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BIGGEST EYES--Skye Robison's pet, "Spritzer", won 1st place for the "Biggest Eyes" at the Floyd County Fair pet show, Saturday. Staff Photo

Chamber to host luncheon for businesses

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce will be hosting their first "Salute to Businesses" on August 22nd.

"The 'Salute' will take the place of our Chamber Appreciation Breakfast this year," said Chamber Manager Irene Hernandez.

"We know it is hard for people to get to a 7:00 a.m. breakfast, so this year we are going to sponsor a come and go hot dog lunch under the pavilion. We know everyone will miss County Judge Bill Hardin's biscuits at the breakfast, but we think they'll also enjoy the lunch."

The lunch is sponsored by Floydada Ace Hardware/Radio Shack, Floydada Ford, and NAPA Auto Parts.

LISD votes to keep tax rate

LISD trustees voted, August 14, to set the tax rate at 1.45--the same as last year. This rate will raise approximately \$1,255,000 in local taxes.

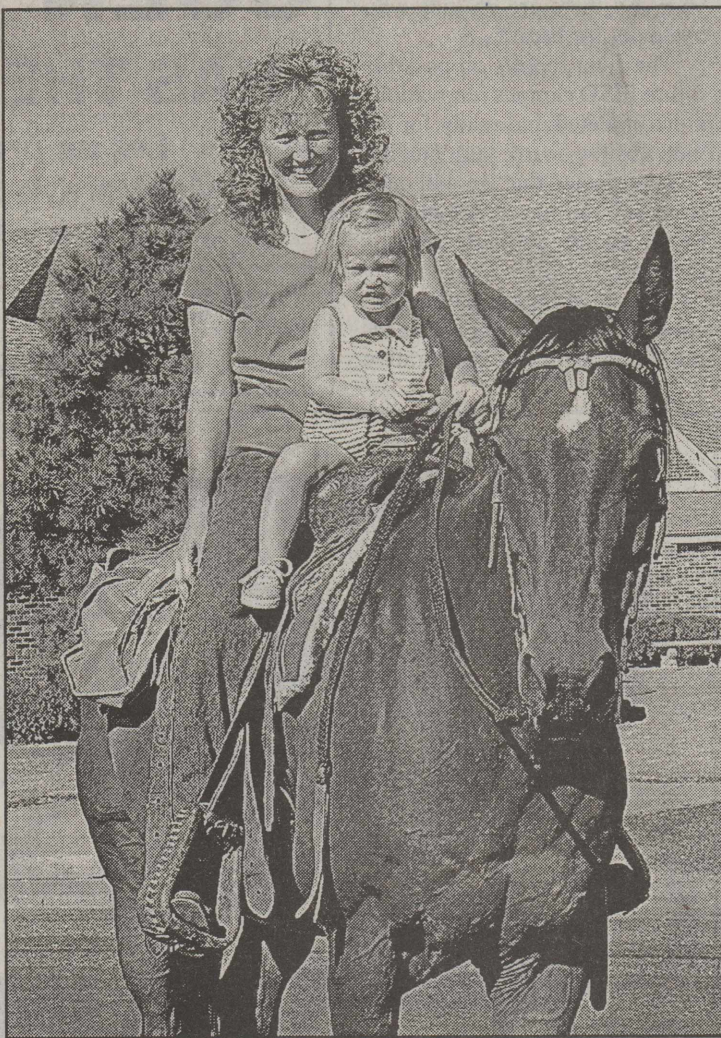
LISD will also receive \$3,902,617 in state funding, and \$265,426 in federal funding.

The trustees also adopted a 2003-2004 budget of \$5,307,545 in expenditures.

Superintendent Raymond Lusk briefed the trustees on the 9th Grade Initiative Grant of \$93,000 which had been received by the school district.

"This is a recovery type program to help kids who have not earned enough credit to be promoted," said Lusk. "Those kids will be identified and helped with the curriculum they are having problems with. The grant pays for a computer lab (hardware and software) and an aide."

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JALEE POINDEXTER enjoyed her front row seat with Robin Sherman and Robin's horse in the Floyd County Fair Parade. Staff Photo

FISD trustees vote to keep same tax rate

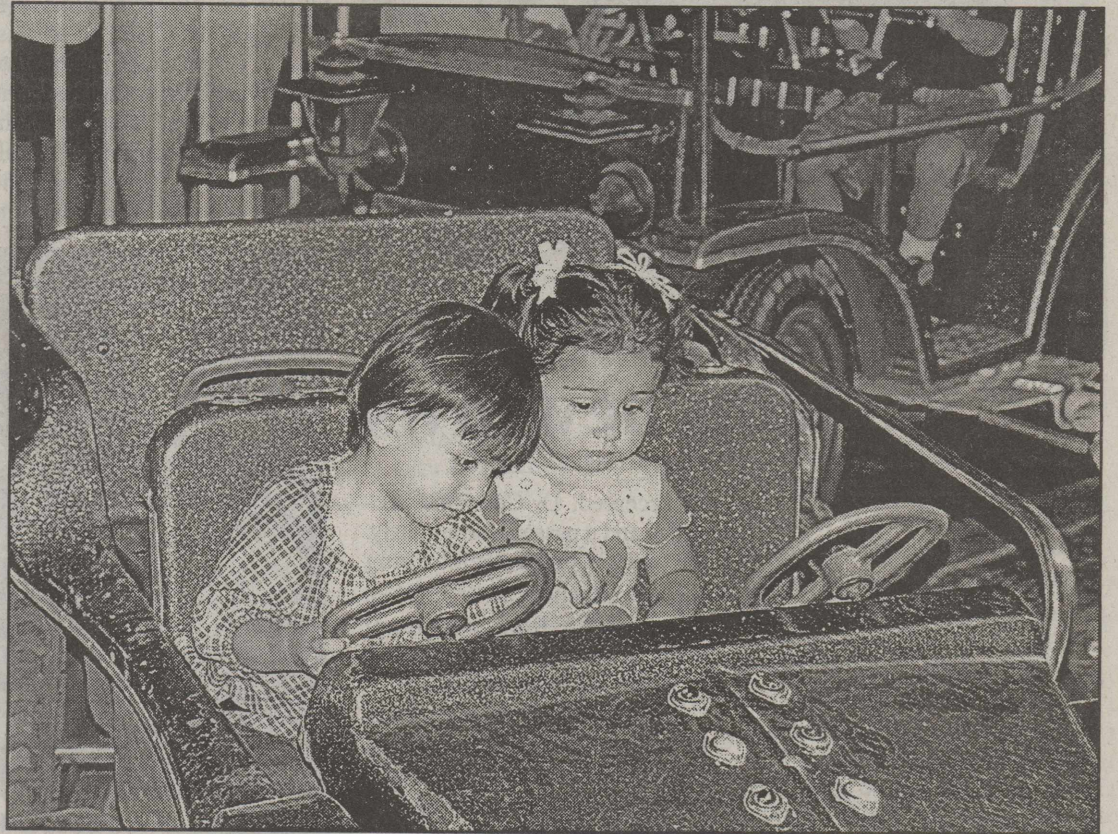
By Darwin Robinson
The FISD board met Tuesday, August 12, and unanimously adopted a 2003-2004 tax rate of \$1.44344 per \$100 property valuation, the same as last year's tax rate. The board also unanimously approved a budget of \$7,886,719, which is \$488,249 over last year's budget.

Superintendent Jerry Vaughn said, "The majority of the budget increases for 2003-2004 is due to increased personnel costs, increased insurance costs and increased cost of TRS that the state shuffled to us. Also, changing the way some of our federal dollars can be spent shuffled some of the personnel cost to the local District. We have increased instructional

dollars to implement the core math and reading programs."

"An option to set the tax rate at (the maximum) \$1.50 would generate an additional \$123,500, of which only \$65,000 is state dollars. We are balanced at \$1.44344 tax rate, so the additional dollars would be going toward fund balance only. Therefore, I am recommending we keep the tax rate for 2003-2004 school year at \$1.44344. This will balance our budget at \$7,886,719," explained Vaughn.

