubb today. His family named him Jim. He likes to store the cans away And keep things looking trim!

Let's do the birthday "ditty", The same old happy song. So join us as we sing it With "gusto" loud and long!

1934 Study Club Holds Meeting

The 1934 Study Club met November 19 in the home of Marie Warren, with Emagene Haenisch as co-hostess.

President Margarette Word presided over the Business Session. Marie Warren, Recording Secretary, read the minutes of the September and October meetings. Roll Call was answered with "I am most thankful for ____". It was an inspiring time as members "counted their blessings."

The Club voted to cooperate with the Chamber of Commerce and other

organizations in honoring school students who have perfect attendance and no discipline problems. Member also voted to donate to the Day Care Center. As customary, they voted to give the money that they would spend for exchanging gifts at the Christmas party to the Relay for Life.

Program Chairman, Betsy Dempsey, introduced Skyler and Julianne Cornelius who brought an impressive program on the Veterans Memorial. The Club expressed sincere appreciation to them for the program,

and also for their tireless effort and all that they had done.

The hostesses served delicious refreshments to Betsy Dempsey, Bill Ferguson, Effie Foster, Diana Glover, Wilma Gowens, Queen Annie Lawson, Nell McClung, Flora McNeill, Frieda Simpson, Wanda Turner, Margarette Word and Guests, Skyler and Julianne Cornelius.

The next meeting will be the Christmas Party on December 10, in the home of Ila White, with Wilma Gowens as Co-hostess.

Floydada Chamber of Commerce News

By Irene Hernandez

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce met on Tuesday, November 12. Those in attendance were Mary Ann Reyes, Julie Duke, JoLynn Dean, Thomas Trevino, Sandra Deago, Jose Alaniz, Jimmy Willson, and Irene Hernandez.

The minutes from the October meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given at this time.

On the agenda:

Trunk or Treating was held on October 31. Mary Ann Reyes headed up this committee. There was much interest from the community, and many of the businesses volunteered their

time and donations of money and candy this year. The community came out and everyone had a good time.

Trunk or Treat was a huge success! Thanks to many businesses, volunteers, civic organizations and the schools.

Santa on the Square is the next event to be hosted by the Chamber. The time will be from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. downtown on December 5. There will be singing by the schools, pictures with Santa and hay rides.

More information will be available in the next few weeks.

The next meeting was set for January 7, and the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Advertising pays!

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STUDENTS ENJOY NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT--Lockney Elementary students have enjoyed playing on the new playground equipment recently installed. The look on these students faces tell everyone how much they appreciate the hard work and dedication that went into this project. Staff Photo



HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE--Lockney Elementary will have a food and toy drive again this year in conjunction with the W.J. Mangold Memorial Holiday Health Fair. Each class which reaches its canned food goal of one item per student will receive a Coake and popcorn party, courtesy of Lockney doctors and the Coca-Cola Co. Any person who brings a new toy donation to the elementary school will be eligible to win a personal CD player or a \$50 savings bond, donated by Lockney doctors and City Bank. Each student will also receive a free pass to the Health Fair, which will be on Saturday, December 7, from 9AM until 2PM, in the elementary cafeteria. Make plans to attend this event, which is very informative and fun for adults and students alike. Students Who Participated (l-r) Courtney Edwards, Clay Bigham, and Darby Long.

Duncan inducted into honor society at Texas Tech

Tobi Ann Duncan of Lockney has accepted membership in the Golden Key International Honour Society at Texas Tech University, and was individually honored during a campus ceremony.

"It is only fitting that a high academic achiever like Tobi Ann be recognized by Golden Key," said Alexander D. Perwich II, Golden Key executive director. "Our members are inspired and motivated by the challenge not only to be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society's commitment to service."

Golden Key International Honour Society is a non-profit, academic honors organization that provides academic recognition, leadership opportunities, community service, career networking and scholarships.

The Society has more than 300 chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Australia, Canada, Malaysia, South Africa and New Zealand. Membership into the Society is by invitation only to the top 15 percent of juniors and seniors in all fields of study.

Tobi Ann is the daughter of Danny and Nikki Smith of Lockney and Dan Ray Duncan, Jr. of Panhandle.

Lockney School Menu

December 2 - December 6

Monday:

Breakfast - French toast or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Steak fingers or PBJ sandwich, mashed potatoes, broccoli, applesauce, hot rolls, milk

Tuesday:

Breakfast - Sausage patty or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Frito pie or grilled cheese, tossed salad, pinto beans, peaches, cornbread, milk

Wednesday:

Breakfast - Oatmeal or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Baked chicken or ham, mashed potatoes, green peas, mixed fruit, hot rolls, milk

Thursday:

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Burrito or corn dog, tossed salad, corn, fruited gelatin, milk

Friday:

Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Hamburger or Tuna sandwich, french fries, lettuce and tomato, orange halves, milk

Mosley inducted into National Honor Society

Nicole Mosley, of Lockney, was one of 126 students inducted into the West Texas A&M University's Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society, November 10, 2002.

Membership in Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to juniors and seniors with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher who rank in the top 10 percent of their class.

The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane J. Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor and director of planning and analysis at WTAMU.

Lockney School Board accepts bids on new school bus

Lockney ISD accepted a bid on a 16 passenger school bus and bought a Reel Mower during their regular meeting, November 14.

The bus bid from Blue Star Bus Sales was for \$45,945.

The Reel Mower cost the district \$3,500.

"The mower will do large areas quickly," said Superintendent Raymond Lusk. During the demonstration of the mower it took 20 minutes to cut the football field. Normally it takes 4 hours."

During the superintendents report, Lusk told the board that he was in the process of applying for a \$100,000 grant for a computer based program to help 9th graders at risk of failing.

The grant would pay for the program and a staff person.

"This is a fairly competitive process, but we will make the attempt," said Lusk. "The 9th grade is the age level that typically makes or breaks a student. I think there are a number of students who could be helped by this grant."

