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Peace Corps life rewarding for Dean

Angie Dean, of Floydada, said she didn't join the Peace Corps to "save the world"--she just wanted to make a difference to a few people. And she did just that.

Angie has recently returned home from her Peace Corps stay in Benin, South Africa. She lived in what we would consider poverty conditions--but what she considered "middle income" conditions--while she was in the village of Bopa. Bopa is in the country of Benin. The experience has made her appreciate even more where she comes from and who she is.

A 1996 graduate of Floydada High School, Angie majored in French and Linguistics at Texas A&M in College Station. "I had no idea what I wanted to do with that major. I thought about joining the Foreign Service--such as working with an Ambassador or in a Consulate's office. I wanted to do something internationally. I thought my interests would be in the government end of international work. Now--after my Peace Corps experience I know I don't want to get bogged down in bureaucracy work. However, I still want to stay in international work of some kind."

Angie says she had heard about the Peace Corps, but had never considered it. She was introduced to the idea in a rather

unusual way.

"I was at a grad school open house recruitment fair. The last booth was the Peace Corps and they were giving away free pens. I was having a test the next day and I needed a pen, so I stopped to get my pen. I started talking to the recruiter and stayed for several hours. Before I left he had given me an application. It was huge--but I filled it out that night and turned it back in the next day. I had my interview the next week, and within a month I had an invitation to serve in Benin.

Angie's background served her well in getting called so quickly. Her parents, Bill and JoLyn Dean lived in Burkina Faso, South Africa, for 9 years as medical missionaries. Angie lived in that country from 3 years old to 12 years old. It was while living here that Angie attended private schools and learned to speak French. Her parents made sure that Angie, and her sister Laura, kept the ability to speak French.

"My French speaking ability, and my past experience in South Africa were perfect for this job. Some people wait years to get an interview."

The official language in Benin is French. Recently the government voted to include English as an official language. It is now a

required course in school, however there is a lack of teacher who can teach the language. Angie was chosen to go to Benin and teach English.

She left Floydada in June 2000 for a two year stay. For three months she lived with a Beninese family and went through extensive training with 28 other volunteers.

"We were trained in the language, medical and health areas, and how to react within the culture," said Angie. "It was excellent training. I was very prepared."

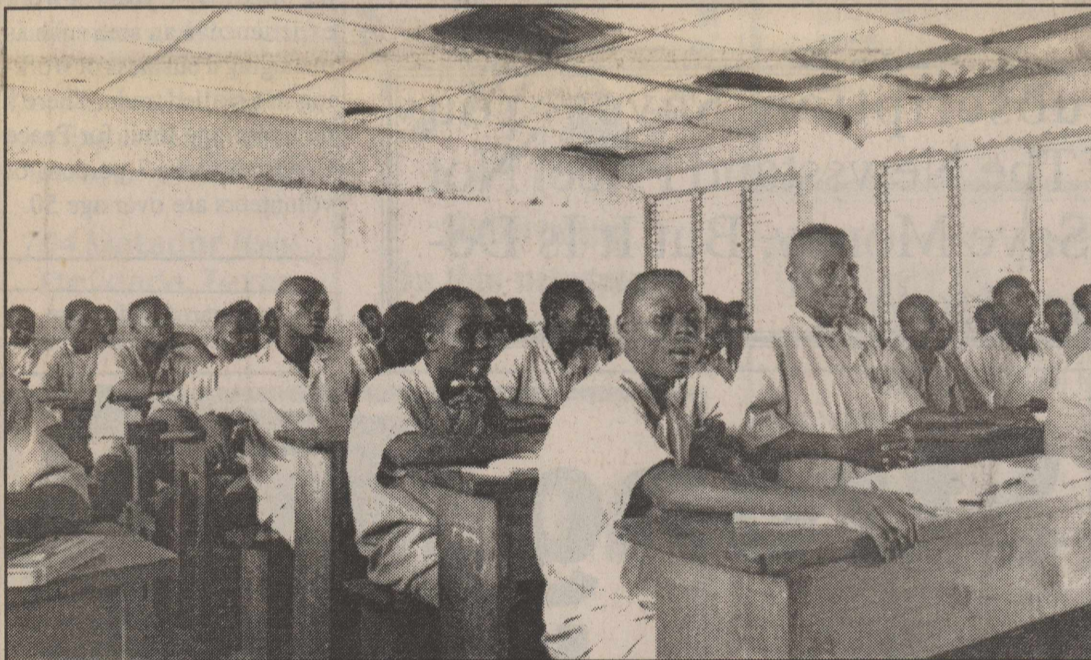
Bopa is a small fishing village with a population of approximately 2,000, 20 miles from the coast. "There were 1,000 kids at the school I taught at," said Angie. "So, obviously at least 1/2 of the students came from other villages, 3-4 miles away. They walked those miles to school every morning and then home in the evenings."

Angie taught English at Junior High and High School. "The first year I was there I taught 6th - 9th grade level. The 2nd year the school added another level, and I taught 6th-10th grade. This year they've added 11th grade and next year they will add 12th grade."

Angie's class had approximately 20 students. **Continued On Page 3**



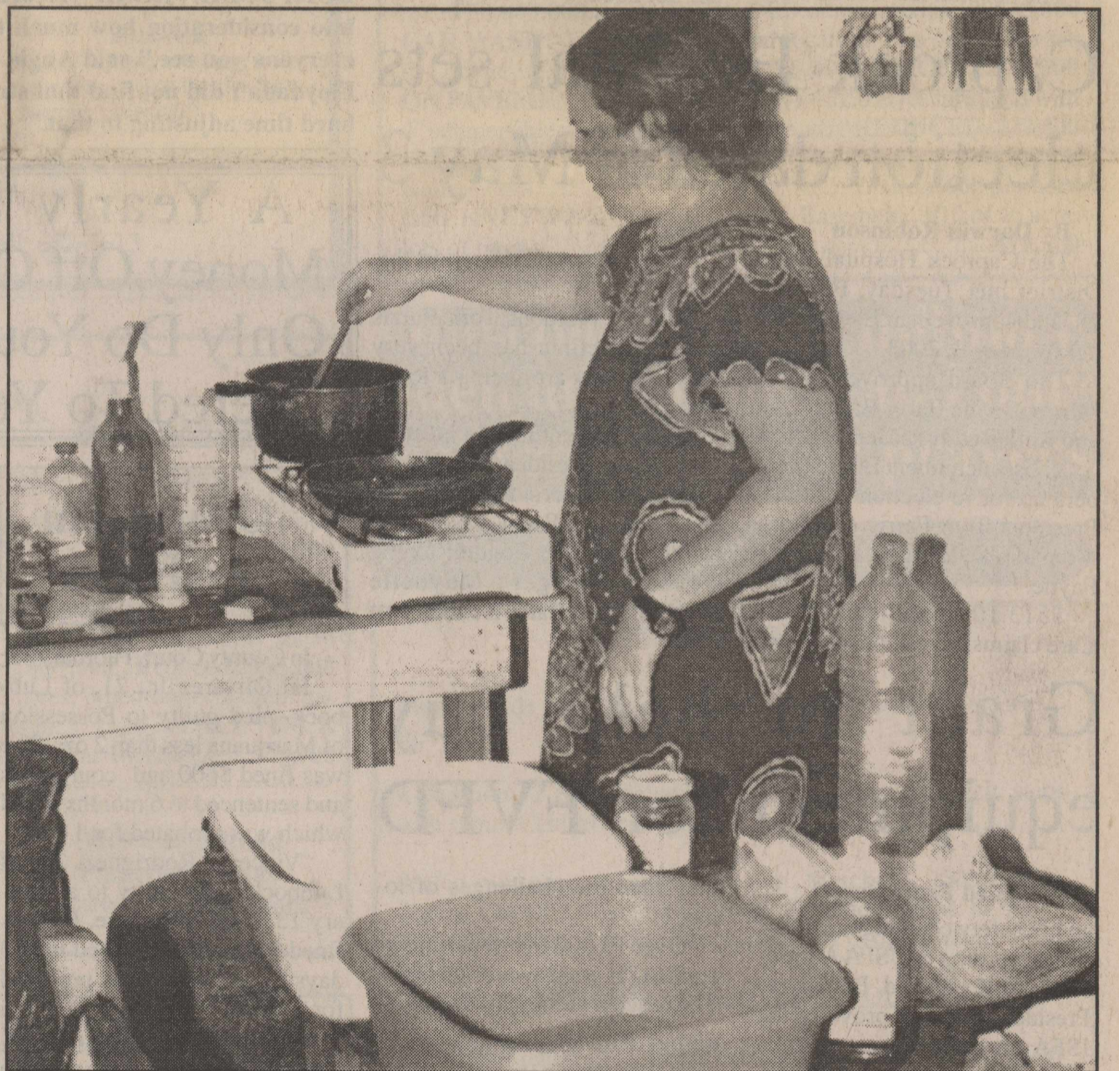
ANGIE DEAN WASHING HER CLOTHES IN BOPA



ANGIE'S ENGLISH CLASS IN BOPA



YOUNG BOPA FISHERMEN



ANGIE IN HER KITCHEN

Floydada Fire Department will benefit from FEMA grant

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the United States Fire Administration announced the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department has been awarded a \$62,736 matching grant from the 2002 Assistance to Fire fighters Grant Program. The volunteers matching 10% is \$6,970 for a total of \$69,706.

The award will be used by the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department for Fire fighting Equip-

ment, Personal Protective Equipment, Wellness and Fitness Programs and Training.

"We will use the grant money to purchase personal protective equipment such as self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and spare air cylinder," said Floydada Fire Chief Carroll Sims. "The money will also go toward the wellness and fitness program, fire fighting equipment, and training."

The Assistance to Fire fight-

ers Grant Program is designed as an opportunity for the United States Congress to work with FEMA to enhance basic fire service delivery across the United States. Over 5,000 departments will receive \$360 million to support fire protection, EMS delivery, vehicle purchase and prevention programs in 2002.

"The men and women of both volunteer and career fire departments confront new and chang-

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Lockney ISD extends contracts

In a regular meeting, Feb. 13, Lockney ISD set the date for the 2003 school board election.

The election will be held May 3. The deadline to sign up for a position on the school board is March 19.

The positions up for re-election are: Pct. 1, and Pct. 2. The trustee for Pct. 1 is Jessie Garza. The trustee for Pct. 2 is Jim Martin.

The contracts of all building principals were extended one year through 2005. The athletic

director's contract was also extended one year.

Superintendent Raymond Lusk reported to the board that the school district had a fund balance of \$3,651,351.72.

"We don't know yet what the state legislature is going to do about school finance laws. They are trying to eliminate the current school finance laws (Robin Hood plan). They are talking about possibly having a special session to deal with this.

"To some it may seem like we

have a lot of money in the bank, but during this time of the year we will go for several months with no income. The funds decrease quickly."

The board discussed constructing a metal building for maintenance purposes, but passed on any action.

The school board made the decision to convert the business office software programs to programs offered by the Education Service Center.