In a related matter, the board approved several final amendments to the old 2002-2003 budget in order to balance out the old
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WHERE DOES THE KEY GO?--These two youngsters appear to be trying to figure out how to start this car on the carnival ride at the Floyd County Fair. Staff Photo

New Physician Assistant to help out Mangold doctors

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital will be adding a Physician Assistant, Ken Jackson, to their staff, beginning September 2nd.

Jackson, originally from Brownfield, will be moving to the area with his wife, Brenda.

Jackson has been a Physician Assistant for approximately 20 years. He worked at Covenant Medical Clinic in Brownfield for 12 years, but was affected by layoffs at Covenant. Most recently he was served at Oasis Medical Clinic in Plainview.

A graduate of Brownfield High School, Jackson graduated with a BS from Texas Tech in 1979 and also graduated from the Southwestern Medical School Physician Assistant Program.

According to Hospital Administrator Sharon Hunt, "A PA can

diagnose and treat patients under the supervision and direction of a physician."

"The PA will be taking care of the walk-in patients," said Hunt. "This will free up the doctor to see more patients and the walk-ins will move faster."

Patients who have appointments with doctors will still see their own doctor.

"We sometimes have a problem with walk-in patients having to wait a long time because the doctor-on-call gets called to the Emergency Room. He then has to run back and forth from patients to ER. This can create a backlog with walk-ins."

"We are fortunate we have doctors who have covered ER with no 'call-pay'. This has allowed us to keep costs down

which keeps our hospital open.

"The other option would be to hire a doctor just to cover ER at a cost of about \$200,000 a year."

"With the Physician Assistant seeing patients, the on-call doctor will be able to assist him and still cover ER."

Hiring the PA is also part of the plan for Mangold Memorial to convert to a Rural Health Care Clinic. "We are in the process of converting," said Hunt. "The patients won't notice any difference but being a Rural Health Clinic will make a change in how the Clinic gets paid."

"We have to have a PA or a Nurse Practitioner to be designated a Rural Health Clinic."

Hunt says the hospital also plans to extend their clinic hours to 6 or 7 p.m.

J.P. explains new traffic laws

By Judy Macha

Municipal Judge and Justice of the Peace Michelle Araujo, recently attended a Municipal Court Legislative Update School and advised City Council at their August 14 meeting of changes in the law, including: court costs, as of August 17, will be increasing by \$30 across the board for all traffic violations, including seat belts, an expired inspection sticker or not having a sticker.

"The legislature killed proposed restrictions on cell-phone use behind the wheel, however it did set up a point system," said Araujo.

Two points are assessed for each moving violation - whether they occur in Texas or another state. An accumulation of six or more points within a 36 month

period costs the driver a \$100 surcharge, and \$25 for each additional point. The entire system will be handled by the state, and nonpayment targets the party's license for suspension.

According to Judge Araujo, this new point system goes into effect September 1, 2003, and does not apply to convictions prior to that date.

No points are assessed for driving while intoxicated, but a first offense misdemeanor conviction will generate a \$1,000 surcharge a year for a period of three years - in addition to the sanctions currently in place for drinking and driving.

An invalid license or lack of insurance triggers a \$250 surcharge per year for three years running. It's \$100 for not having

a license in the first place.

Also on Sept. 1, holders of commercial licenses will no longer be eligible for defensive-driving classes or deferred dispositions, even in their personal cars. CDL holders who commit one of the designated serious traffic violations - even in their own vehicle - may be disqualified from driving a commercial vehicle for up to one year. Serious violations include speeding in excess of 15 mph, reckless driving, improper or erratic lane changes, tailgating and conviction in a fatal accident.

Racing and "burning rubber" were Class C misdemeanors, as of Sept. 1, they will be Class B, possibly even second-degree felony - depending on the cir-

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I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG--This youngster stepped forward and placed his hand over his heart when the Lockney Boy Scouts passed by him carrying the American and Texas flag at the start of the Floyd County Fair parade in Lockney, Saturday, August 16. Staff Photo



ZANE HUNT encouraged his dachshund to "do good" during the Floyd County Fair Pet Show, Saturday. Staff Photo

J.P. explains new laws

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 cumstances. There is an automatic suspension for one year if convicted of intoxicated racing.

A charge of drunk driving with a child under 15 in the car automatically rises to a 4th degree state jail felony. In the past, a separate charge of child endangerment had to be filed.

Laying out a fine and court costs in jail now knocks \$100 a day off the penalty. It will drop to \$50 a day under the new legislation. Community service time also will drop to \$50 per eight hours from the \$100 level.

The new rules apply to Justice of the Peace Courts as well.

Dickie McCarty reported to council a cost of \$4,600 for repairs to City water well #4.

Ron Hall advised council it would cost \$94,999 to purchase 375 new dumpsters. Mayor Stapp said he felt the city would recoup the cost over a 4 to 5 year period by owning their own sanitation services. The dumpsters will be in use as of October 1, 2003. Junior Brotherton made a motion the City buy and install the dumpsters, and Ginger Mathis seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Rick Beesinger and Van Breedlove presented the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority proposed 2004 budget for the council's consideration. Junior Brotherton made a motion it

be accepted, D. Copeland seconded and it passed unanimously. Discussion ensued concerning the lake situation, and all present agreed with Rick Beesinger when he stated, "It all boils down to whether it rains or not."

Edd Henderson and Darla Chappell addressed the council concerning the City of Lockney's 2002 audit. Darla Chappell read over the audit, answered questions, and confirmed Lockney had received a good report. Tina Graves made a motion the audit be accepted as given, Junior Brotherton seconded, and it passed unanimously.

Bobby Hall and Brenda Johnson presented the Lockney Economic Development Corporation report, and fielded questions. As of June 30, Lockney EDC has a fund balance in the bank of \$15,337.71. Sales tax revenue collected for the months of April-June was \$3,498.23. After expenses of \$1,613.85 the net income for those months was \$1,884.38.

The Year to Date figures, for October 2002-June 2003 showed a total income of \$14,614.90; expenses of \$5,714.41; for a net income of \$8,900.49.

The meeting adjourned and the council entered into executive session regarding personnel issues.

Floydada EDC to sponsor customer service seminar

The Floydada Economic Development Corporation and Lubbock Christian University Corporate Training Division is sponsoring a workforce development seminar, and invites the public to attend.

Nationally recognized motivational speaker and corporate trainer Steve Gilliland of Performance Plus will be speaking on customer service.

"We have chosen customer service as the topic because everyone - volunteers; parents teachers; church leaders, and teachers, etc. can benefit from customer service regardless of employment status," said Dora Ross, Executive Director of Floydada EDC.

"Steve Gilliland is one of the

most sought-after speakers and trainers in America," said Ross. Some of Steve's Lubbock audiences include Wells Fargo, PNB Financial, Convergys, Citibank, United Supermarkets, Texas Tech Athletic Association, and University Medical Center.

The seminar will be held on Monday evening, September 15, 2003 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. The doors will open at 5:00 p.m.; the buffet dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the seminar will begin at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the event will be \$10.

"We realize that a skilled workforce is important to help every business grow. We want you to realize that training your employees is not an expense but an investment in your business and our community!" said Ross.

To register or purchase tickets, you may contact the Floydada EDC at 983-3318 or www.floydadaedc.com or www.floydadatc.com

A view from



The Lamplighter

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

We've just finished viewing the video on the Floyd County historical marker put in place on the Courthouse Square by our local Four H organization. If you haven't seen it, we recommend that you do. It is very moving.

It is not only very moving, it is a tribute to all who had a hand in bringing it to fruition. Many, many, people in Floyd County helped in the process, from Skyler Cornelius and his 4-H buddies to the County Commissioners, to the Museum Board, to the City Fathers of Floydada and Lockney, to the common citizens who gave of their money and talent to bring it all together and make it possible. We here at the

Hesperian salute them, and thank them for their effort.

It has fallen our lot to accept various speaking engagements around this country of ours. Invariably, when the question and answer time arrives, there are always the inevitable questions relating to Bataan and Corregidor, and the prison years that followed both chapters in American history. The questions are always a worried "Do you think today's youngsters are up to doing what that generation's youngsters (I was 18 when the war started, and 19 when Corregidor fell and more than 3 years of Japanese prison began) did at the time?"