Lockney High School Honor Roll

Second Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

Twelfth Grade - Leslie Cuellar, Katie Kelley, William O'Connell, Landon Schumacher, Nichole Thomas

Eleventh Grade - Michael O'Connell, James Orr, Hannah Rockwell

Tenth Grade - Shelly Pachiano, Anne Reecer, Rance Schumacher

Ninth Grade - Amber Dorman, Trinity Ford, James McPherson, Emily Mercado, Trevor Morris, Tana Saul, Lance Terrell, Tori Terrell, Rebekah Thornton, Brance Wilson, Ty Young

"A-B" Honor Roll

Twelfth Grade - Maria Anguiano, Katy Austin, Cody Bayley, Aaron Blanco, Nathan Burson, Jessica Cervantes, Julian Chavira, Todd Cotham, Jalee Dietrich, April Dorman, Jana Edwards, Yesenia Guerrero, Janee Hrbacek, Cameron Kemp, Cody Lass, John Lopez,

Alfredo Martinez, Garrett Mathis, McPherson, Leticia Morales, Tasha Powell, LaShay Pritchard, Brady Rasco, Laci Schumacher, Ben Sherman

Eleventh Grade - Paul Amador, Oscar Delgado, Tod Duncan, Cody Gardner, Amanda Hancock, Valerie Molina, Jessica Ochoa, Jeran Butler, Abraham Rosales, Justin Stoerner, Rachel Vega, Kirk Wilson

Tenth Grade - Jamie Austin, Ashley Brock, Lindsay Collins, Cagan Cummings, Mark Ford, Eugene Gonzales, Trey Graves, Karah Hrbacek, Megan Johnson, Monte Lass, Jaime Ledesma, Sarah Martinez, Jana Miller, Zane Montandon, Jeremy Pyle, Chrystal Vasquez

Ninth Grade - Mary Alcozer, Cassandra Carrillo, Landon Cotham, Mandy Fornby, Alexis Hall, Nathan Hancock, Criselda Jimenez, Kami Keaton, Graden Long, April Lopez, Malarie Luebano, Dahlen McCarter, Kory Smith

Lockney Elementary School Honor Roll

Second Six Weeks "Honor Roll"

Mrs. Jones, Second Grade - Ramon Cazares, Rayann Race, Justin Roberts

Mrs. Johnson, Second Grade - Brent Golden, Lindsay Stewart

Mrs. Golden, Second Grade - Kelby Bice, Landry Kidd

Mrs. Poole, Third Grade - Courtney Edwards, Lauren Johnson, Landon Kidd, Riley Teeter

Mrs. Cotham, Third Grade - Monica Santiago, Sunny Williams, Dylan Auful

Mrs. Long, Third Grade - Quinn Jackson, Delores Luna, Amber Segovia

Mrs. Kidd, Fourth Grade - Hailey Dickerson, Toni Morales, Bridgit O'Connell

Mrs. Marr, Fourth Grade - Molly Cazares, Kami Hunt, Hayden James

Mrs. Cummings, Fifth Grade - Katie Bice, Walker Kemp, Anna Sherman, Bethany Wilson

Mrs. Kellison, Fifth Grade - Jill Bramlett, Blanca Molinar, Tessa Saul

Mrs. Rasco, Fifth Grade - Angel Cortez, Courtney Golden, Lezlie Jackson, Lexie Terrell, Elissa Vasquez

Lockney Junior High School Honor Roll

Second Six Weeks "A" Honor Roll

Eighth Grade - Krista Rasco, Kayla Thomas

Seventh Grade - Audrey Collins, Bryan Cooper, Desiree Deleon, Leah Ford, Lauren Stewart

Sixth Grade - Heather Brock, Jonathan Coleman, Raul Cruz, Kyler Ellison, Anabell Gonzalez, Daryn McCarter, Hector Mercado, Brendi Morales, Emily Prayor, Estella Rodriguez, Caleb Schumacher

