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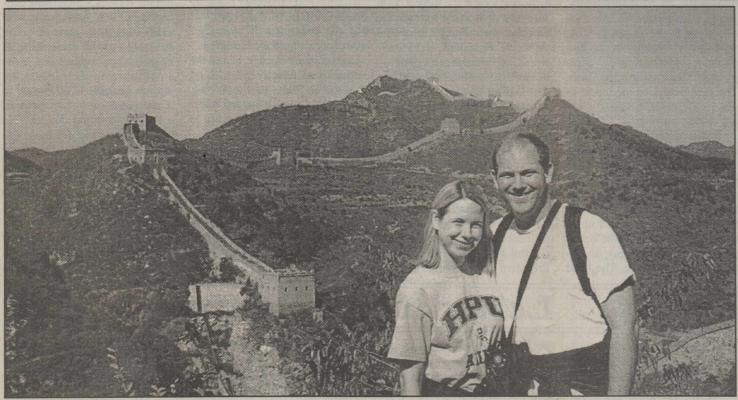
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CARRIE AND DEWAYNE JONES stand before the Great Wall in China. The couple plans to return to China as missionaries.

# Jones' heading for China

By Alice Gilroy

Newlyweds Dewayne and Carrie Jones have taken their love of the Taiwanese people to heart and want to give something back. That something is to "share Jesus Christ" through missionary work in China.

The "illegal" activity of mission work will be carried out through their teaching of the English language in the Beijing University of Chemical Technol-

"You can't do mission work in China," said Dewayne. "You just have to share Jesus with your personal contacts."

To carry out their mission work, Dewayne and Carrie, will be heading to Beijing with training from the Church of Nazarene. The couple will be raising money for the trip through a car wash in Lockney and a fund raising raffle.

Dewayne Jones, of Lockney, met Carrie Carpenter, when they were both students at Howard Payne University.

Dewayne is the son of Bobby and Naomi Jones in Lockney and a 1997 graduate of Lockney High School. He majored in Math at daughter of Bob and Nelda Carpenter and graduated from Georgetown High School in 1997. She majored in Social

"Both of us had Taiwanese roommates in college," said Carrie. "We tutored them and became very good friends. We wanted to experience their culture. We wanted to go as missionaries when we graduated but we weren't plugged in to a missionary group yet--so we just moved to Beijing in August of 2002 and taught English as a Second Language to business people."

turned to Lockney in May 2003 with a renewed commitment to missionary work and a stronger love for the Taiwanese people.

Dewayne and Carrie did not believe the SARS threat was as bad as was portrayed by the press in the U.S. or in China.

"We think it was an overreaction," said Carrie. "But there are 13 million people in Beijing and you can't hardly move without bumping into someone. If you sneeze you're probably going get

Although the Jones had already decided they would be returning to Beijing, they also decided this time they would go with "missionary training"

Last week the couple traveled to Kansas City for the training.

"We will be doing what is called 'relational missionary' work," said Dewayne.

"We will learn how to disguise our witnessing as American technology. We will learn the background of things such as the Red Cross and the Salvation Army. When we teach that we work in the foundations that were built on The SARS scare closed the Christianity. A lot of the history school down and the couple re- also includes the teaching of Christianity.

> "When we develop relationships we will witness on the "outside" of school."

It is this witnessing that the Jones know could get them in

"People are taught as children that there is no God," said Dewayne.

"There is a "registered" church in Beijing. It is government sanctioned. Eight thousand to 10,000 people attend every Sunday. There are 5 services a

day. Those numbers include the Protestant Church, the Catholic Church, and the "International"

"There is no Sunday School--no small groups--no discipleship. All they get is what is being said from the pulpit.

"Underground Churches (small groups of believers) are against the law. The government fears these small groups because they have no control over them.

"During the SARS scare we had church in our home. That was illegal and we could have gotten into trouble."

Dewayne believes the govnment may be relaxing a bit in their zeal to discourage mission work. "The government is being watched closer now. The Olympics is coming to China--they have joined the WTO--and SARS has hurt their economy. They want to improve their im-

The Jones have found all kinds of ways to share the love of Jesus Christ with their Chinese friends. Teaching English has been a great way to interact and,

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# Clerk robbed at knifepoint

clerk, in Lockney, and robbed the all the money. He tied her up with store of an undisclosed amount, July 14, between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 2:45 a.m.

According to police, the suspect was a black male and wore called the police. a bandana over his mouth.

The clerk on duty told police she was cleaning the store when ney Police Department.

the suspect came in brandishing A man held a knife to a Allsup's a 4" blade knife, and demanding shoestring and locked her in the bathroom.

After about fifteen minutes, she was able to free herself, and

The robbery is under investigation at this time, by the Lock-

# Lockney Council votes to lower tax rate

By Judy Macha

Lockney City Council voted unanimously, at their July 10 meeting, to lower the city tax rate. The council made their decision because of higher property valu-

Regarding a long time effort, Mayor Stapp said that Lockney's monthly Mackenzie Water bill has been lowerd from \$15,156 to \$11,367. "We appreciate the efforts of the Mackenzie Municipal Water Board in lowering our monthly payment by 25%," the mayor said.

Ron Hall reported the city has had good success with the new mosquito spray they are using. "It kills the bugs in 12 minutes versus several hours," he mentioned, "And it is safe." He also informed the council 160-day pelvironmentally friendly pellets are totally safe for all animals and humans," Hall said.

Dickie McCarty reported city water well #4 had quit pumping, and several procedures were underway, or being considered, to attempt to resolve the problem.

Among routine items to be considered, were requests for 3 carport variances. Donnie Prather appeared before the council to present his request, and to answer any questions they might have. His request was granted. Mildred Reagan and Gordan Adams also had requested a variance. The council adjourned long enough to do onsite inspections, before returning to grant Mrs. Reagan's request. Mr. Adam's request was granted, with restrictions.

There will be another community meeting in August, (date to be announced), regarding the lets are being added to standing · STEP grant. According to Mayor water in an effort to better con- Stapp volunteers are still needed trol the mosquitoes. "These en- to sign up to help with the labor on the new waste water system. You may go by City Hall to sign

## Floyd County Pageant

The Floyd County Pageant will be held September 13, at Lockney Elementary School instead of at the Floyd County Fair. Contact Shelly Smith at 983-2548 for more information.

# Howard Payne. Carrie is the germs on somebody.' **Commissioners Court votes** to propose tax increase

Tax Rate 1.10 percent over last Hardin's report.

per \$100 of property value.

This tax rate will bring in Hardin. \$95,782.18 more than 2002, acten years," said Hardin.

