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Donation on water bill helps fire department

Lockney citizens given opportunity to help volunteers

By Judy Macha

Lockney citizens are now being given the option to help upgrade firefighting equipment with a voluntary \$2.00 charge on monthly water billings.

"The voluntary \$2 charge on the Lockney water billings is simply to help us update our equipment," said Lockney Volunteer Fireman Preston Belt.

"Some of our surrounding communities have mandatory \$2 - \$4 charges."

Belt stated the department felt the charge would be more acceptable to the citizens if it were voluntary. "We don't want anyone to feel we are shoving this charge down their throat. We are giving them a chance to be part of improving their Fire Department," he said. "It's a small donation, but it will make a very big difference!"

A fundraiser is currently in progress to raise money for a 2003 Freightliner fire truck. The monthly donation will help maintain and upgrade equipment for future needs.

\$143,969 has been received to date for the new Freightliner truck. It will be delivered in less than nine months to its new home in Lockney.

This is a major accomplishment for a volunteer fire department of a small community,

whose newest piece of equipment is a twelve year old ambulance.

Belt listed some features of the new truck, "It has top mounted controls that run the pumper, allowing the operator to be up top between the cab and back, where he will have a clear view of both sides and the rear. Inlets are located on right, left and rear, enabling firemen to be more effective upon approach to a fire. It sports all new hose, a diesel engine, automatic transmission, on-board compressor, and a battery charger/conditioner for shorter start-up time.

"The on-board 5,000 watt generator will operate lights at night, and other electric tools. It has a new ladder, 4 door cab with 3 self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) mounted into the back seat. The apparatus means that upon arrival at the scene, the #1 man of the first of our two 2-man hose teams will be ready to go and the backup team can be ready faster. It is something the community can be proud of," he added.

Belt said taking delivery of the new fire truck is a first step in replacing an inventory of old and used up equipment. "We're stretching this old equipment as far as we can," he said. "But there is a breaking point, and we're fast

approaching it."

The department's major equipment inventory currently consists of: a 1963 Chevrolet converted fuel tanker used for house and grass fires out in the county, and for additional water; a 1973 converted bread truck serves as the rescue wagon, and carries all the rescue equipment; a 1974 Ford 900 main fire truck, whose water tank leaks badly, has four scattered manual controls making for a time consuming "set-up" at the scene, and it is mechanically undependable; and a 1974 Suburban, with no air-conditioning, which is used for rescue and for pulling a 1000 gallon nurse tank for additional water.

The department no longer uses its second ambulance, as the cost of bringing it up to code and making it mechanically dependable would be prohibitive. Case in point, one requirement is a \$5,000+ automatic external defibrillator unit.

As it stands now, the firemen not only donate their time, but they must also take their own vehicles and pay all cost incurred in traveling to and attending mandatory schools. Belt believes the old Suburban could be air conditioned and used for taking the firemen to these schools, as well as still hauling additional water.



FIREMAN PRESTON BELT POINTS TO LEAKY WATER TANK ON OLD FIRE TRUCK.

On the department's wish list is a second fire truck. It is on a super duty one ton Ford chassis, with 4-wheel drive. It would be used for wildland fire and rescue. It has its own on-board generator and jaws of life. All rescue equipment would be on this truck. It comes equipped with side compartments for easy access, and has a 400 gallon water tank for grass fires. Belt quickly pointed out, "This second fire truck will mean many times we

could answer a call with one vehicle instead of the two or three we're having to take now."

"We have two 90/10 type grants in the works now. That is, they provide 90% and we come up with the other 10%. One is with FEMA for \$45,000, and the other is with the Texas Forest Service," said Belt. "These would go toward buying the second fire truck, new wildland equipment and gear, 2-way radios, and some training material."

The department's charter calls for twenty-five members, and they are making do with four walkie talkies. "This can be a dangerous situation," said Belt.

"With some of these vehicles, we take our life into our own hands just getting to the scene," Belt reminisced. "Once while answering a call in the 1963 tanker, we got to the stop sign at the intersection of FM 97 and Hwy 70...no brakes! Fortunately, no

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Marks and Rotarians make new roof reality for Scouts

Thanks to the generosity of the Lockney Rotary Club and Ed Marks, of Lockney, the Lockney Scout Hut is now sporting a new roof.

Fund-raisers by the Lockney Rotary Club raised \$9,000 for the local Scouts, and Ed Marks has donated his skills to put the metal roof on the old building.

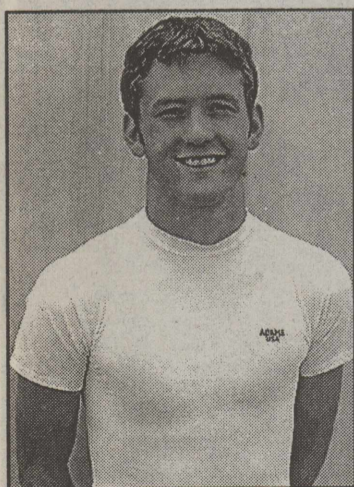
"We needed a roof bad," said Scout Leader Sam Moore. "The leaking was so bad that you couldn't even air the tents out inside this building because they would stay wet and mildew."

The Main Street building which houses the Lockney Boy Scouts is the former Mesa Theatre. It also served as a 4-H rifle range at one time.

The building was donated to the Scouts in 1975, or 1974, by J.B. and Dovie Seales. "The Lockney Lions Club arranged the contribution," said former Lions Member Robert Webb.

"This building has been around a long time," said Moore. "The Scouts could have moved out and found a new home but because of Rotary and Ed Marks we were able to stay and fix up a

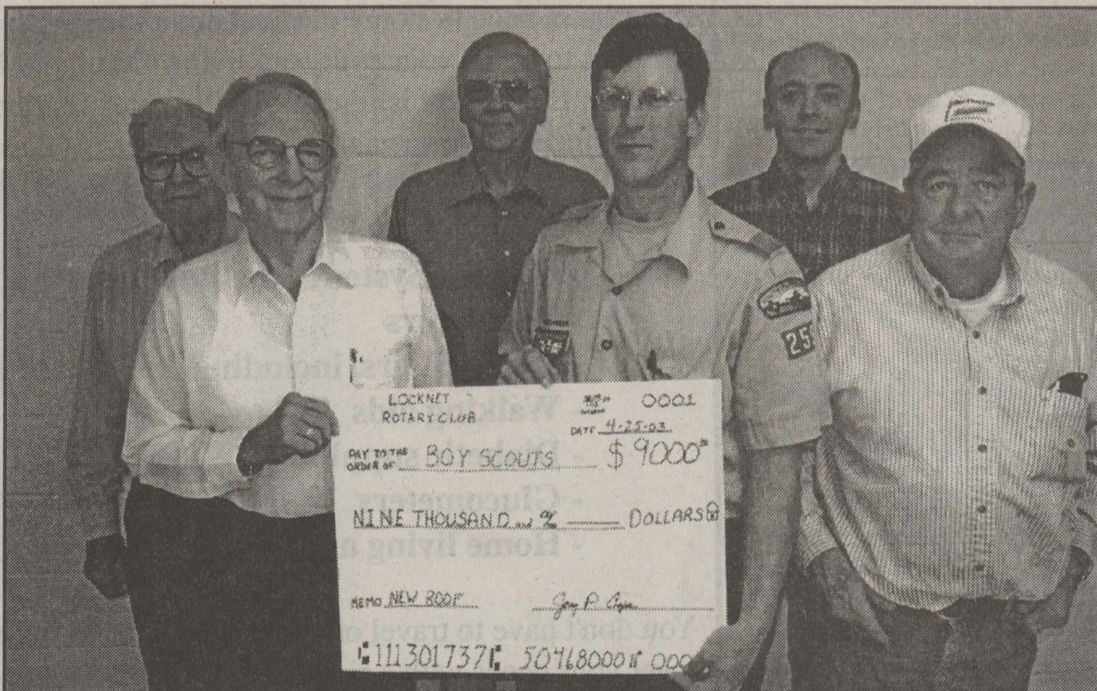
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STATE QUALIFIER BRADY RAINWATER is the 2003 Regional Champion in the 800 meter run. His time of 1:59.39 qualified him for the State Meet to be held at the UT Meyers Track Stadium in Austin.

He will compete in the 800 meter run on Saturday, 12:30 p.m., May 10th.

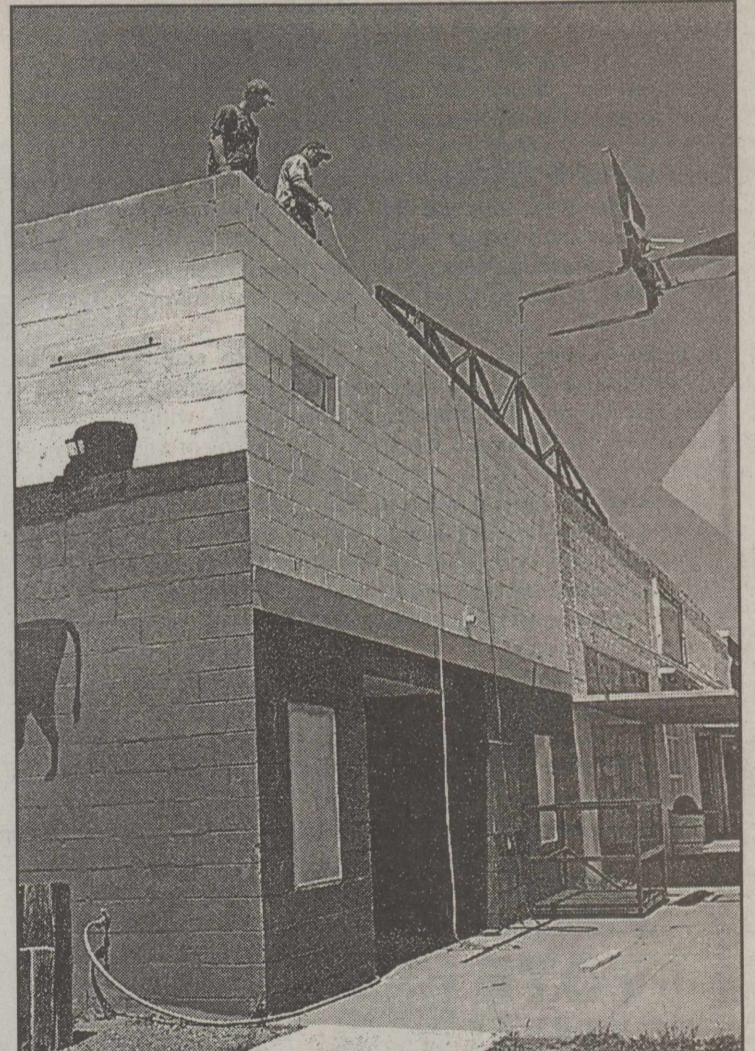
The Regional Meet was held at ACU in Abilene on Saturday, April 26. Rainwater also competed in the 400 meter run and the triple jump.



ROTARIANS DONATE--The Lockney Rotary Club donated \$9,000 to the Lockney Boy Scouts to help the Scouts put a new roof on their building. Shown here are: (front, l-r) Rotarian Claude Brown, Scout Leader Sam Moore, Ed Marks (who is donating labor); (back, l-r) Rotarian Dee Copeland, Rotarian Jerry Paul Cooper, and Rotarian and Scout Leader Kevin Stewart.