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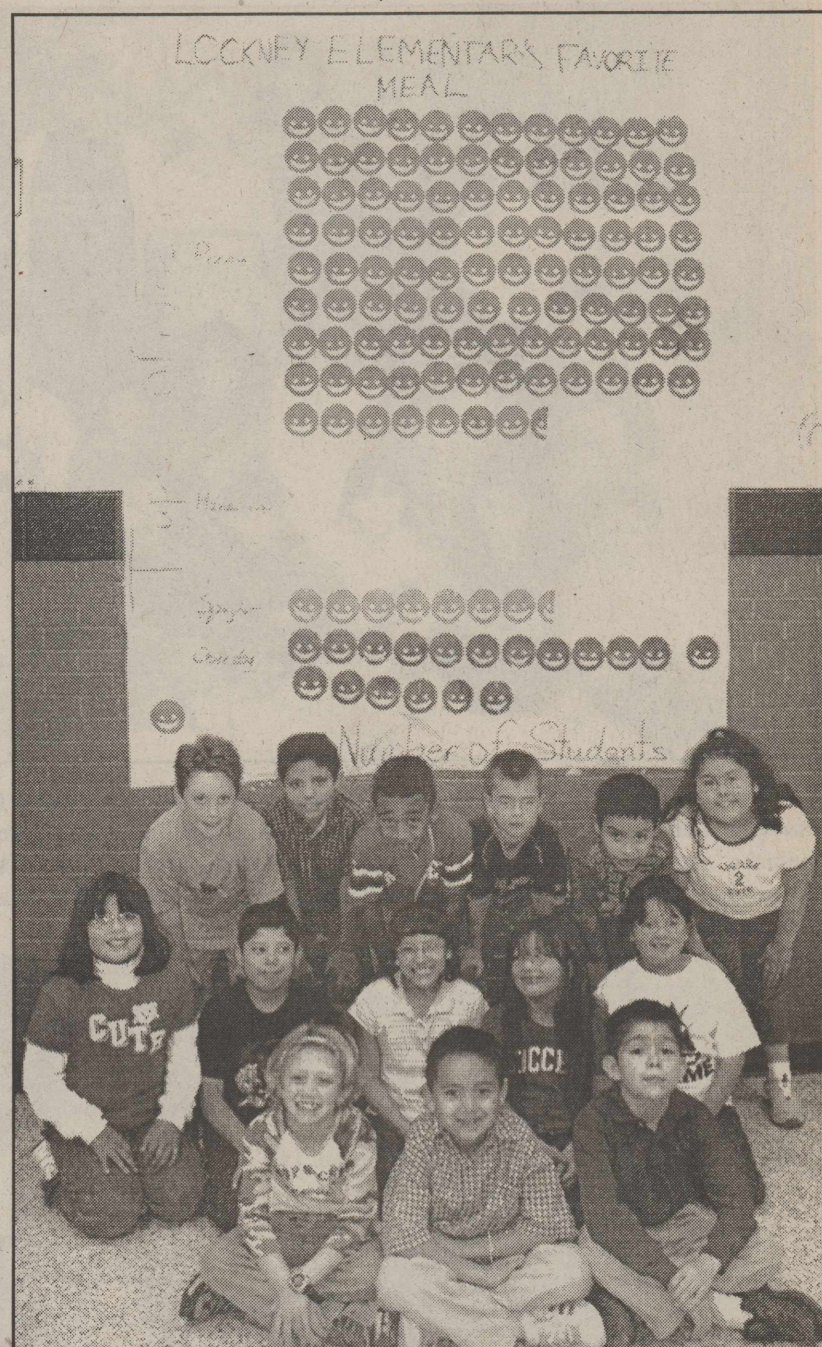
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FOOD GRAPH CHARTS FAVORITE FOODS--Lockney 3rd graders were divided into teams, and each team surveyed a home room about their favorite food. The kids then graphed the survey. The children voted for either pizza, hamburger, spaghetti, or chili dog as their favorite food. Pizza was the winner. Mrs. Cotham said, "This was a fun project to teach the children how to survey and then organize their data into a graph." Mrs. Marks served the kids cheese pizza the week of their project. PICTURED IN FRONT OF THE FOOD GRAPH ARE: (l-r, back row) Dylan Audill, Edwardo Solis, Rex Mathis, Skye Nutt, Jonathan Molina, Clarisa Comacho (l-w, middle row) Beth Ascencio, Reon Raissez, Stacey Rodriguez, Galby Peralez, Monica Santiago (l-r, front row) Sunny Williams, Bishop Zambrano, Christopher Luna.

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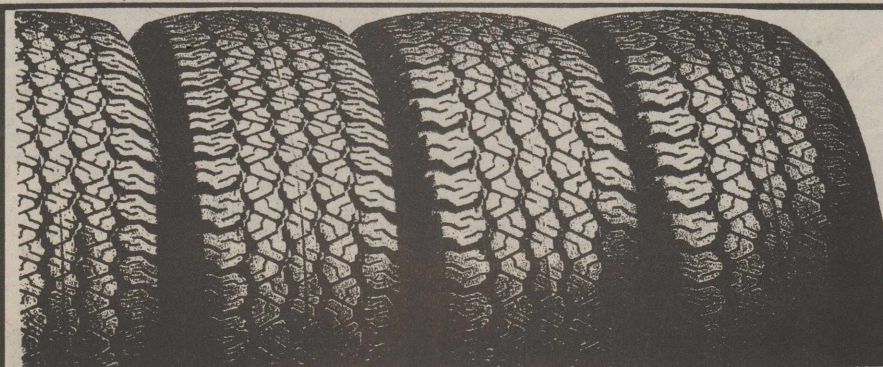
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LITTLE LONGHORNS--(back, l-r) Patricia Rios, Blanca Molinar, Hailey Dickerson, Daniella Morales, Keenan Stennett, Joshua Mullins, Jonathan Luna, and Luke Sherman; (middle, l-r) Drew Johnson, Annel Salazar, Andrew Hooten, Katalina Araujo, Jonathan Molina, Dylan Auffer, Tea' Lopez, and Riley Harris; (front, l-r) Samantha Nunez, Jasmine Pena, Anissa Guerrero, Filomena Felan, Tommy Lopez, Lacy Melton, Taleah Perales, and Paul Martinez.



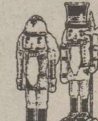
VETERAN POSTER--Marva Rasco's 5th grade constructed a poster to honor veterans. Names of family members and friends were placed inside stars and put on a poster. Seen here are: (l-r) Angel Cortez, Lezie Jackson, and Elissa Vasquez.



LITTLE LONGHORNS: (Back, l-r) Gerardo Solis, Sidney Prather, Carlynn Taylor, Jonathan Luna, Luke Sherman, Brent Zambrano; (middle, l-r) Ellie Naranjo, Clarisa Comancho, Anissa Reyna, Steven Karlin, Christopher Franco, and Josias Dimas; (front, l-r) Anissa Guerrero, Tea Lopez, Will Prayor, Alaine Rendon, and Alexis Marquez.