The Floyd County Commis- \$358,268.92 in the General Fund value of taxable property) with sioners' Court met Monday, July and \$38,349.49 in the Road and adjustments as required by state 14, and voted unanimously to pro- Bridge Fund, giving a total of law, according Hardin's report. pose to raise the 2003 Property \$396,618.41, according to

The 2002 total tax rate was end 2003 with \$213,846.71 in the fice. .37391 percent per \$100 of prop- General Fund and \$3,488.95 in the

cording to Floyd County Judge est tax rate the taxing unit can set cently damaged by storms. Presi-William D. Hardin. "This is the before taxpayers can start tax roll-dent of the company, Michael first Floyd county tax increase in back procedures. These rates are Fortenberry, told the commissionfound by dividing the total amount Continued On Page 3

The county ended 2002 with of taxes by the tax base (the total

The court approved the Certified Tax Roll as delivered by the "It is estimated the county will Floyd County Tax Appraisal's of-

In other matters, the court aperty value, while the 2003 pro- Road and Bridge Fund, leaving a proved the lowest bid, out of three, posed tax rate voted on by the total of \$217,335.66. This means of \$67,600.00 by Fortenberry commissioners will be \$.41300 we (will have) used \$179,282.75 Roofing Company of Littlefield to of our 2002 carry over," reported roof the court house, the jail house and the Ag Building. The county This year's tax rate is the high-structures were insured and re-

# ) votes no increase in taxes

Lockney ISD Trustees agreed unanimously, July 10, to propose no increase in the current school tax rate of \$1.45.

With the current tax rate and increased Tier 2 funding from the State of Texas, the revenue generated has been estimated at \$5,422,866. Total expenditures

was estimated at \$5,255,026. The expenditures includes \$3,554,846 in salaries, \$634,165 in benefits, and insurance of

According to Superintendent Raymond Lusk the insurance has

increased \$6,441 from last year.

"We're lucky we found someone to insure us," said Lusk. "Insurance companies are not wanting to insure school districts any-

Revenue generated from local taxes and state funding is estimated at \$5,157,350; and federal revenue is \$265,426, for a total of \$5,422,866.

The trustees also approved of a recommendation for Junior High Principal Terry Ellison and High School Principal Raymond Poole, to relax the dress code in certain areas

"We would like to relax the policy of having to tuck in your shirts," said Ellison. "We want to make the rule that the shirts can't be longer than to the curve of your hand when your arms are hanging by your side.

"The ruling will still prohibit baggy shirts and baggy and sagging pants."

The board approved the hiring of Claire Sammann as a Junior High Science teacher.

The financial report showed the district with a balance of \$2,525,842.82.



BUSY WITH AUTOGRAPHS--This boy asked Abner Euresti, anchorman of NewsChannel 11, if he would autograph his tennis shoe at the Community Coverage Tour held on the courthouse lawn in Floydada, Monday, July 14. Co-anchor, Karin McCay is standing behind Euresti.

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Wow! NewsChannel 11 really out did themselves with their live broadcast in Floydada

There is no way this community could ever pay for the coverage KCBD gave Floydada. It was thorough, professional, educational, and very entertaining. It was also not a "cheap" venture for KCBD. It cost a lot of money for them to put on show like that.

I was really surprised by how much work the crew had to have done before they ever got here.

If I was looking for a place to move to and had seen the KCBD broadcasts I know I would have been impressed enough to move

We all know what these small West Texas towns have to offer-but, of course, it is hard to get the message out. KCBD got that message out loud and clear. I ap-

preciate them. It was a fun afternoon and the NewsChannel 11 team: Karin, Abner, John, and Emily, acted like family. They fit right in to the community and actually seemed to enjoy being in our

company. I enjoyed being in their company--and the company of all the technicians.

I also appreciate the Floydada people who worked so hard to put the city's best foot forward.

The Chamber Manager, Irene Hernandez, was out there in the hot sun all afternoon helping set up tents--put up chairs--and just be there to help get the area prepared. She, and her helpers, worked very hard.

"The Musical Grays" also put a great show, between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Bill and Dell Gray were joined by a host of talented young people. It was the entertainment and the mingling of the news team that kept people on the square between the 6:00 broadcast and the 10:00 broadcast.

Everyone's hard work paid off. I was told by several of the KCBD folks that Floydada had a great turn-out and they were very appreciative of all the people who showed up to make their newscast a success.

Thank-you!

## Courtroom Activities

July 8, 2003:

A February 5, 1997 charged of Possession of Marijuana under 2 oz. against Jamie Davis was dismissed.

An August 3, 2000 charge of DWI and DWLS against Coy Dewayne Holmes was dismissed.

Jaime Rivera pled guilty to a May 25, 2001 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 180 days which was probated for 2 years.

A DWLS charge against Isaias Vasquez was dismissed.

July 9, 2003, Eddie Garza, was charged with Evading Detention.

July 10, 2003:

Dianna Enriquez pled guilty to "No Driver's License"-pled bargained down from the August 15, 2000 charge of DWLS.

of DWI. He was sentenced to 9 months in jail which was probated for 2 years.

A June 20, 1998 charge of DWI-2nd against Toribio Banda Sanchez was dismissed.

Michael Vega, 22, of Lockney, pled guilty to a November 15, 2001 Fleeing Charge. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 6 months in jail which was probated for 2 years. A November 15, 2001 DWI charge was dismissed.

July 11, 2003:

Ralph Coleman Jr., pled guilty to a July 20, 2001 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 90 days

Mary Elana Garza, 37, of Floydada, was charged with DWI. She pled guilty and was fined \$600 and court costs, and Toribio Banda Sanchez, pled sentenced to 180 days in jail guilty to a March 19, 2001 charge which was probated for 2 years.

A view from

# The Lamplighter

We would like to visit the current flap over this country's intelligence operation one more time before the subject is turned over entirely to the world of poli-

First, as we understand the situation: British intelligence found out, or say they found out, that former Iraq dictator Saddam Hussein tried to buy some uranium from an African country, Niger. They passed the information along to the American CIA, who passed it along to the National Intelligence Agency, which passed it along to President Bush. The President used the report as one of the justifications for going to war with Iraq.

British intelligence will not say where they got the information, and our own CIA now says it cannot confirm the intelligence, nor has it ever been able to confirm the British reports. Nevertheless, the reports ended up in the President's State of the Union address to the Congress, and to the American people. The head

of the CIA, George Tenet, says the fault is his, that he did not properly remove the reference from the President's speech, as he should have done, and that Bush used the reference in all honesty, since it came from his own intelligence operation.

Well, maybe so, and maybe no. One way to find out exactly what did go on would be to have an honest look at the subject, with someone authorized to track the reports to their source. One would think the President, if he truly wants an intelligence operation he can trust, would be first in line demanding answers. If he has complete confidence in his (our) intelligence community, he (we) should fear no revelation. If a third party insinuated itself in the operation, if a third party passed along erroneous intelligence to Britain, knowing full well that the reports would find their way into American intelligence circles and influence American political decisions, one would think the President would want to know. It

is simply not enough for the head of CIA to say, in effect, "I blew it, now let's all forget it and move along."

This all started some months ago, during the buildup to the war against Saddam. One of the things that makes some people suspect less than complete honesty on the part of our government is the fact that the Administration had obviously made up its mind to go to war regardless of the presence of so-called 'weapons of mass destruction." Many things helped influence the decision of exactly when to go to war and how to attack Iraq. Many things, also, helped influence the decision of whether to go to war at all.

Saddam is, or was, indeed a bloody dictator. History may, or may not, prove that the war was justified on any number of grounds...if, that is...we adopt the idea that a "preventive war" is a justifiable war. In that case, we will have to reassess the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor,

for in their eyes the attack was completely justified since the destruction of the American fleet guaranteed Japan complete dominion in Asia, for awhile.