MARKS PUTS ON ROOF--Sam Moore and Joe Marks stand on the top of the Lockney Scout Hut as Ed Marks works to raise the first of the truss beams. Staff Photo



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Zoning changes proposed

The steps taken by Floydada City Council, April 15, to change the zoning regulations of Houston Street, has caused some confusions among residents in that area.

A story in the April 24 edition of The Hesperian-Beacon stated the city council unanimously approved a zoning change from "residential" to "business" for a six block area on West Houston Street.

The six blocks that would be affected, if the zoning change goes into affect, would be West 100, West 200, and West 300 blocks on the north side and south sides of W. Houston Street.

According to City Manager Gary Brown, some citizens believe the zoning decision has already been made and they weren't given an opportunity to

voice any opinions.

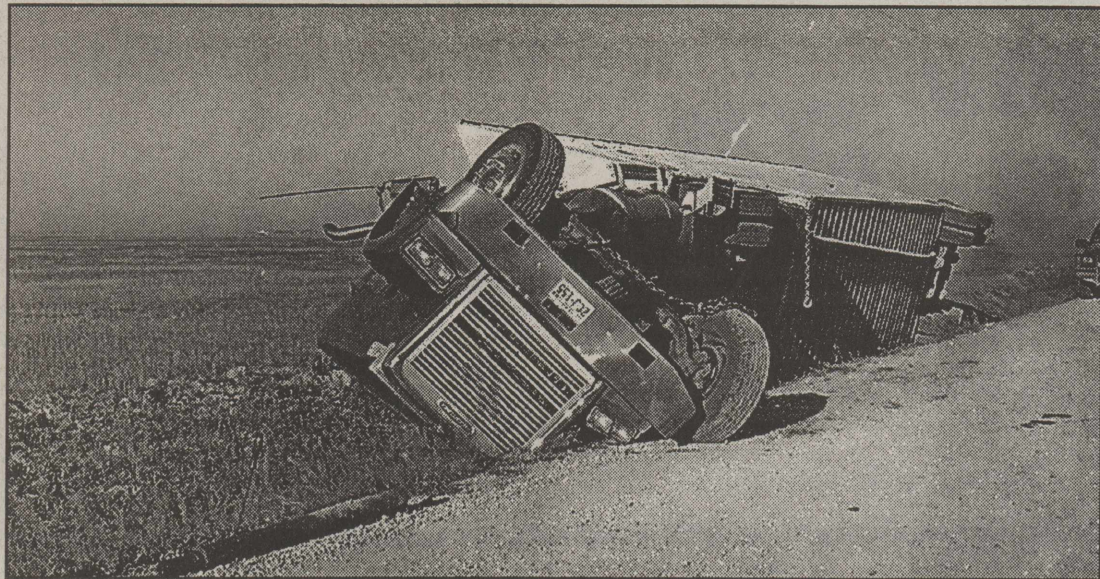
"This is only the first step in a series of actions that need to be taken by the Council," said Brown. "The April 15th action by the Council was only a vote to begin the process."

"The 2nd step will be to notify all property owners within 200 feet of the proposed change. A public hearing will then be set, and published in the newspaper. A decision will be made after the public hearing."

Brown also asked this newspaper to reiterate the information from the April 24 story that stated, "This (action) will not cause anyone to have to move out of the designated area. Residential homes can be in a 'business zone'."

"This proposed zoning change

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CATTLE TRUCK OVERTURNS--Eight cows died (out of 44 in the trailer) when this cattle truck overturned on County Road 120, Monday, April 28, at 4:50 a.m. The driver was not injured. The truck was traveling east, carrying cattle to EXCEL Meat Processing Plant. The driver drove to close to the bar ditch and slid into the bar ditch. This was the 2nd cattle trailer accident in Floyd County within a few days. Saturday, April 26, another cattle truck overturned, 3 miles north on Hwy. 70, at approximately 1:19 p.m. Sixty-two cattle were in the trailer heading to Caprock Feed Yard. Two cows were killed and another was "put down" after it suffered a broken leg. The driver was not injured. The accident was caused by "over correction" on the driver's part.

Courtroom Activities

In District Court, April 29, 2003:

William Dewayne Poland, 33, of Graham, pled guilty to Possession of Chemicals with Intent to Manufacture a Controlled Substance. He was sentenced to 10 years, and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine, restitution and court costs.

Also in District Court, probation was revoked on Selestino Aguilar, 33, of Mason. Aguilar was on probation for burglary. He was sentenced to 8 years and a \$500 fine.

In County Court, April 22, 2003:

Alfredo Barron Gaitan, 53, of Plainview, pled guilty to a charge

of Possession of Marijuana. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 60 days in jail. He also pled guilty to DWI-2 and was fined \$750 and court costs and sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Johnnie Ike Perez, 42, of Floydada, pled guilty to DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years. His driver's license was suspended for 6 months.

Tanislado Reyes, 24, of Floydada, pled guilty to Criminal Trespass. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 6 months in jail which was probated for 2 years.

Isador Yannis was charged

with Evading Detention. There was no disposition on this case.

April 24, 2003:

Paul Gomez Gonzales, 32, of Lockney, pled guilty to Assault-Family Violence. He was fined \$500 and court costs and sentenced to 90 days in jail. He also pled guilty to an April 11, 2003 charge of Assault. He was fined \$500 and court costs and sentenced to 90 days in jail.

Rodney Lopez, 28, of Lockney, was charged with Inhaling Paint. There was no disposition on this case.

Leandro Rivera, 29, of Floydada, pled guilty to a June 3, 2003 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 plus court costs and sentenced to 60 days in jail.

Mackenzie Water Authority Board asks for resignation of Manager Tom Davey

During an executive session of the Lake Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority Board meeting, April 24, the general manager of the Water Authority, Tom Davey, was asked for his resignation. Bookkeeper Gail Wyatt and her husband, John, had already resigned from their positions.

One of Floydada's representative on the Board, Jeffrey Johnson, presided over the board meeting.

According to Floydada City Manager Gary Brown, "the board had to make some very difficult decisions and Johnson did a good job. Overall, I felt the board responded well to the concern of the member cities."

According to Brown, who attended the meeting, the cities representatives on the board voted unanimously to:

(1) Approve the authority's payment of employee insurance only, beginning Oct. 1, 2003.

(2) Table the decision to remove pumping restrictions as requested by the cities.

"With the reduction in work force the board was not sure the amount of water to be treated could be increased over what it is now," said Brown.

(3) Approved reducing the salary base by \$2,500 per employee, back to the 2001/2002 budget level.

(4) Reduce the Christmas bonus of 3 weeks pay and double time holiday pay.

(5) Postpone more budget cuts until personnel issues are settled.

(6) Requested that all cities see the proposed budget for each new year at least 30 days before the Mackenzie board approved it.

(7) Allow the park superintendent to get his license so he could help in the water treatment plant.

(8) Only pay for the schooling that must be obtained for the employees directly related to their jobs.

(9) Allow employees to use Authority vehicles for Authority business only--within reason.

"The hiring of a new business manager was discussed in great detail," said Brown. "The board authorized Davey to hire an interim business manager to fill the vacated position of Wyatt."

After an executive session to discuss employee matters, the board reconvened and asked Davey to resign by July 1st.

"He was told if he resigned he would receive 6 months benefits if he signed away his right to sue

the board," said Brown. "Tom said he would give his answer within 7 days after talking to his attorney."

Brown said a decision on a replacement for Davey will not be made until Davey replies to the board.

According to Brown the board did not pass the reduction of all salaries by 20% because the cities wanted to see if the budget cuts of approximately \$230,000 could be reached without making the salary cuts.

"I felt all board members represented their towns well," said Brown. "Jeff Johnson and Gary Carthel (representing Floydada) deserves thanks."

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will allow a business to be located in this current residential only area," said Brown. The businesses that are currently in this area were 'grandfathered in', however according to the current zoning laws any new business wishing to locate on these blocks would be prohibited from doing so."

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I recall two years ago there were two girls that came together as really good friends and even better competitors. Spring time came which brought about tennis season.

The girls worked hard every day to get ready for the district tennis meet and when this time rolled around they were undefeated and ready for the competition. They were uncontested in district and were headed for the regional meet. However, one of the girls failed a class so she had to stay home while her partner competed in the Regional Tournament with another player. Although they were both heart broken they were not able to extend their winning streak and possibly make the trip to Austin, a rule is a rule, right?

Wrong.

It has come to my attention that Floydada High School has double standards when it comes to women's and men's athletics. Recently, a boy that has failed repeatedly was passed on so that he would be able to compete in doubles at the regional tennis meet. I wish someone could explain to me how it is right that a repeat offender of the "no pass, no play" rule was passed so his partner would not have to play with someone he was not used to playing with and a first time offender was turned away with a simple, "no".

The controversy poses the question of right and wrong and the school's ability to make decisions like this. Is it not a rule that if you do not pass you cannot compete? And does the rule not apply to all students? Apparently this rule applies to only those that are not of the male gender.

Several times, male athletes have been passed even though they did not earn it just so they would be able to play. If the rule is going to be compromised, why have the rule at all? Would it not be better to just allow everyone to compete no matter their grades, or would this force school officials to give equal treatment to all

athletes? There is no question in my mind that the rule about passing that now stands is necessary, but if it is not enforced there is no point in having it.

I realize that the current doubles team would have a better chance of succeeding if the pairing was the same as always, but was not this the case two years ago? Why is this situation different? Did the girls not have a good chance of making it to state and the boys do?

Personally, I would have to disagree with this assumption. The girls would have entered the

Regional Meet undefeated and the current team has not achieved an accomplishment close to this. No matter what happens in this current situation, the girl's past season cannot be changed but what happens in the future can.

If current school officials are not going to give equal treatment to all athletes and students, perhaps the Floydada School district should appoint someone to this position that will.

Sincerely,
Two year alumni of FHS
Tennis Team, Jenna Payne

Scout Hut gets new roof

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landmark on Main Street. "Grace Fellowship Church (which closed in December 2001) also contributed to the project after their church building sold. Even though Grace Fellowship is gone--their good works continue."

According to Moore the roof work turned into a bigger project than was expected.

"Ed Marks, his son, Joe, and

myself cleaned off the roof," said Moore. "We probably took off 10,000 to 12,000 pounds of rock, dirt, and old tar. I don't think Ed figured he would have to clean off so much stuff--but he did it anyway. He is always doing 'pro-bono' work for people around here."

"Ed really does quality work. I hope the community remembers him when they need metal work and steel buildings."

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County schools get graded on TAKS

By Darwin Robinson

The results of the March TAKS reading test, administered in Floyd County and the region to the third graders, has been graded.

The new TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills) test has taken the place of the old TAAS test this year. The third graders had to answer correctly 20 questions out of 36 in order to pass the new test.

TEA (Texas Education Agency) predicted an 85 percent passing rate this year on the new first TAKS testing. Many schools did well with 100 percent passing rates, but others did not.