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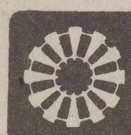
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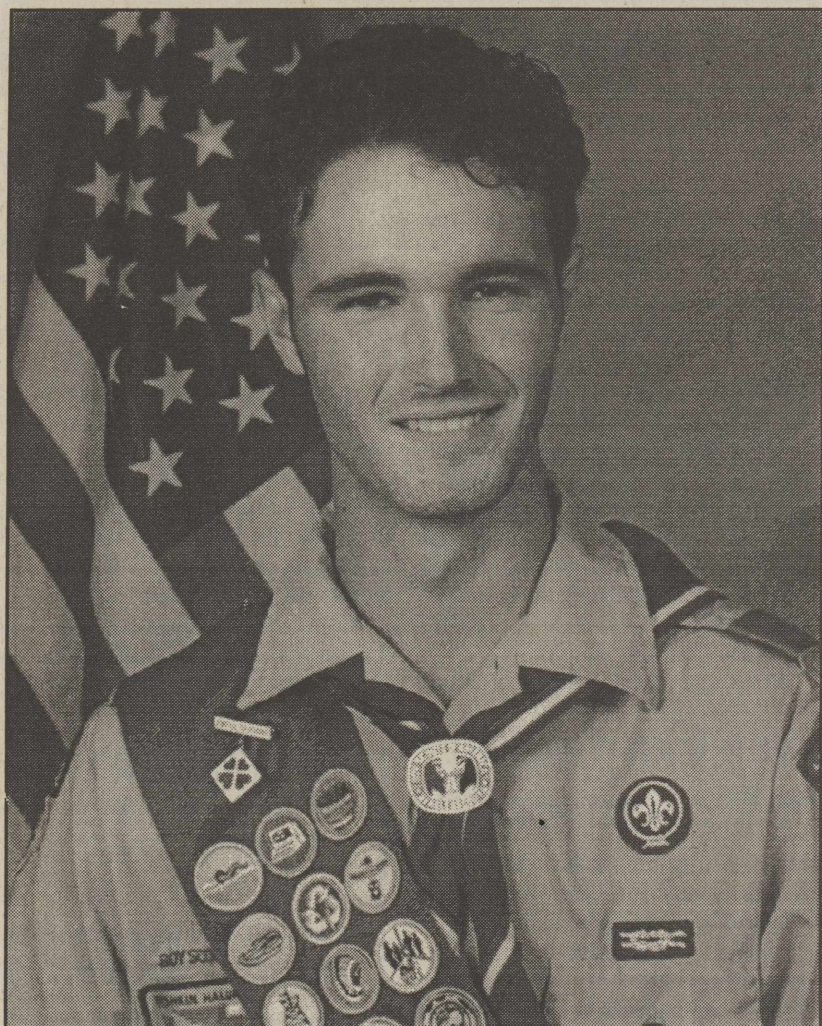
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TRAVIS POLLAN, 17, was recognized in an Eagle Scout Court of Honor, Saturday, November 16, 2002 at South Arlington Church of Christ. Travis has been a member of Boy Scout Troop 379 in Arlington since 1996, participating in many service projects. He has earned 34 merit badges and is a member of the Order of the Arrow. Travis planned and directed installation of a picnic area at the South Arlington Church of Christ for the completion of his Eagle Scout project. Travis is a senior at James Bowie High School in Arlington, where he is a member of the NHS and band. He is the son of Marla Pollan of Arlington, and the grandson of Ed & Evelyn Pollan, formerly of Floydada, and Bill and Marvie Deaver, of Lubbock.

United Blood Services of Lubbock sponsors drive

United Blood Services and Floydada Community encourages holiday shoppers to add one more gift to their holiday list this year, the gift of Life!

Giving this gift is easy; it's a volunteer blood donation. Floydada Community will sponsor a blood drive on Thursday, December 5 in the First Baptist Church Parlor. All donors in the Floydada Community are encouraged to donate. All donors will receive a T-shirt.

This is one of the busiest times of the year for most people, as holiday preparations take center stage. Making an appointment to donate blood is fast and easy - just give Jeanne Appling a call at 697-2648 to make

an appointment! Appointments are greatly appreciated - for 2 reasons: one, so that UBS brings enough staff, and two, so that there will not be as much waiting on the part of donors.

City hires new foreman

Lockney Mayor Roger Stapp reported to the Council, on November 14, that Ron Hall had been hired to fill the position of building and grounds and street maintenance foreman. Hall was to begin work Monday, November 18.

Kelli McElhone, of SPAG, and James Johnson, and Michael Adams of the O.J.D. Engineering Company, gave a wrap-up report of the Aiken-Lockney pipeline project.

McElhone reported all of the SPAG grant money had been expended. Adams gave the monetary breakdown of expenditures and reported the actual cost to the city of Lockney at \$87,000. Johnson answered questions about the pipeline and told the council to "stay pro-active and keep on top of what's going on."

Justice of the Peace and Municipal Court Judge Michelle Araujo gave the council a detailed report of the handling of fines and fees by her office.

The council reviewed and approved the record keeping practice of the Lockney Police Department in regard to vehicle gas usage, as presented by Chief of Police Jerry Edwards.

A salary increase for the Municipal Court Judge was reviewed. A motion was made to increase the salary. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

One of the old traffic signals was made available to the City of Lockney for historical purposes. The council will decide on placement of the signal at a later time.

The meeting adjourned and the council went into executive session to consider city policy changes.

Rangers investigate hanging

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ing. Rev. Williams told this newspaper he does not believe F.L. could have hanged himself. Rev. Williams believes someone else is responsible for the hanging and is asking the F.B.I. to investigate the incident.

F.L. Williams does not have a phone and was not available to answer questions.

Rev. Williams refused, on Monday, to discuss F.L.'s condition and would not give a current location where F.L. was staying.

F.L. was arrested Tuesday night, November 19, after a man reported Williams was chasing him and waving a machete around.

Williams was subsequently arrested for public intoxication and taken to the Floyd County jail.

According to Sheriff Gilmore, "While being booked in Williams

took a nitroglycerin pill from his personal belongings."

EMS was called to the jail at 1:59 a.m. Wednesday morning because Williams was complaining of chest pains.

According to a report in the Plainview Herald, "He was treated for a 'self inflicted cut' but no other medical problems were noticed."

EMS was then called at 2:38 a.m. after the jailer found Williams hanging in the jail.

Jailers have a policy to check the prisoners every 5 minutes, but it has not been determined how long Williams had been hanging in the cell.