Mangold Memorial Hospital gets good grades in surveys

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital, in Lockney, has recently received excellent marks in their lab department, home health agency, and from the Texas Department of Health.

"The hospital was surveyed this month by TDH for the Medi-

care Critical Access Hospital program," said Hospital Administrator Sharon Hunt. "The surveyor gave the hospital no deficiencies, and recommended us for approval into the program.

"The hospital is now just waiting for official notification from

Medicare for its Critical Access Hospital designation. This will allow the hospital to receive cost based reimbursement from Medicare, which will greatly improve its Medicare payments. Our reimbursements now fall way be-

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By The Way

By Alice Gilroy



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Analogies and Metaphors Found in High School Essays

From an email from Bianca Spies, of the Department of Educational Administration and Psychological Services at Southwest Texas State University.

"His thoughts tumbled in his head, making and breaking alliances like underpants in a dryer without Cling Free".

"He spoke with the wisdom that can only come from experience, like a guy who went blind because he looked at a solar eclipse without one of those boxes with a pinhole in it and now goes around the country speaking at high schools about the danger of looking at a solar eclipse without one of those boxes with a pinhole in it."

"She grew on him like she was a colony of E. coli and he was room-temperature Canadian beef."

"She had a deep, throaty,

genuine laugh, like that sound a dog makes just before it throws up."

"Her vocabulary was as bad as, like, whatever."

"The little boat gently drifted across the pond exactly the way a bowling ball wouldn't."

"He was as lame as a duck. Not the metaphorical lame duck, either, but a real duck that was actually lame. Maybe from stepping on a land mine or something."

"The ballerina rose gracefully en pointe and extended one slender leg behind her, like a dog at a fire hydrant."

"He was deeply in love. When she spoke, he thought he heard bells, as if she were a garbage truck backing up."

"She was as easy as the TV Guide crossword."

"It hurt the way your tongue hurts after you accidentally staple it to the wall."

Mangold gets good grades from surveys

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low costs."

Mangold's Home Health Agency also got high marks from the Texas Department of Human Services. "Katy Samuel, LVN, is the Director of the Agency, and Gayla Marble, RN is the supervising RN. They are both doing a great job at overseeing this department and making sure excellent care is provided for our patients."

The hospital lab was also sur-

veyed by TDH and according to Hunt the lab received excellent comments from the surveyor. "Bob Beck, MT/RT oversees the lab and the radiology department," said Hunt.

"The district has also received a good audit report from Durbin and Company. We had a net gain of \$125,142 for the year on \$4,287,493 of operating revenue, and a cash gain of \$348,148. These numbers refer to the 2002 fiscal year which ended September 30, 2002."

Caprock Hospital sets election date for May 3

By Darwin Robinson

The Caprock Hospital Board District met Tuesday, February 18, and approved an Election Order for May 3, 2003.

The Board approved Laveta Morren as the Early Ballot Clerk and Kelli Reddy as Deputy Clerk.

Those incumbent Board Members up for re-election are Board President Tom Farris and Board Members Kyle Smith and Denice Payne.

\$513.10 of Indigent Health Care claims were approved by the

board.

There was no EMS report this month.

Board President Tom Farris said, "The clinic has been very busy and they are seeing a lot of patients."

Those present for the meeting were: Board President Tom Farris; Board Members Kyle Smith, Denice Payne, Rex Lawson, and Jeffery Johnson; Cogdell Clinic Office Manager Maybelle Monreal; and Carri Kennerly of PNS.

Grant to help buy equipment for FVFD

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ing life safety challenges, everyday," according to USFA Administrator, R. David Paulison. "President Bush has provided the USFA an opportunity to take some much needed steps in providing these people the tools to be able to do their jobs safely and more efficiently. It is our hope this grant assistance program will demonstrate our commitment to improving fire and life safety across the country, and will provide the necessary incentive for all Americans to join in supporting these men and women, as

they face the challenges of today."

Over 19,000 fire departments applied for grant awards this year. The request of the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department have been through a national peer review process involving over 300 fire service leaders.

USFA, part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, serve the American public and the nation's fire services through training, data collection and analysis, public fire education, and fire protection technology research.



ANGIE DEAN'S FRONT DOOR IN BOPA (SEE RELATED STORY PAGE 1)



BOPA'S MAIN ROAD--According to Angie Dean when you walked to a location you had to take into consideration how much time "greeting" would take along the way. "You have to 'greet' everyone you see," said Angie. "They consider it rude if you do not greet them. Coming from Floydada I did not find that strange at all--but Peace Corps volunteers from the big cities had a hard time adjusting to that."

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Courtroom Activities

In County Court, February 12: Jai Olivarez Jr., 21, of Lubbock, pled guilty to Possession of Marijuana less than 2 ozs. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 6 months in jail which was probated for 1 year.

Vincente Rodriguez, 25, of Lubbock, pled guilty to a January 13, 2003 DWI case. He was fined \$600 and sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years.

February 13, Ricardo M. Reyes, 32, of Plainview, pled No Lo Contendere and found guilty. He was fined \$1,500, 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years plus court costs.

Raymond Gutierrez, 24, of Floydada, pled guilty to a lesser charge of no driver's license. He had been charged with driving while license suspended. He was fined \$200 plus court costs.

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Volunteers do not get to choose which country they would like to serve in--but they can choose a region.

Regions served by the Peace Corps are: Africa, Central and East Asia, Europe and the Mediterranean, Inter-America and the Caribbean, and the Pacific.

The Peace Corps mission is to promote world peace and friendship. The Peace Corps has three goals: to help the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women; to help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the people's served; to help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.

There are 6,678 Peace Corps Volunteers currently serving in 70 countries around the world.

A request for Peace Corps service is normally initiated by the government of the country that would like volunteers to serve. The countries also request the type of assistance they need, which could be teaching English, environmental awareness, or small business advising.

Only U.S. Citizens can join the Peace Corps. You have to be at least 18 to join, and most assignments require four-year college degrees. Applicants without a college degree may qualify by having three to five years of work experience in an area such as managing a business or working in a skilled trade. There's no upper age limit for Peace Corps service--7 percent of volunteers are over age 50.

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mately 55 kids in each class. She taught 5 classes a year. The children were required to take two 2-hour sessions (4 hours of English every week).

"They tried very hard," said Angie. "It made me feel good when I could tell they were catching on. When they didn't get it they wouldn't tell me because they didn't want to hurt my feelings."

"Considering these kids live out in the middle of nowhere and never hear any English, I think they did quite well. The only English they have ever heard was possibly a rap song--and Americans can't even understand that English."

For her work, Angie was paid a normal teacher's salary--\$3.00 a day.

Angie lived in "typical Peace Corps housing". "It was one large room and two small rooms. There was no running water, but I did have electricity. The electricity wasn't regular. It could be off for days with no warning. However, I would not have traded my electricity for running water. Some other Peace Corps volunteers had running water and no electricity where they were--and they missed their electricity. "I loved my fan, and I had a small dorm size refrigerator where I kept bottled water. I could have cold water. It was heaven on earth!"

Because there was no running water, Angie's bathroom facilities consisting of her own private latrine outside. A "bucket shower" was connected to her latrine. The water from the shower ran off into a gutter.

"There were massive clay jars, which held approximately 60 liters of water, in the shower. The jar had a lid on it which kept out the mosquitos and kept the water cool. It was so hot in Bopa that I never thought I would want a hot shower--but by my second year I did heat water on the stove and add hot water to my bucket for a warm shower."

Angie would gather her water from a tap on Main Street and then carry it back to her house on her head. "There was one family that had a tap in the courtyard and they sold water for 1 1/2 cents per bucket. This is what we bathed with, washed clothes with, cooked with, and drank. African women would carry 30 liters on their head but I couldn't carry but about 15 liters. A lot of people helped me. One of my students carried it most of the time."

Because she was so conscious of everyone helping her haul her water, Angie tried particularly hard to conserve. "I could make two buckets of water last me a week. I was very aware of the water I was using."

Clothes were washed by hand. "I would share buckets with neighbors," said Angie. "There would be two soapy water buckets and 3 rinse water buckets. One soap bucket would be for soaking. The other soap would be for washing. I used my knuckles like a washboard. I would keep washing until the rinse water was clear of red dirt."

Angie said a regular size load of laundry would take 2 hours to wash. "I would wash every two weeks because of the amount of water I would use up."

The clothes were then hung out to dry. "It only took an hour to dry in the hot sun."

Angie said the heat was unbearable at times. "The temperature was about the same as here,"

said Angie, "but the humidity was 90-100%. You never got a reprieve. You couldn't walk into an air conditioned building to get away from it."

"Cool seasons were low humidity and about 80 degrees. During the cool season the dry Sahara winds blew in and caused an overcast of sand in the air. This season (called Harmattan) lasted about 1 1/2 months."

During her first year Angie said she ate primarily rice, pasta, and Cous Cous (a Moroccan pasta). "I served it with a tomatoes sauce with onions and garlic. Tomatoes, onions, and garlic were the three things you could buy in the Bopa market. I could get leafy greens and sometimes I could get okra. Also--there was a woman who would cook up a huge pot of beans and go around selling that. I had a lot of rice and beans."

"The second year I got lazy in my kitchen. I got tired of living in an oven--because cooking heated up my house--so I started eating in town. A little vendor sold food and that's where I ate everyday at lunch. I ate pate (a corn mill and water mixture that was a thick gelatinous ball). This was served with red sauce (tomatoes, onion, and garlic), or green sauce (leafy green mixture). So you would go in everyday and say, 'One ball of pate with red sauce--or one ball of pate with green sauce.' I would also add one fish. The fish was very, very good."

"In the evenings I would go 'greet friends' and eat the same meal with them."

Angie's closest Peace Corps friend--Craig--lived eight miles away. The two would bike back and forth to visit.

Angie's work day started at 6:30 a.m. "You can't sleep late," said Angie. "You can hear your neighbors cough--and the chickens also wake you up. I would allow myself about 30 minutes to walk the mile to school. This may seem like a long time--but it was uphill and you had to allow yourself time to 'greet'."

School started at 8:00 a.m. Angie would teach two classes and then school would break for lunch from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. "It was too hot to teach during the noon hours," said Angie. A walk back home for lunch and then a walk back to school at 2:30 p.m. for a 2 hour afternoon class. Another walk back home in the evenings to grade papers, read, play with the neighbors kids, and asleep by 9:00 p.m.

"I enjoyed my neighbors and their children. The kids and I became great friends. Adults did not play with children and the kids liked that I did play."

Angie says she went to bed early because the heat would zap you. "I also got tired of sitting in the dark, so I would just go to bed. The sun rose every day at 6:00 a.m. and set every night at 6:00 p.m.--all year long."

Angie says she had no window panes on her windows--just screens and shutters. "There was always a child's face pressed up against my door screen."

The lack of security did not frighten Angie--but the taxi drivers did.

"We weren't afraid of getting robbed in the taxis--we were afraid of getting killed by the reckless driving and cars that were not well maintained."