By: Ken Towery email: chowdipper@austin.rr.com

> Preventive wars, at least on a major scale, have never been part of the American psyche, or the American culture. But the attack on New York's twin towers changed many things in America, not the least of which is the conception of war. And it cannot be said that the war on Iraq amounted to the same thing as Pearl Harbor. Saddam was given ample warning of the impending strikes, and was even invited to leave the country as a way of avoiding personal disaster. He chose to stay and ask his countrymen to make the necessary sacrifices.

> Still, we lost good American lives in the war, none of which were from that camp that cried out for war. Not many, by standards most of us are familiar with, but even one life, if it is lost because of fraud, is one too many.

# Letter to the Editor

Thank you very much for printing the letter (7-10-03) from Ken Baker concerning the PBS special "Larry vs. Lockney." That was one of the funniest letters to the editor I have ever seen in my life! A classic! Boy, was he in a bad mood. Obviously, the limp-wristed Mr. Baker had just spilled hot latte in his crotch while writing the letter.

kind, progressive, compassion- green veggies, tofu, yogurt or

ate, responsible, inclusive, diverse, sensitive parents who love our children and want them to become well adjusted members of today's society.

Just one small thing before dinner at my home. We would need him to hose-off in the front yard, remove his nailpolish, earrings and toe-rings, cut his ponytail, and be advised that he may be required to submit to an un-Seriously, I would bet that Mr. announced urinalysis at any time Baker, if he would just come to during his visit. He would also Floyd county and have dinner need to be silent and respectful with some of the locals and their during dinner as we listen to families, would find us to be Michael Savage on the radio. No

latte for Mr. Baker. Just a good fajitas, rolled in genetically modified corn tortillas, a glass of iced tea and black coffee.

By the way, I'm thinking of cut of West Texas Angus beef running for the school board. Do you think Mr. Baker will approve?

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Randall Griffin

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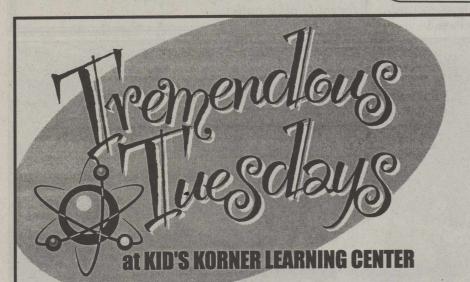
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Federal funds sold		
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		
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Loans and leases, net of unearned income and allowance	27,562	
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Surplus	500
Retained earnings	10 510
Accumulated other comprehensive income	
Other equity capital components	0
Total equity capital	10 10 1
Total Liabilities, minority interests, and equity capital	71,573



# Jones' waiting to return to China

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just like in America, food has also been a good way to social-

"One day every week we tried to invite people over to taste American food," said Dewayne. "We had trouble with chop sticks--but they had trouble with knives and forks. They think our food is not spicy enough--but they did like the Mexican food we served. They didn't like tacos because they couldn't use their chopsticks.

"The Chinese thought American food was McDonalds. When you asked people if they liked American food they would say, 'Yes, I like McDonalds, or 'No, I don't like McDonalds.

"There is a McDonalds and Kentucky Fried Chicken on every corner. There is probably about 90 KFC's in Beijing.

"Chinese food is very different there than what you get here. There is practically no fried rice. You eat duck's foot, donkeys and jelly fish. The ducks foot and donkey were good--but the jelly fish was bad.'

The Jones' are missing their friends and although they wish they could bring them back to the U.S. for a visit they know the odds of them getting visas to leave the country are slim.

"It is very hard to get a visa to go study in the U.S.," said Dewayne. "It is easier to get one to go to England or Australia-but they know when people come to the U.S. they don't want to go back home.

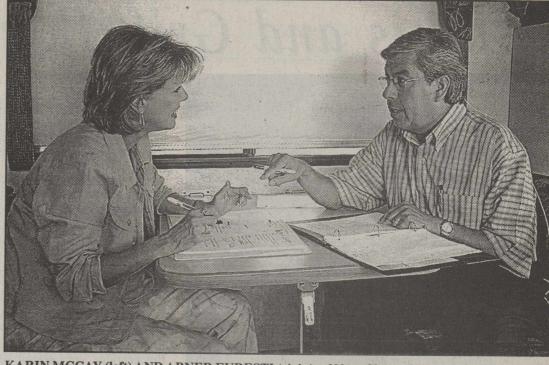
The Jones' need to raise \$5,000 to return as part of the Church of Nazarene missionaries. They money will cover the costs of insurance, training, and

'We will make no salary as missionaries--only what we will be paid for teaching English," said Dewayne.

A car wash to benefit the couple will be held at the City Bank of Lockney, July 19, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A \$1.00 raffle is also in progress to win prizes donated by local businesses in Lockney and Plainview. The prizes include gift certificates to restaurants, hair salons, video rental, a free DVD player, a month's membership to YMCA, and much more.

For information on the raffle or if you would like to help the couple get back to China, call the Jones' at 652-1033



KARIN MCCAY (left) AND ABNER EURESTI (right), of NewsChannel 11 go over their notes on Floydada before the live Community Tour broadcast began, July 14 on the Courthouse Square.

# Commissioners Court approve roof repair of county buildings

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ers, "The air conditioners and duct work on top of the jail will probably need to be replaced, or repaired, which are not included in

A brief report was given to the commissioners by Chris Faught from TAC in Austin. Faught represents the Texas Association of Counties. He told the court, "Our the capitol, will be finished by the Wally Davis and Ted Cox were end of August. All of you are inin good shape. We have enough money to pay claims and cover workers compensation. We also if needed.'

> Floydada Housing Authority Director Abel Cortinas met with

from the 58 public houses in Floydada belonging to the Housing Martinez delivered the monthly Authority. The commissioners and quarterly financial reports to unanimously voted to waive the the court. The June financial retax payment to the county.

portation to medical facilities.

Four farm contracts were ap-3 miles west of Muncy; Precinct in each account. 3, bury a building to reclaim Ag production by Shannon Shurbet, located 4 miles north of Floydada; Precinct 4, level ground for soil conservation by Greg Bishop; located one-half mile east and south of Lakeview; and Precinct 1, fill

Floyd County Treasurer Elva port showed a Beginning Balance The commissioners approved of \$343,348.41 with \$180,624.13 a resolution with the Caprock Receipts. Transfers In and Out Rural Transit District to continue were \$162,918.43 and Disbursed Captrain bus service in Floyd Funds were \$172,598.43, leaving County for those needing trans- an Ending Balance of \$351,374.11.

The commissioners voted proved by the commissioners. unanimously to transfer \$36,000 They were: Precinct 3, bury im- from the Road and Bridge Fund provements to increase Ag pro- into the four precincts' working duction by Margaret Saul, located accounts, which came to \$9,000

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JOE L. CASTRO III, son of Michelle Cavazos, and Joe L. Castro Jr., will fight for his first kickboxing title, July 12-17, in Las Vegas. He will compete with kids all over the U.S. The family thanks those who sponsored him.

# Floydada Council discuss paving and demolition of old buildings

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada City Council met Monday, July 14, with Mayor Pro-Tem Eric Cornelius sitting in for Mayor Bob Gilliland. The council voted unanimously to repave, curb and gutter two and onehalf blocks of South Main Street from Ollie Street to the alley south of Mae Avenue.