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Floydada School Menu

December 2 - December 6
Monday:

Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch - Submarine sandwich, sliced turkey & cheese, pickle spears, fruit, milk

Tuesday:

Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk

Lunch - Nachos, pinto beans, lettuce & tomatoes, assorted fruit, milk

Wednesday:

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast, cereal, juice

Lunch - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll, jello w/fruit, milk

Thursday:

Breakfast - Pancakes, syrup, juice, milk

Lunch - Spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic bread, frozen fruit bar, milk

Friday:

Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch - Barbeque on a bun, French fries, pickle spears, fruit, milk

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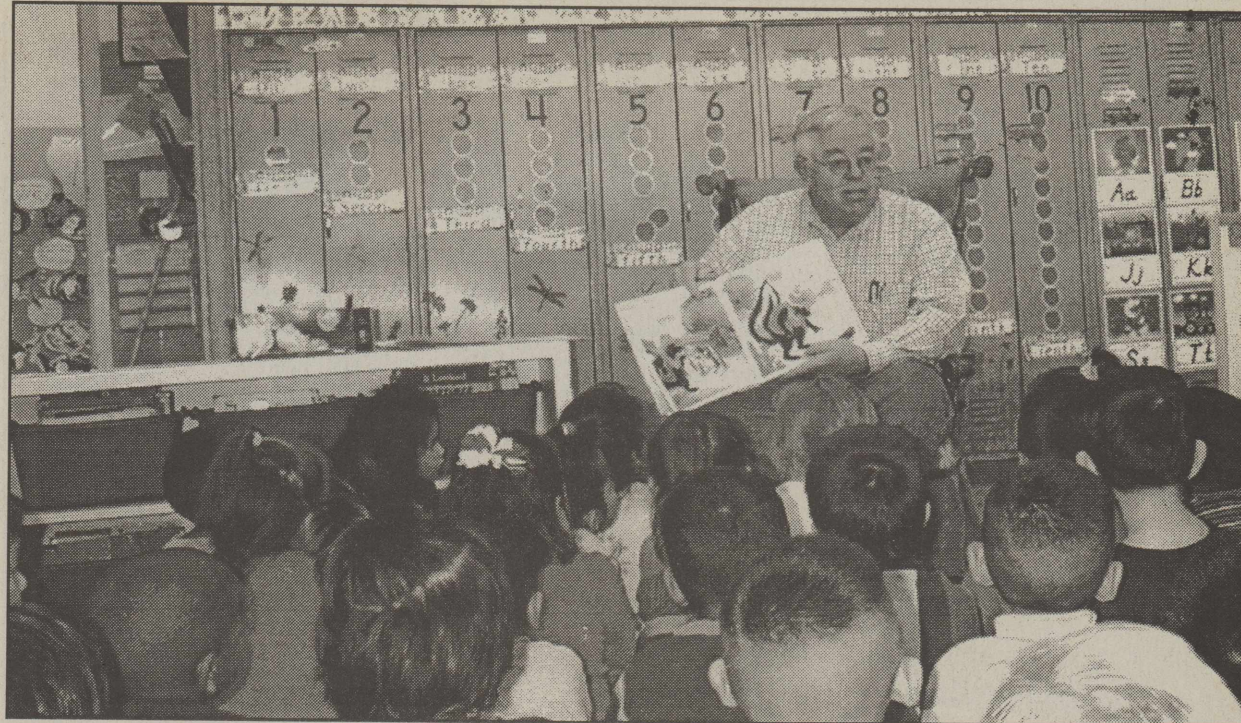
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BOOK PARTY--Floydada Pre-K Headstart hosted a book party, Thursday, November 21. Guest reader was Mayor Bobby Gilliland. Mr. Gilliland entertained the students with "Who Took The Cookies From The Cookie Jar?" by Bonnie Lass & Philemon Sturges. Mr. Gilliland then had students role play. Upon discovering who took the cookies (Mr. Gilliland) each student was offered a cookie from Mr. Gilliland's cookie jar. Students also received a complimentary book to take home.



LITTLE INDIANS--Duncan Elementary students got in the spirit of Thanksgiving by dressing up as pilgrims and Indians. The kids enjoyed a Thanksgiving meal with their families, courtesy of Duncan Elementary, on Wednesday, November 20.

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LOCAL GINS HARD AT WORK--Area Gins have been very busy recently due to good stripping weather. Scott Gin Manager, John Woelfel, is pictured here as he checks on operations inside the Scott Gin. Staff Photo

No disaster aid until 2003

By Shawn Wade

The word from Washington this week was a mixed blessing as a last ditch effort by Senate Democrats to bring a Bill with Disaster Assistance to the Senate floor was defeated with the help of soon-to-be Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-MS).

Lott led the opposition to the Bill that would have included some \$6 Billion in savings from projected Farm Bill expenditures to assist farmers and ranchers who suffered drought related losses in 2001 and 2002.

Lott's efforts against the Democratic effort were tempered somewhat by a pledge to renew the effort to deliver drought assistance when Congress returns in 2003.

Lott noted that the Administration was still supportive of delivering drought assistance to growers as long as appropriate funding off-sets were found.

The efforts of Disaster Assistance proponents will now turn to identifying the vehicles through which drought assistance can be approved.

The most attractive of these will

likely be the many unfinished 2003 funding Bills that will have to be worked through as soon as Congress returns and a possible Supplemental Spending Bill that the Bush Administration is expected to request next Spring.

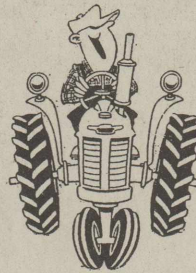
All in all the effort to secure Drought Assistance has been set back considerably, although apparently not permanently abandoned.

The best approach continues to be communicating the many reasons why drought assistance is necessary. Efforts in this regard should not be abandoned or put on hold over the next month and half until Congress returns.



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Floyd County Farm News



Second annual Texas Commodity Symposium set for December 4th

By Shawn Wade

The 2nd Annual Texas Commodity Symposium has been scheduled for Wednesday, December 4, 2002 in conjunction with the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show at the Amarillo Civic Center. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Grand Plaza Room near the Buchanan Street entrance.