Angie rode in taxis to get into the big city, get groceries, or visit friends. "The taxi's were reject cars that no one else would al-

low on the roads anywhere else. To get a taxi you had to go to a 'taxi stop' and tell them where you wanted to go. Then they would tell you if a car was going there that day. I didn't usually have a problem--at least getting to the main paved road about 20 miles away. Once I got to the main road I could catch a ride into town easily."

"Sometimes you would sit at your taxi stop for 5 hours. They wouldn't leave until they had a full car. A typical four door car would have 2 passengers plus a driver in front. In the back seat there were at least 4 people--usually 5. Children up to 15 weren't counted as people--so kids just sat on your lap. It was hot and crowded and would break down all the time."

"Once I was on the main road, I would sit my bags down, stand there, and then wave someone down. I would pay for the ride, but occasionally people would turn the money down. Only once did I turn down a ride from someone because I was uncomfortable with it. Getting a ride there is not like in the United States. It's not scary. There aren't the weirdos over there that there are here."

Motorcycle taxis became a much more favorite mode of transportation for Angie. "The motorcycles were called Zemidjans", said Angie. "The driver would carry your luggage by putting a big bag on the gas tank, and the driver could put his hands on the handlebars. I would have a back pack on my back, and occasionally I would hold a bag on my head, on my arms, and on my lap. You could carry an unbelievable amount on the motorcycle. It was a more expensive mode of travel--but worth it. Those drivers were very talented at balancing."

Angie says she doesn't want to give anyone the impression that her stay in Bopa was all work and no play. "There was a jazz club and a Karaoke club in town," said Angie. "There were also nice restaurants and dance clubs. During my vacation time I visited friends in Burkina Faso, and took a five day hike in Dogan country. We also visited Timbuktu, France, Spain, Germany, Poland, Austria, Croatia, Italy, and back to France again."

"It wasn't like I was in the military. You don't sign a contract. If I had to have come home, I could have."

Angie says she felt like she did make a difference in her time in Bopa. "I started an English Club at my school and I think I was a role model for the girls in my class. In Benin women are just thought of as someone who washes clothes and making babies. Girls who are students also have to go home and do the chores that they would have been doing had they not been in school. I hope I showed them they are not limited because they

are girls, and I hope I showed the boys to have more respect for the girls."

"I learned to be more patient and more tolerant of things and people. I also learned to stand up for myself and the things that I believe in. I learned a lot about myself and my culture, and learned to be proud of where I come from. One of the three main goals of Peace Corps is to share your culture with others."

"I feel that people in Benin did learn a little about me and where I'm from and what it means to me to be an American. And while, we are all different as individuals, I realize that people really are the same when it comes down to it. Sure, we live very different lives and at times, it seems that we live in different worlds, but all in all, people are the same. We want others to appreciate us and to know that we appreciate

them. If I am remembered for anything by the people in Bopa, I would hope that they remember me as a person who was kind, and as someone who loved them. I didn't go to Bopa thinking that I would 'save the world', or 'feed all the starving children', but I did go hoping to make a difference to at least a few people. And I think that I did impact the lives of some of my students and my friends."



BOPA WOMAN TAKES ADVANTAGE OF RAIN TO WASH DISHES. SHE COVERED HER HAIR WITH A PLASTIC BAG TO PROTECT HER HAIR STYLE (Women are the same everywhere).



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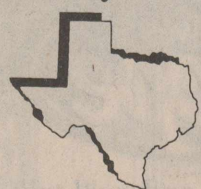
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AZARIAH JADE'N GUERRA, 29 days, son of Rosa Guerra of Floydada and Dustin Head of Red Lake, Minnesota. Grandparents are Eliseo and Saferina Guerra of Floydada, and Roger and Mary Ester Head of Red Lake, Minnesota.

Look Who's New

ELSENBROCK
Russell and Teresa Elsenbrock, of Lewisville, joyfully announce the birth of their son, Adam Bryant, on January 26, 2003.

Adam weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces. He has a brother, Aaron, and a sister, Jenna.

Grandparents are Travis and Geraldine Gentry, of Floydada, and Bill and Sharlie Elsenbrock, of Kingwood.

Great-grandmothers are Willie Gentry and Minnie Gowens.

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word
The center is located at 301 E. Georgia. We start lunch at 11:30 a.m. If you plan on eating please call 983-2032 by 10:00 a.m.

This center is for anyone 60 years and older. Come and eat a good hot lunch and visit your friends.

If you play bridge and would like to play, call the center. If you are interested in other games, let us know and maybe we could get enough to enjoy the get together.

William and Faye Bertrand are home after spending a few weeks at Padre Island.

Margarette Word spent Sunday, February 16th in Hereford and Amarillo celebrating her sister's 88th birthday and visiting other family members.

Cobb Gilley had surgery last week.

Our sympathy to the family of Bill Holladay.

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

In memory of **J.W. Gilbreath** - Donald and Marvis Reecer, Jon and Elaine LaBaume.

Thought for the week - There's just no place you can go any longer and escape the global problems, so one's thinking must become global.

- Theodore Roazak

Menu

February 24 - February 28
Monday - Chicken fried steak, white gravy, peas, corn, wheat roll, pineapple

Tuesday - Brisket, new potatoes w/sauce, okra and tomatoes, apricots, biscuit, frosted cake

Wednesday - Chicken or turkey, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, green beans, tossed salad/1000, hot roll, apple cobbler

Thursday - Taco salad, picante sauce, pinto beans, tortilla chips, apricots

Friday - Turkey pot pie, baby limas, harvard beets, tossed salad/ranch, hot roll, pumpkin bars or crunch

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Jason Brown



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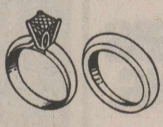
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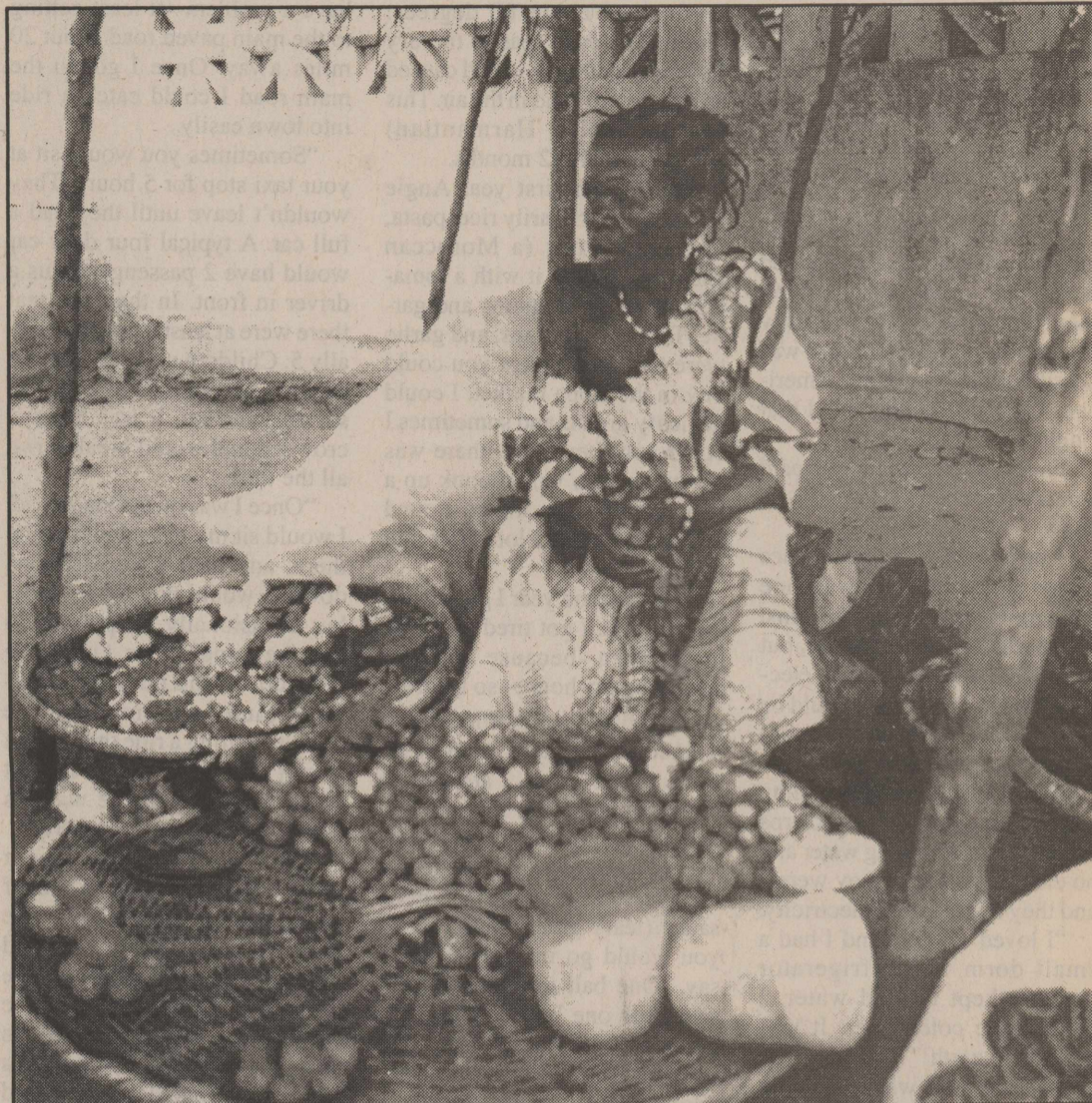


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Floyd County Lifestyles



ANGIE DEAN'S TOMATO VENDOR IN BOPA. SEE RELATED STORY ON PAGE ONE.

Lockney Senior Citizen News

The Lockney Senior Citizens organization serves a very important role in this community, and every effort should be made to assure its continuation. Every adult young or old should make it a personal responsibility to support it in every way possible. That could be through membership dues (20.00 a year), or by eating noon meals there (\$3.00 for members, \$3.50 for nonmembers), memorials, or by making periodic donations if you use the game room, or if you just want to help.

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Lady 'Horns fall to Anson

Lockney 44
Anson 55

The Lockney Lady Longhorns traveled to Snyder on February 14 to play Anson, and at the final buzzer they were behind 55-44.

Scoring the most points for the Lady Longhorns was Jalee Dietrich. She added 13 points to the scoreboard.

Also scoring were: Leslie Cuellar, 8 points; Jancee Hrbacek, 8 points; Tori Terrell, 7 points; Laci Schumacher, 6 points; and Karah Hrbacek, 2.

SCORE BY QUARTER

Lockney 8 10 7 19
Anson 15 11 9 20

Coach Schumacher's comments:

The 2002-2003 Lockney Lady Horns saw their season come to an end last Friday night in Snyder. The District 5AA Champions lost to Anson in a hard fought battle that left Lockney coming up short on the scoring end. Lockney, boasting the largest group of seniors in a number of years, couldn't find a way to rally the point total and upend

the Lady Tigers from Anson.

Jalee Dietrich, who led the team scoring with 13, Leslie Cuellar, Jancee Hrbacek, and Laci Schumacher, who also contributed 8 each, and fellow classmates April Dorman and Kayla Graves saw their High School careers come to a disappointing end.