My answer is always the

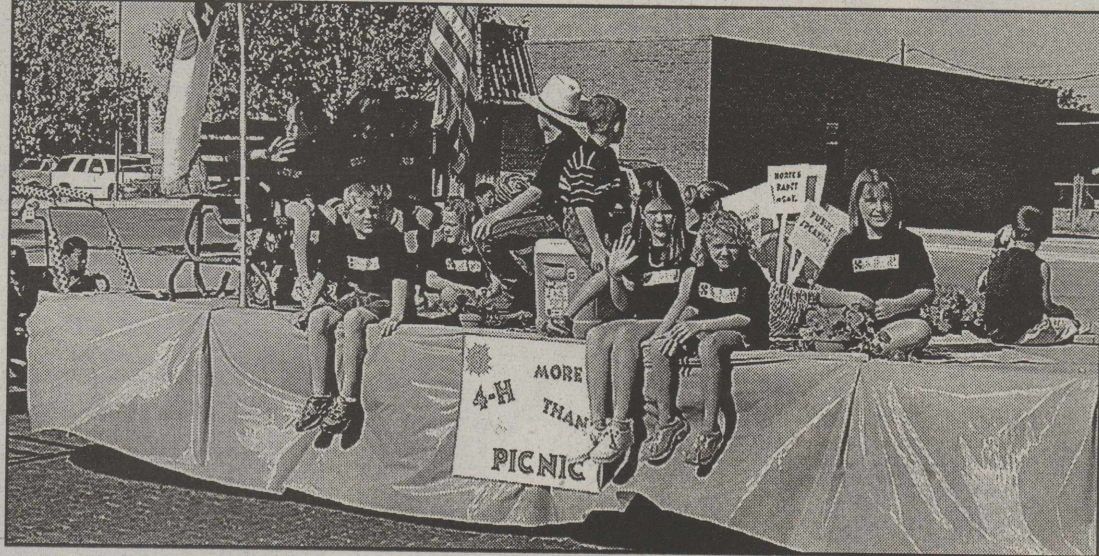
same. Yes, I do.

If today's youngsters faced the same ordeal, they would respond similarly. We had soldiers then who shirked their duty, although they were few and far between. If youngsters now had to face the same situation, there would be some who shirked their duty, while the vast majority stood their ground and did their duty. While the fighting and dying went on, there would be some who made pretty speeches about duty and responsibility, (we even had some of that at the ceremony) unmindful of their own duty and unmindful of their own responsibility.

As we have said many times

in these columns, not all men are called upon to respond to battlefield conditions. But all men, and women, will face many, many situations where courage and duty and responsibility are required, and where the true measure of their worth is how well they respond to those challenges.

Anyhow, we hope you get a chance to see the video. Most of you were there. But even so, even if you were there, you will enjoy seeing the film. Our own production, the Hesperian of that week, recorded priceless events, but your archives will also benefit from what the 4-H people have put together. Get a copy, and keep it.



4-H FLOAT--Floyd County 4-H youngsters sit on top of their float in the Fair Parade. Staff Photo

FISD keeps same tax rate

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 school year budget and FISD Business Manager Sharon Rainwater gave a final tax collection report to the board. It showed \$2,030,794 collected this past school year, which is a 96.7 percent collection rate.

Abel Cortinas, Executive Director of the Floydada Housing Authority, addressed the school board and asked for a waiver on the PILOT (Payment In Lieu Of Taxes) taxes owed by the FHA for the past ten years and the years in the future.

Superintendent Vaughn asked the board to postpone any vote concerning this action because, "We are gathering information on this and we are not sure we can waive taxes in the future." The board unanimously postponed this issue until the September meeting.

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Vaughn, the board designated \$185,000 to be taken from the reserve fund for the securing of the loan at First National Bank. Also, the board increased the designated fund for FISD facility improvements by \$295,000, giving this fund a total of \$1,715,000.

Tony Ricketts of radio station KFLP (not present) and Darwin Robinson of the Hesperian-Beacon newspaper were both presented appreciation plaques by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) and FISD for their balanced reporting of FISD news.

The board approved the resignations of: Marijo Tunnell, Annelda Staples - retired, and Donna Webb.

The board approved the hiring of: Deana Carmack, Dee

Whittington, Kristal Wilson, Teresa Moseley, Janae Galloway, Terri Wilcox, Regina Orr, Mari Evans, Angie Gonzales, Lupe De la Fuente, and Samy Bradley.

Vaughn gave a brief superintendent's report to the board. Vaughn said, "All our building and classroom projects at FHS are wrapping up for the new school year. The home room make-overs are not finished yet and the renovations at the FISD offices are still in progress."

Vaughn stated, "We had 60 boys come out for football this year and there are 75 kids who came out for band."

The final reports on possible future FISD campus renovations are completed and ready for reviews by the board, said Vaughn. "It is projected that we will need from \$10 million to \$14 million to do all the projects recommended."

"We have heard nothing yet concerning the Texas First Reading Grant with our cooperative

reading program that we applied for. Several other area schools are in this cooperative," said Vaughn.

Vaughn told the board, "We did receive a \$62,000 Community Action Project on Service Learning grant at the Caprock Cooperative Learning Center (CCLC). This is a positive note for us."

Caprock Hospital sets tax rate

By Darwin Robinson

The Caprock Hospital District Board met Tuesday, August 19, and voted to adopt the proposed budgets for Floydada EMS and the Cogdell Clinic for 2003-2004. The board also voted to set the 2003 tax rate at \$1.1350 per \$100 of valuation. This will result in \$171,484 of taxes for the District, which is the same amount as was raised last year.

The Hospital District will use \$122,000 of this total to support EMS. \$35,000 will be used for indigent health care and the remainder, \$14,000, for Cogdell Clinic maintenance, insurance and Hospital District obligations.

Board President Rex Lawson said, "Dr. Salman Ahmad continues to do an excellent job of operating the Clinic on a self-sustaining basis without tax subsidy."

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Courtroom Activities

In County Court, August 14, 2003, Lorenzo Gonzales, 28, of Lockney, pled guilty to Assault. He was fined \$750 and court costs and sentenced to 94 days in jail.

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ALL KINDS OF TRINKETS--These little girls enjoyed browsing the booths at the Fair.

Photo by Jill Bramlet

Beauty pageant deadline is August 29

The deadline to register for the Miss Floyd County Pageant is August 29. The Pageant will be held Sept. 13, at Lockney Elementary.

There will be a meeting, August 25, in the R.C. Andrews Cafeteria, 5:30 p.m., to answer questions.

The Pageant will include a Miss Floyd County Baby Pageant for ages: 0-6 months; 7-12 months; 13-18 months; and 19-24 months; and a Miss Floyd County Pageant for ages: 2-3; 4-6; 7-9; 10-12; 13-15; and 16-18.

The Baby Beauty Pageant will be judged based on facial beauty. Babies will be carried or escorted on stage by a family member. The cost to enter the pageant is \$30 and \$10 for the optional Photogenic contest.

In the Miss Floyd County Pageant the modeling will consist of interview, party dress modeling, and talent. The talent time limit is 3 minutes and 10 seconds.

Entry forms can be picked up at Kaleidoscope, Hearts Desire, Payne's Pharmacy, and Duckwalls, or from Shelly Smith,

983-2548.

\$1000 ROOM MAKE-OVER

A Bonne's Amies drawing, to win a \$1,000 "room make-over" will be held during the Miss Floyd County Pageant, September 13. The money will go towards Miss Caprock Pageant Scholarships.

Tickets are still on sale and can be purchased for \$10.00 from Shelly Smith, 983-2548, or Becky Ross, 983-3289

Marie Tardy celebrates her 95th Birthday with family and friends

By Nancy Tardy

Marie Tardy celebrated her 95th birthday, Sunday, August 17. Her family has kept her busy with visits from grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

First Marie was treated to a meal at a local restaurant with her grandchildren and their spouses and with great-grandchildren from Arlington.

She enjoyed seeing how much the children have grown since they were here last.

The grandchildren and great-grandchildren from Lubbock, arrived on her birthday and took her out to eat in Plainview. Accompanying her were her two children: LaNell, of the home, and Dale and his wife, Nancy, of Lubbock.