Being a legislative year in Texas, state officials have been invited to highlight some key issues that will be debated and discussed in Austin.

Speakers will include State Statistician Robin Roark, Representative David Swinford, Agriculture Policy Board Ad-Hoc Advisory Council Chairman Woody Anderson, and Farm Service Agency Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs John Johnson.

Keynote Speaker for the symposium will be Jim Butler, Deputy Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA. Butler served as USDA's deputy under secretary for marketing and regulatory programs since September 2001. In his new position, he will be a key advisor regarding sanitary and phytosanitary issues, as well as trade, and farm and food policies.

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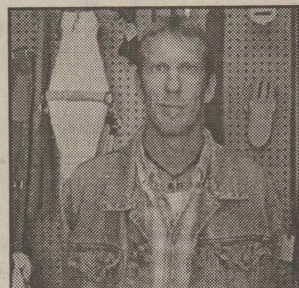
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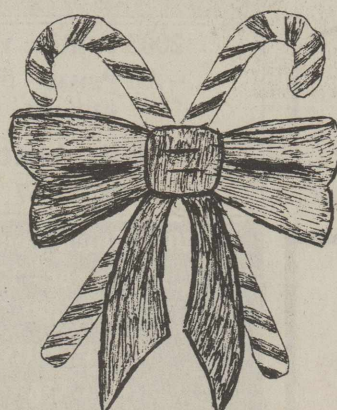
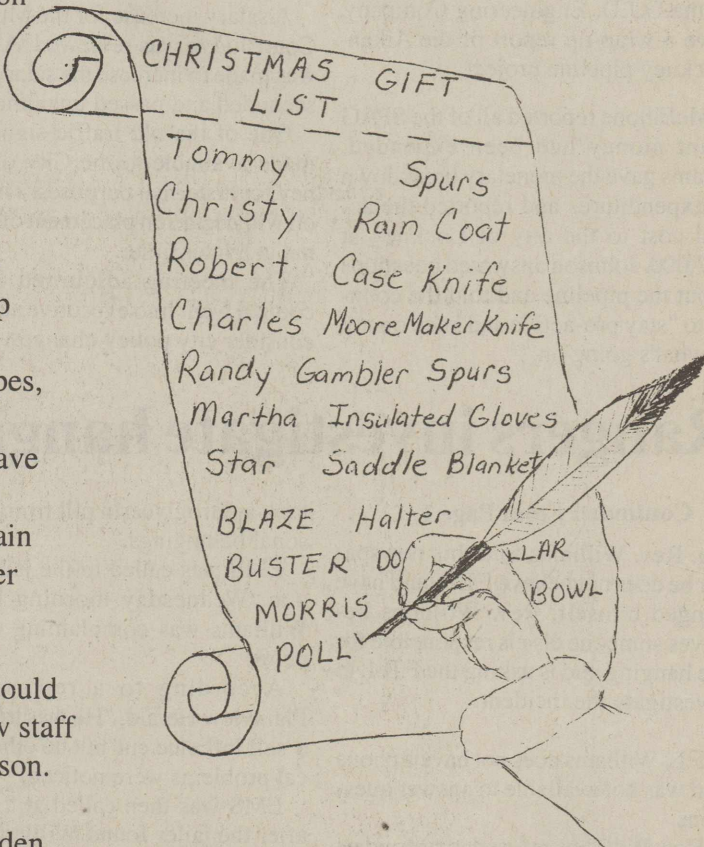
We appreciate your business and would like you to come out and meet our new staff members, Kristi Bennett and Joe Johnson. They are ready to help along with our seasoned staff, Lon Davis, Louis Bearden, Roger Nichols and Roger Poage, and as always Happy Holidays from all of us at Davis Supply.



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It never fails. The air becomes crisp, football season is in full swing, the leaves begin to turn and, then, suddenly the frenetic pace of a quickly approaching holiday season sets in. And we all panic.

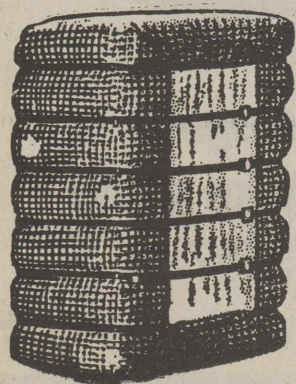
Somewhere among the many lists of to-dos for the season is picking out, putting up and decking out a Christmas tree. To make this holiday chore fun for the whole family, many Texans will head out to choose-and-cut Christmas tree farms across Texas to pick from the 150,000 to 200,000 trees that are ready to be harvested and taken home for the holidays.

While the very first Christmas tree farms in Texas began in 1972 - one in Orange County and one in Smith County - today there are some 200 farms. The industry has a \$14 million economic impact to the state's economy, and more than 125,000 Texas-grown Christmas trees were sold in 2000.

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To request a list of choose-and-cut Christmas tree farms, call the Texas Department of Agriculture's toll-free GO TEXAN number at (877) 990-TEX. Or visit the Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association website at www.texaschristmastrees.com.



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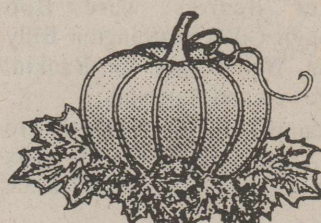
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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Floyd County Central Appraisal District will hold its regular board meeting at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 5, 2002 at 104 E. California, Floydada.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Lockney will hold a public hearing at City Hall on Tuesday, December 3, 2002 at 5:15 a.m. in regard to the Texas Community Development Program project that has recently been completed in the City of Lockney.