The cost of this "street maintenance" is to be done by City employees and will cost the City around \$15,000, according to City Manager Gary Brown. Brown told the council, "We have this amount in this year's budget designated for this (purpose).

thing about this street this year, it.' then there will not be a street there anymore. We have tried patching it before and it just washes out. It has no curbing on the east side. It is deteriorating badly and has only Bell. a narrow strip of asphalt left."

In other matters, the council heard an update from Floydada Economic Development Executive Director Dora Ross concerning the beautification of the three medians when entering the city limits of Floydada. Ross said, council meet one hour early at the "After we submit the plans (for the next City council meeting and all resolution to participate with grant) and it is approved, then it will be from 12 to 15 months be- see some of these houses on the cleaning up of, hazardous materifore work can begin (on the demolitlon list. "We will try to be als on the South Plains. Brown project). To do all the median plans at one time will only add sions," said Cornelius. \$3,500 to the total, which will be \$12,000."

"I was told to submit it and get it in line for review and that there would be only a tiny chance that it would be rejected," said Ross.

The City will use employees working on the project to make up its matching share of cost involved, according to City Manager Brown. Ross suggested, "If the City wants to help on the

added on the water bills each his retirement. month designated for this project. This would be voluntary only."

The removal and demolition of old houses and buildings around the City was discussed by the council. City Building Code Enhouses on the short list for demo- are trying to get things in shape." lition soon.

W. Kentucky and on the demolition list addressed the council. "I have been working on those buildings. Those building are too good to do away with. They have conthe council, "If we don't do some- meeting last month and I missed

> "I have had someone working on those houses, in the meantime, getting them ready to paint. I plan to put them in good shape," said

> Cornelius and Nielson questioned Bell and offered to give him 30 to 60 days to fix the houses up, and then the council would

Cornelius suggested that the reapproved the curfew ordinance.

No action was taken by the cal spills." council on the matter.

The council unanimously approved to extend the Fixed Based Operator's Airport Lease Agreement with Mitch Probasco and Probasco Flying Service located at the Floydada Airport.

City employee Connie Galloway, who is retiring in August, was approved by the council to continue serving as the City's representative on the WTMPA board, project and its upkeep, maybe a until he is replaced. Brown said dollar, or any amount, could be he was willing to serve even after

FLOYDADA

The council voted unanimously to reduce by 25 percent the bid." the City's water payment to Mackenzie Water Authority starting with the July, 2003 payment. Brown said, "The Mackenzie forcer/Inspector Jesse Morales board's next budget will show a told the council, "There are six 25 to 30 percent decrease. They new building, two blocks west of

Leon Bell, property owner of approved by the council to replace vited to come by and visit with us. three houses in the 100 block of Eric Cornelius and David Carr on Our insurance for the counties is the Floydada Economic Development Board.

Concerning the 2004 City Budget, Brown said, "There will be provide you with legal assistance some changes coming and some Street and Sanitation Superin- crete slabs and are of solid con- adjustments. It will be about tendent Julian Alaniz explained to struction. I did not know of your \$400,000 better than last year's budget. Our water and electricity the court and asked for a waiver collections are looking good right of their PILOT taxes (payment in in wash for soil conservation by now. There will be no increase in lieu of taxes). This small annual Ray Nell Bearden, located 7 miles taxes in this budget, unless the payment is owed to the county south of Floydada. council wants it.

Floydada Police Chief Darrell Gooch addressed the council and asked the council to reapprove the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance. "It is a good tool for us in dealing with the kids. The curfew is 11 P.M. on reconsider the houses for demoli- week days and 12 A.M. on weekends." The council unanimously

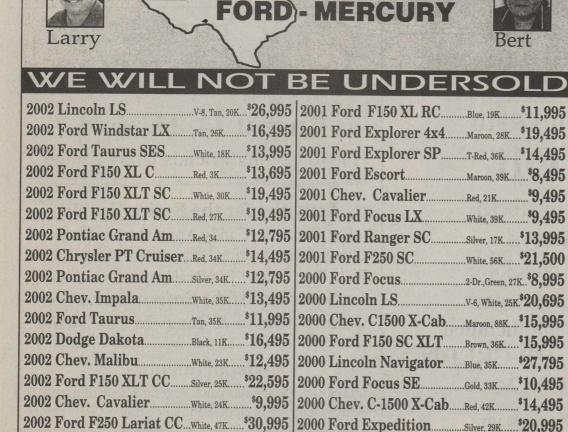
The council also approved a council members go together and SPAG in dealing with, and the fair and reasonable in our deci- explained, "They will train a personnel team to help with chemi-

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# Mathis and Griffith exchange wedding vows



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#### Medley family holds annual reunion

Court over the July 4th weekend for their annual Medley Reunion. One hundred twenty family members and several friends enmemories.

At the registration table attendees received a gift bag containing maps, a "Texas Cookof handy items, and several souvenirs and "goodies"

On Friday evening a supper of Mexican Stack, fresh fruit, and homemade snacks and desserts was served in the Barcelona Party Rooms by this year's hosts, the families of the late Virgil and Valree Turner. A large birthday cake, baked and professionally decorated in red, white, and blue by Sherry Burns Hacker was presented to honor her father Leroy Burns' 81st birthday, July 4th. The Party Room was decorated in a red, white and blue patriotic theme, with many 'touches of Texas' added.

On Saturday, the group gathered at Golden Corral Restaurant for a late lunch, then met again in the Party Room for an evening of fun and entertainment, including 'awards' for embarrassing stories, prizes for "Name That Tune" winners, an auction of handcrafted arts and crafts, and announcement of the winners of three raffled items, all donated to provide funds for next year's reunion. They were: a crocheted Afghan made by Margie Turner Young; a quilt made by Audeen Turner Irwin; and a large patchwork quilt made by Ira and Myrtle Medley's family members which was made of squares designed and signed by each mem-

Myrtle Medley, 95, of Mustang, OK and youngest was 5-monthold Hannah Turner of Levelland. Traveling farthest was Shane Derryberry of Monmouth, OR, and closest was Jackie Haefele, Lubbock.