Marie received a 32 inch flat screen TV, gift certificate, flowers, candy, etc.

She often remarks on the many changes in the culture during her lifetime. Her parents came to Floydada in a covered wagon from Tennessee. Her father bought land in the McCoy community and raised cattle.

Marie was born on the farm at McCoy and lived there with her husband, the late Harvey Tardy, until they moved to their home in Floydada. Marie said,

"We grazed our cattle on a section of grass. We broke and plowed the land with horses and mules in the 1920s. We lived in a dugout until our house was built



MARIE TARDY CELEBRATES 95TH BIRTHDAY-Marie Tardy of Floydada celebrated her 95th birthday this weekend with her family. Her birthday was Sunday, August 17th. (see related story) Staff Photo

and the greatest change for us on the farm was electricity."

Marie lives at home in Floydada with her daughter, LaNell. She enjoys good health and still enjoys growing flowers and vegetables, attending church and local Whirlwind football and basketball games. She now is looking forward to watching ball

games on her new TV.

Marie has 4 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren ranging in ages from one to 22 years. One great-grandson is married and

lives in Nashville, TN. Two great-grandsons will be attending university this fall, one at TTU and the other at UT in Austin.

Tom Messer thanks Bob Hope "For the Memories"

By Tommy Messer

It is July 28, 2003, a sad day for America and the world. Bob Hope is dead at 100 years old. I thought it proper to put down on paper the memories that Bob created during my early years, at least those that mean so much to me.

There was a time in America that Television, the Internet, Glo-

bal Positioning Systems, Cell phones, and all the myriad of technological advances were only in the minds of dreamers. But, there was radio, and it was here that Bob Hope came into my life, the life of a 10 year old, whose family had been torn apart by World War II. Torn apart because my 2 oldest brothers, L.D. and Wimpy (his real name was

Jerrell Winfred) were in the navy, one on the Atlantic and one on the Pacific. Wimpy was so named because he liked hamburgers just like the "Wimpy" in Popeye the Sailor comic strip. L.D.'s name was Lester Dee. Home was not the same without these two. There was always a constant worry that the telegram would come telling of their

"missing in action" or being killed. The pressures were enormous. I can remember breaking down and crying in the classroom in Junior High School from worry about my brothers. I still had a third brother too young to be in the war; his name was William Randolph (Randy, as he was known). He was very special to me because he was here with

me and he was my older brother. I loved him dearly. The time came in the next war that I cried for him. He too went to defend our country during the Korean War.

But, getting back to radio and Bob Hope; there were many other programs that contributed as morale builders, such as the Red Skelton show with his "Mean Little Kid" skit, or The Kate Smith Show ending with "God Bless America", The Fibber Magee and Milly show, Amos and Andy, but for far reaching results, no one could beat Bob Hope. He was always up front, entertaining the troops, all over the globe, making movies with slapstick throughout. Yes, there were many contributors, but Bob Hope's radio program was the one most liked by all in our family. We would gather around the small radio set and fuss with the knobs trying to cure all the static and bring the sound in clearly. We

didn't want to miss a word of dialog between Bob and his guests. His show was a "picker upper" as we would say. Comedy was a remedy all could partake of. It was medicine for the soul and spirit and it was yours for the listening; without cost.

His skits were hilarious, and we soaked in every part of them. They were uplifting in a world gone crazy. But each one ended with the highlight of the evening. At the end of each show his closing would always be "Thanks for

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MUSE NEWS

By Carolyn Jackson

Despite the hot July and August weather, many visitors have visited the Museum. Some came to look and enjoy the exhibits while others came to do research on families, communities or events pertaining to Floyd County. Visitors registered from the states of North Carolina, Washington, New Mexico, Maine, Mass., California, Missouri, Arkansas, Nebraska, Arizona, Kentucky, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Virginia, Colorado and from cities all across the State of Texas.

Some of the names with Floyd County ties that were researched are Holcombe, Smalley/Ingram, McIntosh/Johnson, Myers, Coatwright, Shirey, Parrish, Queen, Talley, Stone and Sharp. The Mary Lou Bollman History and Genealogy Center has received several new books. These books were donated by researchers or given as memorials to the Center.

New accessions include a soda pop bottle, "Nu-Icy", Flavors You Can't Forget, with "Floydada, Texas" stamped on the bottom. The bottle was patented March 09, 1920. The 1930 Floydada City Directory, shows the Dr. Pepper Bottling Plant located at 221 East Missouri. Evidently, the plant also bottled "Nu-Icy" beverages in several flavors.

The 1930 Floydada City Directory also shows that Floydada had eleven full-service filling stations, eleven dry goods stores, two motion pictures, four lumber dealers, two newspapers, seven physicians and surgeons, two railroads and four tailor shops. The telephone rate for residences was \$2.25 and for businesses it was \$3.50. Floydada's population in 1930 was 2,635. There were 650 telephones, 635 gas meters, 750 water meters and 840 light meters in Floydada. The Directory also contained a list of Floyd County citizens who paid poll tax in 1929. Many times researchers look through the Directory to find information they need from that particular time period.

The Board of Directors and Staff are excited to hear that the Plains Heritage Trail has been approved by the Texas Historical Commission and will now be

one of six Texas Heritage Trails. The Plains Heritage Trail is designed to draw heritage tourists to the 52 county region that encompasses the trail. The 500,000 brochures promoting the Plains Trail will be distributed at every TxDOT information center and several other locations. There will be an official kickoff at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 619 Southeast Second, in Tulia. The general public is invited and it would be great for Floyd County to have a vast representation at this kickoff. Please mark this date on your calendar and attend if you possibly can.

Memorials since the last article include: Barry R. Thompson - Don and Nancy Marble,

Carolyn Jackson, and Janet Milam.

Beth Faulkenberry - Billy

Don and Sherry Colston,

Franklin and Dixie Harris. Ruth McIntosh - Billy Don and Sherry Colston.

Floyd Lyles - Don and Nancy Marble, Carolyn Jackson, Janet Milam, Lila Kendrick, Mary Helen Baxter, Joe Baxter, Johnny and Gayla Baxter, J.A. and Norma Welch, Cecil and Rena Baxter, and Waldo and Carolyn Baxter.

Gleeman Long - Janet Milam.

Jimmie Jo West - Janet Milam.

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Carl Jones - Janet Milam and Franklin and Dixie Harris.

Dale Brown - Don and Nancy Marble, and Carolyn Jackson.

Have You Made Your Will?



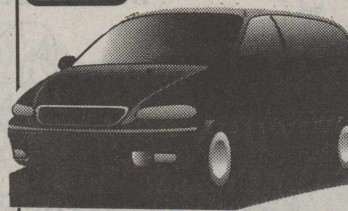
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TODD HINSLEY AND AMANDA WILLIAMS

Williams and Hinsley

Monte and Kellie Williams are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Lee Williams, to Lonnie Todd Hinsley, son of Kim and Sarah Hinsley.

Amanda, a 2000 graduate of Floydada High School, is a member of the National Honor Society, Alpha Chi, at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She will graduate with a Bachelors of Business Management degree in December. Amanda is the granddaughter of Joyce and Q.D. Williams and Kay and the late Speck Brian of Wolf-orth. She is the great-granddaughter of Geraldine Callaway.

Todd, a 1997 graduate of Floydada High School, earned a Bachelor of Agri-business degree from West Texas A&M in 2003. He is currently a partner in Hinsley Farms. Todd is the grandson of Wynell and the late Lonnie B. Hinsley; Wanda and the late Aldine Williams.

The couple plan to marry January 3, 2004 at the First Baptist Church in Floydada.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Vera Jo Bybee

John and Nancy Warren of Lubbock ate at the Center Monday. Everyone enjoyed seeing and visiting with them.

Britta McDonald ate lunch with her granddad Robert McDonald at the Center last week.

Marjorie and Mel Holcomb attended the graduation ceremony of their granddaughter Kimberly Blazier from WTAMU with a Bachelor Degree in General Studies. Kimberly is the daughter of Charlotte and Eddie Rhoderick of Silverton and the great granddaughter of Vera Cox of Lockney.

Following the ceremony that night Kimberly's grandmother, Loretha Rhoderick, of Silverton was hostess to a dinner at Logan's in Amarillo. Thirteen guests were present.