In Floyd County, Lockney ISD third graders scored 90 percent on their test, while Floydada

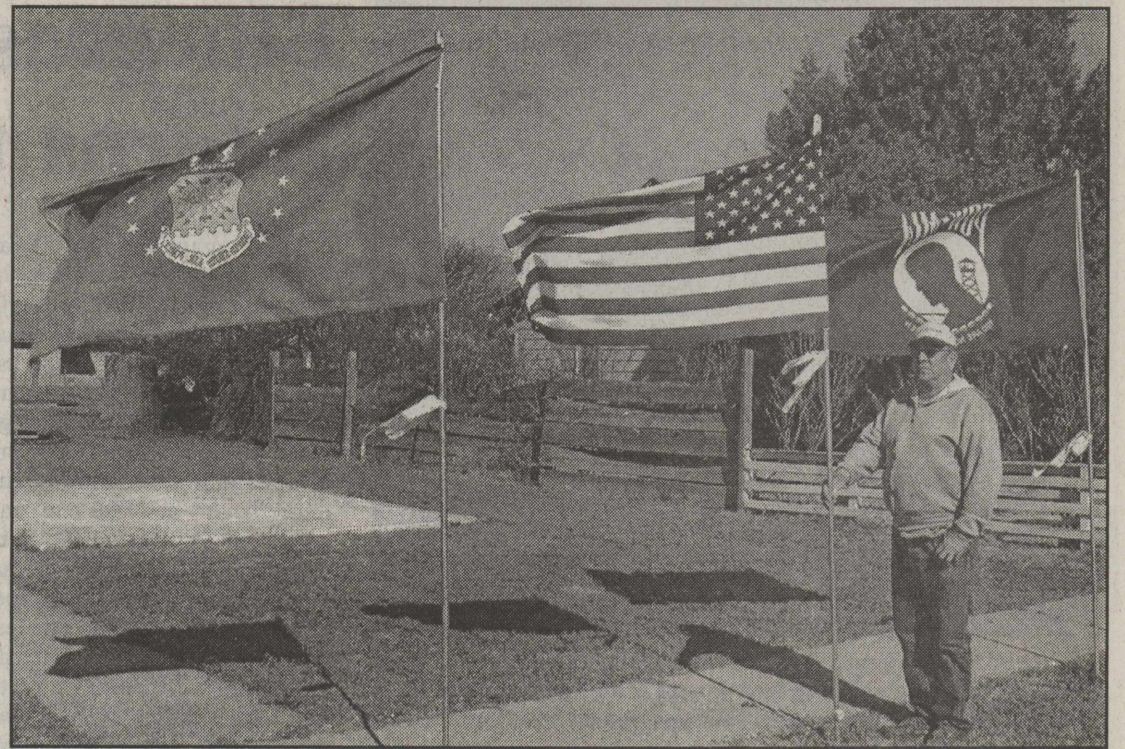
ISD third graders scored 71 percent. Third graders must pass each portion of the TAKS test to be promoted. The math test will be given this week. Those who failed the first reading test will have two more chances to pass. The third reading test will be July 8.

LISD Superintendent Raymond Lusk told the Hesperian-Beacon, "We are proud of our score. Our excellent staff and our excellent students will keep working on this. LISD teachers are dedicated and very competent, but we can do better. That will be our challenge each year - to do better."

FISD Superintendent Jerry Vaughn said, "We are not where we want to be, but we did main-

tain our percent from last year. The new (TAKS) test was set with an increase of difficulty and the state average was down. We did not go backwards, but we will focus to improve our score the next time."

Other area schools' scores are: Turkey-Quitque - 96 percent; Tulia - 86 percent; Springlake-Earth - 100 percent; Silverton - 100 percent; Quanah - 95 percent; Plainview Highland - 99 percent; Hillcrest - 82 percent; Paducah - 92 percent; Motley County - 93 percent; Olton - 84 percent; Happy - 100 percent; Hart - 100 percent; Hereford Aikman - 90 percent; Friona - 93 percent; Dumas Green Acres - 90 percent; Cactus - 66 percent; and Dimmitt - 88 percent.



GALLOWAY FLYING THREE FLAGS FOR FREEDOM-Jerry Galloway, 1020 S. Leonard, of Floydada is shown flying three flags near his home. The three flags are: (l-r) US Air Force, American, and POW/MIA. Galloway, Airman First Class, served in the Korean Conflict for one year and three years in Arizona from 1956-60. He was in munitions storage. Staff Photo

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Lighthouse Electric feeds members

Eight Lighthouse employees were recognized for service milestones totaling 230 combined years at the 64th annual membership meeting of Lighthouse Electric Cooperative on Thursday, April 24, at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center at Muncy.

65 members and guests took advantage of the Health Fair, which ran from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., to get their blood pressure and cholesterol level checked, be screened for glaucoma, and gather information from the American Cancer Society, University Medical Center, Calvert Home Health, Webb and Webb Optometrists LLP, and Floyd County 4-H.

Over 600 members and guests attended to visit with friends and neighbors, enjoy the meal catered by Danny's Fins and Hens, listen to outstanding entertainment, and hear reports on how their Cooperative fared in 2002.

Emcee Tom Gregory of Petersburg, with the help of the planning committee, conducted the first of three prize drawings, and Groce presented the roll call, the reading of minutes of last year's meeting, and the reading of the notice of meeting.

Following the completion of these requirements, Cooperative attorney Harry Jung conducted the election of directors. While

the ballots were being counted, Robert Cobb of the cooperative's auditing firm reported on the 2002 business of Lighthouse, "I believe the fact that Lighthouse is retiring \$330,000 in capital credits tonight is ample evidence that your co-op is in good, sound financial shape."

Following the auditor's report, General Manager Bill Harbin introduced the board of directors and their wives, and then had all current and former Lighthouse employees and their families stand for recognition. He then called employees to the stage to be recognized for service milestones. Recognized for 25 years' service were Danny Nixon, Larry Ogden, Brent Sanders, and Graham Bowen. 30 year service awards went to Nell Abram and James Edwards, and Tony Whitfill and Rodney Hill were both recognized for 35 years' service to the cooperative.

Following the second round of prize drawing, Robert W. Bryant, General Manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, presented a report on the activities of the generation and transmission cooperative. He then introduced a video, which had been filmed locally, explaining the cooperatives' point of view on how deregulation could affect the Panhandle/South Plains

area.

Following the Golden Spread report, Cooperative Member Service Manager Larry Ogden introduced the Annual Meeting Planning Committee who helped plan and conduct the meeting. Members of the committee were Reed and Melanie Snodgrass of Crosbyton, Scotty and Lori Battey of Floydada, Randy and Carlen Beedy of Floydada, Doyle Dean and Jay Proctor of Turkey, Romeo and Michelle Araujo of Lockney, Tom and Shannon Gregory of Petersburg, and Mark and Rhonda Mayo of Lockney.

The youngest and oldest members present were also recognized. The youngest member present was Jason Harrison of Floydada, and the oldest member present was Charles Featherston, 94, of Petersburg.

Cooperative attorney Harry Jung then announced that incumbent directors Louis Lloyd, Tom Johnson, and Tom Cope had been re-elected to the board of directors.

Following this, the third prize drawing was held, and the final agenda item was the drawing for the grand prize, \$500 which was won by Mrs. Antonio Machado of Dougherty.

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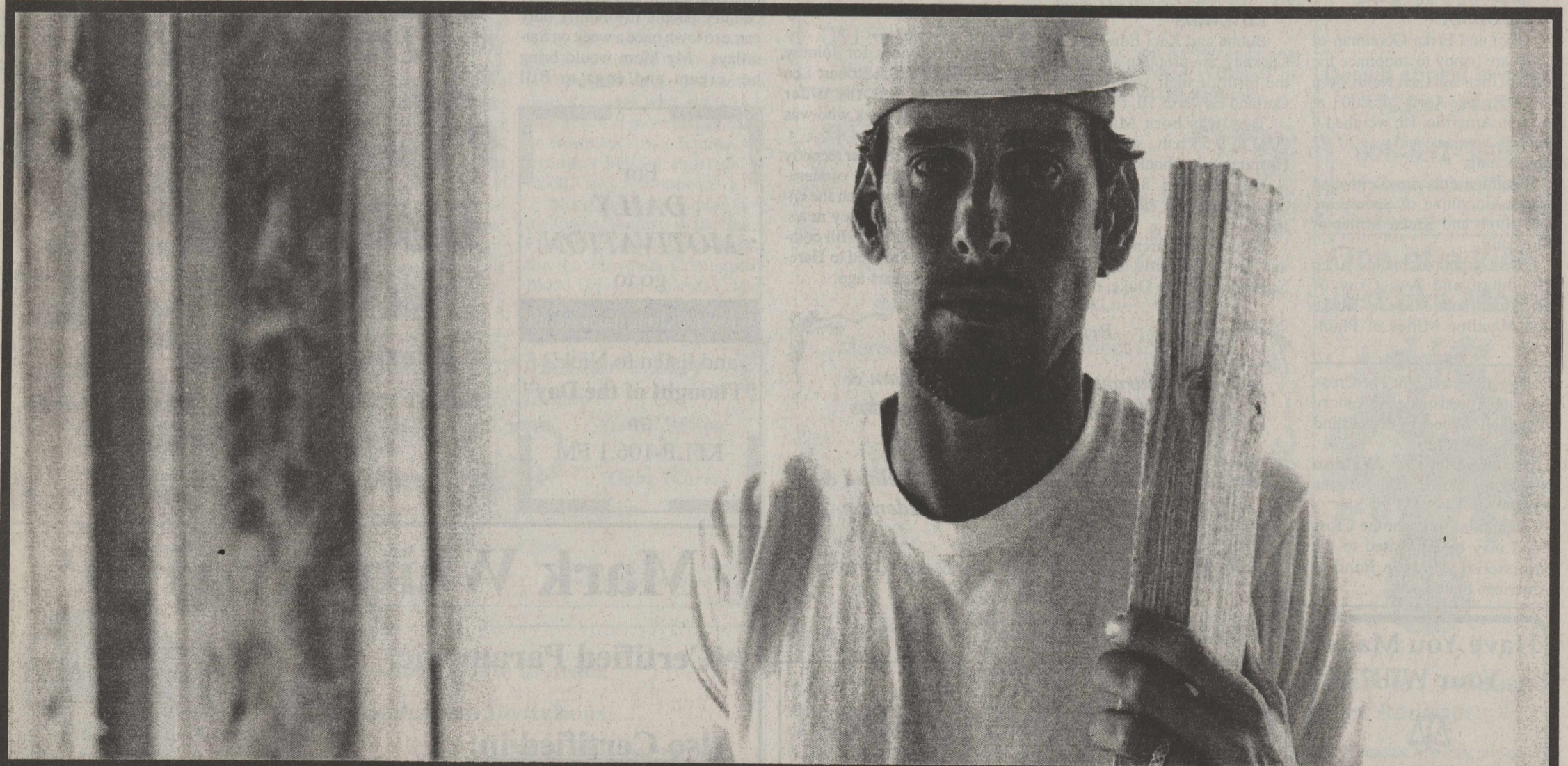
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TWO FAVORITE AUCTION ITEMS being offered on Old Settlers Day are the painting and pewter sculpture by artist Kenneth Wyatt. Tickets are being sold now for an additional sculpture and painting to be given away that day. Staff Photo

Old Settler's Day set for May 24

By Martha Farris

"Pioneer Spirit—Plowing the Past, Planting the Future" is the theme for the Pioneer Day Celebration 2003, and all committees have been working full time to assure that this is another memorable celebration for Floyd County.