This group of seniors who have played together since they were in elementary school had to say goodbye to an activity that they have put their heart and hardwork into for so many years.

Other team members included junior-Mandy Hancock, who has been out with a knee injury, sophomore-Karah Hrbacek, Ashley Brock, Sasha Wood and freshman-Tori Terrell, Amber Dorman, Emily Mercado, Rebekah Thorton, and Trinity Ford.

In the first quarter several key turnovers put the Lady Horns in a point deficit that continued to plague the team the rest of the game. At the end of the first quarter the score was Lockney 8 and

quarter the Lady Horns played hard but struggled with shooting percentage and wound up down at half time with a score of Lockney 18 and Anson 26. A rally after halftime saw the Lady Horns get within 6 points of their opponents but the Lady Tigers kept fighting back, nailing a 3 pointer to put their lead back up. With 5 seniors on the floor in the 4th quarter the Lockney Lady Horns battled but were unable to climb out of the hole that they had created in the first quarter and saw their winning season come to a close with a score of Lockney 44 and Anson 55.

While Friday was a huge disappointment to all of us, we have to focus on the positive things that we have accomplished this season. Winning an outright District Championship is something that these athletes can always be proud of. We accomplished many of our goals and have continued a tradition of reaching the State playoffs. The seniors wish the best for next season and to their under classmates that played so hard this year.

Anson 15. Throughout the 2nd



LOCKNEY LADY HORNS 2003 JV BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Coach Hallmark, Kami Keaton, Jana Miller, April Lopez, Rebekah Thornton; Trinity Ford, Meagan Stapp; Tiffany Taylor, Coach Edwards; (front row, l-r) Emily Gonzales, Cassandra Carrillo, Sarah Martinez, Sasha Wood, Whitney Bain, Aracely Luna; Malorie Luebano. Photo by Hall Photography



LOCKNEY LADY SHORT HORNS 2003 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Wendy Adams, Jasmyne Rendon, Krista Rasco, Erin Mangold, Emma Moralez, Bethany Dietrich, Codi Wiley, Jonie Reece, Kendra Hooten, Griselda Solis, Olga Alvarez; (front row, l-r) Andrea Baldaras, Cassandra Torrez, Nicole Gomez, Kayla Thomas, Amanda Gonzales, Edrie Marricle, Benita Valles, April Ochoa, Audrey Arjona, Andrea Guerrero, Julissa McDonald. Photo by Hall Photography



LOCKNEY LADY SHORT HORNS 2003 7TH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Sophia Ascencio, Senee Foster, Emily Guerrero, Ashley McCollough, Leah Ford, Jamie Butler, Laura Fulton, Lauren Stewart, Taylor Hill, Angela Reyna, Amanda Ochoa; (front row, l-r) Desiree deLeon, Lucy Salazar, Bridget Ascencio, Stephana Villareal, Kimberly Garza, Cancy Cabler, Tasha Perales, Ashley Valdez, Courtlyn Long. Photo by Hall Photography



LOCKNEY POWERLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2003-Lockney powerlifters competed in the 2003 Lockney Championship and took two 1st Places, three 3rd Places, a 5th Place, and a 6th Place. Shown are: (l-r) Tod Duncan, 1st Place - 220 Class, 1260 lbs. Total; Bubba Martinez, 5th Place - 275 Class, 945 lb. Total; Landon Schumacher, 1st Place - Super Heavy Weight Class, 1320 lb. Total; Lance Terrell, 3rd Place - 220 Class, 930 lb. Total; Marcus Ascencio, 3rd Place - 275 Class, 1050 lb. Total; Others not pictured: Abel Rodriguez, 3rd Place - 132 Class, 720 lb. Total; Victor Martinez, 6th Place - 275 Class, 1000 lb. Total; Xavier Rodriguez - 148 Class, 715 lb. Total; Josh Raissez - 165 Class, 585 lb. Total; Julian Chavira - 114 Class. Staff Photo

Lockney 8th & 7th Grade Girls Basketball Report

LOCKNEY 22
FLOYDADA 33

The eight grade girls from Floydada got off to a good start in their game with the Lockney girls and wound up ahead at the final buzzer.

Codi Wiley led the scoring for the Lockney girls with 10 points. Cassandra Torrez made 3 points, Audrie Arjona 2, Bethany Dietrich 4 and Krista Rasco 1.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 7 6 4 5
Floydada 10 5 11 7

LOCKNEY 19
ABERNATHY 26

Abernathy came out ahead in their game with the eighth grade Lady Shorthorns.

Codi Wiley led the scoring with 10 points.

Also scoring for the Lockney ladies were Bethany Dietrich 3, Nichole Gomez 2, Krista Rasco 1, and Kendra Hooten 2.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 7 3 5 4
Abernathy 7 12 7 0

LOCKNEY 23
OLTON 29

The Olton eight grade girls defeated the Lockney girls by six points in the second round of district play.

Bethany Dietrich won the high scoring honors in the game with 10 points.

Cassandra Torrez made 2 points, Nichole Gomez 2, Emma Morales 4 and Codi Wiley 4.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 6 4 8 5
Olton 5 13 9 2

LOCKNEY 11
ABERNATHY 15

The seventh grade girls from Abernathy won by four points over the girls from Lockney.

Senee Foster scored 3 points to lead the Lockney girls in their scoring effort.

Scoring 2 points each were Ashley Valdez, Leah Ford and Jaime Butler.

SCORES BY QUARTERS
Lockney 6 0 1 4
Abernathy 1 4 5 5

Lockney Youth Activity Center Calendar of Events

Feb. 21 - 6 pm Girls Pool Tournament Fee \$5.
Feb. 22 - 6 pm Boys Pool Tournament Fee \$5.

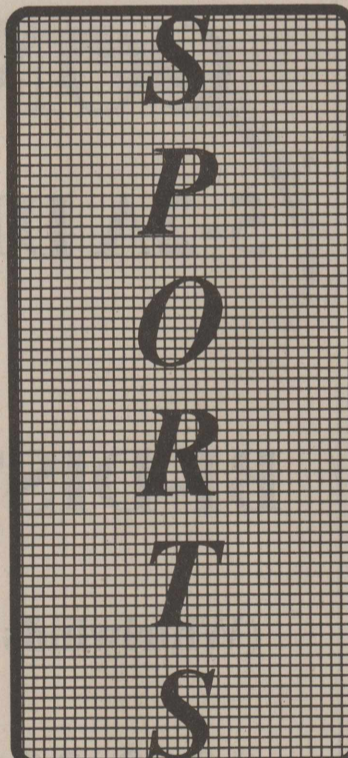
Longhorn Baseball FundRaiser

The Lockney Longhorn Baseball team will be hosting a fundraiser on February 22, 2003. This will be a day of fun and a money making project for the team. It will begin at 11:00 a.m. with a Hit-a-thon where the players will be hitting for pledge money.

Following the Hit-a-thon will be a Home Run derby that will be open to the public--\$10 for 10 outs. There will be a break at 1:00 for a hamburger lunch that is also open to the public.

At 3:00 p.m. there will be an Alumni Game between LHS Varsity and LHS graduates. At 5:00 there will be a trophy presentation.

The funds will be used to defray uniform expenses.



Lockney High School News Calendar:

Thursday night, (tonight) February 20, at 7:30 p.m., in the new gym - Band Concert featuring both the High School and Junior High Bands.

Saturday, February 22, at 11:00 a.m., at the High School baseball field - Longhorn baseball fundraiser begins.

Friday, February 21 - FCCLA regional meeting in Fort Worth.

Saturday, February 22 - Invitational I Act Play tournament in Tulia.

Saturday, February 22 - Power Lifting meet in Roosevelt.

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Lockney Longhorns

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Saturday, Feb. 22, 2003

Tentative Schedule:

- 11:00 --- Hit-a-thon (Players hit for pledge money)
- Home Run Derby (Open to public--\$10 for 10 outs)
- 1:00 --- Hamburger Lunch
- 3:00 --- Alumni Game LHS Baseball Team vs. a bunch of LHS graduates (old guys !)
- 5:00 Presentation of trophy

COME OUT AND ENJOY THE FUN AND SUPPORT THE LHS BASEBALL TEAM - SEE YOU THERE !!

Whirlwinds are 5-2A District Runners-up - Advance to playoffs

**WHIRLWINDS - 64
OLTON - 50**

The Floydada Whirlwinds played host to the Olton Mustangs on February 7, 2003 and came up with a big district win by a score of 64-50.

Leading the scoring was Bryce Bowley with 18 points. He hit 7 two-point field goals and 4 free throws. He was credited with 4 defensive rebounds, 3 offensive rebounds, 1 assists and 4 steals.

Luke Miller also scored in double digits with 12 points. He sank 2 two-point field goals, 1 three-pointer and 5 free throws. He had 4 defensive rebounds, 3 offensive rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal.

Brady Rainwater was the third player to score in double digits with 10 points. He hit 4 two-point field goals and 2 free throws. He was credited with 3 defensive rebounds, 5 huge assists, 1 steal, 5 blocked shots and 1 deflection.

Scoring 9 points was Gerald Henderson. He hit 3 two-point

field goals, 1 three-pointer and was credited with 4 defensive rebounds, 1 offensive rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal and 1 blocked shot.

Tyler Helms ended the night with 5 points. He hit 1 two-point field goal and 1 three-pointer. He had 5 defensive rebounds, 1 offensive rebound, 5 assists and 3 steals.

Also scoring 5 points was Dustin Covington. He sank 1 two-point field goal and 3 free throws. He was credited with 4 defensive rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal.

Adding 3 points to the scoreboard was David Rodriguez. He hit 1 three-pointer. D.J. Summers ended the game with 2 points. He hit 1 two-point field goal.

Trey Helms was credited with 1 defensive rebound.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Floydada	15	14	14	21
Olton	10	12	11	17

Floydada 8th & 7th Grade Boys Basketball Report

**8th BREEZERS - 29
DENVER CITY - 34**

In their second game of the Seagraves Tournament, the 8th grade Breezers would be behind 34-29 at the final buzzer.

Scoring for the game was: Douglas Williams - 14 points; Tate Jones - 10 points; Raymond Everett - 5 points.

COMMENTS:

The 8th grade Breezers won second place in this tournament.

**8th BREEZERS - 32
HALE CENTER - 23**

In their final game of the season, the 8th grade Breezers played host to Hale Center on February 3, 2003 and won by a score of 32-23.

Leading scorers were: Douglas Williams - 12 points; Tate Jones - 7 points; Raymond Everett - 6 points; Raymond Gutierrez - 4 points; Paul Marmolejo - 2 points; Ryan Monreal - 1 point.

COACH'S COMMENTS:

The 8th grade Breezers had a good year. Their season record was 8-6 and was 3rd place in district.

The Breezers won Consolation in the Idalou Tournament and won Second Place in the Seagraves Tournament.

COMMENTS:

The 7th Grade Breezers won first place and took home the championship trophy.

