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Looking back on 2002 in Floyd County

As in year's past Floyd County's big news, in 2002, was accomplished by the communities coming together to accomplish goals.

The year long Veterans Memorial Project culminated with a dedication service on November 11. The emotional service was attended by crowds estimated at over 3,000.

The project was started by 4-H'er Skyler Cornelius, as part of his Citizenship Project. Assisted by his mother, Julianne, and a junior board and adult board, the project took off with overwhelming support from the community and veterans and their families living all over the United States.

It was first believed the memorial would contain 800 names and would cost \$20,000 for 4 panels. However the project grew quickly and at about the same time the \$20,000 was raised, Skyler realized it was going to take a lot more money, and more panels to add all the names being submitted for the wall.

To the credit of Floyd County residents, who were eager to pay tribute to their veterans, the money continued to come in at a fast pace and the final goal of \$91,000, for 10 panels and 4,036 names was raised in time for the dedication.

One hundred and sixty volunteers and 873 contributors made the memorial a reality, and not one veteran had to pay to have his name engraved on the memorial.

Skyler praised the community for their efforts and the community praised Skyler for his leadership, patriotism, and vision. Stumbling blocks were hurdled by everyone who encour-

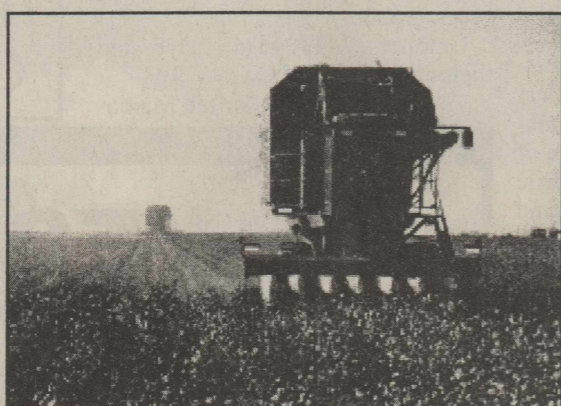
tered them and the project moved on.

Skyler and Julianne also gave credit to God for the project being completed in a year, and the citizens in Floyd County saw once again what can happen when they join forces to make dreams come true.

Also, as in years past, producers were hit with devastating storms during 2002. June 4, a storm stripped cotton, destroyed corn fields, and damaged homes and businesses with large hail and driving winds. Insurance carriers were still handling claims from a May 10th storm when this June storm hit.

Although weather cut the produc-

tion of cotton by approximately 30%, the fields being stripped were producing up to 2 1/2 bales an acre on irrigated land. Two weeks of wet weather in November slowed the stripping down and gins were still running the week of Christmas.



WET WEATHER slowed down cotton stripping. Ginning continued through December.

Highlights of Floyd County news as covered in The Hesperian Beacon follows:

JANUARY

In January, Floyd County's annual stock shows were once again under-

way, and candidates were signing up for public office. Some incumbents faced challenges.

Kelly Dunbar, of Lockney, announced her intentions to run against County Attorney Lex Herrington in the democratic primary.

District Judge Randy Hollums came up with a challenge from Tempie Francis.

County Judge Bill Hardin faced a challenge in the Democrat primary by Gary Carthel.

Commissioner Lennie Gilroy will be opposed in the general election by Lindan Morris.

County Treasurer Mary Shurbet announced she would not run again. This brought two contenders in the Democrat primary--Jeannie Sanchez and Elva Martinez. On the Republican side, Loretta Nutt and Christina Muse signed up.

In the County Stock Show, grand champions were shown by: Segayle Foster, heifers; Eddie Lee Fortenberry, lambs; Mandi Wood, steers; Kayla Kelley, gilt; and Brady Ragland, barrow.

Reserve grands were shown by: Abby Sanders, gilt; Scott Nixon, swine; Senee Foster, heifer; Tye Wood, steer; and Lacy Schumacher, lamb.

January 18, a Floydada man, Carlos Hernandez, was killed in an accidental trailer fire. The fire started when a portable propane heater was knocked over and broke apart.

Construction was moving along quickly at the First Baptist Church in Floydada. The basement was built and above ground work has started.

In Lockney, plans were in progress

for the construction of the Lockney Youth Center.

FEBRUARY

February 5, the Lady Winds were named Co-District Champions which earned the a "bye" in the play-off elimination.

The Lady Horns and Lady Winds both earned Area Championship titles, but the Horns eventually lost to the

Winds in an exciting match-up in Canyon's Eagle Gym. A close game (the biggest lead either team had was 6 points) ended with the Winds 51 and the Horns 47.

The Regional Quarterfinal Champ Lady Winds continued in the state championship playoffs. The race ended at Regional competition against Seagraves, 55-43.

In February, just 3 months after the fund raising started for the Floyd County Veteran's Memorial, the halfway mark was already surpassed with a total of \$33,760 raised.

Several Lockney Band members qualified for State UIL.

UIL Division I Gold medal winners were: Melanie Huggins, flute solo and flute trio along

with Liz O'Connell and Hannah Rockwell; and brass ensemble, Robert Luebano, Rusty Keaton, Garrett Mathis, and James Orr.

Floydada band members qualifying for state were the Brass sextet group of: Jay McGaugh, David Vasquez, Josh Bradley, David Rodriguez, Frank Hernandez, and Sylvia Mancilla.

Lockney Mayor Gary Marr resigned and Councilman Roger Stapp was appointed Mayor.

The Floydada Tennis Team won their 3rd straight Regional Team Tennis Tournament, February 28, and won the right to advance to State.