Beginning on Friday, May 23, the Floyd County Historical Museum will host the annual open house with hostesses dressed in pioneer fashion and serving refreshments. As an added attraction, however, there will be a book-signing event where visitors may meet authors and noted historians, Dr. Richard and Shirley Cushing Flint. The well-known couple will sign their new books centering around the Coronado Expedition.

Missing this year from the Old Settler's calendar will be Floydada and Lockney High School graduation ceremonies, as these will occur the following week.

Traditional events planned for Saturday, May 24, will include Texas Pedal Pullers, Library Book Fair, and Bake Sale, numerous arts and crafts vendors around the courthouse lawn, cow pattie bingo, and the museum wildflower show.

Look who's new!

GOODMAN

Clint and Erika Goodman of Tula are happy to announce the birth of their son Levi Keith, born at 7:05 p.m., April 24, 2003 at BSA in Amarillo. He weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Keith and Karen Goodman of Spearman, and Hugh and Karen Miller of Floydada.

Great-grandparents are Alice Goodman and Avo Gray of Spearman, and Mayesie Burke and Maudine Miller of Plainview.

Donations to Light The Cross Fund have been made in Memory of **Jeanette Wood**, by Harold and Vivian Snell; and

In Memory of **Weldon Emert**, by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pyle.

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Bluegrass Festival returns to Flomot

Once again Flomot, Texas will be alive with the sound of bluegrass music on May 9, 10, and 11, 2003. The Fourth Annual Washington Cattle Co. Bluegrass Festival will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9 and the stage music will play until 11:00 p.m. Friday night. On Saturday, the music begins at 11:00 a.m. and goes until 11:00 p.m. The Sunday morning devotional will start at 9:30 a.m. followed by gospel music until 12:00 noon. The festival will take place on the grounds of the Flomot Community Center. In the event of bad weather, the festival will move into the gym. Spectators are asked to bring their lawn chairs for the most comfortable seating.

Bands from Texas and New Mexico will be on hand to entertain the crowd. Seven bands will play during the festival. But, the official bands are just half of the fun. All over the festival grounds will be groups playing and jam-

ming at all hours. Everyone that plays an instrument is welcome to come and join in the music. If you don't play you are welcome to wander the grounds and listen to the various groups.

Food booths will be setup on the grounds. Everyone is invited to come to Flomot and listen to great music and eat with one of the food vendors. The Flomot Cafe will be open in the old gin house across the street from the festival.

A large group of RVers is expected to start arriving on Thursday, May 8. Beans and cornbread will be served Thursday night to all who come to jam or just to listen. RV parking is \$8 per night and hookups are still available with festival ticket purchase. Festival tickets are \$6 for Friday, \$10 for Saturday, and Sunday is free with children under 12 admitted free with an adult at all times.

For more information, please call 806-469-5278.



TOP TEN WOMEN OF THE YEAR--(Right) Carolyn Lloyd, chairman of the Top Ten Woman of the Year for the Rose Garden Chapter, American Business Women's Association, presents a plaque to Shirley Martin, the chapter's selection for the Top Ten Woman of the Year honor. Martin is a former Floydada resident and the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Reamer Rainer. Ms. Martin is the Mewbourne Math Enrichment teacher for the lower school at All Saints Episcopal School and fifth grade homeroom teacher. This photo was submitted from the Tyler Courier-Times-Telegraph April 13, 2003 edition.

Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Vera Jo Bybee

June and Robert McDonald had their daughters here for Easter. Tony and husband Galon Akin from San Angelo and Kathy Elam of Fort Worth.

Kenneth and Retha Wofford went to Lubbock Saturday to spend Easter with their daughter Jeanne and husband Jim Curtsinger. Also having Easter dinner with the Curtsingers were their children, Scott and Tracy Curtsinger, Lacy and Raymond Richardson and Tory Houston and her two little girls, Kelsy and Kimbree.

Our guest for the Easter weekend was our daughter Dara Dyann and her husband of Plano and of course our Lockney children, the McPhersons and Bybees.

Tommy Messer is at home now after being in Mangold Memorial for a few days.

F. L. Montandon is at home recuperating after having a hip replacement.

Sympathy goes to the Rayford Cumbie family whose funeral services were held in Lockney Tues.

Funeral services for Johnny Aycock was held in Robert Lee recently. He was the older brother to Don Aycock who was our age.

I received a nice letter recently from Ruth Fortenberry of Hereford telling me how much she enjoys reading the Lockney news. She lived in the Cedar Hill community until she moved to Hereford some 25+ years ago.

She still takes the Floyd County paper to keep up with friends from "home". Thank you Ruth for your kind words.

The Senior Citizen Profile this week is on J.R. Belt. J.R. was born June 5, 1916 to John and Rose Belt 3 miles north of Lockney. He attended school at Bobbitt and Prairie Chapel. He married May Golden in 1934 at Lockney in Lee Copeland's house. They are the parents of three children, Ann Belt Foster of Plainview, Carolyn Belt Duvall of Dallas, and Dr. Steve Belt of West Orange, New York. J.R. and May have lived in Floyd County all their lives. J.R. has been a farmer and cattleman for 68 years. Thank you J.R. for being this week's Senior Citizen.

Long ago in Lockney the town would be so full of people on Saturday nights the city marked off parking spaces in the middle of main street.

There wasn't any big vehicles at that time so there was plenty of room to park that way. I was raised on a farm and like all other country people my family only came to town once a week on Saturdays. My Mom would bring her cream and eggs to Bill

Alford's creamery for money to buy grocery staples such as sugar, flour and salt. My Dad, Joe Rogers was a barber as well as a farmer. He would cut hair on Saturdays until midnight. A few of the barbers he worked with were Tomme, Murray Scott, Buster Epperson, Barry Hooten and Charlie Moses. Later on he worked with the Strickland brothers, Leonard and Bill, Bob Boling, Howard McClenden and Rudy Zachary. Rudy now owns and operates the shop Daddy put in in 1948. Are there any men who remember getting their hair cut by some of these barbers? More about Saturday nights in Lockney next week.

Meat Menu for May 5-9

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Tuesday: Baked Chicken
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Thursday: Beef tips and Rice
Friday: Chicken Fried Steak

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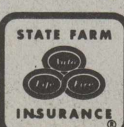
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JEANNE APPLING HONORED BY UNITED BLOOD SERVICES--Connie Hollinshead (left), of the United Blood Services, honors Jeanne Appling, of Floydada, with a Community Service Award, for her years of organizing blood drives in the community. The next blood drive will be May 1, from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., May 1, at the First Baptist Church. Staff Photo

Community unites for a blood drive

Floydada residents have the opportunity to celebrate life by joining in the community blood drive at the Floydada Community Blood Drive from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, May 1 in the Educational Building of the First Baptist Church. "It is impor-

tant during uncertain times to come together as a community to help one another," says Connie Hollinshead of United Blood Services.

Jeanne Appling started as a helper for the area blood drives in the Floydada area. The more she worked the more she realized the critical need for blood in the South Plains area. She began to coordinate the drives in the area. Beginning in 2003, Jeanne decided the best use of her time and the donors of Floydada's time was to have a drive 6 times a year, as you are able to give every 2

months. Since we have been doing that the drives have been growing from 25 - 30 a drive and are up to 50 units a drive and by the end of the year we hope to be at 100 usable units. "Jeanne is a delight to work with, she is such a go getter. If more people had a coordinator like Jeanne we wouldn't have a shortage of blood," says Hollinshead.

Blood donated here helps save the lives of patients in the South Plains area. Mark your calendars for the Floydada Community Blood Drive on Thursday, May 1, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Floydada Rehab and Care Center

By Lorilla Bradley

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Turney and Cage

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Turney of Nevada, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. James cage of Floydada, announce the engagement of their children Ginger Turney and Todd Cage.

The couple is planning a June 28, 2003 wedding at the Nevada Baptist Church in Nevada.

Turney is a graduate of Texas Tech University and is employed with Princeton ISD as a Kindergarten teacher.

The future groom is a graduate of Texas Tech University, and is employed with Halliburton Energy Services in Alice as an engineer. After the wedding the couple will reside in Longview.

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

We want to thank four fellows from the center for replacing an air conditioner in the kitchen at the center. The other one was worn out so John Cockrell, Darrell Mayo, William Bertrand and Gerald Vinson worked very hard taking out a window and installing the new unit. The ladies in the kitchen will be much cooler now as they prepare the noon meals.

Last week Triston Glover of Oklahoma was at the center eating lunch with Kyle and Diana Glover. He was also here visiting his mother at the Floydada Care Center.

Son Jackson of San Angelo has been here for several days and is eating at the center. He has sold his home here and is in the process of cleaning out his home with his family's help.

Bobbie Hamilton is home after spending a month in Tokyo visiting her son Clay and family.

Vic Sedinger was back eating lunch at the center this past Monday after having back surgery. He was only in the hospital overnight. His recovery has been very fast.

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

In memory of **Alpha Fortenberry - Jo Payne.**

In memory of **Elli Anderson - Mary Shurbet.**

In memory of Sally Lyles mother **Edna Harris - John and Judy Dunlap.**

Thought for the week - Money is a good servant but a bad master. -French proverb

Menu

May 5 - May 9

Monday - Green chili chicken, pinto beans, tossed salad/1000 island, cornbread, fruit salad

Tuesday - Salisbury steak, green peas, cauliflower, cheese sauce, wheat roll, pears, gingerbread

Wednesday - Baked ham, navy beans, carrots and Zucchini, tossed salad/french, cornbread, pineapple cobbler, cake

Thursday - Lemon chicken, peas and carrots, cole slaw, hot roll, apple

Friday - Chicken fried steak, white gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat roll, gelatin

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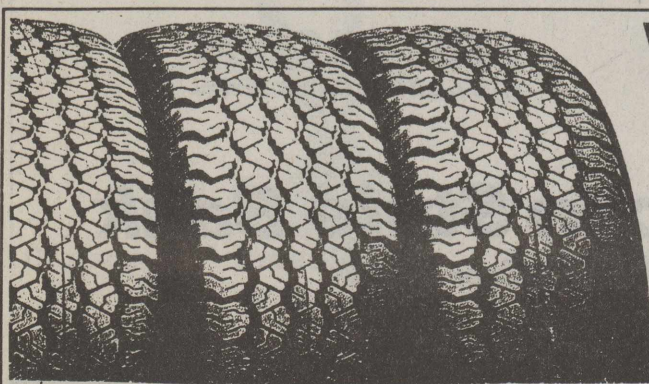
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LONGHORN JV BASEBALL TEAM--(Back row, l-r) Coach Edwards, J.W. McPherson, Monte Lass, Trevor Morris, Brandon Gilroy, and Landon Cotham; (front, l-r) Reid Carthel, Malory Luebano, Brandon Hall, Nathan Hancock, and Andrew Garza. The team finished out the season with a 7-2 record. Photos courtesy of Hall Photography

Garret Mathis receives a TIGA scholarship

Garrett Mathis of Lockney was recently selected to receive a \$500 scholarship from the Texas Independent Ginners Association (TIGA). Mathis was one of two winners selected.

The Texas Independent Ginners Association awarded scholarships to two deserving students pursuing a degree in agriculture at a Texas college. The applications were made available through TIGA member gins.

Mathis, representing D&J Gin, will be attending Texas Tech University and majoring in Agribusiness.

A committee consisting of TIGA ginners and associate members selected the two recipients. The winners will each receive a \$500 scholarship.