**7th BREEZERS - 42
HALE CENTER - 31**

The 7th grade Breezers played host to Hale Center on February 3, 2003 and at the final buzzer was ahead by a score of 42-31.

Leading scorers were: Payte Beedy - 21 points; Blake Greer - 12 points; Kody Smith - 4 points; Cade Miller - 3 points; Jenaro Segura - 2 points.

COACH AYALA'S COMMENTS:

The 7th grade Breezers have had a tremendous year. Their season record is 14-0. They are the "District Champs". The "B" team season record is 5-0. The Breezers also won the Idalou

Tournament and the Seagraves Tournament and brought home the championship trophy from both.

**7th BREEZERS - 39
FRIONA - 32**

The FJHS 7th grade Breezers traveled to Friona on January 20, 2003 and came up with a huge win by a score of 39-32.

Scorers were as follows: Kody Smith - 11 points; Payte Beedy - 10 points; Daniel Saldana - 5 points; Kevin Smith - 4 points; Cade Miller - 3 points; Steven Turner - 2 points; Brandon Monreal - 2 points; Blake Greer - 2 points.

**7th BREEZERS - 44
ABERNATHY - 38**

The 7th grade Breezers traveled to Abernathy on January 27, 2003 and at the final buzzer the Breezers were ahead by a score of 44-38.

Adding points to the scoreboard were: Kody Smith - 11 points; Payte Beedy - 10 points; Blake Greer - 8 points; Kevin Smith - 6 points; Cade Miller - 4 points; Eladio Saldana - 3 points; Brandon Monreal - 2 points.

**7th BREEZERS - 44
SEAGRAVES - 19**

The 7th grade Breezers participated in the Seagraves Tournament held on February 1, 2003 and they played Seagraves in their first game. The Breezers came up with a big win by a score of 44-19.

Leading scorers were: Payte Beedy - 13 points; Cade Miller - 7 points; Kevin Smith - 6 points; Kody Smith - 6 points; Blake Greer - 4 points; Eladio Saldana - 4 points; Adam Rainwater - 2 points; Jenaro Segura - 2 points.

**7th BREEZERS - 36
DENVER CITY - 26**

In their second game of the Seagraves Tournament, the Breezers played Denver City and again came away with a big win by a score of 36-26.

Scoring for the game was: Payte Beedy - 10 points; Cade Miller - 10 points; Blake Greer - 9 points; Kevin Smith - 4 points; Brandon Monreal - 3 points.

Floydada 8th & 7th Grade Girls Basketball Report

**8th LADY BREEZERS - 20
FRIONA - 53**

The FJHS 8th grade Lady Breezers traveled to Friona on January 20, 2003 and came up short at the final buzzer by a score of 53-20.

Scoring was as follows: Britnee Brotherton - 10 points; Kelsey Ross - 5 points; Magan Flores - 3 points; Marlen Carmona - 1 point and Tana Lloyd - 1 point.

**8th LADY BREEZERS - 45
FRENSHIP - 29**

The Floydada Junior High 8th grade Lady Breezers participated in the Abernathy Tournament on January 25, 2003 and played Frenship in their first game. The Lady Breezers came up with a huge win by a score of 45-29.

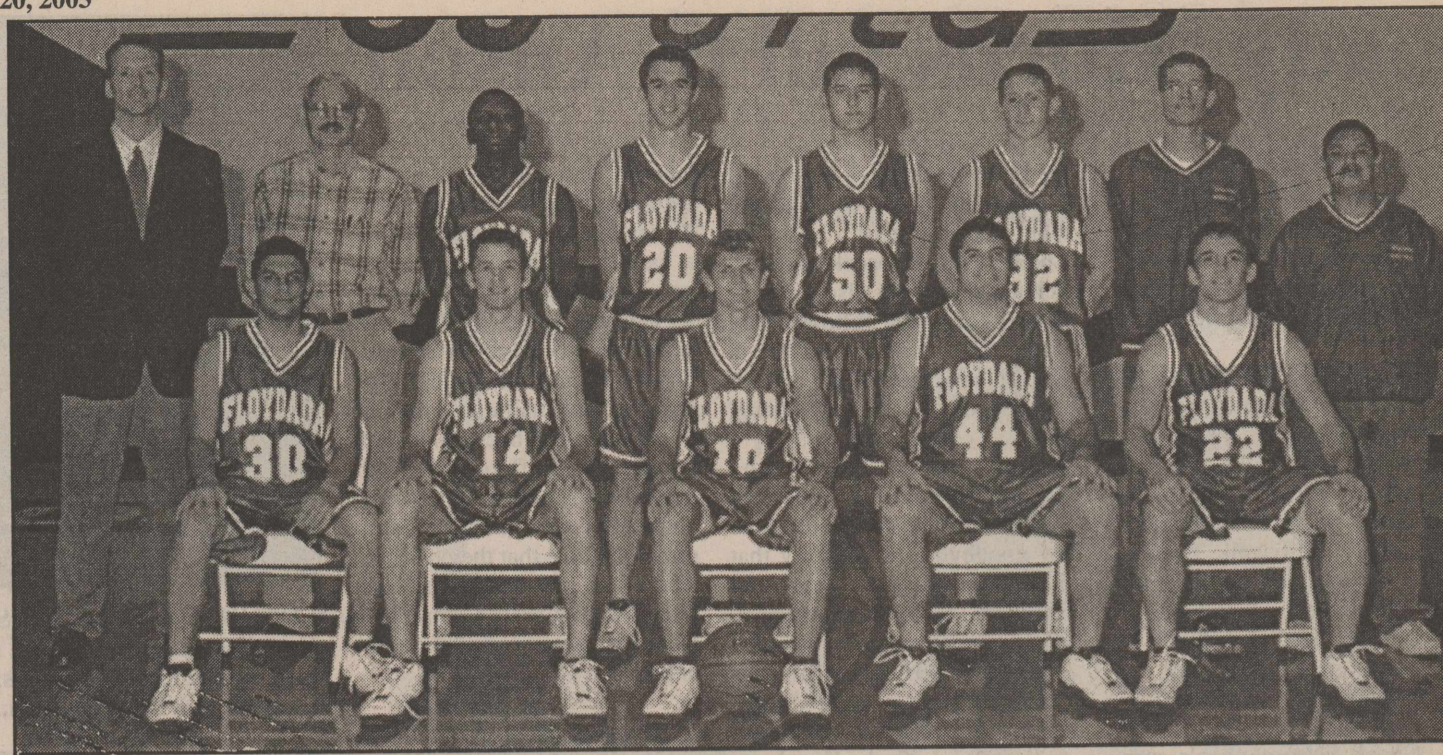
Adding points to the

scoreboard were: Kelsey Ross - 18 points; Magan Flores - 12 points; Britnee Brotherton - 9 points; Marlen Carmona - 2 points; Michelle Yannis - 2 points; and Helen Gutierrez - 2 points.

**7th LADY BREEZERS - 20
FRIONA - 39**

The FJHS 7th grade Lady Breezers traveled to Friona on January 20, 2003 and came up short at the final buzzer by a score of 20-39.

Scoring was as follows: Jennifer Leatherman - 4 points; Myra Torres - 3 points; Kelsey Williams - 2 points; Morgan Norrell - 2 points; Randa Shurbet - 2 points; Brianna Weeks - 2 points; Oalilah Olivares - 2 points; Victoria Perez - 2 points; Krystin Muse - 1 point.



2002-2003 FLOYDADA WHIRLWIND BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Coach Chris Brattain, Coach Prather, Gerald Henderson, Luke Miller, D.J. Summers, Ross Bennett, Manager Robert Dunlap, Coach Ayala; (front row, l-r) David Rodriguez, Brady Rainwater, Tyler Helms, Bryce Bowley, Dustin Covington. Courtesy of Cory Sinkler Photography

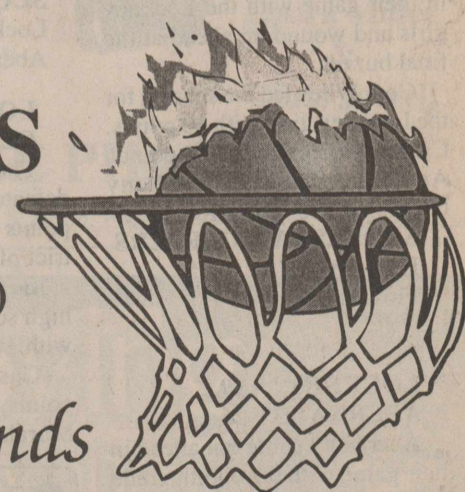


2002-2003 FLOYDADA LADY WINDS BASKETBALL TEAM- (back row, l-r) Coach Eddleman, Coach Shea Brattain, Coach Watson; (middle row, l-r) Laura Reddy, Lindsey Leatherman, Ragan Beedy, Mandy Wood, Alyssa Bennett, Kimber Bennett; (front row, l-r) Kayla Stovall, Katye Vega, Cynthia Martinez, Suelema Saldana, Courtney Campbell, Maryanne Yannis. Courtesy of Cory Sinkler Photography

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FINCHER
Dustin Fincher is the son of Terry & Velvet Bryant. His greatest accomplishment was becoming a senior. Dustin's favorites are: TV show, "The Simpsons"; movie, Cheech & Chong Up in Smoke; color, blue; subject, athletics; food, pizza; hobby, playing PZA; musical group, 2 PAC. Dustin plans to attend WTAMC and become a coach.



HELMS
Tyler Helms is the son of Kary and Jeanine Helms. Tyler says his greatest accomplishments are growing to 5'9" and holding his breath for 2 minutes & 4 seconds. His favorites are: TV show, "2 Minute Drill"; movie, Rudy; book, The Firm; color, pink; subject, pre-cal; food, Mexican; musical group, Pink Floyd; song, "Time" by Pink Floyd. Tyler plans to "make the biggest difference in society wherever I go."



VICK
Maggie Vick is the daughter of Gary and Sherry Vick. Her greatest accomplishment will be to graduate. Her favorites are: color, purple; food, chicken fried steak; hobbies, twirling & watching TV; musical group, Creed; TV show, "Dawson's Creek"; movie, A Walk To Remember; book, Chicken Soup books; subject, science. Maggie plans to attend South Plains College and study nursing to become a registered nurse.



GREEN
Kimberly Green is the daughter of Sam and Susan Green. Her greatest accomplishment is finishing 12 years of school. Her favorites are: song, "Moment Like This" by Kelley Clarkson; hobby, shopping; food, Mexican; subjects, nutrition & food sciences; color, blue; movie, StepMom; TV show, "Strong Medicine". Kim plans to attend South Plains College, then to Covenant's School of Nursing.



GRIGGS
Dustin Griggs is the son of Jay and Sherrie Griggs. Dustin believes his greatest accomplishment is doing his best he can in school. His favorites are: TV show, "Bernie Mac"; movie, Friday; book, Life of Jordon; color, blue; food, pizza; musical group, Aaliya; song, "Miss You". Dustin plans to attend WTAMC to become a mechanic or an engineer.