MARCH

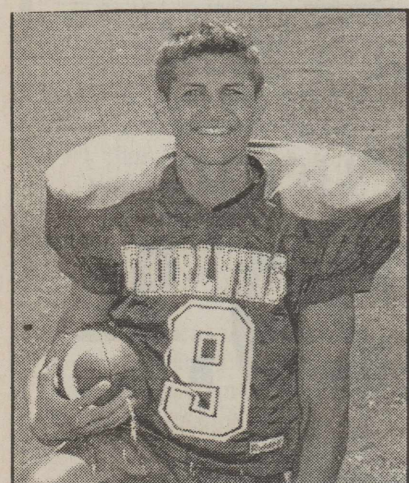
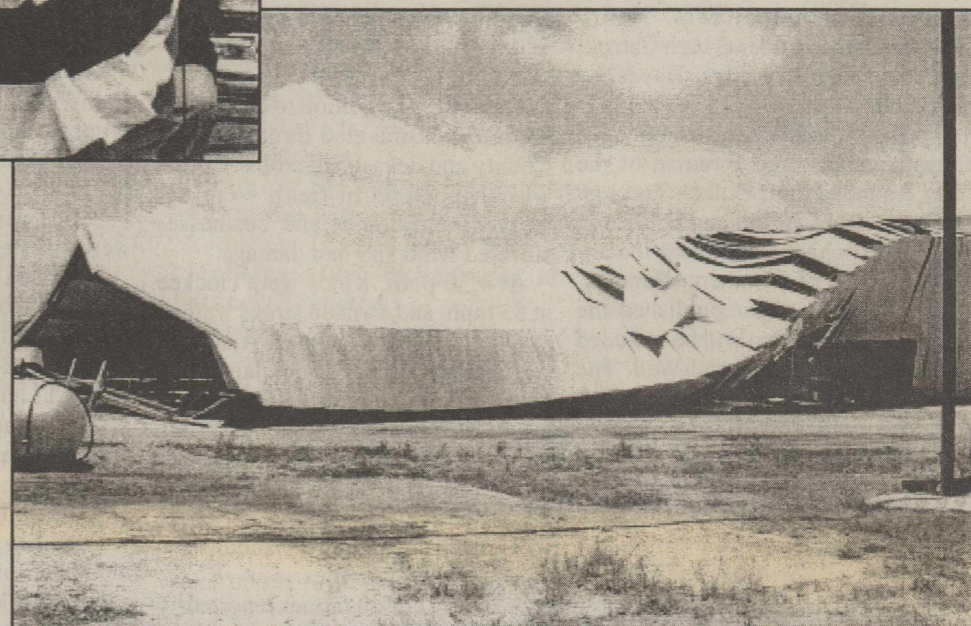
The Unity Center hosted a Regional Powerlifting Meet, March 9, and over 100 lifters competed in the event. At the meet, Floydada lifter, Frank

Hernandez, set four regional records and earned the right to advance to State. Records were set with a squat

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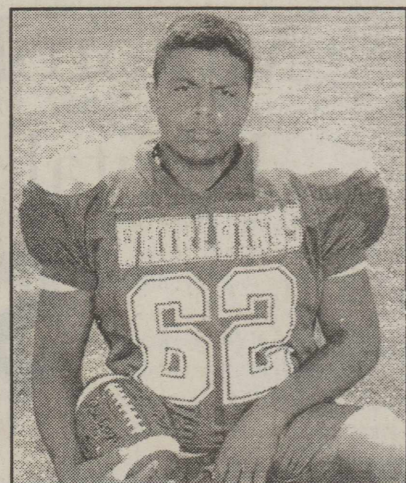


EVENTFUL YEAR--Skyler Cornelius (above) speaks at the dedication ceremony of the Floyd County Veterans Memorial on November 11. A June 14 storm swept across the county. Hail and 83 mph winds caused widespread damage, including destroying part of the Barwise gin (right).



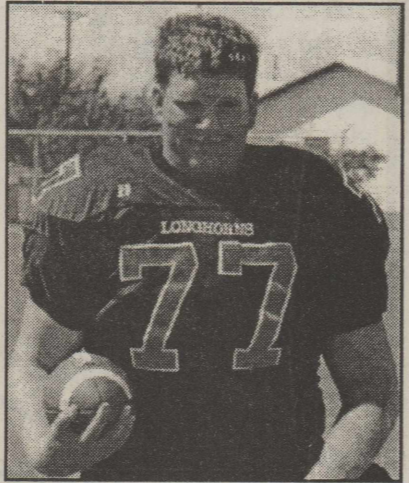
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Floydada Senior

OFFENSE KICKER-Hon.Men.
DEFENSE PUNTER-Hon.Men.



JACOB MORALES
Floydada Senior

FIRST TEAM DEFENSE
LINEMAN ALL-STATE



LANDON SCHUMACHER
Lockney Senior

HONORABLE MENTION
OFFENSE LINEMAN

AP picks locals for All State Team

Three Floyd County high school football players made Class 2A All State teams picked by The Associated Press Sports Editors based on regular season performance.

Floydada Senior Jacob Morales was named to the First Team Defense Lineman with 98 tackles and 12 sacks

Lockney Senior Landon Schumacher was named to the Hon-

orable Mention Offense Lineman Team.

Floydada Senior Tyler Helms was named to the Honorable Mention Offense Kicker Team and to the Honorable Mention Defense Punter Team.

FBC rebuilding almost done

Members look forward to meeting together

By Jeffrey Hunter

Almost three years of planning, construction and prayer have replaced a pile of rubble and ashes that was once part of Floydada's First Baptist Church with a new state-of-the-art facility.

Carpeting, fixtures, millwork and a few touch-ups are all that remain to be completed; and as work begins to wrap-up, the church is finally seeing what their patience and hard work produced.

"I'm proud of what our people have done," Pastor Anthony Sisemore said. "I am proud of what God has done."

Delays have pushed the completion date back many times during construction, but the church plans to dedicate the addition on March 9—three days short of the third anniversary of the fire that destroyed the Sunday school building and damaged the sanctuary in 2000.

"Everyone is anxiously anticipating being back together," Sisemore said.

"We are all ready to be back home."

From the outside, hints of the old building can be seen in the new construction. A similar facade reminds passersby of the old building, but what lies inside is far different.

The addition's 40,000 square feet of space is less than the original building, but Sisemore believes the smaller space will actually prove to serve the church better.

"The major difference is functionality," Sisemore said. "The old building was good, but just not as useable. Now we can have everyone closer together."

Nineteen classrooms for adults and youth are housed in the basement of the new addition. Additional classrooms for elementary children and older members are on the main floor.

Currently, the church meets in seven different locations for Sunday school, something that Sisemore, and the church, will be happy to see end.

"It hasn't been easy to be stretched

across town for Sunday school," Sisemore said. "When a church is spread out, it hurts."

An important part of the addition is the fellowship center, a room that will seat 396 and double as a gymnasium.

"The whole idea of this room is centered on fellowship," Sisemore said. The church is looking forward to putting the fellowship center, which includes a nearby commercial kitchen, to good use.

"It is difficult to be separated," Sisemore said. "It will be so good to be all back together and enjoying our fellowship with one another."

Central to the church's vision for the new addition was the 10,000 volume library in the center of the building. Sisemore hopes the library will be used by the church and the community as a tool for Christian education.

"If people are not educated, their faith won't grow," he said. The addition is complete with many

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Floydada Council studys street paving Cornelius thanks City Hall

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada City Council met Tuesday, December 17, and received recognition from Skyler Cornelius for the City employees' work and help in making the Veteran's Memorial possible.

Cornelius told the council, "On dedication day, with over 2,000 people present, the Navy Fleet Reserve came and presented the City of Floydada, and me, a plaque recognizing the work done by all the employees on the Veteran's Memorial.

"We really appreciate (Gary) Brown and all the guys that worked on this project, along with the City. They saved us \$10,000 in labor that would have made us go way over our budget on the memorial. We really appreciate what the City has done for us.