I had an email this week from Fred Merrell of Denton telling me about his daughter, Cayleen Colb who lives in Argyle, Tx. Cayleen played golf in a Pro-Am Golf Tournament in Daytona Beach, Fla. Her team came in 10th in this National Tournament so they were very pleased. Cayleen is also the daughter of Dorothy Merrell of Lockney.

Please still keep Rita Webster in your prayers cause she is still seriously ill at Highland Hospital in Lubbock.

Our sympathy goes to Roy Turley and his family on the death of his wife Sandra. The last time I saw Sandra was at Old Fashion Saturday Night.

She will surely be missed by all. Dr. Gary Mangold recently sent me to Dr. Burk an orthopedic surgeon in Lubbock. Dr. Burk recommended an injection of Synvisc in my knee. I went back to Dr. Gary last week and

told him that Dr. Burk wanted to inject my knee with "cock's comb". Dr. Gary laughed and laughed and said not "cock's" comb but "rooster" comb. Well I was close wasn't I?

Ha!!! Dr. Gary suggested the injection too, so I guess I will be getting some "rooster or cock's" comb in my knee.

I want to thank everyone who has responded with help for my theatre project. It may be a while before I have it completed so if anyone has any information about the Lockney Movie Theatre please send it to me.

vjbybee@webtv.net or 652-2357. Lockney Senior Citizen's profile this week is on Ross and Katherine Cooper

Katherine Hall was born Feb. 9, 1927 at Abernathy to D.L. and Marie Duggan Hall. She attended school at Abernathy and Lockney. The Hall family moved to Lockney in 1943. Katherine married Ross Cooper on March 19, 1948 at Lockney.

Ross was born Oct. 3, 1917 in Arkansas. He attended school in Arkansas and New Mexico. They are the parents of six children. Four sons and two daughters and fourteen grandchildren. Ross retired in 1984 and they returned to Lockney to make their home. Thank you Ross and Katherine for being this week's Senior Citizens.

Menu for August 25-29
Monday: BBQ Chicken
Tues: Spaghetti/Garlic Bread
Wed: Chicken Fried Steak
Thursday: Meatloaf
Friday: Chicken Strips

You know you are getting old when you reach down to get the wrinkles out of your panty hose and realize you aren't wearing any.

Floyd County Lifestyles

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

Last weekend Deeota Odam's daughter Virginia Waits of Hale Center, Deeota's sister Odessa Cage of Lubbock and great-granddaughter Angie Rushing of Plainview, her two children Elizabeth and Travis, and Angie's friend Chris Garcia spent all day Saturday visiting. Angie, her children, and Chris went on to Lubbock. They came back through Floydada and went to church with Deeota, then spent part of the afternoon before going home to Plainview.

Friday, August 22, Martha Farris will be showing a film "Fried Green Tomatoes" with the box opening at 1:45 p.m. and movie will start at 2:00 p.m. at Kid's Korner auditorium. Martha invites everyone. I've been to two of the movies and I have enjoyed them both. Come and bring a friend or two. We are also having men to come and they seem to enjoy it too. No charge.

Faye and William Bertrand's daughter-in-law Betty Bertrand of Lubbock and her daughter Shelly Bertrand of Dallas ate lunch at the Center August 15. They spent the day visiting the Bertrands.

Lorene Newberry's son Dale Newberry of Lamesa spent the weekend here visiting.

Carol Reese's daughter Shannan and her two sons have been here visiting for several days.

Congratulations to Edd and Joyce Henderson upon their 50th wedding anniversary August 14, 1953.

Dr. Keith and June Patzer went to Austin to visit their son Dr. Bart and Kelly Patzer at their home. The next day they went to Lakeway Park and took a nature tour. Then they went to Lake Travis and their granddaughter Tasha and Michael Williams of Houston met them on Saturday. Their daughter Kathy Pritchard of Plainview, her daughter LaShay Pritchard of Plainview, and Kathy's boyfriend, Randy Wilson of Plainview came on

Saturday. The weather was great. They all left on Sunday for home.

James and Sue Lovell went to San Antonio last week for a few days.

Our sympathy to the family of Herman Goen.

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

In memory of **Jimmy Jo West** - Durel Fortenberry, Margaret Jackson, Louis and Ferne Anderson, Mary Shurbet, Tony and Cecelia Jones.

In memory of **Leona Miller** - Charlene and Max Smitherman.

In memory of **Leona Mayo** - Margaret Jackson.

In memory of **Floyd Lyles** - Louis and Ferne Anderson.

In memory of **W.R. Daniel** - Louis and Ferne Anderson.

In memory of **Mildred Fuqua** - Mary Shurbet.

In memory of **Ruth McIntosh** - Mary Shurbet.

In memory of **Beth Faulkenberry** - Mary Shurbet, Tony and Cecelia Jones.

In memory of **Velma Young McKee** - Mary Shurbet, Elaine Reid, and Doris Snodgrass.

Thought for the week - School has started. Be careful while driving through the school zones.

Menu August 25 - August 29

Monday - Turkey pot pie, macaroni and cheese, broccoli, cornbread, cherry or plum cobbler

Tuesday - Beef roast, baked potato, harvard beets, sliced tomatoes, hot roll, pumpkin crunch

Wednesday - Chicken with mushroom sauce, blackeyed peas, asparagus or green beans, grapefruit sections, wheat rolls, cake

Thursday - Hamburger steak with brown gravy, baked potato, okra, apricots, cornbread, oatmeal cookie

Friday - BBQ beef, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, hot roll, pears, cookies

Saying goodbye to summer and hello to an exciting new year

By Addie Foster

Lockney 4-H started off the new year with their annual swimming party.

Their first meeting was held at the Lockney Swimming Pool on Monday August 11, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Kami Keaton. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Catalina Araujo. The 4-H motto was given by Brazos Williams. The program and recreation at this meeting was a swimming party. Many kids had fun splashing around in the sun.

This year's new officers are President - Kami Keaton; First Vice-President in Charge of Programs - Justin Stoerner; Second Vice-President in Charge of Rec-

reation - Will Foster; Third Vice-President in Charge of Membership - Cheyann Powell; Fourth Vice-President in Charge of Refreshments - Senee Foster; Fifth Vice-President in Charge of Community Service - Jill Bramlet; Secretary - Segayle Foster; Treasurer - Dustin James; Reporter - Addie Foster; Parliamentarian - Caitlann Wiley; Council Delegates - Kayla Kelley and Tyler Kidd; Club Manager - Nickolyn Williams; and Assistant Club Manager - Jean Anne Williams.

We are hoping that everyone will return next month to the meeting at the Unity Center. Let's make this coming year exciting and full of activities to learn from and keep us busy with fun projects to do.



50TH ANNIVERSARY-The children of Bill and Mary Louise McCarter cordially invite family and friends to join us in celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, September 6, 2003, at the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney, Texas from 3:30 - 5:30.

Anderson family holds reunion

The Anderson family reunion took place Sunday, August 3, at the Massie Activity Center. Approximately 67 family members met to fellowship and feast, on food prepared by Abby and Jerry Battey.

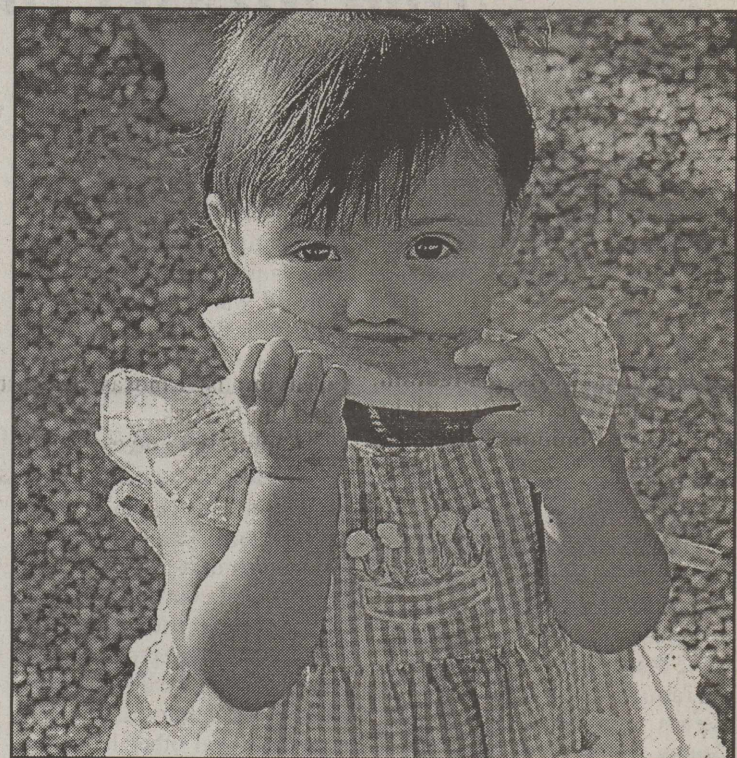
New officers were elected for the 2005 reunion consisting of Mike Anderson, President; Jake Galvan, Vice President; and Carolyn Redding, Secretary/Treasurer.