LOPEZ
Cecilia Lopez is the daughter of Domencio and Juanita Lopez. Her greatest accomplishment will be graduating from high school. Some of Cecilia's favorites are: TV show, "La Venganza"; movie, Joy Ride; color, maroon; subject, algebra; food, chicken; musical group, Kumbia Kings; song, "A Moment Like This." Cecilia is unsure of her plans after graduation.

THROUGH THE HALLS

Collins and Mangold named to Dean's List at ACU

Calvin Collins, son of Robert and Kathy Wafer; and Lauren Mangold, daughter of Dr. Gary and Brenda Mangold of Lockney were named to the Dean's Honor Roll at ACU.

To make the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must obtain a grade point average of 3.5 or better for the semester.

Located about 150 miles west of the Dallas/Ft. Worth area, ACU is a national leader in Christian higher education with an enrollment of approximately 4,700 students from 50 states and 60 nations.

Wyrick sells 1st Place hog at national auction

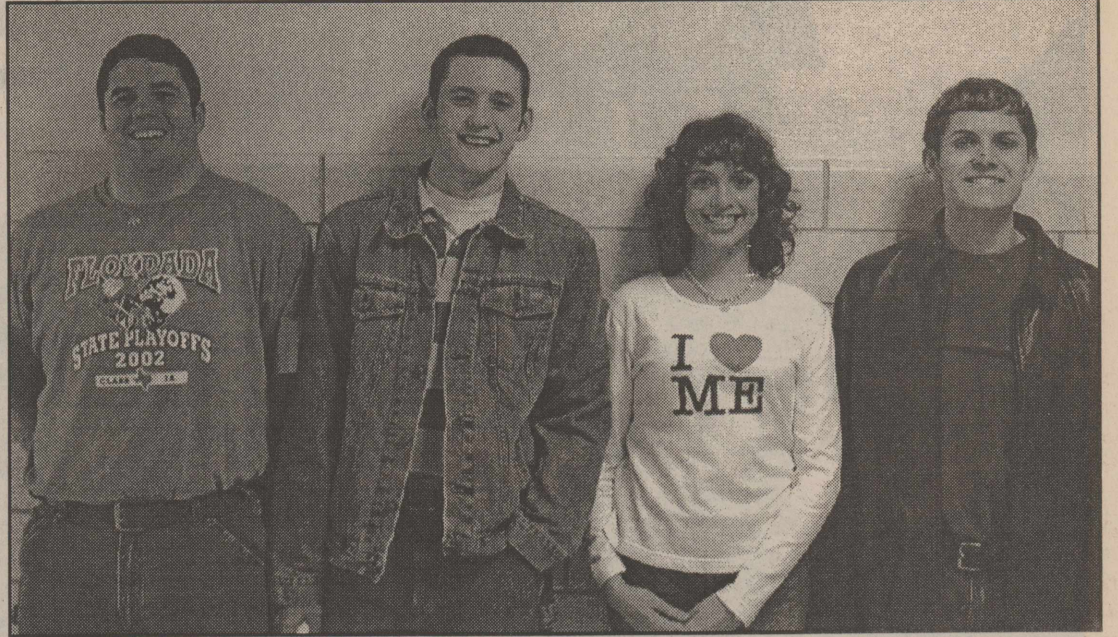
Kellen Wyrick of Floydada, sold a First Place crossbred hog for \$1,600.00 at the National Western Stock Show's auction of Junior Livestock Champions on Friday night, January 24. Buyer of the animal was Westhoma Oil Company.

Eighty-eight animals, steers, lambs, hogs and goats, sold for a record gross of \$528,200 at the 2003 auction.

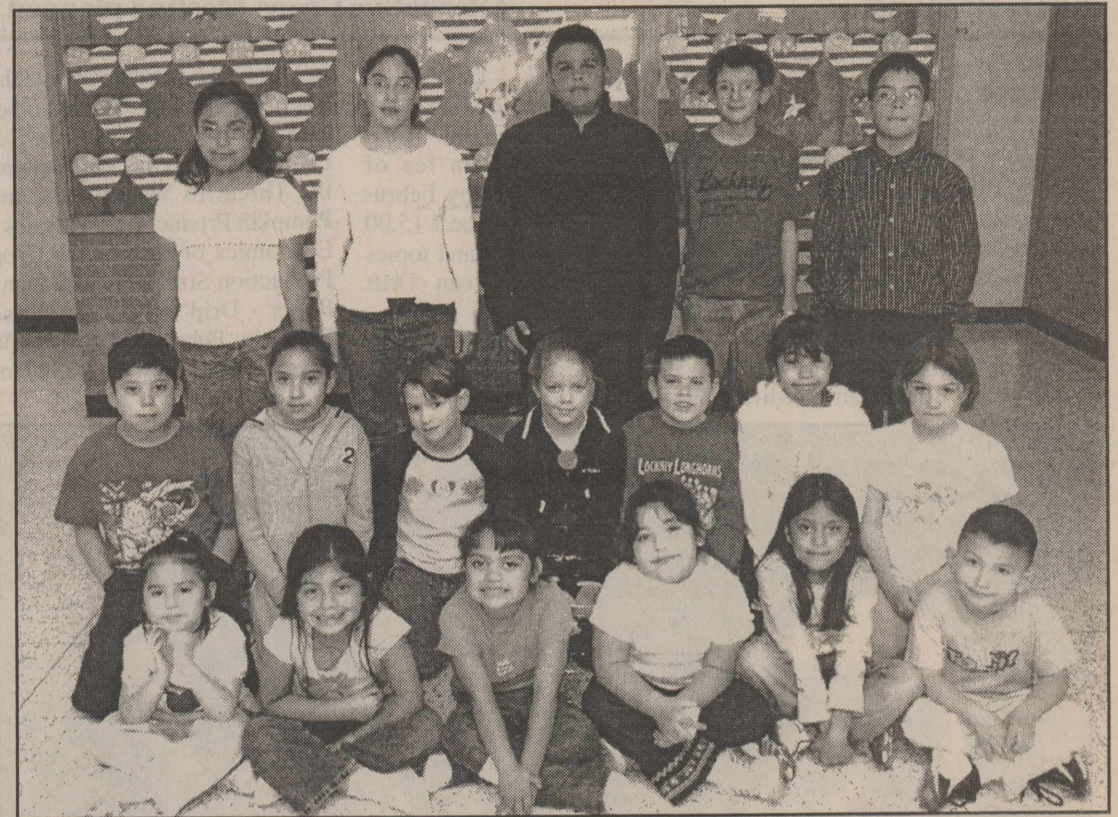
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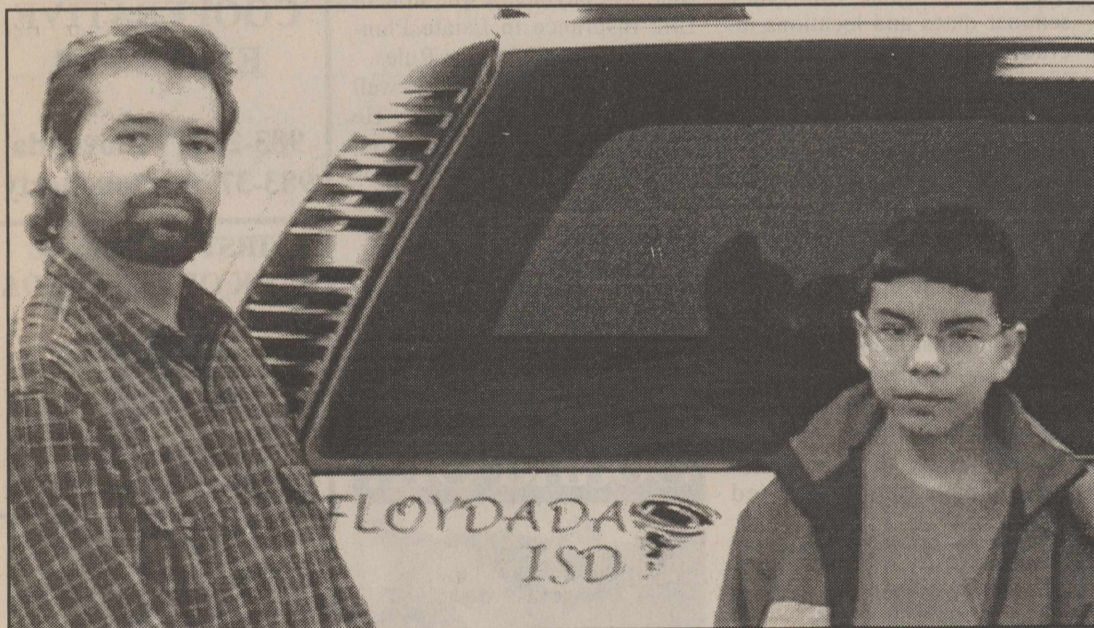
FHS UIL ACADEMICS TEAM-Members of the FHS UIL Academics Team participated at the Texas Tech University UIL Meet January 25th held on the Tech Campus. In the 2A Accounting Bryce Bowley (left) placed 2nd, Brady Rainwater (2nd left) placed 4th, and Tyler Helms (right) placed 5th. The three together brought home medals for 1st Place Accounting team in 2A. Also placing was Ashley Norrell (not pictured) in Headline Writing with a 4th Place medal in 2A. Ashley is coached by Mrs. Anne Carthel. Chelsea Kirk (pictured) received a 5th Place medal in 2A Ready Writing. Chelsea is coached by Mrs. Jill Sinkler. UIL Academics is a great opportunity for students to use their academic talents in events they choose. To be successful, students spend many hours studying for their chosen events and attending practice meets. Students will attend the UIL District Academic Meet on Marth 28 in Lockney. Staff Photo



LITTLE LONGHORNS--(back, l-r) Alex Salazar, Ellisa Vasquez, Edgar Ruiz, Billy Carly Lee, Brent Zambrano; (middle, l-r) Reon Raissez, Jennifer Ybarra, Memory Lane, Rayann Race, Nathan Caballero, Isabel Solis, and McKenzie Kemp; (front, l-r) Brittany DeLeon, Amy Chavarria, Kayla Jimenez, Briana Vasquez, Susie Salas, and Nival Gomez.