"My mom (Julianne), and I, wanted something for the City to remember those who worked on the Veteran's Memorial," Cornelius said, as he presented the City a plaque.

Julianne Cornelius reminded the council, "It has been just one year ago when they came and asked for the city's help on this project, and now it is done."

Mayor Bob Gilliland told Skyler and Julianne, "The City of Floydada really appreciates the hard work that you both have put in on the Veteran's Memorial.

"It is beyond belief that you could accomplish that in a year. But you did it and we are real proud of you," Gilliland concluded.

Julianne pointed out that the Texas A&M web site is presently featuring the Veteran's Memorial of Floydada and its citizens.

In other business, the council discussed again the possibility of paving

Sunset Street as suggested in last month's meeting.

City Manager Gary Brown told the council, "I don't have a whole lot to tell you at this time. I have had an engineer in. They are drawing on some plans to maybe close Sunset Street and stop traffic going north and south.

"He showed me some bids on their last three projects at \$100 per running foot and this project would not be too far off from those bids.

"We re-measured the street. If the City takes the alley and the intersections, the City would own and have about 24 percent of the footage. The property owners would have about 76 percent of the footage," Brown said.

Brown continued to explain, "In the past, the City has paid their part and the property owners have paid their part in paving streets, unless we were able to get grant money for the project."

Council Members Eric Cornelius, Sheldon Sue and Clar Schacht suggested that Brown get some exact dollar estimates per running foot for the next meeting. No action was taken.

A representative for Atmos Energy began informing the council of the rate increases for gas related service calls starting January 10, 2003 with, or without, the council's approval.

Council Member Jon Nielson immediately made the motion to take "no action" on the subject. It was seconded by Cornelius and unanimously passed.

In other business, the council also took "no action" on the deterioration of the City's electric generator plant, as explained by City Manager Brown.

Brown said, "I do not recommend that we spend \$750,000 in bond money in order to renovate the plant. We could possibly buy new equip-

ment from Lighthouse Electric and then sell electricity back to them in their peak loads.

"We must upgrade our switches, no matter what we do," Brown concluded.

Cornelius made the motion to continue the tree grant of \$2500 with Chapman Forestry Foundation, which supplies the City with several trees each year, according to Brown. It was seconded by Schacht and unanimously passed.

The council also unanimously approved a resolution to close the alley along Lots 6 and 7, Block 105, Original Town (behind the First Baptist Church).

Brown and City Secretary Karen Lawson informed the council they had received word there are no plans to close the Department of Human Services in Floydada.

Brown said, "The lease on their present building is up and they will have to move to a new location. The vacant building of Hales Department Store is being considered."

No action was taken on the need for a new pickup for animal control. Brown said, "It will cost \$3,200 to fix the old one. We need to sell it, and not fix it."

The council unanimously appointed Council Member Eric Cornelius to the Floydada Economic Development Board.

An ordinance amendment was approved by the council to increase the fees on dumping used tires at the City landfill beginning January 1, 2003.

Following discussion concerning the City permits for local dances, the council approved a motion to require the hiring of two police officers for each dance permit issued.

Early Deadlines & Holiday Closures

The deadline for next week's paper (January 2nd) will be Monday, December 30th at 3:00 p.m. We will be closed December 25th, 26th, and January 1st.

The Floyd County Courthouse will be closed December 25, 26, and 27.

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of 720 pounds, and tied his personal best with a bench press of 325 pounds.

In the Primary elections races: Judge Bill Hardin beat challenger Gary Carthel, 552 votes to 501 votes. Incumbent County Attorney Lex Herrington beat Kelly Dunbar, 635-340. Elva Martinez won the democrat primary race for County Treasurer, with total votes of 474 Jeannie Sanchez, 327 votes.

Loretta Nutt won the Republican Primary race with 149 votes to Edwin Muse's total of 23. Nutt would drop out of the race before the election and Elva Martinez then ran unopposed.

In March the First Christian Church in Floydada announced it would discontinue worship services. It has been holding church services for 96 years. Michael DeLeon was appointed to fill the vacated seat of Roger Stapp. Stapp had assumed the duties of Mayor after the resignation of Gary Marr.

At Lockney High School, Superintendent Raymond Lusk proudly presented Lon C. Colvin with his 1946 high school diploma. Colvin was drafted in 1944 when he was a junior at Lockney High School and was unable to finish school. A Senate Bill passed in 2001 allows a school district to issue a high school diploma to a person honorably discharged from the U.S. armed forces, if they were scheduled to graduate from high school and had to leave the service for WWII.

The diploma carried the signatures of the 1944 Superintendent H.P. Clemons; principal Mrs. Henry Hodel; Board President Hugh Carroll; and board secretary Edgar Hayes.

APRIL
April 13, the Lockney Chamber of Commerce honored Fireman of the Year Rodney Hunt, Citizen Through the Years Ruby Kiser, and Citizen of the Year Michael DeLeon, at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

The April 25 paper published the first list of names that will be included on the Veterans Memorial Wall. The list was published for people to check for corrections.

Also in this issue it was announced that the names for the wall had grown so large that the project had doubled. The project started with 6 panels and now 10 panels will be needed. The 2,000 name, \$60,000 project was now almost 4,000 names and \$90,000.

However, enthusiasm has not waned and the money is still coming in for the project.

At Floydada High School, David Rodriguez and Erin Houchin qualified to compete at the State Academic UIL meet, in Science.

At Lockney High School, Liz O'Connell advanced to State Competition in Debate.

MAY
In the May 2nd paper it was announced that Hale Insurance had been purchased by Goen and Goen Inc. Sammy and Jean Hale had operated Hale Insurance for over 40 years.

The FHS girls doubles tennis team of Jenna Payne and Jessica Castaneda earned a trip to State competition.

At LHS, Wade Miller and Jenna Ford both qualified for the State Track meet.

Wade will compete in the 1600 and Jenna in the Long Jump.

Lockney Elementary and High Schools were presented with American flags, courtesy of Lockney graduate USAF Captain David Perez. The flags were flown on a bombing mission in Afghanistan.

The May 9th paper told of Eddie Smith, of Floydada, being named chairman of Cotton Incorporated—a national organization with an agenda to promote and improve American cotton.

Also in this edition it was reported

that Payne and Castaneda won the Silver medal in State Tennis Doubles competition.

A PBS documentary, Larry vs. Lockney, exploring the controversy over LISD's drug policy was completed and making its festival premier at the Dallas Video festival, May 17. The documentary was 2 years in the making.

The May 16th edition reported on the Area Baseball Title being won by the Lockney Longhorns.

Top graduates at Floydada High School were: Rebecca Warren, valedictorian; and Abigail Horn, salutatorian.

Top graduates at LHS were: Valedictorian Melanie Huggins, and Salutatorian Elizabeth O'Connell.