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The descendents of Robert Medley, Orange Park, FL; Franklin and Ila Zee Medley Tammy, Elijah, and Maia Medgathered at Lubbock's Barcelona ley, St. Augustine, FL; Bud and Vi Turner, Noble, OK; Dave and Carol Martinez, Williams, AZ; Clinton and Charlene Medley, Cahone, CO; Vance and Brent joyed a wonderful weekend of Turner, Leander; Peggy fun, food, laughter, and sharing Nicholson, Katie and Ashley, Papillion, NE; Myrtle Medley, Toni Dyksterhuis, Thomas and Brenda Avery, and Melba Cliffman, Mustang, OK; Shane book", directions to local points Derryberry, Monmouth, OR; of interest, travel size containers Dale Medley, Stella, MO; Clifford and Sherry Hacker, Chris, Kristy, Elissa, Shawn, and Austin Hacker, Knox City;

> Mardell Lawhear, The Woodlands; Grant and Lisa, Landon and Halee Turner, Whiteface; Shelli Johnson, Shonda Guthrie, Sherman and Audeen Irwin, Rowdy Derryberry, Clint Hacker and Jackie Haefele; Kelly and Melinda, Alison and Avery Turner, Patrick and Darlene, Katherine, Jacob, and Jason Irwin, Karen Turner, Theresa and Morgan Young, all of Lubbock; Hollis and Susan, Holley, Robbie, Mason and Will Browning, Plainview; Mark Turner and Lisa Rolke, Austin; Bill and Kay Medley, John, Tashia, Hannah and Hunter Irvine, Casa Grande, AZ; Jeanene Lange, Oklahoma City, OK; Kenneth Young, Toby and Ann and Owen Medley,

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Abernathy; Bob and Evalene Oldest member attending was Goodnight and Debbie Guffee. Also from Floydada and hosting the reunion were Leroy and Loretta Burns, Doyle and Dorothy Turner, Travis and Margie Young, Shorty and Louise Turner, Larry, Rhonda, and Chad Guthrie, Ricky and Rebecca Those attending were: Lea Burns, and Earnest and Sheryl

Lindsey Beth Mathis and Jef- multi-colored rhinestone tiara. frey Ryan Griffith exchanged wedding vows at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, July 12, 2003 at the West College and Third Church of Christ with Frank Duckworth officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Ginger Mathis of Lockney and the granddaughter of Deanie and Nita Henderson of Plainview and Warren and Barbara Mathis of Lockney. She is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Johnnie Kellison of Lockney.

Ricky and Linda Griffith of Lockney are the parents of the groom and his grandparents are Ray and Ginger Cole of Breckenridge and Leonard and Julie Griffith of Lockney. He is the great-grandson of Mrs. Johnnie Davis of Olton.

The altar was decorated with white-lighted columns adorned with wisteria. Two shorter columns held silver urns with orchid, blue and white floral arrangements. Two more columns held silver candelabras holding white tapers adorned with flowers. A unity candle also complemented the setting. Center aisle pews were marked with flowers and orchid ribbons.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a strapless, satin a-line gown with a multicolored beaded embroidered organza overlay. The periwinkle, orchid, and celadon green beads were arranged in a floral design on the front and back of the gown as well as the train. Her shoulder-length veil was attached to a

The bride carried a nosegay of white and pale pink roses, delphinium, Queen Anne's lace, and

lisianthus. The stems were wrapped with a hand braided satin ribbon. Attached to her bouquet was an antique lace handkerchief belonging to her greatgrandmother, Johnnie Kellison.

Something new was her wedding attire and something borrowed was a lace handkerchief brought back from Belgium by the maid of honor and pearls belonging to the mother of the bride. Something blue was the embroidery on her gown. She wore pennies minted in the birth years of the bride and groom in her shoe for good luck.

Kaci Mathis of Plainview, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Melissa Schaeffer of Lockney, friend of the bride, and Whitney Gardenhire of Albany, cousin of the bride. They wore celadon green two-piece dresses of soft taffeta. The identical flowing skirts were gored but the fitted tops featured designs unique from each other. Each held a smaller nosegay similar to the

Bethany Wilson of Lockney, cousin of the bride, lit candles in candelabras prior to the ceremony. Her periwinkle blue tea length dress featured an organza overlay with orchid and celadon

Flower girl was McKenzie Griffith of Breckenridge, niece of the groom. She wore a periwinkle blue dress similar to the candle lighters. She tossed rose petals from a whitewashed tin basket.

Brian Griffith Breckenridge, brother of the groom, was the best man. Groomsmen were Joe Marks of Lockney and Jarod Harrison of Amarillo, both friends of the groom. Ushers were Brent Cole of Springdale, AR and Glen Cole of Huntsville, both cousins of the groom, Garrett Mathis of Lockney, brother of the bride, and Kodi Scott of Idalou, friend of the couple. They all wore traditional after five tuxedos with celedon green vests and ivory shirts. The groom's nephew, Tanner Griffith of Breckenridge, served as the ring bearer, and he was dressed identical to the groomsmen.

Melissa Bigham of Lockney, friend of the couple registered guests. Her daughters, Tanille and Tabetha Bigham passed out programs. Soloist Sharon Hunt, of Lockney, provided music. A dinner reception was held at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. Guests enjoyed a filet dinner seated at round tables draped in white tablecloths. Centerpieces were whitewashed terracotta pots holding assorted flowering plants. The bride's cake was white with periwinkle, orchid, and celadon accents. The groom's chocolate cake was accented with fresh chocolate dipped strawberries. Guests served themselves from a punch fountain. An assortment of fresh fruit complemented the dessert.

The groom's parents were hosts to a rehearsal dinner held on Friday evening at Leal's Restaurant in Plainview. A bridesmaid's luncheon hosted by Barbara Mathis, the bride's grandmother, was held on Friday, July 11 at Celebrations in Plainview. D'Lyn Morris and Karen Wilson, both from Lockney and the bride's aunts served as host-

Other bridal courtesies included a wedding shower in the home of DarLee Foster of Lockney. Hostess' for this shower included: Debbie Archer, Melissa Bigham, Charlanne Burson, Charla Carthel, Barbara Cawley, Barbara Cunyus, Rise Ford, Shawnda Foster, Dahlia Hight, Renee Hrbacek, Carol Huggins, Flora Lee Jack, Peggy Lambert, Marceen Lass, Rhonda Lyles, Kay Martin, Debby McCarty, Janet Pyle, Virginia Stapp, Robin Stoerner, Shirley Sutterfield, Jinna Sue turner, and Kathy Young. A personal shower was also held and hosted by Melissa Bigham, Mona Gardenhire, Whitney Gardenhire, and Melissa Schaeffer in the home of Kaci Mathis.

After a wedding trip to Maui, the couple will reside in Amarillo. The bride is a graduate of Lockney High School and is a nursing student at Amarillo College and is employed by Crafter's Mall USA. The groom, also a graduate of Lockney High School, is employed by BWXT Pantex.

#### holds 51st reuni McCoy

By Flora McNeill

We are having our 51st reunion while the next old Settlers Day will be celebrating their 75th year in 2004! "The good old days" are mentioned at times, pertaining to those years gone by!

There was some good about those years, but there was some bad, too. I think none of us have a desire to repeat those times, especially considering the bad.

Most every piece of land had a farmhouse on it. We had neighbors that we visited with, ate with, and went to church with. There were alternating Baptist worked with our neighbors, and helped each other.

Some married and stayed to raise their families in the community. We rejoiced with one another and grieved when there was a death in a family. Now, we have only the memories of all of this. Those are the ones we desire to keep. Only the older of us can remember most of these experiences, as we're old enough to have taken a part in them.

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In naming those who have passed away since we last met, there is something about each that immediately comes to mind. Robert Wesley Day's death came September 25, 2002. He was named for both his grandfathers, who were prominent residents in

On October 4, Merrell Cox died and we think about the activities that the five Cox children missed for they were reared without their mother and were not

the early times.

privileged to enjoy the association of others.

October 28th was the date of and Methodist services from Myrtle Ann Coleman Smitzer's week to week, and everyone at- passing. I think of her being a tended the meetings together. We quiet person who enjoyed baseball, which was a popular sport at McCoy. I remember that her brother died at one of those games.