Lovene Moore read a history of the Anderson family and a dedication to those who were not with us.

Jake and Libby Galvan led the group in playing a new version of the Newlywed Game.

In attendance were those listed below: Tanya and Russell Smith; William Anderson and son William Anderson Jr.; Estelle Watson and son Travis and wife,

Mildred Watson; Martha Sue and Jerry Leatherman; Ludustria, Jessica, Emily, and Dusty Prisk; Louis and Fern Anderson, Lisa, Tracy and Carly Rodgers; Roy and Kay Anderson; Dorothy Nixon; Ted and Joyce Anderson; Edell and Lovene Moore; Robert Golightly; Dorothy May Anderson; Doug and Elaine Galvan; Larry and Nancy Kirk; Cory and Robin; Jonelle Fawver; Lorena Dunavant; Quint, Julie, Chase, and Chandler Anderson; Jake, Libby, Hunter and Brooke Galvan; Carlton and Louise Fawver; Carolyn and John Redding; Mike, Barbara and Dusty Anderson; Vanda and Gary Collins; Ryan Thompson; Steve and Donna Anderson; Guy and Suzy Galloway, Kalle, Kylan and Brody; Leon and Mary Anderson, daughter Julie, and children Hailie, and Landon.



KYLIE STOVALL, 17 months, is seen celebrating "Meet the Wirlwinds" last Friday. Watermelons were eaten by family and players. Photo by Rhonda Stovall

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LOCKNEY BAND MARCHING IN FLOYD COUNTY FAIR PARADE

Floyd Couty Fair results continued.....

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males: 1st Jill Bramlet, 2nd Catey Davis, 3rd W. R. Daniels, Participation: Allison Griggs, Katie Hinton, Windy Adams, Tessa Saul, Brazos Williams, Tylee Williams; **Birds:** 2nd Jill Bramlet; **Floral:** 1st Jill Bramlet, 2nd Cheyann Powell, Katie Hinton; **Portrait:** 1st Jill Bramlet, 2nd Katie Hinton, 3rd W. R. Daniel; **Candid:** 1st Jill Bramlet, 2nd Brazos Williams, 3rd Katie Hinton, Participation Tylee Williams; **Others:** 1st Tylee Williams, 2nd Katie Hinton, 3rd Brazos Williams, Participation W. R. Daniel, Windy Adams, Catey Davis, Jill Bramlet

ADULT CRAFTS
Ornaments: 1st Ludustia Prisk, 2nd Danny Huggins; **Wreath:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Other:** 1st Martha Leatherman, 2nd Ludustia Prisk; **Ceramics:** 1st Linda Vargas; **Woodcraft:** 1st Jerry Leatherman, 2nd Danny Huggins; **Metal Crafts:** 1st Danny Huggins; **Pottery:** 1st Linda Vargas; **Other:** 1st Danny Huggins, 2nd Jerry Leatherman; **Frames:** 1st Jerry Leatherman

ADULT TEXTILES
Embroidery: Huckweaving: 1st Martha Leatherman; **Scarf:** 1st Nina White; **Crochet:** Afghans: 1st Dorothy Anderson, 2nd Martha Leatherman; **Novelties:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Others:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Baby Afghan:** 1st Dorothy Anderson; **Quilting:** **Pillows:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett; **Quilt Applique:** 1st Pat Stewart; **Pieced Hand Made Quilt:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett, 2nd Wilma Dudley, 3rd Pat Stewart; **Pieced Machine Quilt:** 1st Stacy Reeves, 2nd Arlene Shuping; **Quilt Top Only:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett; **Wallhanging:** 1st Brenda Mangold; **Quilt Block Machine Pieced:** 1st Stacy Reeves; **Quilt Block Machine Applique:** 1st Stacy Reeves; **Quilt Block Hand Applique:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett, 2nd Stacy Reeves; **Other Items Not Listed:** 1st Rhonda Stewart; **Child's Blouse:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Lady's Coat:** 1st Peggy Stewart; **Boy's Shirt:** 1st

Martha Leatherman; **Other:** 1st Martha Leatherman, 2nd Stacy Reeves; **Holiday Stocking:** 1st Dorothy Anderson, 2nd Martha Leatherman; **Costume:** 1st Dennis Carter; **Wallhangings:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Quilts:** 1st Vicky Schaeffer; **Pillow Cases:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett; **Scarf:** 1st Ethelyn Garnett; **Counted Cross Stitch:** **Baby Picture:** 1st LuDustia Prisk; **Sampler Picture:** 1st LuDustia Prisk; **Other Pictures:** 1st Martha Leatherman, 2nd LuDustia Prisk; **Minature:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Holiday Item:** 1st Martha Leatherman; **Plastic Canvas:** 1st Martha Leatherman

ADULT CANNED GOODS
Peaches: 1st D'Lee Powell; **Whole Kernel Corn:** 2nd D'Lee Powell; **Tomatoes:** 2nd D'Lee Powell, 3rd Charlene Brown; **Carrots:** 3rd D'Lee Powell; **Black-Eyed Peas:** 3rd Charlene Brown; **Fancy Packed Beans:** 1st Judy Macha; **Green Beans:** 2nd Judy Macha; **Peach Sweet Pickles:** 1st Judy Macha; **Pickled Cucumber, Sweet:** 1st Judy Macha; **Hot Sauce:** 1st Judy Macha, 2nd Charlene Brown; **Other Pickles:** 1st Judy Macha; **Cinnamon Pickles:** 1st Charlene Brown, 2nd Carrie Terrell; **Pickled Okra:** 1st Judy Macha, 1st Charlene Brown; **Grape Jelly:** 2nd Charlene Brown, 3rd Judy Macha; **Plum Jam:** 1st Charlene Brown; **Other Jellies:** 1st Charlene Brown; **Peach Jam:** 1st Charlene Brown; **Apple Pie Filling:** 1st D'Lee Powell; **Apple Pie Filling:** 2nd D'Lee Powell, 2nd Neta Marble

CULINARY DEPARTMENT
Pound Cake: 1st Neta Marble; **Pecan Pie:** 1st Elaine LaBaume

AGRICULTURAL
Yellow Corn: 1st Quinn Jackson, 2nd Lezlie Jackson; **Grain Sorghum:** 1st J. C. Chappell, 2nd Katie Hinton, 3rd Matthew Hinton, 4th B. J. Chappell; **Cotton Seed:** 1st Katie Hinton; **Grain Sorghum:** 1st Katie Hinton; **Soybeans:** 1st Katie Hinton; **White Gourds:** 1st W. R. Daniel; **Bell Peppers:** 1st Cheyann Powell; **Hot Peppers:** 1st Cheyann Powell, 2nd Quinn

Jackson; **Field Pumpkins:** 1st W. R. Daniel; **Zucchini Squash:** 1st Cheyann Powell; **Tomatoes:** 1st Jeffrey Hunter, 2nd Lezlie Jackson; **Watermelon:** 1st W. R. Daniel; **Dates:** 1st Weldon Graves; **Dryland Cotton:** 1st Quinn Jackson, 2nd Hesston Graves, 3rd Katie Hinton; Participation: Matthew; Hinton, Braden Graves, Lezlie Jackson

Irrigated Cotton: 1st Matthew Hinton, 2nd Braden Graves, 3rd Hesston Graves, Participation: Katie Hinton, Quinn Jackson, Lezlie Jackson; **Soybeans:** 2nd Katie Hinton

TOP OF THE CROP
Cotton: 1st Katie Hinton, 2nd Matthew Hinton; **Stalk Sorghum:** 1st Katie Hinton; **Careless Weed:** 1st Katie Hinton; **Tumble Weed:** 1st Katie Hinton; **Yellow Squash:** 1st W. R. Daniel; **Zucchini Squash:** 1st Cheyann Powell

FLOWER SHOW
Dahlias: **Formal Decorative:** 1st W. R. Carthel, 1st W. L. Carthel, 1st Joyce Wilson, 3rd Joyce Wilson, Participation: J. T. Molina, Sabrina Molina; **Informal Decorative:** Participation W. L. Carthel; **Ball:** Participation Joyce Wilson; **Waterlillies:** 1st

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EATING WATERMELONS AT "MEET THE WHIRLWINDS" FRIDAY PARTY

LISD approves lease

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"It is only a one year deal and we will later have to decide if we want to maintain the program. The original costs of computers and software will already be paid for--but we would have to pick up a salary."