May 25th Floydada hosted the annual Floyd County Old Settler's Reunion. The Pioneer Association recognized Pioneer Couple Edell and Lovene Moore; Pioneer Woman Jonelle (Burke) Fawver; and Pioneer Man Francis L. Montandon.

Tyler Battey was injured on a mechanical bull ride at the Old Settler's Reunion and was airlifted to a Lubbock hospital. He underwent surgery of his sinus cavity.

Lockney and Floydada Boy Scouts conducted Memorial Services in the cemeteries for Memorial Day.

JUNE
The June 6 edition told of Mary Ann Potts being bitten by a rattlesnake at her home, 20 miles east of Floydada. She was treated at the hospital and did not require surgery.

June 1st, the Relay for Life fund raiser was held at the Lockney Track.

This issue also told of Melanie Huggins bringing home a gold medal with her flute solo at State Competition.

The June 13th edition told of a June 4 storm that traveled through Floyd County and devastated crops. Cotton was stripped, corn fields were destroyed, and homes and businesses suffered wind and hail damage.

At 4:30 p.m., winds were clocked at 83 mph, and tornado sirens warned residents to seek shelter. A second storm at 6:30 p.m. brought larger and more damaging hail. The storm tracked southeast through the county taking out 26 large transmission poles and 30 smaller distribution poles in its path. Transmission poles broke like match sticks in the Sandhill and Harmony communities.

A Happy Union farmer reported 10

inches of rain and a loss of all crops. An estimated 15,000 to 20,000 acres of cotton was lost.

Insurance adjusters were still handling claims from a May 10th storm when this one hit.

During the storm an accident occurred on 2nd Street. Emergency vehicles which were being taken out of the path of the storm had to be turned around and driven back into the storm to handle the accident and injuries. EMS personnel wore hard hats to protect themselves from the hail while they worked the accident.

The June 27 paper published a corrected list of Veteran's names who would appear on the memorial wall.

The Floyd County Museum opened a new display depicting uniforms, weapons, and memorabilia from WWI.

JULY
The July 4th edition reported on the Supreme Court ruling, June 27, that ruled in favor of schools drug testing students in any extracurricular activity.

This ruling opened the door for Lockney ISD to reimplement their drug testing policy. LISD had been forced to stop drug testing after a lower court ruled in March of 2001, that their drug testing policy was unconstitutional.

LISD chose not to continue the court battle and had discontinued drug testing.

However, Tecumseh Oklahoma ISD carried their drug testing policy (similar to LISDs) all the way to the Supreme Court.

July 7, a methamphetamine operation in Floyd County was closed down after a resident called the Sheriff's Department.

The "meth lab" was located by Wes Campbell in an abandoned shed on property leased by Campbell. A suspicious smell and duffle bags stored by the shed alerted Campbell.

Police were called and three people were arrested around the scene.

Floydada sponsored a successful first Ol' Country Market. Arts and crafts, food, games, and vegetable stands filled the square.

July 17, the mobile home of Joe and Anita Delgado, on the Matador Highway, was destroyed by fire. The family lost all their belongings in the fire.

AUGUST
Five Floyd County senior 4-H members took top honors with their recordbooks at the State 4-H

Recordbook Judging, August 6. They were: Melissa Dunlap, Tasha Powell, Chance Crossland, Lindsey Nutt, and Skyler Cornelius.

A horse, boarded at the Lockney Fair Grounds, was euthanized August 7, after it was diagnosed with the West Nile Virus. By August 20th there were 5 confirmed cases of the virus in Floyd County.

The Lockney Youth Activity held an Open House celebration August 8th. There was still some work to be completed before the Center was ready for activities.

The August 8th paper told of Lockney Girl Scouts, Melanie Huggins, Leticia Guerrero, and Melissa Schaeffer achieving the Girl Scout Gold Award.

The muscular "Power Team" from the John Jacobs Evangelistic Association wowed audiences their message and "power" show at the Unity Center from August 21-25. The Center was packed every night as word spread of the Power Team.

The 2001 Redistricting process rearranged Senate District 28 (which includes Floyd County), and gave the County a new Senator--Senator Robert Duncan.

August 17 Lockney celebrated their annual Old Fashioned Saturday.

The August 22 paper featured a story on the work of Game Warden Mark Collins working to get permission from area farmers and ranchers to add their property to the list of "public hunting" areas. Other areas of Texas have boasted of large public hunting acreage, but the Caprock and "Plains" parts of Texas have had very little public hunting.

SEPTEMBER
The Floyd County Fair kicked off September 5th at the Unity Center.

Winners at the Fair Pageants were Miss Floyd County Teen Britnee Brotherton and Miss Floyd County Elegant Christie Ward.

September 11 the Lockney High School conducted a moving and special 9-1-1 ceremony on the front lawn of the high school.

Producers Elevator, in Dougherty, suffered the loss of an old elevator, September 17, due to fire.

Elm trees on the north side of the courthouse were removed on Friday, September 13 to make room for the Veteran's Memorial monument.

In a school board meeting, September 19, LISD trustees voted to implement drug testing again. The new policy will be implemented in 3-6 weeks. The school board agreed to implement the same policy approved for Tecumseh ISD, by the U.S. Supreme Court.

September 26 a nine year old Lockney boy fought off an unidentified man, in what could have been an abduction attempt. The incident took place in the front courtyard of W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital. A man grabbed the boy from behind and lifted him off the ground. The youngster kicked the man until he was released.

OCTOBER
Floydada city workers stayed busy through October getting the site ready for the November 11 Veteran's Memorial dedication. According to Julianne Cornelius, the City of Floydada, donated approximately \$10,000 worth of work on the project.

October 2nd was the ground breaking ceremony for the Memorial. The youth board and adult board of the Memorial Project, and veterans in attendance, used army trench shovels to break ground.

October 12, Floydada celebrated their annual Punkin Day.

The first five slabs for the Memo-

rial were erected on October 21, and quickly covered to await the unveiling on November 11. More panels were set within the coming days.

NOVEMBER
A special November 7 edition, featuring pictures of veterans and the names of the veterans which are engraved on the Memorial, was printed and sold out. This issue also featured

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getting really
old?*



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Church nears completion

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modern features. Classrooms have video drops, and the building is networked for computer usage and broadband Internet access throughout. The building is fully handicap accessible, including an elevator to help people get to the basement classrooms. It is equipped with a fire sprinkler system and both visual and audible fire alarms.

"We tried to be visionary, but not wasteful," Sisemore said. "We planned for tomorrow."

While the building and its features will be enjoyed, the church is mostly looking forward to just being together.

"It will be a relief," Sisemore said. "It will be a homecoming in a sense." Sisemore believes the church has learned many lessons and gained a new outlook from their experience.