> Thomas Lee "Tom" Snead, who died November 20th was a distinguished and prominent resident in later years when the population was sparce in the area.

> Odell Poteet always had a pleasing smile. He married a McCoy girl. He died December

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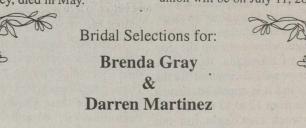
John Wesley Gilbreath died December 27th. J.W. wasn't from one of the nearest families. They lived in the Blanco community and attended the McCoy Baptist Church.

The first death in 2003 was on February 5th, when Carman Ferguson Mason passed way. She was from a large, well established prominent family of the Starkey Community, the W.F. Fergusons.

Mary Porter, daughter-in-law of the Tom Porters, also of Starkey, died in May.

Added to this list is Audene Carter Hartsell and Floyd Elton Lyles, July 6, 2003. Floyd had moved some time ago to Arkansas, where he was an outstanding cattle breeder for many years. Last in the list is W.R. Daniel, who died July 12, and was one of the few left who had resided in the Blanco Community most of his life. He was a member of the prominent family of W.F.

Daniels. The next McCoy Area Reunion will be on July 11, 2004.



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# Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Mary and Dennis Carter traveled to Pennsylvania to attend the graduation of their granddaughter, Heather Hummet. She graduated with honors and plans to attend college to persue a career in the medical field. Accompanying them home was their grandson Cody Smith for his second visit to Texas

Thurman Davis was here last week and ate at the Center and visited with friends

June McDonald passed away July 14 at the Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

At the time of this writing, Monday night, services are pending. Our thoughts and prayers are with Robert and their families. If there was ever an angel on earth it was June. I don't know of a soul who didn't love her. She will truly be missed by all.

"Girls" graduating for Lockney High School in 1948 met for a luncheon Friday July 11 honoring Wanda Webb of Delta, about the drug testing in Lock-Sanders in Floydada. Dee Earle Cummings one of the 1948 graduates.

Casey Bean, Silverton, Inez Dunavant Mosley, Lockney, Betty Myers Threadgill, Floydada, Elna Sanderson Bloys, Sandhill, Erma Hall Mickey, Plainview, Gleynn Earle Norman Cummings, South Plains, Vera Jo Rogers Bybee, Lockney and the honoree Wanda Webb. After the luncheon and much visiting the group traveled to Lockney to visit Rita Webster another 1948 graduate. We are all looking forward to seeing each other in 2004 at the all school reunion.

I don't know where to begin or how to tell you what my feelings were when I read the article written to the editor by Ken Baker. It was awful and unbelievable. I have lived in Lockney, Texas for 72 years and I don't know of any people any where any better to live with. As for the the drug testing situation I think it is time to put it to rest. I did not watch the stupid documentary Louisiana. The luncheon was ney. It wasn't worth wasting my held in the home of Dee Earle time on it. As for rights we all have the right not to associate is the daughter of Gleynn Earle with anyone who does drugs or alcohol. The way I look at it if you are clean of both what would

Present were Bobbye Lu vou have to fear of being tested. To me the testing would prove you were not a user. Anyway I hope we have heard the last of the people against the drug testing.

This weeks Senior Citizen couple is W.O "Windy" and Edith

W.O. "Windy" Clark was born

Nov. 2, 1922 to Guy and Lillie Belle Clark at Salem, Kentucky. He attended school at Salem. He came to Sunshine Oklahoma, 20 miles from Ada, in 1943 to work on a ranch with his cousin, Irving Bennett. He met and married Sunshine's pretty little school teacher Edith Myers daughter of J. H. and Maggie Myers on Aug 24, 1947 in Gainsville, Texas. They moved to Lockney in 1955. Edith taught in the Lockney school system for 31 years before retiring in 1986. Windy has and was 19" long. farmed and ranched all these years and has no plans to retire.

Thank you Windy and Edith for being this weeks Senior Citi-

Menu for July 21-25 Monday: Beef Frijitas Tues: Spaghetti with Garlic Opal Bynum, all of Waco.

Wed: Pork Chops Thurs: Salmon Patties Friday: Chicken Fried Steak

## Floydada Senior Citizens News and Menu

By Margarette Word

William Bertrand and his son Ronnie of Lubbock and some other friends spent several days in Colorado riding horses up a mountain and camping out.

Larry Gadford of Amarillo ate at the Center Wednesday the 9th. He was here to visit his father Randy Gadford. This was Larry's birthday and he spent the day with his dad and visited a sister who lives in Silverton.

Edell and Lovene Moore spent several days over the 4th of July weekend in Ruidoso, New

At the center on Monday, July 14th we had some guest for lunch. They were Virginia and Bill Snell of Lubbock and Calvin and Virginia Nimmo of Matador.

Thank you Channel 11 TV News for being in our community Monday night, July 14th. The weather was great. The coverage they gave us was so good. I watched TV at 5:30 p.m. and at 10:00 p.m. at home then I went to the court house between 6:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Lots of good entertainment all evening. Floydada looked so good on TV!

Margaret Jackson is home from the hospital, after having back surgery

Our sympathy to Irene King on the loss of her daughter Jimmie Jo West.

Our sympathy to the family of Domingo DeLeon.

Our sympathy to the family of W.R. "Dub" Daniel. His graveside service was held Monday, July 14, at 1:00 p.m.

Thank you for remembering the center when you need to make a memorial donation in memory of a loved one.

In memory of Beth Faulkenberry - Mrs. Ed Wester

In memory of Floyd Lyles -Glenna Orman, Betty Gilbreath, Letha Lightfoot, Francis Gunter, Carol Reese, James and Sue Lovell, Imogene Fortenberry, Johnnie Ward, Adrian and Ann

In memory of W.R. "Dub" Daniel - Margarette Word.

In memory of Jimmie Jo

West - Margarette Word, Glenna Orman, Tom and Edwina Emert, Betty Gilbreath, Dale and Carolyn Smith, Doyle and Jackie Walls, Flora McNeill, Letha Lightfoot, Jan and Elaine LaBaum, Francis Gunter, Carol Reese, James and Sue Lovell, Ruby Higginbotham, Verna Lee Sewell, Imogene Fortenberry, Ruth Hammonds, Olen and Jo Lyles, Ronald and Lynda Jones, Fay and Ruby Gooch, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owens, Carolyn Tupper, Johnnie Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Delmas McCormick, Mark and Kelly McCormick and children, McCrae and Madolyn, James and Boots Koonsman, Jack Thompson Investments, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Blasingame, Adrian and Ann Helms, Vic and Ione

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> Menu July 21 - July 25

Monday - Lemon chicken, red beans, zucchini, tossed salad/ Ranch, hot roll, peaches

Tuesday - Pepper steak, rice, green beans, sliced tomatoes, wheat roll, chocolate cake

Wednesday - Roast Beef, brown gravy, fries, peas and carrots, bread, fruit salad, sugar cookie

Thursday - Turkey and dressing, poultry gravy, green beans, wheat roll, orange sections, pumpkin pie or bars

Friday - Meatloaf, new potatoes with sauce, broccoli, celery sticks, wheat roll, banana lime

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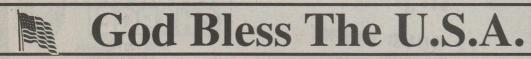
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Graves earned distinction as an honor graduate.