FISD TEACHERS HONORED AT LUNCHEON-The FISD Teachers were honored last Friday by American State Bank of Floydada at the First United Methodist Church. Staff Photo



FJHS LOGO WINNER-FJHS computer art students recently competed against each other in designing a new logo for school district vehicles. Mr. Michael Scott, the computer art teacher, oversaw the project and helped the students with the details and specifics of their work. All entries were submitted and viewed by various FISD stakeholders. Upon review and discussion, the logo submitted by Mickel Arevalo was chosen to be made into a decal for FISD vehicles. For this accomplishment Mickel was awarded \$25 in South Plains Mall money. Courtesy Photo

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Lockney School Menu

Monday:
Breakfast - Waffles or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Chili dog or burrito, potato rounds, celery sticks, pineapple, milk

Tuesday:
Breakfast - Sausage biscuit or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Nacho grande or PBJ sandwich, tossed salad, pinto beans, peaches, cornbread, milk

Wednesday:
Breakfast - Cheese toast or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Cheese pizza or corn dog, baby carrots, tossed salad, pears, milk

Thursday:
Breakfast - Biscuit and gravy or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Fish sticks or grilled cheese, navy beans, spinach, applesauce, cornbread, milk

Friday:
Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburger or Bologna and cheese, french fries, lettuce and tomato, fruited gelatin, milk

Floydada School Menu

Monday:
Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, broccoli, hot roll, fruit, milk

Tuesday:
Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk
Lunch - Grilled cheese, vegetable soup, carrots w/ranch dressing, crackers, fruit

Wednesday:
Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Tacos, Spanish rice, beans, jello w/fruit, milk

Thursday:
Breakfast - Toast, jelly, juice, milk
Lunch - Corn dog, potato rounds, tossed salad, assorted fruit, milk

Friday:
Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, juice, milk

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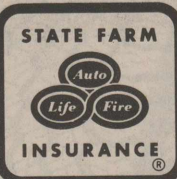


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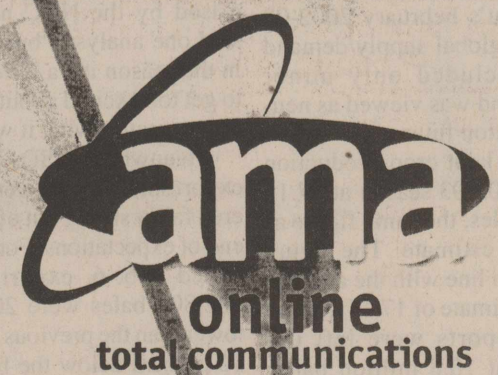


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Floyd County Agent Drip Irrigation & Alternative Crops Meeting planned

J.D. Ragland

By J.D. Ragland

The Crosby and Floyd Counties Extension Offices will be sponsoring a Drip Irrigation and Alternative Crops meeting on Wednesday February 26, 2003 starting at 8:30 a.m. and concluding around 3:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Ralls Community Room (located on east side of downtown square). Three Continuing Education Credits

will be provided, 1 Drift Minimization, 1 Integrated Pest Management, and 1 General. There will be a registration fee of \$10.00 if you RSVP by February 19 or the cost will be \$15.00 at the door. Speakers and topics are as follows: Brent Bean - Drift Minimization, Calvin Trostle - Sorghum as an Alternative, Russ Wallace - Herbicides in Unison With Cover Crops for Weed Con-

trol, Harold Kaufman - Plant Diseases of High Plains Crops other than Cotton, Steve Davis - Curbit Yellow Vine Disease and the Threat to Watermelon and Pumpkin Production, Jay Yates - Economics of Alternative Crop Production Strategies, and Dana Porter - Drip Irrigation. Please RSVP by February 19 or if you have question call 675-2347 or 675-2426.



WASHING CLOTHES IN BOPA REQUIRES A STRONG BACK. SEE RELATED STORY ON PAGE 1

Cotton Market Weekly

A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures on the New York Cotton Exchange soared Tuesday to a 21 month high as trade buying took hold amid a void of selling. The market, however, was unable to sustain the lofty level and moved lower the remainder of the week.

Tuesday's price rally surprised most industry observers as the market was expected to come under pressure from a large speculative long position in the March futures contract and the anticipated rolling or liquidation of those positions. However, one trader said rumors of good export business in the cash market that was concluded overnight and during the previous weekend brought trade buyers into the mix. Once at the highs, the market finally met resistance in the form of grower selling, but prices held at the top end toward the close of Tuesday's trading.

Traders said the market boost was not influenced by the monthly supply/demand report released by USDA. In fact, the department's February 2002-03 domestic global supply/demand report included only minor changes and was viewed as neutral for cotton futures.

USDA kept crop production for the 2002-03 season at 17.14 million bales, the same figure as January's estimate. The figure also was in line with the average market estimate of 17.14 million bales. Exports were left unchanged at 10.8 million bales, still a higher figure than most analysts anticipated. Although healthy sales and export figures have been reported so far this calendar year, many market participants say shipments still are lagging and must increase to meet the department's estimate.

U.S. cotton consumption was increased marginally from 7.5 million bales to 7.6 million. Some participants anticipated an increase in the consumption figure because of the National Cot-

ton Council's increase in its mill use figures and the U.S. Census Bureau boosting its monthly consumption figure for December from 563,312 bales to 605,075.

In USDA's world figures, production was increased to 87.64 million from 87.4 million in January. China's estimated production increase of 500,000 bales to 22.0 million was the primary reason for the larger world figure, but one cotton analyst said this likely would be absorbed by China's own consumption. Additionally, world cotton consumption increased from 96.45 million bales to 96.77 million while ending stocks were cut to 37.85 million from 37.92 million bales.

In other news, the National Cotton Council (NCC) forecast at its annual meeting in Tampa, Fla., that U.S. cotton plantings would total 14.05 million acres in 2003, generating a crop of 17.1 million bales. The intended plantings are up just 0.6 percent from the previous year.

"No one was shocked or surprised by the NCC numbers," said one analyst, "but this early in the season it's a little difficult to get too excited about the number no matter what it was."

Meanwhile, USDA's weekly export sales figures were considered fairly strong but off the high end of expectations. For the week ended Feb. 6, export sales of 202,800 bales were 20 percent lower than the previous week and 16 percent below the four-week

average. As anticipated, China was a major buyer while Turkey and Indonesia rounded out the list of the week's top three buyers.

Export shipments of 217,100 bales were 2 percent below the previous week but 3 percent higher than the four-week average. Primary destinations included Turkey, Mexico, Indonesia and Taiwan.

On the spot cotton scene, producer sales of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas cotton online totaled 16,908 bales in the week ended Feb. 13, a decrease from the previous week's sales of 43,242 bales. The average price received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 44.32 to 46.92 cents per pound compared to the previous week's range of 42.87 to 44.57 cents per pound.

Disaster package passes Congress

By Shawn Wade

Passage of the FY03 Omnibus Appropriations Bill provided the culmination of a two-year effort to secure crop loss assistance for farmers and ranchers adversely impacted by drought and other causes in the 2001 and 2002 growing seasons.

The package, which the Bush Administration has said it will sign, includes \$3.1 Billion for agricultural assistance programs.

PCG will continue to work closely with USDA and Congressional contacts during the rule-making process to ensure fair and timely delivery of CLP benefits.

While the packages \$3.1 Billion price tag has received some criticism as being insufficient to cover the losses incurred, the actual language in the Bill authorizes "such sums as necessary" to pay for the program.

With that in mind the \$3.1 Billion estimate is really a figure only used to value the program for Congressional deliberation and will not be used as a hard cap on agricultural assistance funding. That is good news for producers since it means the assistance provided will not be prorated to fit a set amount of money.

Even though there are no limits on how much the overall program will cost, there are individual limits that will apply, just as in past programs. First, it is assumed that an \$80,000 per person payment limitation will be applicable under this program and that there will not be a separate payment limit for peanuts or other crops.

Secondly, and what is new in this regard with this program is a second overall cap on benefits that says a producer may not re-

ceive more than an amount equal to the difference between 95 percent of the "normal" crop value and the sum of actual crop revenue plus crop insurance indemnities.

Early indications are that the program will be conducted in much the same manner and using many of the same rules, as the 2000 Crop Loss Assistance program. One of the key differences, however, is that the new program is multi-year in nature and producers will have to specify either 2001 or 2002 when requesting benefits.

That means growers will be asked to sign up at the local Farm Service Agency office to qualify for benefits. It is not expected that new rules will be completed or sign up scheduled any earlier than the Summer and possibly later.

Obviously details are sketchy at best at this time. Educated guesses, however, based on previous programs has helped flesh out the new program.

One of the most obvious assumptions will be that growers provide evidence to document qualifying losses of greater than 35 percent of their "normal" yield to participate.

Determining what will constitute the "normal" yield, and the updating of existing regulations to match the language used to describe key elements of the 2001/2002 Crop Loss Assistance program, is where uncertainty begins to creep into early efforts to figure out how the program will work.

On its face the program's authorizing language seems to mirror the traditional disaster programs producers have partici-

pated in before. Eligibility will be determined based on losses greater than 35 percent of "normal" production levels. The payment rate for lost production eligible for payment will be calculated as a percentage of a predetermined "price" for each commodity.

In past programs producers with greater than 35 percent losses were eligible for payment only on the loss that exceeded 35 percent, or 65 percent of their expected production less actual production.

Payment rates will be set at 50 percent of the applicable commodity price for insured crops or 45 percent of the applicable price for noninsured crops. Crops for which insurance is not available will be eligible for the 50 percent payment rate.

Quality loss is also specified as being eligible for payments and it is assumed at this time that the quality provisions of the 2000 CLA program will be applicable. The 2000 CLA provision for cotton allowed for payments on a bale-by-bale basis with payments made on 65 percent of the weight of the bale at a payment rate determined by the amount of the quality loss.

Cottonseed assistance in the amount of \$50 million is included as part of the current package and it is assumed previous rules and procedures will be used to distribute those funds to eligible first handlers of the cottonseed.

Additional details will be put forth as they become available, along with a comprehensive run-down of all provisions applicable to cotton.

Estate planning seminars scheduled

By: Tim W. McAlavy

Do you have some hard decisions to make concerning settlement of an estate? Then you are a prime candidate for Texas Cooperative Extension's two-day estate planning seminars slated at four locations in March.

These seminars are designed to help Texans reduce their estate taxes and make effective estate planning decisions. This year's seminar dates and locations include: March 6-7, Lubbock; March 20-21, Houston; March 24-25, Abilene; and March 27-28, Austin.

"The goal of our seminars is to help Texans make wise estate planning decisions by providing a wealth of information on tax and estate planning matters," said Dr. Wayne A. Hayenga, Extension economist-management. "It is useful for married couples, spouses, potential estate executors, trustees and those who want to make estate settlement less burdensome for their loved ones."

Program topics will include: Basic Estate Planning Devices such as wills, living trusts, estate tax deferral, gifts and property titles; Treating Beneficiaries Fairly; Estate Planning Tools for Agriculture - focusing on use of corporations and partnerships, special farm land valuation, family-owned business exclusion, and rules for deferring estate tax payments; The Role of Life Insurance in Estate Planning, and Tax Valuation Rules.

Hayenga is an attorney as well as an Extension economist. He works extensively with farmers, ranchers and family-owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning. This year's seminars are sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension in cooperation with *Progressive Farmer* magazine.

The seminars run from 9 a.m.

to 4 p.m. each day. Registration costs \$100 per person and includes printed materials, refreshments and lunch each day. Registration and other information is available by calling Hayenga or Sharon Wehring-Forster at (979) 845-2226. Their fax line is (979) 847-9374.