"The most valuable lesson is the fact that God is in control and no matter what we face, we can depend on him," he said. "God gives us strength, and he will get us through. In a world where so many people ask 'Where's God?', it is good to see him at work."

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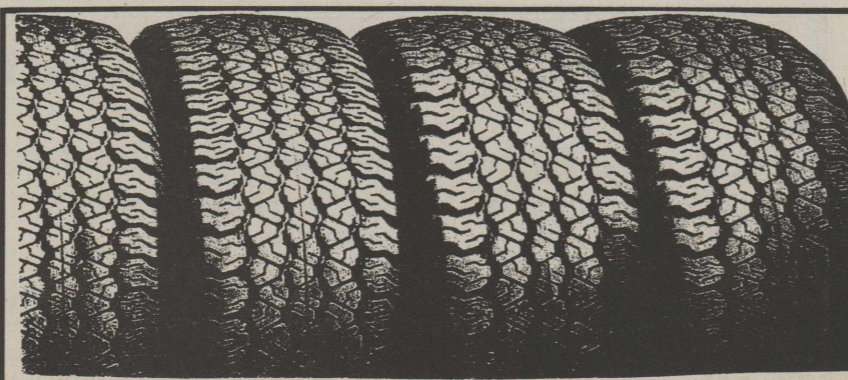
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100th BIRTHDAY -- Minnie Gowens, a resident at the Floydada Rehab and Care Center, turned 100 years old on December 17. Mrs. Gowens was born in 1902 at Birthright in Hopkins County, Texas.

Harmony Extension Club

By **Maye Williams**

The last meeting of the year for the E. E. Club of Harmony was in the club room of the community building. Melissa Long served as hostess.

President Karen Miller called the meeting to order and roll-call was answered by my favorite TV Program. Since the last meeting was the Christmas party, there were no minutes to read and no business to attend to.

Melissa gave a most interesting program on preparing wraps for any time of year, but especially around the holidays.

Most of them could be prepared in

advance, using so many varieties of wraps and fillings. She prepared four different ones for the demonstration and handed out recipes for many more.

The ones she prepared were "Quick 'n Cheesy Cocktail Swirls," "Inside-out Turkey Sandwiches," "Orange Cream Cheese Bites," and "Beef and Cheese Wraps." She served all these and punch for delicious refreshments to the following: Lucille Miller, Davis Snodgrass, Arvie Schulz, Vivian Curtis, Anna Maude Hopper, Ruth Scott, Maye Williams, and guest Jovita Montes.

1934 Study Club News

By **Frieda Simpson**

The 1934 Study Club met December 10, in the beautifully decorated home of Ila White with Wilma Gowens as co-hostess. All members were present.

Marie Warren, Secretary, read the minutes of the November meeting and called the roll. Roll call was answered with "A Christmas Tradition."

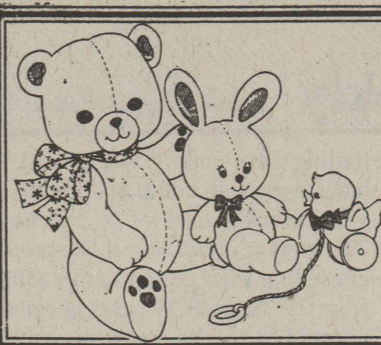
It was an interesting time as members shared traditions of their families through the years.

President Margarette Word con-

ducted a brief business session. In lieu of bringing a gift for exchange, each member brought a money gift for the Relay for Life.

The program was presented by Frieda Simpson. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses to: Betsy Dempsey, Bill Ferguson, Effie Foster, Diana Glover, Emagene Haenisch, Queen Annie Lawson, Nell McClung, Flora McNeill, Frieda Simpson, Wanda Turner, Marie Warren and Margarette Word.

The next meeting will be January 21, in the home of Queen Annie Lawson with Flora McNeill as co-hostess. Diana Glover will present the program, "Sidelights of September 11."



Look Who's New!

GLASS

Bill and Sonya Glass of Floydada announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Ryder Glass, on December 18, 2002 at 12:28 p.m. at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He weighed 7 lbs. 12 ozs. and was 21 and one half inches in length.

His grandparents are Kenneth and Sandra Liggett of Bellview, Texas and Jesse and Nancy Trevino of Lubbock.

GONZALES

The birth of Aliana Grace Gonzales is proudly announced by her parents, Adam and Angie Gonzales of Floydada. The couple's first child arrived at 4:26 p.m. Tuesday, December 17, 2002, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 20 inches in length.

Her grandparents are Juan Antonio and Beatriz de la Fuente and Gonzalo and Julia Gonzales, all of Floydada.

Great-grandmother is Dolores de la Fuente of Floydada.

HAYES

Bringing Christmas cheer to grandparents Bill and Ann Anderson and Cleatis and Betty Hayes is Rylee Cayden Hates, son of Cody and Amy (Anderson) Hayes. Rylee made his introduction into the family on December 20, 2002 at 3:26 p.m. at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He weighed 6 lbs. 14 ozs. and was 19 and one half inches long.

His great-grandparents are Troy and Laverne Phillips of Brownfield, Laura Hopper of Anton, Mamie Hayes of Locketney, and Guy Walser of Hereford.

Lockney Senior Citizens Menu

December 30 - January 3

- Monday - Fried catfish
- Tuesday - Beef tips
- Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
- Thursday - Spaghetti and garlic bread
- Friday - Roast beef



CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN DECEMBER -- Residents of the Floydada Rehab and Care Center celebrating birthdays during the month of December are (l-r) Pete Rose, Wanda Withers, Minnie Gowens, Norma Ruth Martin, Frank Cole, Joy Allen and Mary Warren.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By **Margarette Word**

The center will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day and open during the week other days.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Friday December 20 the center had a wonderful Christmas party. We had a lot of food and fun. There were 35 in attendance.

Leatha Lightfoot's son Mike of Grand Junction, Colorado was in town a few days visiting his mother and he also came to the center's Christmas party.

Sam Jackson was in town over the holidays. He came to the center Monday December 22 and ate lunch and visited friends. He said it sure was good to be home.

Congratulations to Don and Gayle Daniels upon their 50th Wedding Anniversary December 22.

Our sympathy to the family of Maria Sanchez.

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

Bob and Evelene Goodnight made a memorial donation in memory of the following: **Greg Adams, Marjorie McElyea, Herbert Sedinger, and Francis Singleton.**

Thought for the week -- Go out of your way to do something special for someone this holiday season.

December 30 - January 3

- Monday - BBQ beef, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, hot roll, pears, cookies
- Tuesday - Ham with pineapple, rice, chinese vegetables, wheat roll, gingerbread w/topping
- Wednesday - Holiday
- Thursday - Beef enchiladas, corn, turnip greens, coleslaw, cornbread, pineapple gelatin
- Friday - Crispy fish, baked beans, broccoli, coleslaw, cornbread, chocolate pudding

Floydada Rehab and Care Center News

By **Lorilla Bradley**

Thursday, December 19 was birthday time at the Floydada Rehab and Care Center with members of the City Park church of Christ hosting.