"TIGA is delighted to be helping young students enter agriculture. We realize \$500 is not much with today's costs of college, but we hope it will help and make a difference in the student's career," said Betty McDougal, TIGA President.

Stay in School!

St. Jude's Bik-a-thon date set for May 10

A fund raiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital has been scheduled for May 10, 2003.

The "Wheels-For-Life" Bike-A-Thon will be held at the Lockney Elementary School at 10:00 - 12:00 p.m.

For further information, call the Coordinator for the event, Carol Kelley at 806-652-1858.

Lockney High School Honor Roll

5th SIX WEEKS "A" HONOR ROLL

12th Grade - Cody Bayley, Leslie Cuellar, Jana Edwards, Jane Hrbacek, Katie Kelley, Cody Lass, Garrett Mathis, Will O'Connell, Ben Sherman

11th Grade - Cody Gardner, Amanda Hancock

10th Grade - Shelly Pachiano, Jeremy Pyle, Annie Reece

9th Grade - Amber Dorman, Kami Keaton, Trevor Morris, Tana Saul, Lance Terrell, Tori Terrell, and Rebekah Thornton

5th SIX WEEKS "A-B" HONOR ROLL

12th Grade - Maria Anguiano, Katy Austin, Rodolfo Blanco, Nathan Burson, Julian Chavira, Todd Cotham, Sergio Cruz, Jalee Dietrich, April Dorman, Rusty Keaton, John Lopez, Vanessa Luebano, Alfredo Martinez, Matthew McPherson, Danny Molina,

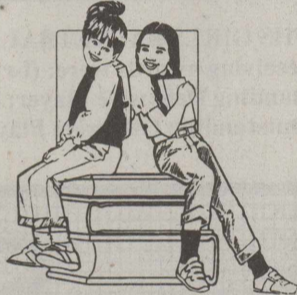
Brady Rasco, Laci Schumacher, Landon Schumacher, Nichole Thomas

11th Grade - Paul Amador, Oscar Delgado, Tod Duncan, Cammy Lass, Michael O'Connell, James Orr, Hannah Rockwell, Justin Stoerner

10th Grade - Ashley Brock, Daniel Cervantes, Lindsay Collins, Cagan Cummings, Mark Ford, Addie Foster, Brandon Gilroy, Trey Graves, Karah Hrbacek, Megan Johnson, Kayla Kelley, Jaime Ledesma, Jana Miller, Crystal Molina, Cristina Pesina, Rance Schumacher

9th Grade - Cassandra Carrillo, Landon Cotham, Amanda Deckard, Trinity Ford, Alexis Hall, Blaine Hall, Brandon Hall, Nathan Hancock, Graden Long, April Lopez, Malarie Luebano, Dahlen McCarter, J.W. McPherson, Emily Mercado, Kory Smith, Brady Tannahill, Brance Wilson, Ty Young

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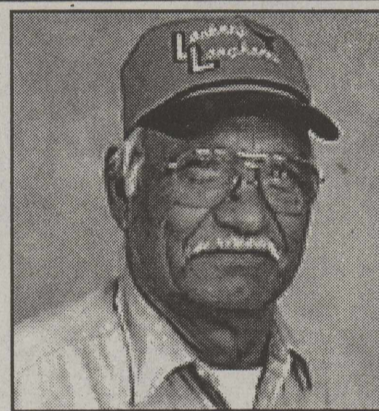
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7th Grade - Leah Ford, Senee Foster, Dickie Hernandez, Ashley McCulloch, Martin

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6th Grade - Heather Brock, Jonathan Coleman, Adrian Cortez, Raul Cruz, Tyler Ellison, Saray Flores, Segayle Foster, Daryn McCarter, Hector Mercado, Brendi Morales, Estelia Rodriguez

Lockney School Menu

May 5 - May 9 Monday Holiday Tuesday

Breakfast - Pancakes or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Pig in blanket or grilled cheese, corn tossed salad, pineapple, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Steak fingers or tuna sandwich, mashed potatoes,

broccoli, peaches, hot rolls, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Oatmeal or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Macaroni & cheese or polish sausage, spinach, pinto beans, cornbread, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburger or corndog, freedom fries, lettuce, tomato, applesauce, milk

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Whirlwind Sports Banquet honors athletes

The 2002-2003 Floydada Whirlwind All-Sports Banquet was held, Monday, April 28, in the Whirlwind Gym in honor of all varsity athletes. Jim Covington was the Master of Ceremonies. The invocation was given by Keith Prather. The banquet theme was "Year of the Stars".

Athletic Director Lee Hurt introduced the Whirlwind Booster Club Officers. They are: Jim and Deidra Covington, president; Rick and Brenda Heflin, vice-president; Rhonda and Larry Stovall, secretary-treasurer; and John and Betty Ann Fortenberry, reporter.

Covington introduced special guests which included the board of trustees and school administration. Coaches and sponsors introduced were: Desmond Ayala, Shea Brattain, Chris Brattain, Mo Eddleman, Brandon Gilliland, Lee Hurt, David Kennedy, Robin Nixon, Keith Prather, Lee Sanchez, Regina Smith, Grant Stovall, Gilbert Trevino, Angie Williams, and Jana Williams.

The Whirlwind Spirit Award

was given to: Ragan Beedy and Kristen Lackey.

Awards were presented to the following athletes:

FOOTBALL
Brady Rainwater-Outstanding Defensive Back; Jacob Morales and Morgan Tijerina-Outstanding Defensive Lineman; Andrew Arvizu and Gerald Henderson-Outstanding Offensive Back; Chase Mitchell, D.J. Summers-Outstanding Offensive Lineman; Bryce Bowley-Outstanding Linebacker; Dustin Covington and Tyler Helms-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

BOYS BASKETBALL
Tyler Helms and Bryce Bowley-Outstanding Offensive Player; Gerald Henderson and Dustin Covington-Outstanding Defensive Player; Brady Rainwater and Tyler Helms-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Kimberly Bennett and Ragan Beedy-Outstanding Offensive Player; Laura Reddy and Suelema Saldana-Outstanding Defensive Player; Lindsey Leatherman-Fighting Heart Award.

CROSS COUNTRY GIRLS
Reagan Heflin-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

GIRLS TRACK
Ragan Beedy-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

CROSS COUNTRY BOYS
Tony Perez-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

BOYS TRACK
Jeremy Diaz and Brady Rainwater-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

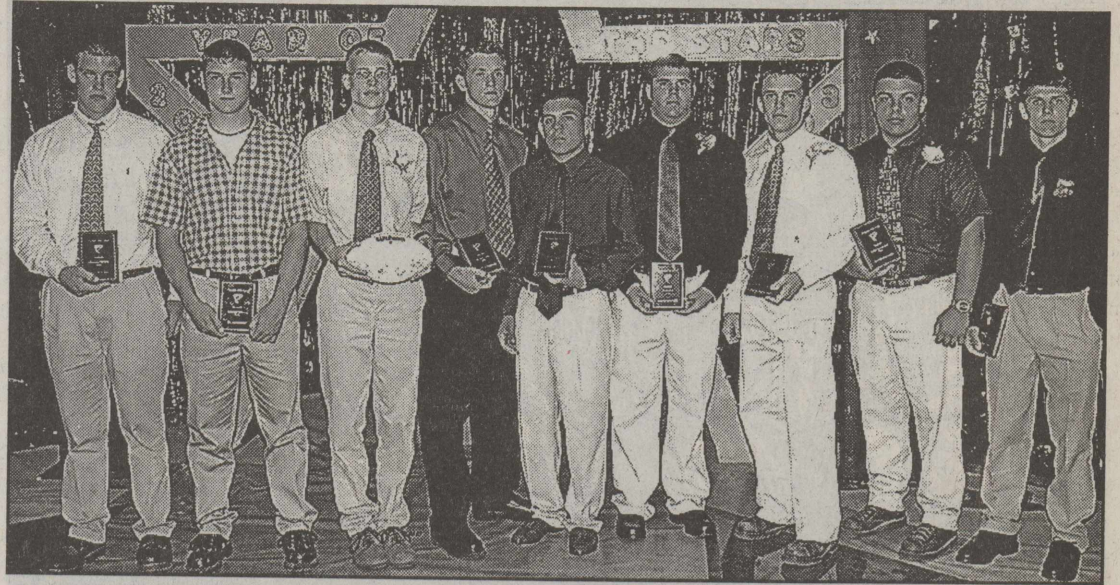
POWERLIFTING
Kim VanCleve and Tony Perez-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

GOLF
Becky Warren and David Vasquez-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

TENNIS
David Rodriguez and Laura Reddy-Fighting Whirlwind Award.

The Academic Girl was Laura Reddy and the Academic Boy was Bryce Bowley. This Outstanding Scholastic Achievement is presented in memory of Joyce Stewart.

Final remarks were made by Jim Covington and the cheerleaders led the school song.



FHS FOOTBALL AWARDS--Members of the 2002 Whirlwind Football Team receiving awards were: (l-r) Chase Mitchell and D.J. Summers - Outstanding Offensive Linemen; Robert Dunlap - Outstanding Manager; Brady Rainwater - Outstanding Defensive Back; Andrew Arvizu - Outstanding Offensive Lineman; Bryce Bowley - Outstanding Linebacker; Dustin Covington - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Jacob Morales - Outstanding Defensive Lineman; Tyler Helms - Fighting Whirlwind Award; (not pictured, Gerald Henderson - Outstanding Offensive Back; Morgan Tijerina - Outstanding Defensive Lineman).
Photo by Rhonda Stovall



FHS TRACK AWARDS--Receiving the 2003 Fighting Whirlwind Awards for girls and boys in track were: (l-r) Tony Perez - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Jeremy Diaz - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Brady Rainwater - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Ragan Beedy - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Reagan Heflin - Fighting Whirlwind Award.
Photo by Rhonda Stovall



FHS GIRLS BASKETBALL AWARDS-- Members of the 2002-2003 Lady Winds Basketball Team receiving awards were: (l-r) Lindsey Leatherman - Fighting Heart Award; Laura Reddy - Outstanding Defensive Player; Suelema Saldana - Outstanding Defensive Player; Kimberly Bennett - Outstanding Offensive Player; Ragan Beedy - Outstanding Offensive Player.
Photo by Rhonda Stovall

Floydada school Menu

May 5 - May 9
Monday:

Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch - Frito pie, corn, cake, fruit, milk

Tuesday:

Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk

Lunch - Enchilidas, beans, salad, cornbread, fruit, milk

Wednesday:

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Stuffed baked potatoes w/ham, broccoli w/cheese, fruit, milk

Thursday:

Breakfast - Toast, jelly, juice, milk

Lunch - Chicken spaghetti, carrots, bread sticks, jello w/fruit, milk

Friday:

Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, juice, milk

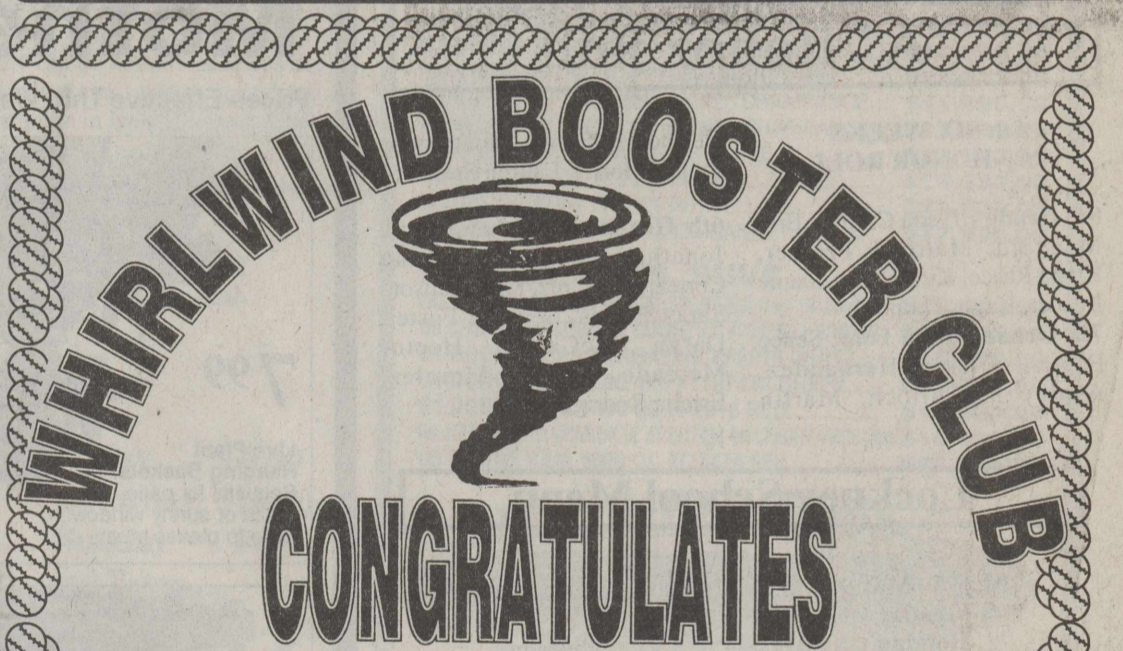
Lunch - Grilled cheese, French fries, veggies w/ranch dressing, assorted fruit, milk



FHS TENNIS AWARDS--Members of the 2003 Tennis Team receiving the Fighting Whirlwind Awards were: (l-r) Laura Reddy and David Rodriguez.
Photo by Rhonda Stovall

CORRECTION - The District 2 4-H Rifle Contest was held Saturday, April 12th at South Plains College in Levelland. Participating in the Junior II category were Allison Griggs, Christopher Hayter and Dustin James. These 4-H'ers were not included in the article last week. Our apologies to you. All Floyd County 4-H Rifle teams competed very well. Congratulations to each one of you!

SPORTS



2003 Whirlwind Baseball Team



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Floydada Athletic Booster Club



Floydada competed in Regional Tennis Tourney

The Floydada Tennis Team competed in the Regional Tennis Tournament April 23 and 24 on the Campus of ACU.

First Round: Courtney Campbell defeated Hooten of Anson 6-0, 4-6, 6-0. Rachel Griffin/Laura Reddy defeated Butcher/Peters of Shallowater 7-5, 6-2. Melissa Dunlap/Molly Long defeated Lambert/Bates of Henrietta 6-3, 6-1. Ross Bennett/David Rodriguez defeated Borgdan/Hanson of Henrietta 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2.

Quarter-Finals: Courtney Campbell lost to Raindl of Tahoka 0-6, 1-6. Griffin/Reddy lost to Reddish/Wanoreck of Eldorado 2-6, 0-6. Dunlap/Long lost to Sauer/Brown 1-6, 1-6. Bennett/Rodriguez defeated Bird/Talamentes of Ozona 7-6 (9-7), 6-4.

Semi-Finals: Bennett/Rodriguez lost to Beedy/Cherry of Spearman 2-6, 2-6.

Third Place: Bennett/Rodriguez lost to Gonzales/Greer of Eldorado 0-6, 6-3, 6-7 (7-5).

Coach Nixon's Comments:

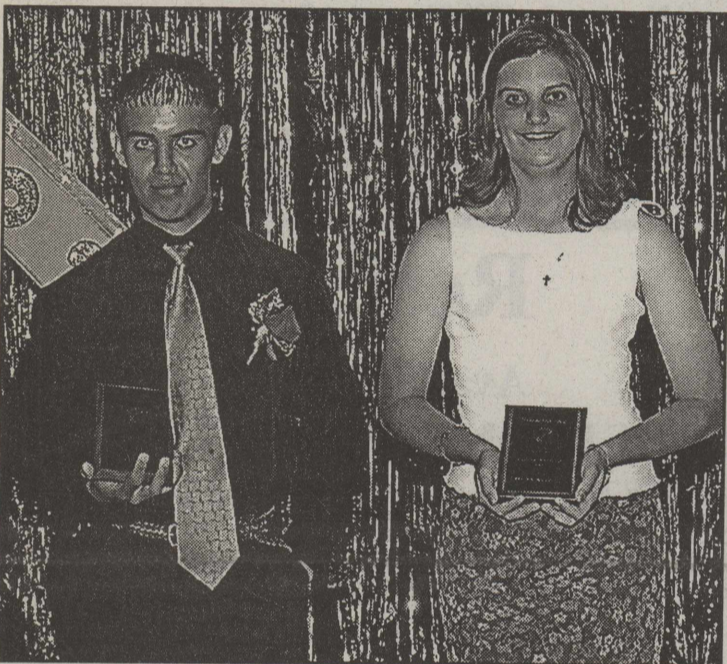
What a way to finish up a great year! This is the first time since I have taken over the program that all of the Regional Qualifiers have won their first round matches! That is awesome!

Everyone was focused and ready to play. The only losses were to the top 3 teams in every division. David and Laura,

thanks for 4 wonderful years and I wish you the best in college. Ross, Courtney, Melissa, Rachel, and Molly, I look forward to the future with you guys.

I would love to take a little time here to brag on Floyd County Tennis!!! Todd Cotham and Mark Ford played a super match against the team from Post. (Especially having played a baseball game in Friona the night before.) Shasha Wood probably played the longest first round match in the history of Regionals beating Hernandez of Tornillo 7-5, 1-6, 7-6 (9-7). I don't know about Shasha but Coach Joe and myself needed a rest after her match. Shasha lost in the next round to the eventual regional champion from Spearman. Last but certainly not least Nathan Burson won 3rd place. Nathan was extremely focused during the entire tournament winning his first two rounds easy. Nathan lost to Aguliar of Reagan County 3-6, 4-6 in the Semi-Finals, but played awesome in the 3rd place match against Raitza of Post 6-7, 6-0, 6-1 to take home the bronze medal.

The citizens of both communities should be very proud of these young men and ladies. They are great leaders in their schools and I am honored to say that I live in Floyd County.



FHS GOLF AWARDS--The Fighting Whirlwind Awards for boys and girls golf were presented to: (l-r) David Vasquez and Becky Warren. Photo by Rhonda Stovall

Miller of Floydada to graduate



RACHEL MILLER

The senior class of the South Plains Christian Home Educators Association (SPCHEA) graduation ceremony will be held Saturday, May 17th, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Lub-

bock.

Rachel Renee Miller, daughter of Hugh and Karen Miller, is a candidate for graduation, along with 28 other home school students.

Rachel has been chosen for Who's Who Among American High School Students for 3 years in a row. She is also very active in 4-H, with activities including rifle team for 9 years, two of those in state competition, state 4-H food show, and state 4-H share-in-the-fun.

She is currently the Floydada 4-H club president, and has played clarinet for 6 years. Rachel has been employed by TexasInaBox.Com for 7 months, and after graduation she plans to have a full time job.

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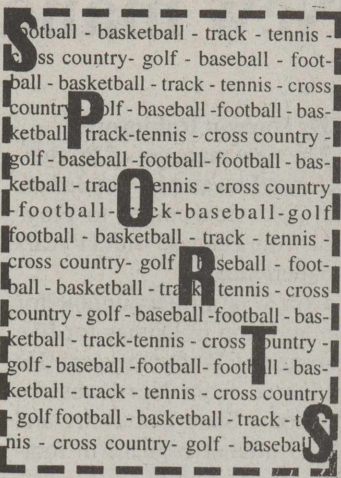
For more information or to sign up for classes, call or come by the
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Dr. William Dean

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Floydada ISD will be dismissing classes early on Tuesday, May 6, 2003. Classes will dismiss at 2:00 p.m. and buses will run at that time.

FISD will hold required staff training beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the Floydada High School Auditorium.

VOTE! VOTE!



FHS ACADEMIC BOY/GIRL AWARDS--Receiving the Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Award in memory of Joyce Stewart were: (l-r) Laura Reddy and Bryce Bowley. Photo by Rhonda Stovall



FHS WHIRLWIND SPIRIT AWARDS--The Whirlwind Spirit Awards for cheerleading was presented to: (l-r) Ragan Beedy and Kristen Lackey. Staff Photo

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UPCOMING AUCTION CALENDAR



May 2
American Heart Association Heartball
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May 24
Pioneer Association Old Settler's Reunion
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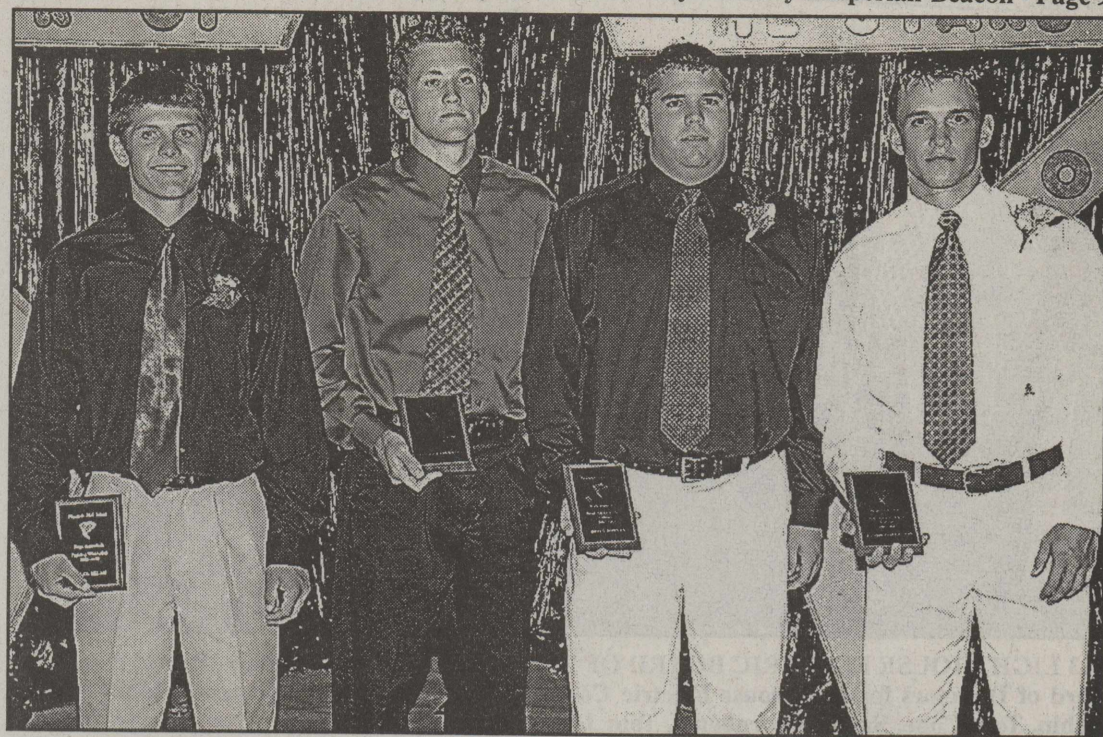
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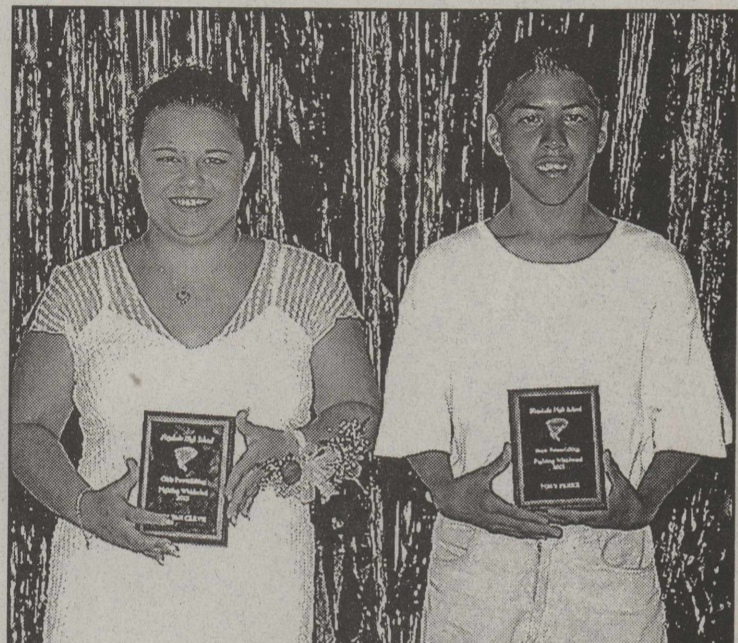
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FHS BOYS BASKETBALL AWARDS--Members of the 2002-2003 Whirlwind Basketball Team receiving awards were: (l-r) Tyler Helms - Fighting Whirlwind Award, Outstanding Offensive Player; Brady Rainwater - Fighting Whirlwind Award; Bryce Bowley -Outstanding Offensive Player; Dustin Covington - Outstanding Defensive Player; (not pictured, Gerald Henderson - Outstanding Defensive Player. Photo by Rhonda Stovall