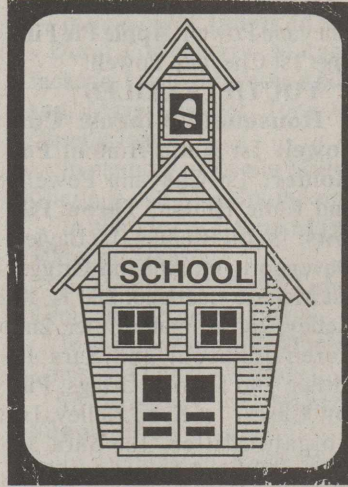
The trustees approved the lease purchase plan of 60 computers. The lease will be for 3

years after which the computers could be bought for \$1.00 each.

The board also discussed possibly hiring another custodian--either as a full time or part time position. The matter was tabled for more research.

A fuel bid was awarded to Lockney Cooperative.

Six staff development days were approved.



Lockney School Menu

August 25 - August 29
Monday

Breakfast - Blueberry muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Steak fingers or P.B.J. Sandwich, mashed potatoes, broccoli, pears, hot rolls, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Tuesday - Nacho grande or ham, pinto beans, tossed salad, applesauce, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Waffle sticks or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken spaghetti or grilled cheese, tossed salad, green beans, peaches, Italian bread, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk
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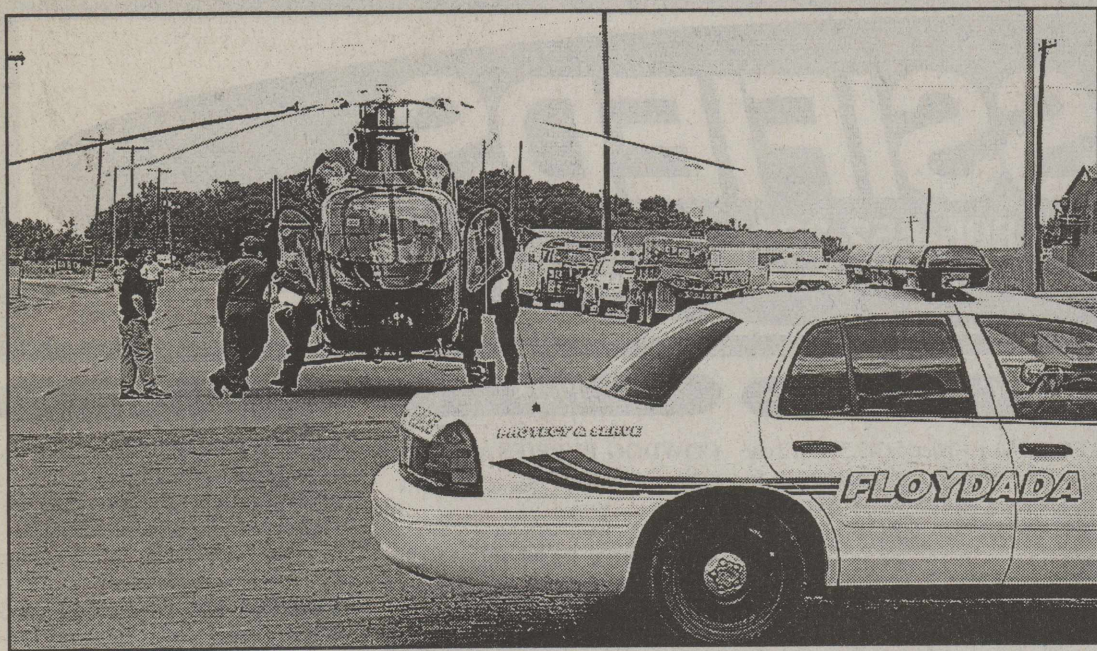
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20TH ANNUAL AGRO RESCUE SCHOOL CONDUCTED-Texas A&M Emergency Service Training Institute came to Floydada Saturday, August 16, and conducted the 20th annual agro rescue training program for all the local, area and statewide rescue agencies. According to Floydada Fire Chief Carroll Sims, there were 113 rescue personnel from the area and state that participated in the school. Fire Departments, Police Departments, Sheriff Departments, DPS and EMS personnel came from Floydada, Lockney, Matador, Abernathy, Muleshoe, Dalhart, Shamrock, Roby, Pala Pinto, Mineral Wells and several other towns to train here. Repelling off the Floydada Producer's elevator was one of the exercises. According to Floydada EMS Director Paul Moore, there were 12 kids who volunteered to be rescued victims from an overturned bus just north of town. The training event was sponsored by Texas A&M State Firemen and Fire Marshalls Association and the Panhandle Firemens Association.



DOG DAYS OF SUMMER--This dog finds a cool seat during the Floyd County Fair Parade.

Cotton Market Weekly A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Cotton futures on the New York Cotton Exchange searched for a clear direction this week as several reports by governmental agencies captured the attention of both the bears and the bulls.

Cotton market observers were surprised by data contained in USDA's August supply/demand report. In its report, based on a field survey of crops as of Aug. 1, the department raised its U.S. crop production estimate for the 2003-04 season by 500,000 bales to 17.1 million bales. The figure was higher than the average market estimate of 16.7 million bales.

USDA decreased planted acreage to 13.63 million acres from the previous 13.92 million in its July report, and harvested area was trimmed to 12.3 million acres from 12.55 million. However, the yield per harvested acre was increased to 667 pounds compared to 635 pounds estimated in its last report which equaled the yield per acre reported in 2002-03.

Domestic consumption was clipped 200,000 bales to 6.6 million. Some market participants had expected a decrease in domestic consumption, but average estimates stood at 6.8 million bales. Against the expectations of the trade, USDA's export figure remained unchanged at 11.8 million bales.

Another significant change in this month's report was the increase in U.S. ending stocks by 400,000 bales to 4.3 million, and beginning stocks were cut 300,000 bales to 5.5 million due to an increase in the department's 2002-03 export figure. A surge in exports occurred in July as mills rushed to take advantage of the

higher Step 2 payment before the end of the marketing year. Therefore, USDA placed exports at 11.9 million bales against 11.6 million bales in its July report.

The department's revised world supply/demand estimates put prospective output at 95.38 million bales, compared with the 94.84 million predicted in July, and consumption at 99.16 million bales versus 99.14 million. Ending stocks are expected to decline during the season by 9 percent to 34.29 million bales.

Although the news of the week was USDA's supply/demand report, the market gave some consideration to the National Agricultural Statistics Service crop progress report and USDA's export sales report.

The crop progress report showed only a fractional change in the condition of the U.S. crop. As of Aug. 10, a total of 16 percent of the U.S. crop was in poor to very poor condition, the same as the previous week, while 64 percent of the crop was in good to excellent condition versus 63 percent the week before.

Thirty percent of the Texas crop now is rated to be in poor to very poor condition compared with 28 percent the previous week. Temperatures in Texas have eased from their recent highs above 100 degrees, but traders have been concerned about the hot and dry conditions in West Texas and the stress it has put on the crops there. Although rain is in the forecast for the area, precipitation may not come soon enough or be of sufficient quantity to help much of the cotton there.