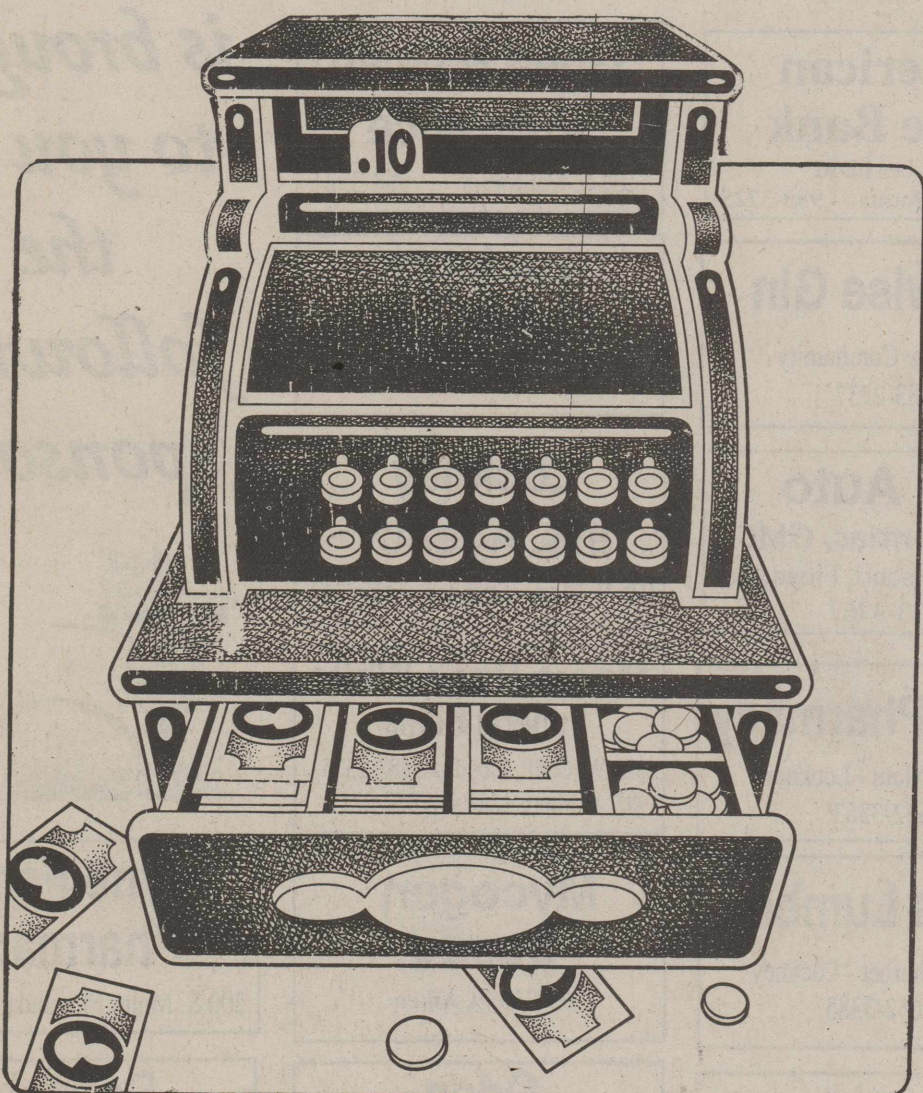
This public hearing is being held to review the outcome of the water system improvement project that included the installation of a water well pump, ten-inch water main, controls and chlorination equipment.

Citizens who wish to comment, but are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments to Trish Davis, City of Lockney, P.O. Box 387, Lockney, Texas 79241. Anyone needing additional information or special assistance may call Kelli McElhone at South Plains Association of Governments at 806-762-8721.

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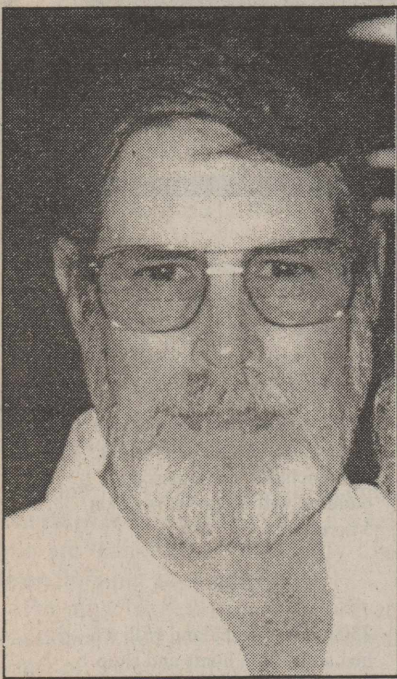
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Obituaries



EARL ADKINS

Funeral services for Bobby Earl Adkins, 67, of Ralls were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 24, 2002 at the Ralls First Baptist Church. Charles Carmen, chaplain of the Covenant Medical Center's Oncology Department, officiated. Reverend Dennis Williams, pastor of First Baptist Church in Lorenzo, assisted.

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

Adkins died Friday, November 22, 2002 at Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center.

He was born on May 14, 1935 in Rochester to D.C. and Aleta Adkins. He attended Ralls schools.

He married Joyce Brown on April 19, 1995 in Lubbock. He was a non-denominational ordained minister and worked in ministries at the Spur Prison and the Floyd County and Crosby County jails.

Adkins was a farmer in the Ralls community for many years. He has lived in Ralls since the 1980's.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce; three sons, Carlos of Lubbock, Shannon and wife, Beverly, of Lorenzo and Rance and wife, Karen, of Vernon; one stepson, Ray Lemon of Houston; two stepdaughters, Linda Page and husband, Sam, of Lubbock and Barbara and husband, Mike, of Floydada; two brothers, Carl Adkins and wife, Billye, of Odessa and Bobby Suggs and wife, Wanda, of Lubbock; seven grandchildren, Andrew Adkins, Jonathan Adkins and Bradley Adkins, all of Lorenzo, Jamie Adkins, Abby Adkins, Daniel Adkins, all of Vernon and Justin Adkins of Florida; and two step-grandchildren, Monty Anderson and Dusty Anderson, both of Floydada.

Casket Bearers were Bob Kimbrough, Odell Heathington, Billy Simpson, Walt Norris, Joe Rankin, Louis Powell and Ray Hall.