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The airman is a 1999 graduate of Lockney High School.

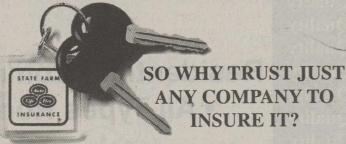
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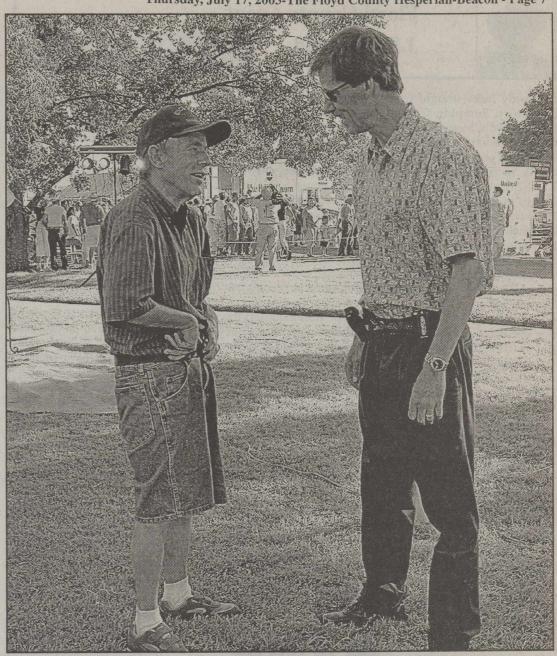
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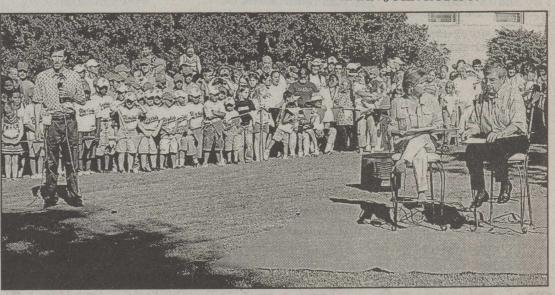


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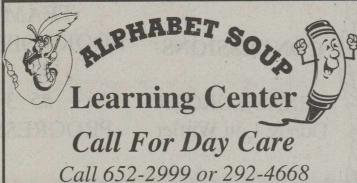
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A lot of changes have come our way in terms of our agency. They've had to cut a few positions and change our administration line up of command. Early out retirement was offered throughout the state and as I understand it out of 72 that were eligible for early retirement 42 took advantage of the offer and will officially retire as of August 31. Right now we're safe here in Floyd County and no positions have been eliminated or at least they haven't told us yet.

Well, enough about that let's talk a little about the Ag situation in Floyd County. It's no secret that it's been a tough year thus far for Floyd County cotton producers. The early June storms

brought some devastating hail and as a result we lost about 85% of some 190,000 acres of cotton. Which if you put a pencil to it, means we lost about 160,000 acres. Therefore, only about 25-30,000 remains and a lot of it is either sick or late. Most producers replanted back to milo and some choose to wait until early August and plant some early wheat and look at some type of cattle option. We're now in a situation where we need a rain right now or our crops will start burning up. Most producers this year will not put any extra money into this year's crops, thus they are depending heavily on mother nature to come through with moisture. But we have to think positively, she'll bring us the rain we need and she'll wait as long as she can to bring in old Jack

Well, 4-H wise it's been another busy summer thus far. If you didn't catch it in the newspaper we had an outstanding showing at this year's State 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M back in June. We had five 1st place wins, one 2nd and one 3rd. We also had three 4-H'ers receive State wide 4-H Scholarships totaling \$13,500. In addition, my outstanding co-worker, Melissa Long, was recognized and received the Meritorious Service Award from the Volunteer Leaders Association of Texas. What an outstanding run! My congratulations to not only the 4-H'ers but the coaches and leaders of our programs. Well, you know 4-H never stops, right now we're working on 4-H Recordbooks. County judging took place last week and district is this week with state judging to take place in August. In addition many county 4-H'ers have taken advantage of several 4-H camps this summer including State Wide Veterinary Science Camp, Shooting Sports Camp, SpecTra, Prime Time, District Leadership and Electric Camps. Not to mention our very own County Camp scheduled for next week.

Probably enough gabbing for now, hate to wear out my wel-

come. We'll talk again real soon. Til next time, HOWDY, cause I just hate to say Goodbye!

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workshops have been scheduled

for August 5 and 6. The two

meetings scheduled for August 5

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tatively scheduled for August 6

at Brownfield in the City Park

Meeting Room, beginning at

payment picture is the indication

that the 2002-crop CC payment

will indeed equal the maximum

rate allowed by the current Farm

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Counter-cyclical payments

On the bright side of the CC

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The last meeting has been ten-

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By Shawn Wade

market signals supporting futures prices and a steadily increasing Adjusted World Price, producers seem to have a compounding number of marketing and production decisions facing them as they enter the middle innings of the 2003 growing season.

AWP Increase Adds Costs To Loan Cotton

One of the trends many growers have been watching has been the steady increase in the Adjusted World Price for cotton.

The AWP effective for the week of July 10-17 has been announced at 50.37 cents per pound. That means the Loan Deficiency Payment rate for the July 10-17 time period is 1.63 cents per pound.

To a producer the increase in the AWP is evidence that cotton prices are moving up through a combination of tightening cotton stocks, increased demand and uncertainty of how much production there will be in 2003

A downside of the AWP increase does exist, however, for producers who still have 2002crop cotton in the loan. Should the AWP equal or surpass the 52cent Upland cotton base loan rate growers become liable for paying specific charges tied to the cotton.

When the AWP is below the upland cotton base loan rate of 52 cents per pound, accrued storage charges and interest are forgiven when the cotton is redeemed and the loan is settled. The producer would only be responsible for paying storage charges accrued prior to the date the cotton entered the CCC loan.

If the AWP rises above the base loan rate then the grower is responsible for repaying all storage and interest charges when the cotton is sold and the loan is

The net effect could add up to \$12-15 per bale in charges a grower would have to pay if they wait until after the AWP passes the Loan rate to sell their crop, or if they decide to forfeit the crop to the CCC to settle the loan.

With prudent planning growers should be able to avoid these costs. The quickest route is to go ahead and sell their 2002 cotton before the AWP rises above 52 cents, or redeem the cotton themselves and avoid paying storage and interest charges.

This strategy would prove beneficial to the producer by protecting the full amount of the loan price through the combination of the cash sale price and the remaining marketing loan gain they realized by redeeming at a lower price per pound.

Time To Think About Hedging 2003 CC Payments

Another trend many growers have already noticed is the general strengthening of futures prices across 2003 crop New York futures contracts.

One of the issues associated with increasing prices is that as new crop prices improve, 2003 counter cyclical payments (CC),

With strong fundamental authorized in the 2002 Farm Bill, will begin to shrink if the average price received by growers for the 2003 marketing year rises above the 52 base loan rate.