The poem was read and all joined in singing the birthday song. A delicious refreshment plate of iced cake and fruit punch was provided by the Center.

Mrs. Gowens had as her guest her daughter Gereldine. Guest of Mrs. Warren was Kristi Bunch, and Velma Payne was visiting with Norma Ruth Martin.

The honorees were seated in the lobby and each wore a lovely corsage/boutonniere provided by Arwina Floral and Gift Shop and the Hesperian photographer came for the picture-taking. Also, the honorees received gift packages from members of the church which contained special items to be enjoyed in their respective rooms.

The next part is to be Thursday, January 16, 2003 at 3:30 p.m. You are invited to be with us at that time.

December is a lovely month,
So very full of "cheer."
With friends and food and those we love
We end a happy year!

Mrs. Allen we now greet.
Her family named her Joy
She's full of fun with one and all
You'd never say she's "coy!"

Mrs. Gowens, WHAT A CARD!
She counts 100 years
She's always had a lot of fun
With now and then some tears.

We honor Wanda Withers.
She loves to "shoot the breeze"
So come right in and "sit a spell"
And NEVER hurry, PLEASE!

We greet our Mrs. Warren.
Her years are 82
Though she has slowed her step a bit
She still likes things to do!

Mr. Roe we honor.
He likes to take a "spin"
To see what's happening in our town
Then tell you where he's been!

Mr. Cole we're greeting.
His years are 72
He loves to "shop" the pharmacy
And other places, too!

Norma Ruth Martin we welcome.
At this her special time.
She is a friendly person
Always nice and kind.

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Honor Society Inducts McGuire

Jamie McGuire, daughter of Jerry and Jodie McGuire of Floydada was inducted into the Nursing Honor Society at West Texas A&M.

Sigma Theta Tau International, the honor society of nursing at West Texas A&M University, inducted 16 members in a ceremony Friday, Dec. 13, 2002 at Mary Moody Northern Hall on campus.

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Cotton Market Weekly

A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

In the absence of any news to lead the market this week, cotton traders anticipated the release of USDA's weekly sales and export report. While the export sales data released Thursday morning could have been viewed as constructive, the data was toward the lower end of forecasts and was not able to provide a "bullish shock" to the market.

Although current crop export sales remained fairly strong at 211,900 bales, registrations in the week ended Dec. 12 dropped by 35 percent from the previous week. Turkey was the primary buyer for the week. In fact, total export commitments to Turkey now have reached 383,700 bales, compared to 819,100 reported at the same time one year ago. Other featured buyers included Mexico and Thailand.

Export shipments also slipped for the week at 195,400 bales, falling well below the 235,030 bales needed each week to reach Washington's forecast of 10,408,000 bales for the marketing year. Primary destinations for the week included Mexico, China and Brazil with shipments of 42,000, 41,700 and 25,300 bales, respectively.

In the spot cotton market, sales of cotton by Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers were tempered slightly by pre-holiday trading. In the five

trading days ending Dec. 19, 32,426 bales were sold compared to the previous week's sales of 63,547 bales. The average price received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 39.08 to 40.59 cents per pound compared to the previous week's range of 38.08 to 40.40 cents per pound.

In other news, Uzbekistan could remain a top cotton exporter despite increasing domestic consumption as industry liberalization raises the possibility of more efficient production, according to a report from a USDA Foreign Agriculture Service commodity analyst who recently traveled to the Central Asian country.

"Uzbekistan, the United States' top competitor in international cotton trade, is undergoing important changes that will affect the world cotton market and U.S. cotton exports," the analyst reported. "Specifically, Uzbekistan's textile industry has seen impressive growth over the past few years, and an ambitious strategy is in place to attract further foreign investment and increase textile exports. Meanwhile, the government of Uzbekistan is in the process of relaxing its highly centralized control over the cotton industry."

The report, published on a USDA web site, added that, "It is conceiv-

able that Uzbekistan's cotton production will drop as producers are granted more freedom, and resource constraints, formerly obscured by government subsidies, prove unsupportable in the marketplace. In that case, cotton imports from the United States and elsewhere may be necessary to keep the spinning industry active." The opposite outcome, however, seems much more likely, according to the report.

"There is enormous potential for increased cotton production in Uzbekistan with existing resources, and even limited liberalization will almost certainly lead to major advances in production and processing efficiency with higher returns at all stages." Therefore, the country "likely will have a large exportable supply of cotton for a long time despite growth in domestic consumption," the analyst noted.

Meanwhile, mostly favorable weather prevailed on the Texas High and Rolling Plains, and many farmers returned to their fields to harvest at a rapid pace. The retrieval of modules also gained momentum, and gins in the area are running full-force. If the weather conditions hold, harvesting the last 10 to 12 percent of the remaining cotton in West Texas should be completed in a couple of weeks.



LOCKNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL PHEASANT HUNT HELD--Lockney Police Chief, Jerry Edwards, held his annual Pheasant Hunt Saturday, December 14th. Law Enforcement officers from all over Texas attend the area hunt. This years hunt included, D.E.A agents, A.T.F. Agents, Border Patrol Officers and Narcotics Task Force Officers. The annual hunt is made possible by the generous donation of hunting land by David Patterson, Jerry Cawley, Angel Araujo, Foster Brothers and Glen Sutterfield. Staff Photo

Local harvest season continues

By Shawn Wade
With USDA Classing office receipts from Lubbock and Lamesa showing a little more than 2.5 million bales either classed or "in the house" you would expect the High Plains harvest season was coming to a close.

Unfortunately, that is not the case as the delaying effect of October and November weather continues to be felt. Add the fact that there's no accurate way to gauge how much cotton is still in the field and estimating how much longer producers and ginners will be working becomes almost impossible.

In many instances early estimates

have proven to be below final production levels. The best evidence of this is the continued delivery of cotton samples to USDA from gins that were thought to be essentially done with their season a couple of weeks ago.

How much cotton is still out there? Nobody is ready to predict what the final outcome will be, although the way cotton continues to move through the Classing office indicates that the total High Plains production figure could move above 3 million bales.

Quality-wise the crop reflects the significant impact that weather has had so far. Compared to years past overall crop Color grades are down

from predominately 11 & 21 to a majority of 31 & 41 Color grades in 2002.

Bark levels are also higher with 15.9 percent of the 1.9 million bales classed at Lubbock being called "barky"

Micronaire levels have also been somewhat higher than usual with the both offices averaging 4.3 - 4.4 readings.