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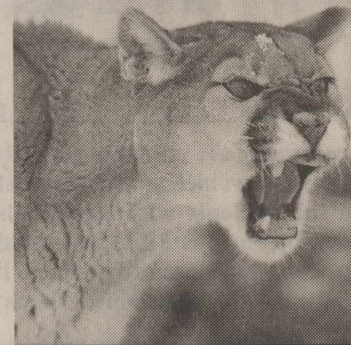


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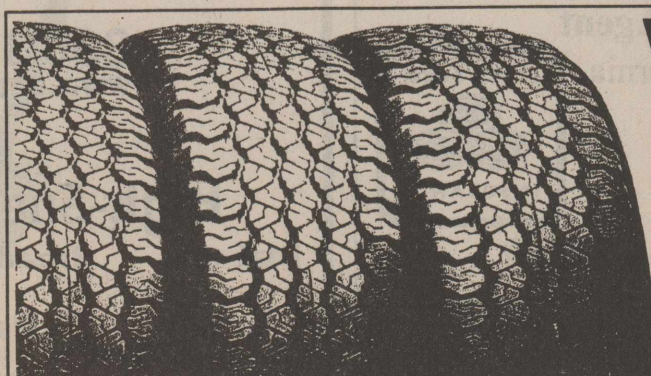
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Property may be inspected at First Baptist Church, 402 S. Wall, Floydada, Texas.
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Floydada Independent School District is now taking bids for the sale of one (1) 1992 GMC 15 passenger bus, VIN#2GDGG35K7N4510745.
The vehicle may be seen at 910 South 4th (the bus barn) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The vehicle will be sold "as is" meaning that bidder's failure to view the vehicle is not just cause for withdrawal of bid.
Bids must be received in the Floydada ISD Central Office, 226 W. California, Floydada, Texas 79235, not later than 12:00 p.m. March 7, 2003. The bids will be opened, tallied and presented at the regular school board meeting on March 11, 2003. The meeting will be held at the Floydada ISD Central Office, 226 W. California, Floydada, Texas.
The bids must be sealed in an envelope and marked "BUS BID".
Floydada ISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
2-13, 2-20c

Obituaries

ELIZABETH BURGESS
Funeral services were held recently in Houston for Elizabeth Daniel Burgess.

She was born November 13, 1925 to Carl and May (Fowler) Daniel.

She graduated from Floydada High School and West Texas State University.

She married Walter Burgess in 1947. They lived in Dumas from 1949 to 1986, when he retired from teaching high school math. They moved to Amarillo then to Garland, where they lived for fourteen years. They moved to Houston in 2000, where Walter still resides.

Survivors include four children: Mark of Vashon Island, Washington, Trena of Garland, Annette of Houston, and Tammie of Klamath Falls, Oregon; one sister, Carlene Johnson of South Plains.

ROBERT COLLIER

Bob Collier, 84, died Sunday, February 9, 2003 at 3:45 p.m.

He was born in Irick, Texas on October 7, 1918. He graduated from Lockney High School in 1936. He was captain of the High School football team. His future wife, Dorothy, was also a 1936 graduate.

Bob married Dorothy in 1938. The couple moved to Beaumont in 1965 from Floydada. He joined Conn's Appliances, Inc.

He was a Navy WWII Veteran and a member of Calvary Baptist Church. He was a 32nd degree Mason and was a Shriner. He was retired.

Collier was one of 12 children (3 of whom died early). His father died in the 1918 flu epidemic, and his mother raised 9 children.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy J. Collier; two daughters and their husbands, Sandra and Bob Binford of Beaumont and Suzanne and James Sasnett, of Edmond, Oklahoma; one sister, Margaret Collier, Floydada, six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services were Wednesday, February 12, 2003, at Calvary Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. Internment followed at Colmesneil Cemetery.

Donations may be made to Alzheimers Association, of Southeast, Texas.

BILL HOLLADAY

Services for Bill Holladay, 91, of Floydada were held Saturday, February 15, 2003 at City Park Church of Christ in Floydada. Kenneth Free officiated. Burial was in Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mr. Holladay died Thursday, February 14, 2003 at Lockney Health and Rehab.

He was born on December 24, 1911 in Eden to the late John D. Holladay and Julia Ann Farrar Holladay. He married Clorene Young on September 21, 1936 in Anson. He moved to Floydada in 1924 from Thalia. He was a Truck Driver and a member of the City Park Church of Christ in Floydada.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Donnie of Clarendon, and Keith of Wichita Falls; three daughters, Juandell Blackwood of Lovington, New Mexico, Gaynell Mitchell of Farwell, and Cynthia Bryant of Hobbs, New Mexico; one sister, Eva Taylor of Crosbyton; 22 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice Hands of West Texas, P.O. Box 1118, Lockney, Texas 79241, or to the White River Youth Camp, P.O. Box 455, Crosbyton, Texas 79322.

THELMA O. JONES

Thelma Oralee Jones, 90, died at her home in Stockton, Thursday, February 13, 2003.

She was born June 1, 1912 in Floydada, to RC and Oralee Covington. She moved to Stockton in 1946.

She married William Frederick Jones, of Floydada.

She was a letter carrier, delivering mail about eight years in Stockton's Tuxedo Park area and later off in West Lane. She also was one of Stockton's first two female letter carriers, beginning her job in 1968, four years after a congressional ban on gender-based discrimination.

She was 56 when she signed on as an on-call mail carrier at the Tuxedo Park station on Pacific Avenue and was already a mother of four grown children and a grandmother of 10.

Before this she operated a Stockton grocery.

She retired after 8 years of working with the postal service.

Jones was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and a sister, Cybil Teeple, of Floydada.

She is survived by her children: Bill Jones, Johnie Jones and Emilie Mize, of Stockton; and Don Goen of the Philippines; a sister, Cecil Fyfe, of Floydada; 12 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, February 18, at 11:00 a.m., at Lakeview Assembly Church. Visitations were held at Wallace-Martin Funeral Home, in Stockton. Interment is at Cherokee Memorial Park.



This Week's Announcements

LOCKNEY 4-H CLUB MEETING

The February meeting of the Lockney 4-H Club will be Monday, February 24th at 6:00. They will meet at the Unity Center. The program will be presented by Garrett Mathis on National 4-H Congree and the community service for the month is magazines for the hospital.

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.

Have a good week!

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Lockney
Phillip Golden - Pastor
Chad Frizzell-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.
Wed. 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
(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.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. 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.
Wed. Evening 7:00 p.m.

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

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

TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD
701 W. Missouri
Rev. Ray Gonzales
983-5286 (church)
983-3047 (parsonage)
Sunday School 9: 45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
EveningService 5:00 p.m.
Saturday Mass 7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Father Philip de Freitas
Deacon Ricky Vasquez
Phone: 983-5878
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.

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

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

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

TRINITY ASSEMBLY
500 W. Houston
Floydada
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499
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
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Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

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Church kicks-off Outreach program

"Many people today are living lives with no hope," says Ray Gonzales, pastor of Gethsemani Assembly of God Church. "We want to tell people that God is the One who gives hope, and to tell them that the hope He gives is available to everyone."

For the next four weeks, Gonzales' church will be focusing on the hope God gives to people. Gethsemani Assembly of God will be sending their message to the community via print ads and billboards, as well as community flyers. You may

have already seen the yard signs proclaiming that God Gives Hope.

"God gives us hope, not only for eternal life through his Son, Jesus Christ, but also for healing, for restoration of marriages, deliverance from life-controlling problems, and hope for peace and strength during hard times," says Gonzales.

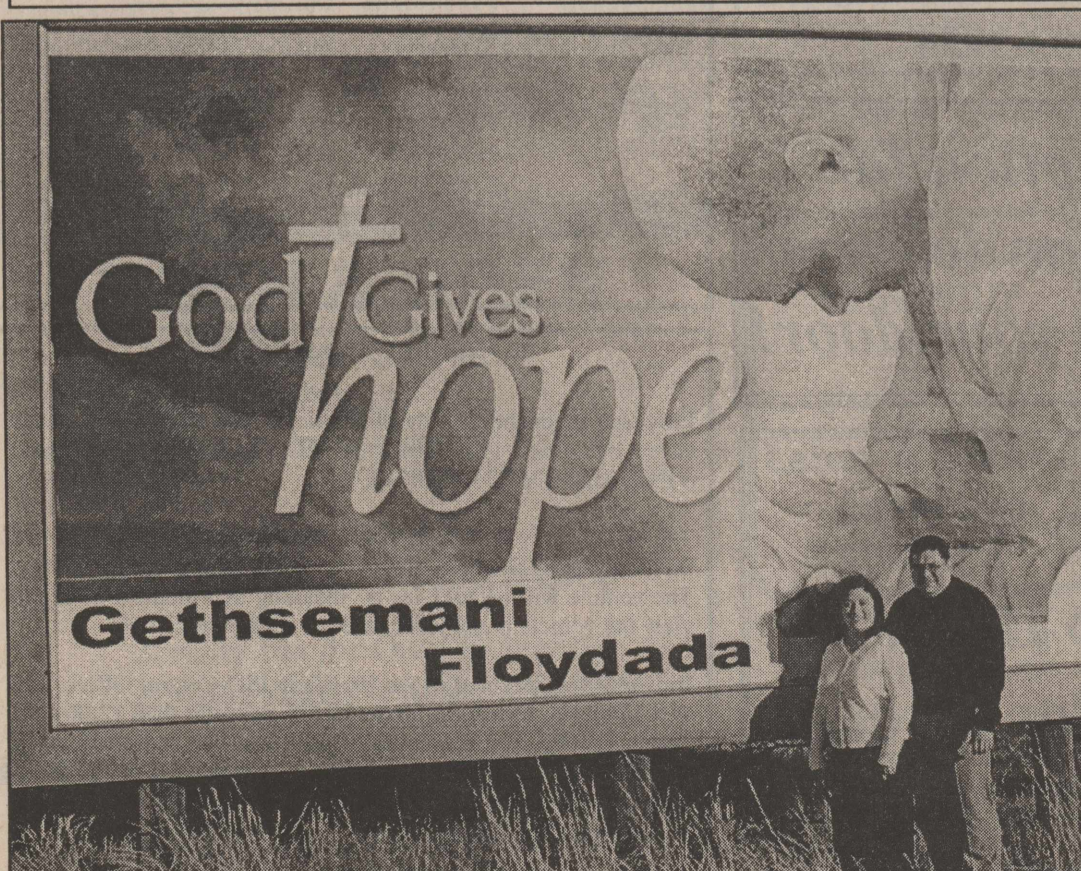
"We want to share the hope, the peace, and the joy we have found through Christ with our community."

Everyone is invited to attend the services and learn more

about how the God Gives Hope campaign will affect the local and surrounding communities during the next four weeks

The God Gives Hope message will be presented at Gethsemani from February 9th through March 2nd. Service times are 9:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Sunday. Gethsemani is located at 701 W. Missouri. Services are bilingual.

For more information or directions please call 983-5286 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or email the church at pastor_ray@nts-online.net.



GETHESEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD'S OUTREACH PROGRAM-The Gethsemani Assembly of God Church of Floydada has kicked off a four week program of focusing on the hope God gives to people from February 9 through March 2. Call 983-5286 for more information. Shown are Pastor and Mrs. Ray Gonzales standing by new "God Gives Hope" sign. Courtesy photo

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