> This situation would affect everyone, but will be most disruptive to growers who have lost p.m. their 2003 crop or who face significantly lower yield potential and have less cotton to sell at the higher market price. Farmers with cotton in the field with a good chance to take a crop to harvest will likely have the advantage of higher prices to offset any reduced CC payment rate.

#### CC payment workshop planned for Aug. 5 & 6

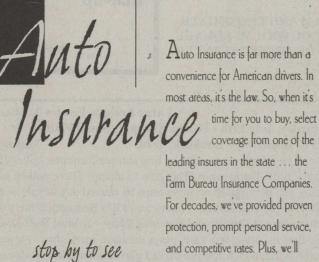
service are currently pulling together a series of meetings schedemploy to hedge against the erosion of the 2003 CC payment.

average price received by farmers for the applicable Upland cot-Plains Cotton Growers and ton marketing year that begins the Texas Cooperative Extension August I and runs through July

31 of the following calendar year The following table shows the uled for early August to provide average price received each tips and strategies growers can month by farmers and the associated weighted average price based on cumulative marketings

A total of three CC payment through each month. **Average Price Received Through May** For 2002-03 Upland Cotton

	Marketings (000's of Running bales)		Prices (cents/Lb.)	
	Monthly	Cum.	Monthly	Weighted
August 2002	354	354	33.00	33.00
September 2002	412	766	35.20	34.18
October 2002	749	1,515	39.00	36.56
November 2002	1,417	2,932	41.90	39.14
December 2002	2,380	5,312	42.10	40.47
January 2003	1,980	7,292	44.00	41.43
February 2003	1,374	8,666	45.20	42.03
March 2003	795	9,461	47.30	42.47
April 2003	592	10,053	45.00	42.62
May 2003	552	10,605	45.60	42.77
June 2003	N/A	N/A	43.50	N/A



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The center is just north of the Lubbock International Airport off of Interstate Highway 27: take exit 11 off of 1-27 and drive east approximately one-half mile.

"We will discuss general weed control practices for vegetable growers, and new herbicides which may be labeled for vegetable crops," said Russ Wallace, Texas Cooperative Extension vegetable specialist headquartered at Lubbock. "The field day will also feature a walking tour of the vegetable research plots here at the center.

"The walking tour will include the statewide watermelon variety trial, and fungicide research for powdery mildew control in pumpkins and canta-

By Rodney Schoppa, CED

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"After lunch we will drive up to the Halfway Research and Extension Center in Hale County for an afternoon tour of our vegetable research plots there. The Halfway facility is about 45 minutes from the Lubbock Center. The afternoon tour at Halfway will begin at 2 p.m.," Wallace

For more information on the July 30 High Plains Vegetable and Weed Control Field Day, call Wallace at the Lubbock Center, at (806) 746-6101, or 746-4052.

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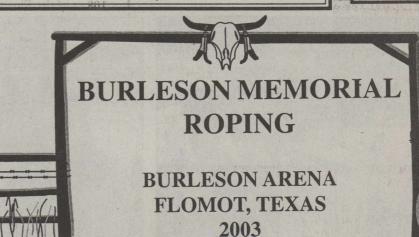


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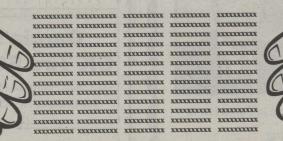
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We the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Floyd County, Texas hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Quarterly report, filed with us on this 14th day of July, 2003, and that the total of funds held by the County Treasurer, as well as other assets in her hands in the sum of \$ 343,348.41. First National Bank Certificate of Deposits \$ 461,000.00.

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# Mituaries



W.R. DANIEL

Graveside services were held for W. R. Daniel, 87, of Floydada, Monday, July 14, 2003 at Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada. Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

He died July 12, 2003, at Lakeside Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born on February 12, 1916 in Bell County to the late William Foster Daniel and Mamie Terry Daniel.

He served in the Army during WWII and was a lifelong member of the V.F.W. having served as the Commander in the 1950's. He married Margaret Evans on May 26, 1948 in Amarillo. He was a lifelong resident of Floydada and a farmer until he retired in 1982. He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret Daniel on June 9, 1999 and a sister, Corene Stewart.

He is Survived by one son, W.R. "Danny" Daniel, Jr. of Floydada; one daughter, Ilene Kendrick of Sherman; one brother, Bill Daniel of Floydada; one sister, Evelyn Crull of Lubbock; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Floyd County Museum, 106 E. Missouri, Floydada, Texas 79235.

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JUNE MCDONALD

Funeral services for June McDonald, 79, of Lockney will be held Thursday, July 17, 2003 at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney. Reverend Neeley Ladrum will officiate.

Burial will be in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

She died on July 14, 2003 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

McDonald was born on June 21, 1924 in Summerfield to the late Budley Thorton and Bertha Moore Thorton. She moved to Lockney in 1925.

She married Wayne Bybee and had two children. He preceded her in death in October of 1958. She married Robert McDonald on July 16, 1983. She worked at the bank in

Lockney for 45 years and served as Vice-President until she retired in 1989. She was a member of the Eastern Star, B&PW, V.F.W. Auxillary and was the Women Citizen of the Year in Lockney.

She was also a member of the First United Methodist Church in Lockney having served as treasurer for 35 years.

She was a talented artist and craftsperson. She played bridge and was a part of the Dairy Queen

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Raymond, Orian, J.P. and Hollis Thorton.

Survivors include her husband, Robert McDonald; one son, Monty Bybee and his wife, Cindy of Eldorado; two stepsons, Marlon McDonald and his wife, Sherry of Lockney and Gary and his wife, Clarisse of Lubbock; one daughter, Tony Akin and her husband, Galen of Christoval; one stepdaughter, Cathie Elam and her husband, Gary of

Mansfield; two brothers, Charles Thorton and Lewis Thorton, both of California; one sister, Mary Ruth Fewell of Lockney and seven grandchildren.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, July 16, 2003 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The family suggests memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 7, Lockney, Texas 79241.



JIMMIE JO WEST Services for Jimmie Jo West, 60, of Lubbock were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, July 11, 2003 at Trinity Assembly in Floydada. The Rev. Henry Russell officiated. Burial was in the Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Ms. West passed away on July 8, 2003 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born on April 27, 1943 in Floydada to Irene Owens King and the late Claud Woody. She moved to Lubbock from Floydada in 1995. She was an apartment manager for Bear Creek Apartments and was a member of the Living Vine Foursquare Church in Lubbock.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Joy Jones on June 15,

Survivors include her mother, Irene King of Floydada; two sons, Ricky West and wife, Vivian of Dickens and Bobby West of Lubbock; one daughter, Tonya Bentley and husband, Dwight of Idalou and nine grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Floydada Senior Citizens, 301 E. Georgia, Floydada, Texas

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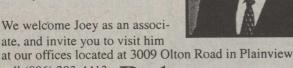
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AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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 Evening7:00 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 Sedinger,

Pastor Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10.50 a.m.

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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 Jay Don Poindexter, Minister

Bible Study ...... 9:30 a.m.1. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.<sub>1</sub>. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.<sub>1</sub>. Wednesday ...... 7:30 p.m.

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BAPTIST CHURCH
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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.

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SOUTH PLAINS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m

Prayer Meeting...... 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. 

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.

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