Wendell Wilbanks, director of the USDA Classing office in Lubbock, noted that the weather conditions we have experienced thus far have definitely impacted grades for the crop but, interestingly, have not translated into a significant drop in production overall.



ANDREWS WINNERS OF ELK LODGE ART CONTEST--Student winners in the 2002 Elk Lodge Drug Awareness Art Contest were: (back row, l-r) Elks Lodge Spokesman Mrs. Cannon, R.C. Andrews Art Teacher Mrs. Tunnell; (3rd row, l-r) Kelsey Kelley (4th Grade) - 1st Place, Juan Rodriguez (5th Grade) - 5th Place, Lindsey Beedy (5th Grade) - 2nd Place, Clay Suniga (5th Grade) - 4th Place, Danielle Degollado (4th Grade) - 5th Place; (2nd row, l-r) Avery Miller (3rd Grade) - 5th Place, Cole Covington (3rd Grade) - 6th Place, Lexi Covington (4th Grade) - 2nd Place, Yeliza Serrato (4th Grade) - 4th Place; (front row, l-r) Randy Perez (3rd Grade) - 4th Place, Brandon Lindsey (5th Grade) - 3rd Place, Alyssa Garcia (3rd Grade) - 1st Place. First Place winners will receive a \$100 savings bond provided by Plainview Lodge #1175. All winners will receive a board game donated by Wal-Mart Distribution Center 6012. Courtesy Photo

Hesperian-Beacon looks back on 2002

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a story on the memorial dedication plans, and a picture of Monte Williams, president of the Floyd County Historical Museum, giving Skyler Cornelius a check for \$5,000. This money allowed the Memorial Board to meet the final goal for the Veteran's Memorial.

The November 5 election returned incumbents to office in Floyd County. District Judge Randy Hollums retained his seat, as did Commissioner of Pct. #2, Lennie Gilroy. State Representative Pete Laney won in Floyd County, as he did in the rest of his district. U.S. Representative Mac Thornberry also carried Floyd County, and won his election.

November 14 was the long awaited Veterans Memorial Dedication in Floydada.

The crowds at the dedication easily numbered 3,000 and were estimated at larger than that by some. Students, alone, numbered over 1,600 in attendance.

The dedication featured the presentation of the colors by an Altus Air Force Base Honor Guard. Speeches by Skyler Cornelius, State Representative and Speaker of the House Pete Laney, and remarks by Major General USAF Robert Dempsey.

Kenny Maines sang the National Anthem and God Bless America and

the crowds were awed by a spectacular flyover of T-38's from Sheppard Air Base.

Taps were played by two buglers from Wayland Baptist University. The official ceremony moved quickly so veterans and families could view the Memorial wall.

A "crack house" was closed down, November 15, after a raid by Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the Floydada Police. The house was located on the Silverton Highway.

DECEMBER

The City of Floydada received a \$10,000 check from, Bayer CropScience and the National Cotton Women's Committee after the City was named Cotton Town U.S.A. The town plans to use the money to help create a community technology center.

Robin Nixon, of Floydada, was recognized December 6 as the Class 2A Tennis Coach of the Year during the Texas Tennis Coaches Association's Annual Conference at the John Newcombe Tennis Ranch.

The 4-H Nutrition Quiz Bowl Team advanced to State after first place at the District Competition. Team members are: Jay McGaugh, Spencer Schacht, Kami Keaton, and Chelsea Kirk.

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Will O'Connell, of Troop 259, Lockney, was recognized as an Eagle Scout December 21.

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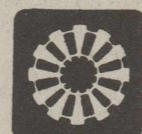
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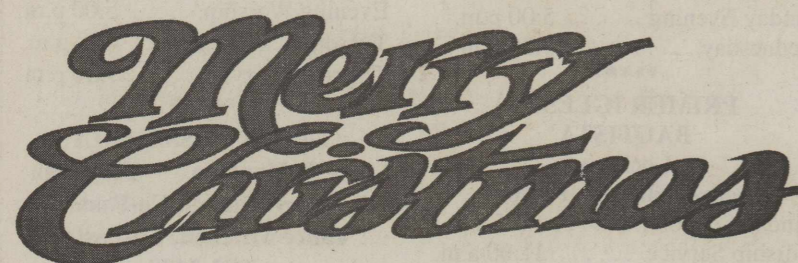
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN SERVICE CHARGES

On December 6, 2002 Atmos Energy filed a Statement of Intent to change its service charges with the Railroad Commission of Texas and each incorporated city listed below. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days after filing.

The proposed increase will not effect the Company's other gas rate schedules. The change will apply to Residential, Commercial, Small Industrial, and Public Authority customers. The Company proposes the following increased service charges:

	During Business Hours	After Hours
Turn on new service with meter set	\$32.00	\$48.00
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$23.50	\$35.25
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.00	\$22.50
Reconnect delinquent service or service temporarily off at customer's request	\$37.50	\$56.25
Miscellaneous service call's	\$11.25	\$16.88

The proposed service charge changes are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately 4 % and therefore do not constitute a "major change" The proposed changes could affect approximately 215,000 gas customers in the following communities and surrounding rural areas:

Abernathy	Lamesa	Quitaque
Amherst	Levelland	Ralls
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Frona	Olton	Tulla
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Happy	Palisades	Vega
Hart	Pampa	Wellman
Hereford	Panhandle	Wilson
Idalou	Petersburg	Wolfthorh
Kress	Plainview	
Lake Tanglewood	Post	

*unincorporated - Southland, Welch, Whitharrall

Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121 or at an Atmos Energy Office nearest to you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective.

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Obituaries

MARIA G. SANCHEZ
Funeral services for Maria G. Sanchez, 87, of Floydada was held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 21, 2002 at Templo Getsemani Assembly of God in Floydada. Reverend Ray Gonzales, pastor, officiated.

Burial was held in the Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mrs. Sanchez died Thursday, December 19, 2002 at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

She was born on May 3, 1915 in George West, Texas to the late Guadalupe Gutierrez and Jesusa Torres Gutierrez. She attended schools in George West.

She married Guadalupe Sanchez on June 15, 1936 in Beeville. He preceded her in death in 1957. She moved to Floydada from Beeville in 1960. She was a homemaker and a devoted mother. She was a member of Templo Getsemani Assembly of God in Floydada.