The family suggests memorials to M.D. Anderson Hospital, Box 297153, Houston, Texas 77292-1035.

FAY CRADER

Services were held Tuesday for Fay Crader, 84, of Plainview on November 26, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. at Trinity Fellowship Church, Plainview. Reverend Steve Rogers, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Crader died Friday, November 22, 2002.

She was born March 5, 1918 at Detroit, Texas. She graduated from Annona High School in 1935 and from Paris Junior College in 1938. She attended East Texas State Technical College in Commerce for one year. She married L.G. (Bill) Crader December 20, 1941 in Idabelle, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death December 7, 1983.

Mrs. Crader taught school for three years in the Lanes Chapel Community, before moving to Plainview in 1947. She was a member of Trinity Fellowship Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Sue Johnson and Cathy Crader, both of Plainview; one son, Jimmy Crader of Floydada; two sisters, Nettie Puckett of Omaha, Texas and Mildred Summitt of Mt. Ida, Arkansas; nine grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to VistaCare Family Hospice, 4418 Olton Rd., Plainview, Texas 79072.

J.B. (JACK) HEFLIN

Services were held Monday for Jack Hefflin, 90, of Plainview on November 25, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. at Parkview Baptist Church, Plainview. Reverend Joe P. Weldon, retired Baptist minister, officiated, with the Reverend Steve Martin assisting. Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park under the direction of Lemon Funeral Home.

Hefflin died November 21, 2002. He was born October 19, 1912 in Como. He married Era Mae Brown January 3, 1934 at Picton. She preceded him in death July 22, 2001.

Mr. Hefflin moved to Plainview in 1940. He retired from Southwestern Public Service after 30 years of service. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and a charter member of Parkview Baptist Church.

He is survived by three daughters and sons-in-law, Burnis Jean and Wesley Eiland of Fayetteville, Arkansas; Reta and Joe Martin of Plainview; Kay and Johnny Conder of Abilene; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Thomas and Beverly Hefflin of Plainview; Rob Hefflin of Floydada; Louis and Patty Hefflin of Plainview; four sisters, Nell Massey of Willsboro; Doris Borum of Plainview; Vivian Carmichael of Abernathy; and Ima Jean Hopkins of Houston; twenty-six grandchildren and twenty-nine great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to VistaCare Family Hospice, 4418 Olton Rd., Plainview, Texas 79072.

THOMAS LEE SNEAD

Services were held for Thomas Snead in Levelland, on Friday, November 22, 2002 at South Plains Church at 2:00 p.m. The Rev. Eddie Trice, pastor, officiated. Graveside services followed at the Levelland Cemetery. Arrangements were by Head Funeral Home of Levelland.

Snead was born in Fort Worth on October 10, 1926. He later moved to North Hollywood, California, where he went to school and later earned a degree in Animal Husbandry at Cal Poly University in San Luis Obispo.

His passion was farming. He moved to West Texas in the 1940's, where he lived his passion as a farmer for twenty years.

Tom was an entrepreneur at heart which led him to South America to farm for ten years, and then he returned to Texas.

The last five years of his life he taught Spanish in a rural school in Colorado.

He is survived by his wife of eight years, Mary Strickland Snead of the home; two sons, Jim Snead of Levelland and Tommy Lee Snead of El Paso; one daughter Kay Pryce of Tacoma, Washington; three step sons, Alex Snead, Adrian Snead and Marcel Cairo; and three sister, Martha Shiffman, Jane Peters and Joy Wallace.

His children, grandchildren and great grandchildren have been so blessed by his life. His memory will be cherished by us all.

JANICE E. "JAN" WHITTON

Services for Janice E. "Jan" Whitton, 58, of Canton were held Monday (25th) at Oak Grove Baptist Church in Canton.

Burial was in Tarver Cemetery under the direction of Eubank Funeral Home, Canton.

Mrs. Whitton died November 22 in Dallas.

She was born February 20, 1944 in Jacksonville, Florida to McLee and Luella Fretwell Brewer, former teachers in the Lockney system. He was the Vocational Agricultural instructor and Mrs. Brewer was an elementary teacher in the late fifties and early sixties.

She grew up in Lockney and was a dental assistant. She was a former resident of Mesquite and moved to Canton in May 2002.

Survivors include her husband, Delbert W. Whitton of Canton; son, Kyle Dwayne of Dallas; daughters Stacy Lynn Hale, Rowlett and Christi Lee Clark of Canton; brother, Danny Brewer, and her parents, McLee and Luella Brewer, all of Canton; three grandchildren.

Floyd County Church Directory

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

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

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

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Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ken Free - Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
401 S. Main, Floydada
Anthony D. Sisemore, Pastor
Duce Cooper, Minister of Students
Bill Swinney, Minister of Ed/Music
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Lockney
Phillip Golden - Pastor
Rodney Hunt - Youth Minister
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Floydada
Dr. David Jones, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Neely Landrum, Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Praise/Worship 7:00 p.m.

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

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

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.
Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

PRIMER IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Pedro Villareal, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

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Evening Service 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

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Lockney
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Wednesday Meeting ... 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
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Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202
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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

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

TRINITY ASSEMBLY
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Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
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WHIRLWIND BOOSTER CLUB MEETING
The Whirlwind Booster Club will meet on Wednesday, December 4th at 8:00 p.m. at Larry and Rhonda Stovall's house. Please make plans to attend as we will be preparing food for the concession stand for the Whirlwind Classic Basketball Tournament.

FHS JUNIOR CLASS FUND RAISER
The FHS Junior Class is selling Whirlwind Spirit T-Shirts as a Junior-Senior Prom fund raiser! Short sleeved gray shirts - \$12.00, Long sleeved gray shirts - \$16.00. For more information contact Anne Carthel or Amanda Miller at Floydada High School at 983-2340.

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The Family of Marjorie Jones McElyea

TO THE FRIENDS OF MAC AND MARGE MCELYEA:

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Sincerely,
Mac and the whole Marge McElyea Family