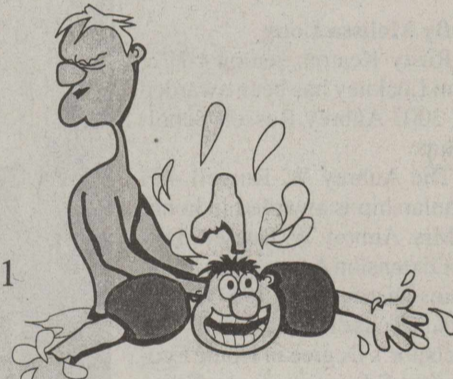


FHS POWERLIFTING AWARDS--The Fighting Whirlwind Awards for boys and girls in powerlifting went to: (l-r) Kim VanCleve and Tony Perez. Photo by Rhonda Stovall

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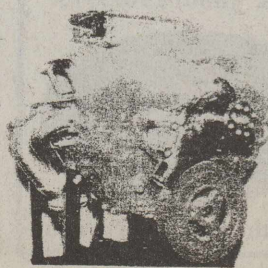
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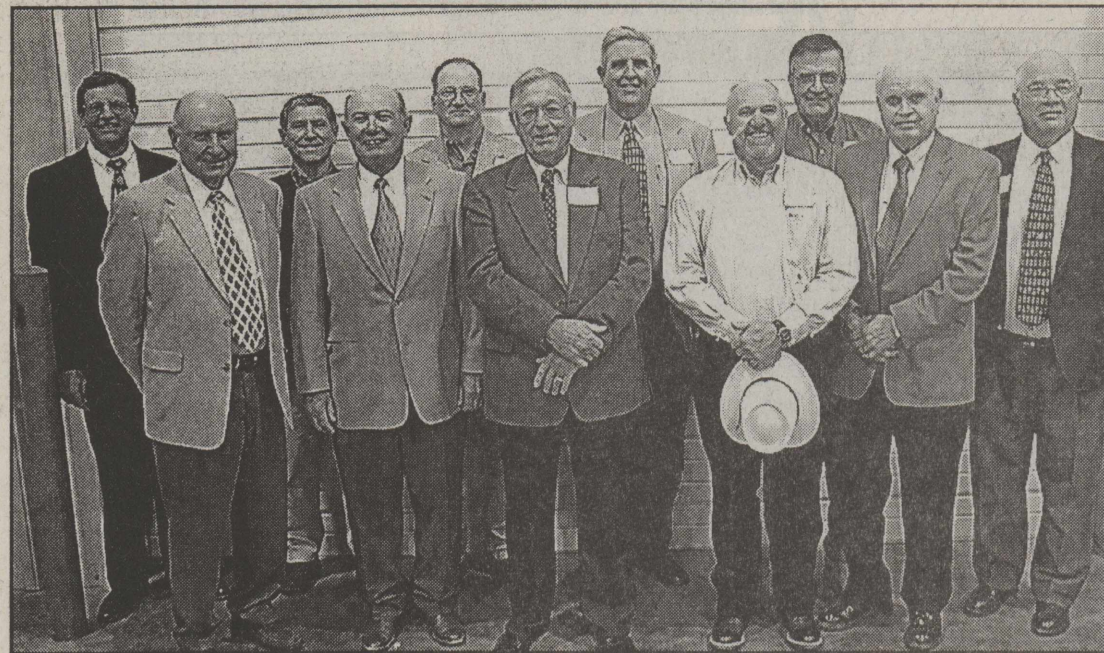
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Staff photo



LIGHTHOUSE ELECTRIC RECOGNIZES SERVICE MILESTONE--During the 64th annual meeting of the Lighthouse Electric Cooperative eight employees were recognized for years of service. Pictured are (l-r, back row) Larry Ogden - 25 yrs., Brent Sanders - 25 yrs., Nell Abram - 30 yrs., Danny Nixon - 25 yrs. (l-r front row) Rodney Hill - 35 yrs., Tony Whitfill - 35 yrs. Not pictured are Graham Bowen - 25 yrs. and James Edwards - 30 yrs.
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Keaton awarded Aubrey Russell 2003 Scholarship

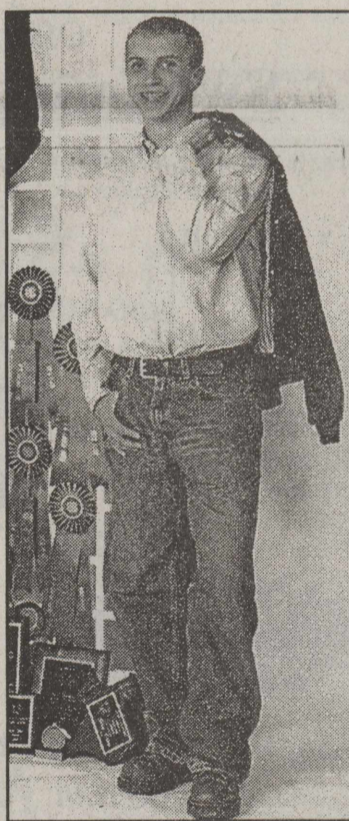
By Melissa Long
Rusty Keaton, senior 4-H'er from Lockney has been awarded the 2003 Aubrey Russell Scholarship.

The Aubrey W. Russell 4-H Scholarship is awarded in honor of Mrs. Aubrey W. Russell, District Extension Agent in the South Plains District from 1951-1971. Mrs. Russell received her Bachelor's Degree in Home Economics Education from Texas Women's University and her Master's Degree in Adult Education from the University of Chicago. She began work for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service as the home demonstration agent in Cottle County in 1947 and, two years later, transferred to Hunt County. In 1951, Mrs. Russell was appointed District Agent for the South Plains District. She supervised the work of County Extension Agents (home economics) in this 20 county district until her retirement in 1971.

Money for the scholarship fund is donated by members of the Texas Extension Education Association in the South Plains District including the Harmony EE Club in Floyd County.

The Aubrey W. Russell Scholarship is a \$600 scholarship to assist a worthy District 2 4-H member attend a college or university in the South Plains District (2) to major in Family and Consumer Sciences or a related field including education, food technology or pre-nursing.

Rusty is a six year 4-H'er where he has participated in food and nutrition, computer, recreation, clothing, citizenship, electric and many more projects. He plans on attending Texas Tech University in the fall with a major in Restaurant and Hotel Management. He is the son of Charles and Donna Keaton.



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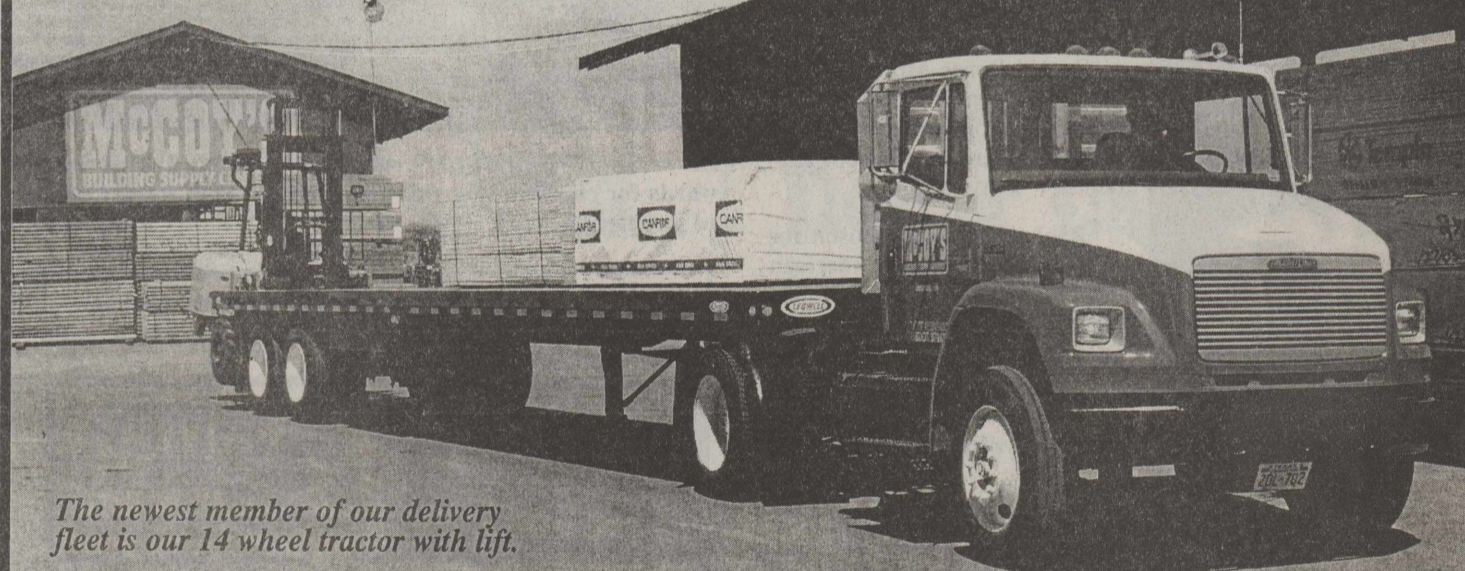
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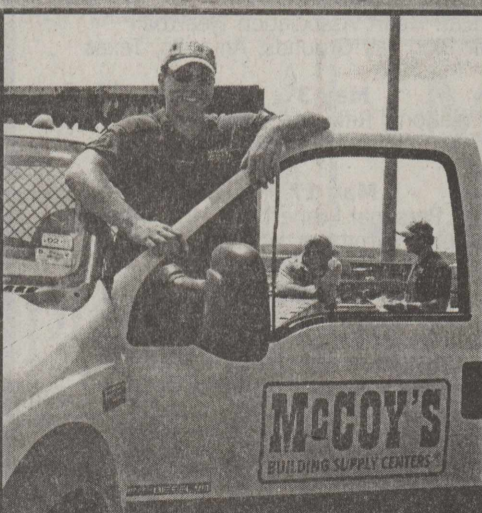
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New manager at Producers Coop

Kendis Julian retires

By Darwin Robinson

The new manager of Producers Coop Elevator in Floydada is Ted Cox. Cox comes to Floydada, from Dumas, with 11 years of experience.