Survivors included six sons, Juan Sanchez of Houston, Roman Sanchez, Guadalupe Sanchez, Isidro Sanchez, Isreal Sanchez and Ramiro Sanchez, all of Floydada; three daughters, Elvira Rodriguez of Lubbock, Herlinda Castaneda of Floydada and Criselda Garcia of Ulyesses, Kansas; two brothers, Manuel Gutierrez of Beeville and Joe Gutierrez of Corpus Christi; six sisters, Estella Trinidad of Padre Island, Elena Hernandez of Victoria, Jesusa Rodriguez of Floydada, Amanda Garza, Eloisa Perez and Juanita Gomez, all of Beeville; thirty-three grandchildren; seventy-three great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

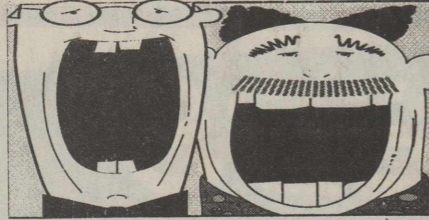
Martinez and Sanders earn degrees at WBU

Students from Floydada received diplomas during December commencement ceremonies at Wayland Baptist University.

Juan Lagos Martinez, Jr. earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in criminal justice. He is the son of Juan Sr. and Esperanza Martinez.

Delma Gomez Sanders earned a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education degree in human services.

Even Small Ads Are Read.



This Week's Announcements

FLOYD COUNTY SALVATION ARMY
Donations can be made at City Bank, Floydada. Contact Diane Emert.

90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR DEEOTA ODAM
A 90th birthday celebration for Deeota Odam will be held at 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Saturday, December 28th at Calvary Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church. Floydadians, friends and relatives are invited to attend.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK!

Lockney 8th Grade Girls Basketball Report

LOCKNEY 35 FRIONA 65

Friona proved to be too tough for the eight grade Lady Shorthorns in their game played December 9 in Friona.

Bethany Dietrich scored 12 points with 3 field goals and 6 free throws to lead the scoring drive for Lockney.

Seven points each were added by Amanda Gonzales and Cassandra Torrez. Gonzales made 2 field goals and three free throws. Torrez had 3 field goals and 1 free throw.

Codi Wiley made 4 points with field goals, Audrie Arjona 3 points with a field goal and a free throw, and Krista Rasco hit a field goal for 2.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 12 7 9 7
Friona 29 6 15 2

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC
A free blood pressure clinic is held in the community room of the First National Bank in Floydada every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anons meet each Tuesday night in Floydada at 8:00 p.m. Anyone wanting the loving fellowship of men and women who can share their experience, strength and hope is welcome. Meetings are at 111 North Wall, a block north of the courthouse. Anyone interested can call 983-3635 or 652-3546.

LOCKNEY 24 OLTON 47

Lockney 8th grade girls team fell to a tough squad from Olton. The game was played December 2.

Codi Wiley scored 8 points for top billing. She made 4 field goals. Audrie Arjona was a close second with 3 field goals and 1 free throw. Bethany Dietrich followed with a close third in points with six. She made 3 field goals.

Krista Rasco added 2 points with a field goal and Amanda Gonzales hit a free throw for 1 point.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 9 6 4 5
Olton 2 10 17 18

Lockney 7th Grade Girls Basketball Report

LOCKNEY 13 FRIONA 28

The Lockney seventh grade girls fell in their game with Friona on December 9.

Leah Ford led the scoring for the Lady Shorthorns with 6 points. She made 2 field goals and 2 free throws.

Senee Foster hit two field goals for 4 points, Laura Fulton had 2 with a field goal and Ashley Valdez made a free throw for 1.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 1 6 0 6
Friona 12 2 2 12

Leah Ford racked up 13 points to put her first in the scoring bracket. She had 4 field goals and 5 free throws.

Bridgett Ascencio connected with 3 field goals and 2 free throws to give her 8 points.

Ashley Valdez made 3 field goals and 1 free throw for 7 points.

Four points each were added by Taylor Hill and Senee Foster. Hill had 2 field goals and Foster had 4 free throws.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 14 4 10 9
Olton 8 6 8 3

Jaime Butler added a free throw for 1 point.

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOCKNEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2002

Data Control Codes	Mejor Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds		Total Governmental Funds
		General Fund		
Revenues:				
5700 Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 1,358,919	\$ 32,046	\$ 1,390,965	
5800 State Program Revenues	3,221,936	59,330	3,281,266	
5900 Federal Program Revenues		356,286	356,286	
5020 Total Revenues	\$ 4,580,855	\$ 447,662	\$ 5,028,517	
Expenditures:				
11 Instruction	\$ 2,672,549	\$ 228,275	\$ 2,900,824	
12 Instructional Resources & Media Services	152,092	209	152,301	
13 Curriculum and Staff Development	5,506	1,750	7,256	
21 Instructional Leadership		10,367	10,367	
23 School Leadership	309,343		309,343	
31 Guidance, Counseling, & Evaluation Services	123,748	5,790	129,538	
32 Social Work Services	4,274	20,655	24,929	
33 Health Services	33,100		33,100	
34 Student Transportation	151,256		151,256	
35 Food Services		155,045	155,045	
36 Extracurricular Activities	238,425		238,425	
41 General Administration	296,396	2,962	299,358	
51 Plant Maintenance & Operations	411,647	4,205	415,852	
52 Security & Monitoring Services	6,471		6,471	
53 Data Processing Services	16,514		16,514	
61 Community Services	2,542		2,542	
93 Payments for Shared Service Arrangements	48,798		48,798	
6030 Total Expenditures	\$ 4,472,661	\$ 429,258	\$ 4,901,919	
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 108,194	\$ 18,404	\$ 126,598	
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
7912 Sale of Real Estate	\$ 5,302	\$	\$ 5,302	
7915 Transfers In	18,404		18,404	
8911 Transfers Out (Uses)		(18,404)	(18,404)	
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$ 23,706	\$ (18,404)	\$ 5,302	
1200 Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ 131,900	\$ 0	\$ 131,900	
0100 September 1 - Fund Balance	2,682,781	0	2,682,781	
3000 August 31 - Fund Balance	\$ 2,814,681	\$ 0	\$ 2,814,681	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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.

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST
West College & Third,
Lockney
Steve McLean -Minister
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
Telephone (806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

PRIMER IGLESIA BAPTISTA
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 BAPTISTA
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.

TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD
701 W. Missouri
Rev. Ray Gonzales
983-5206 (church)
983-3047 (parsonage)
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Father Philip de Freitas
Deacon Ricky Vasquez
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
Sunday (Spanish) 5:30 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m.
Saturday Mass 9:30 a.m.
Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Phone: 983-5878

TEMPLO BAPTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Pedro Reyes, Pastor
Sunday Prayer Service. 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 p.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
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
Floydada
500 W. Houston
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Providence Community
on FM 2301 293-3009
Melvin Loseke, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Floydada 983-3548
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Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

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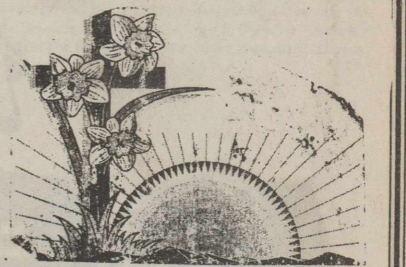
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