Cox was an accountant for Sunray Coop in Dumas for five years and a CPA for six years. He graduated from Northwestern Oklahoma State University and played offensive guard in football.

"My family and I are excited to be new residents of Floyd County. I am looking forward to the opportunity ahead of us. Producer's Coop has an excellent group of employees and a great

Board of Directors. With these two assets, I am confident we will overcome any challenge," said Cox.

Cox's wife, Michelle, is a high school teacher in Dumas. She will be teaching at FHS this coming school year. The Coxes have two children, Lauren, 10, and James, 5.

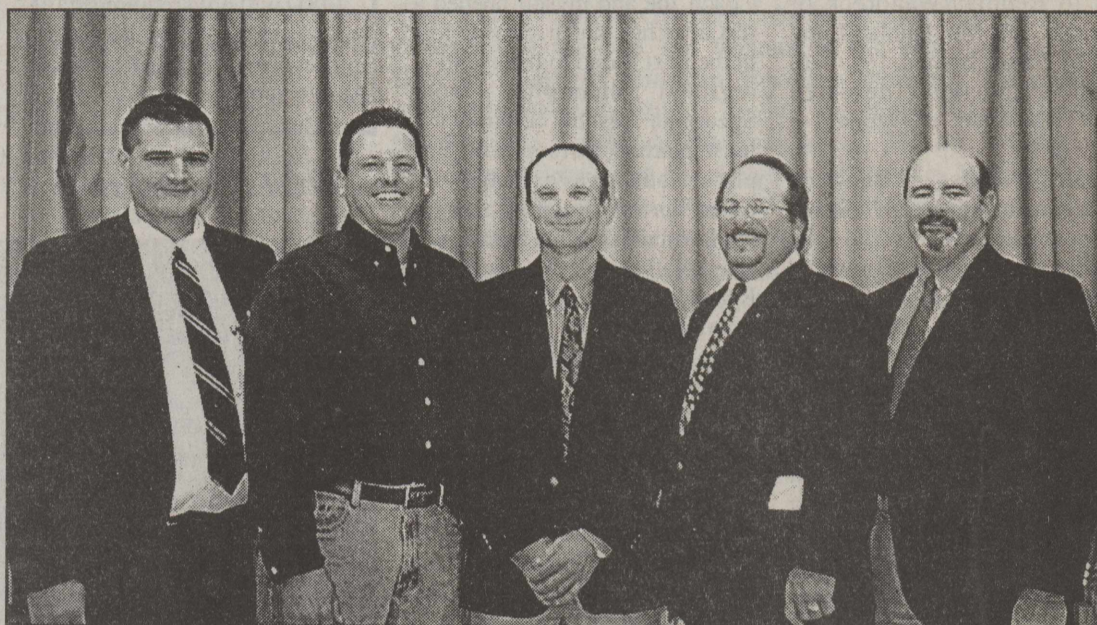
Kendis Julian, retiring manager, has worked at Producers a total of 16 years, with seven years as manager. His wife Janis, a librarian at R.C. Andrews Elementary, will retire at the end of this school year. They have three children.

Their son, Major Jon T. Julian,

is stationed in Germany in the U.S. Air Force and participated in the war in Iraq. The Julian's two daughters are Kristi in Marietta, Pennsylvania and Misty in Denver, Colorado.

Julian told the Hesperian-Beacon, "As I reflect on the 16 years I spent at Producer's Cooperative Elevators, I am grateful for all the pleasant experiences and great friends the opportunity afforded me.

"Thanks for the memories and for the privilege. Janis and I are looking forward to spending time with grandchildren, traveling, flying and skiing," said Julian.



PRODUCERS COOP BOARD MEMBERS 2003--Producers Coop Elevator held their annual banquet April 15, 2003 and their Board Members for 2003-04 are: (l-r) Ted Cox, New Manager; Board Members - Ian McIntosh, Gerry Norrell, Kerry Pratt, Jerry McGuire, (Jim Covington, not pictured).
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Lockney GARAGE SALE--Friday, May 2 thru Sunday, May 4th - 8:00 a.m. - ?? 1998 Explorer, TV's, china cabinet, recliner, more furniture, kitchen/bath fixtures, stove, craft supplies, more. 302 S.E. 2nd, Lockney. 5-1p

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A bank in the County of Floyd that wants to be a county depository must deliver its application to the County Judge of Floyd County on or before 10:00 a.m. on the 21st day of May, 2003, in compliance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code § 116.023. The application must state the amount of the bank's paid-up capital stock and permanent surplus, and the application must be accompanied by:

1. A statement showing the financial condition of the bank on the date of the application; and
2. A certified check for at least one-half percent of the county's revenue for the preceding year. (Floyd County Revenue: \$2,390,898.92)

DATED this 23rd day of April, 2003.

WILLIAM D. HARDIN
Floyd County Judge

5-1, 5-8, 5-15c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Administration of the estate of ROBERT ODELL BREED, DECEASED, has been commenced by the issuance of letters testamentary to the undersigned on January 21, 2003, by the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, acting in Cause No. 5631, styled IN RE ESTATE OF ROBERT ODELL BREED, DECEASED, in which court the matter is pending.

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

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2003.

GENELLE BREED, INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT ODELL BREED
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2. Bids will be awarded to the highest bidder.
3. Bids will be opened on Monday, May 5, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. Bids will be reviewed and acted upon at the May 6, 2003 City Council Meeting.
4. The City Council of the City of Floydada reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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Obituaries

IGNACIA CASTORENA
Services for Ignacia Castorena, 103, of Lockney were held at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 30, 2003 at Primera Iglesia Bautista Church in Lockney. Pastors Pedro Reyes and Pedro Villarreal officiated. Burial was in Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Mrs. Castorena died Sunday, April 27, 2003 in Lockney.

She was born July 22, 1899 to the late Espirion Castorena and Prisciliana Ibarra Castorena. She moved to Lockney from Flores, Mexico in 1984. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lockney Primera Iglesia Bautista Church in Lockney.

Survivors include: a son, Manuel Castorena of Tepezala, Ags. Mexico; three daughters, Amparo Castorena Gonzales of Juarez, Mexico, Carmen Castorena of Juarez, Mexico, and Francisca Reyes of Lockney; 35 grandchildren, 93 great-grandchildren and 38 great-great-grandchildren.

W.A. NEFF

Services for W.A. "Bud" Neff, 75, of Apache Junction, Arizona will be at 1:00 p.m. Friday, May 2, 2003 at Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel in Floydada with Reverend Bob Miller of Amarillo and Elder Ronnie Hedges of Brownfield officiating. Burial will be in Floyd County Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mr. Neff passed away at Valley Lutheran Hospital in Mesa, Arizona on April 27, 2003.

He was born on August 3, 1927 in Floyd County to the late William P. and Annie L. Neff. He married Betty Battey on September 22, 1977 in Hereford. He was a teamster driver and retired in 1984. He lived in Amarillo before moving to Apache Junction, Arizona on September 1, 1999.

He was a member of the Southern Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Neff of Apache Junction, Arizona; one son, Bill Neff of Odessa; two daughters, Vivian Mobley of Amarillo and Diane Neff of Modera, California; two step-sons, Linn Battey of Tuscora, Nevada and Bruce Battey of Korea; one brother, Edd Neff of Floydada; two sisters, Barbara Hauteen Woody of Lubbock and Pauline Eatherly of Prescott Valley, Arizona; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Casket bearers will be Jerry Galloway, Sammy Woody, Aubrey Neff, Eddie Guffee, Phillip Taylor, Glenn Lobstein and Andy Coats.

JOSE R. RODRIGUEZ

Funeral Mass for Jose R. Rodriguez, 81, of Floydada was 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24, 2003 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. Father Phillip deFreitas, officiated. Services were at 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 25, 2003 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. Deacon Ricky Vasquez officiated. Burial was in Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Survivors include one son, Johnny Rodriguez of Lubbock; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



To the family and friends of Virginia Martin; I want to thank everyone for prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, memorials, cash gifts, food, transportation, hugs and words of comfort during Virginia's lengthy illness and at the end of her journey in this world. A very special heart felt thank you to Bro. Robinson for a beautiful graveside service; all the church ladies for providing the delicious family dinner; to Dr. Ahmad and staff, UMC doctors and staff; to Quetha and all the EMS and Medivac workers; to the Floydada police and Sheriffs Officers; and to Marty, Maryann, and Edell for such compassionate and helpful service.

I hope I haven't forgotten anyone. Again thank all of you for everything and may God abundantly recompense for your kindness.

*Love and Prayers in Christ,
Bonnie Palacios & Family*

The Teddy Bear Exhibit has been a success for the Floyd County Library, thanks to all the generous donors! You make take your bears home now to wait for another year. Thank you again!

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Protest

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or special appraised value placed on your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Informal Review Contact: Floyd County Appraisal District
104 E. Ca. P.O. Box 249
806-983-5256

Review by the Appraisal Review Board
If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold

their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at:
104 E. Ca. P.O. Box 249 Floydada, TX.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

Tax Payment
If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information: 806-983-5256
You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at 104 E. California, P.O. Box 249 Floydada, Tx. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

Deadline for Filing Protest with the ARB

Usual Deadline
On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

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.
Wed. 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.
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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
Rev. Ione Seding, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.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.
Evening Service 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 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.m.
Sunday School 9:45 p.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
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
Floydada 983-3548
Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

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

Goen & Goen Insurance
102 E. California
983-3524

Barwise Gin
Barwise Community
983-2737

Lockney Co-op Gin
652-2377

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

Lockney Ins. Agency
105 N. Main
652-3347

Clark Pharmacy
320 N. Main - Lockney
652-3353

Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home
329 W. Calif. Floydada 983-2525
402 S. Main Lockney 652-2211

Davis Lumber
102 E. Shubert
Lockney
6523385

Mycogen Seeds
652-3339
Aiken

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

Garcia's OK Tire Store
306 S. Main - Floydada - 983-3370
511 1st Olton, TX 2657796

Oden Chevrolet-Olds
221 S. Main, Floydada
983-3787

Schacht
Flowers, Jewelry & Gifts
112 W. Poplar, Lockney
652-2385

Lighthouse Electric Coop
102 E. California
983-3524

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Lockney
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