In other news, USDA's

weekly export report surprised very few traders. During the first week of the 2003-04 marketing year, USDA reported net export sales of U.S. upland cotton totaled 61,000 bales, 13 percent lower than the previous week. Featured buyers included Mexico, Indonesia, and Turkey. Also in the week ended Aug. 7, actual shipments totaled 295,000 bales, an 11 percent decrease from the previous week and 3 percent lower than the four-week average. Major destinations were Mexico, Turkey, and Indonesia.

Conversely, activity increased on the spot cotton scene as online sales by Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers in the five trading days ending Aug. 14 totaled 2,050 bales. The previous week only 930 bales changed hands. Prices received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 47.78 to 50.92 cents per pound versus the previous week's 45.50 to 54.00 cents per pound range.

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Cotton News from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

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By Shawn Wade

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Slamming the U.S. cotton industry and U.S. agricultural support programs has once again become the sport of choice at home and abroad as a new round of international trade talks approaches.

With few of the critics ever taking the time to do more than just scratch the surface of the issues involved, the end result is almost always an unfavorable representation of the typical U.S. cotton producer and U.S. ag policy. It is usually based on the completely inaccurate assertion that U.S. farm and trade policy is root of all evil when it comes to the problems plaguing the global cotton industry.

Combating these assertions has become a daily battle for the U.S. cotton industry. An opportunity for Plains Cotton Growers to meet that challenge arrived on the Texas High Plains earlier this month in the form of two English journalists researching a story about the global cotton industry.

When reporter James Meek and photographer Sean Smith of the London-based newspaper *The Guardian* received their assignment to research and report on the global cotton industry an opportunity to educate was created on the Texas High Plains.

The fact that they let their story lead them all the way to the cotton fields of West Texas shows a willingness to see and hear about the U.S. cotton industry firsthand. With PCG's help the pair were introduced to the cotton industry and a number of producers who typify the average American cotton operation.

Through hours of conversation with PCG staff and participating producers the two were given a crash course in U.S.

farming practices and how U.S. cotton support programs really work.

PCG officials acknowledge there are no guarantees about which direction the story will finally lean. If everything the two heard and experienced simply "went in one ear and out the other" the story will likely be no worse than it would have been had they not traveled to West Texas.

If, however, the information they were given is used fairly and accurately, and presented in the proper context, the opportunity that a more favorable picture can be painted certainly exists.

PCG officials are hopeful that the final product will be significantly better, and provide a more favorable opinion of the U.S. cotton producer, than what has recently been written by those intent on distorting the facts to advance their own interests in advance of September's WTO Trade negotiations in Cancun, Mexico.

Switching Gears
On a different educational front, a group of Indian textile representatives recently completed a swing through West Texas as part of a trade promotion effort conducted by Cotton Council International.

The Indian contingent were given the opportunity to see and hear about what West Texas cotton has to offer them and were encouraged to take advantage of the broad range of cotton fiber available for purchase within 100 miles of Lubbock, Texas.

The group also had an opportunity to meet and visit with West Texas cotton producers and merchants in order to build a better understanding of the advantages of using West Texas cotton.

Floyd County Farm News



GET YOUR SNOW CONES--The Snow Cone Trolley participated in the Floyd County Parade in Lockney.



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It is the policy of Floydada High School not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator Rex Holcombe at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235, 806-983-3323 or the Section 504 Coordinator, Rex Holcombe at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235, 806-983-3498.

Texas Education Agency Division of Career and Technology Education

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Floydada High School district tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar la falta de habilidad en el uso del la lengua ingles no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

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Obituaries

JAMES ROBERT CONNER

Funeral services for James Robert "Bob" Conner, 76, of Amarillo were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, August 21, 2003 at Paramount Terrace Christian Church. Reverend Clark Williams, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Canyon, officiated.

Entombment was held in the Llano Cemetery Garden Mausoleum under the direction of Cox Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mr. Conner died Sunday, August 17, 2003.

He was born September 20, 1926 in Floyd County and was a graduate of Floydada High School. He graduated from West Texas Teachers College in Canyon.

He married Gwen Anderson in 1968 in Miami, Oklahoma. After college, he taught school on the Makah Indian Reservation in Neah Bay, Washington as well as taught the ranch kids at the Plemons school.

After moving to Amarillo, Mr. Conner worked as a bookkeeper and interior decorator for Goen's of Amarillo. He then worked for Graham Plow Company as an accountant for 18 years.

He worked for Cooper & Woodruff Construction Company (now Amarillo Road) as an accountant for 15 years before going to work for L.A. Fuller & Sons, as a comptroller in 1980. He retired in 1997.

He was a member of the Master Gardeners Club and a member of Grace Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his infant daughter in 1972 and by his brother, W. T. Conner in 1973.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Amanda Taylor and Holly Nipper, both of Amarillo; three brothers, R. Fred Conner of Amarillo, Dr. Stanely Conner of Houston and Roger Conner of Irving; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Fourt of Phoenix, Arizona and four grandchildren.

Temple; and nine grandchildren, Eric, Zachary and Jessica Lyon, all of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Tyler and Abbie Goen of Lubbock, Trey, Sydnie and Katy Grace Manis of Rockwall and Jordan Vick of Horseshoe Bay.

Memorial contributions may be made to Oneighty Youth Group Ministry, % Trinity Fellowship Church, P.O. Box 957, Plainview, Texas 79072.

SANDRA TURLEY

Funeral services for Sandra Turley, 68, of Lockney were held at 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 15, 2003 at the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney. Glen Walton officiated.

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

Mrs. Turley died on Thursday, August 14, 2003 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born on April 21, 1935 in Memphis to the late Irvan Morris and Lola Imogene Caldwell.

She married Roy Turley on June 14, 1952 in Amarillo. They moved to Lockney from Amarillo in 1968. She worked as the Lockney Junior High School secretary until she retired in 1994.

She was a member of the Main Street Church of Christ in Lockney.

Survivors include her husband, Roy Turley; one son, Troy Turley of Plainview; one daughter, Kelly Pachiano of Lockney; one brother, Jerry Caldwell of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Lockney Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 708, Lockney, Texas 79241.

The Passing of a Saint

Stanford Norman Goen Jr., left this world of chaos and sin on Tuesday morning, August 12, 2003.

His soul was escorted to Heaven by our Lord Jesus to await the day when the bodies and souls of all believers will be reunited and a glorious life in Heaven will begin.

It was an awesome experience to have been privileged to witness this man 36 years ago when he accepted Jesus as his Saviour.

He wanted to be a missionary, and for 36 years he has been. Oh, not in the regular sense of "going overseas", but in his everyday life he has talked about Jesus to everyone who got within earshot. His classroom was his special missionary field.

Those who knew Norman would certainly not call him a perfect man, but he knew those sins were all forgiven on a cross 2000 years ago, so because of that he was a saint, though yet a sinner. He matured to be an extraordinary man.

In thankful response to the glorious gift of faith he had been given, Norman diligently told of the sure hope of life eternal in heaven waiting for him and all believers.

His life of 58 years ended abruptly in a few seconds from an aneurysm which brought his heart to a grinding halt.

His message was one of urgency--accept Jesus NOW because you do not know what the next day will bring.

So we say farewell to a precious father, grandfather, brother, and husband as this child of God has gone home.



AN AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

A new program at Kid's Korner auditorium for people who will enjoy a good movie without driving out-of-town! This week's feature on Friday, August 22nd will be "Fried Green Tomatoes", a favorite classic. "Box Office" opens at 1:45 p.m. and feature begins at 2:00 p.m. Admission is free, tho a small donation to Kid's Korner will be appreciated to help with expenses. Questions? call 983-3701.

FLOYD COUNTY PAGEANT

There will be a Floyd County Pageant meeting on Monday, August 25, 2003 at 5:00 p.m. at R.C. Andrews Elementary School.

LOCKNEY ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETING

There will be a regular scheduled meeting of the Lockney Athletic Boosters on Monday, August 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the Longhorn Gym. We will be meeting 30 minutes early in an effort to finish before the 8:00 band concert. The Junior Class will begin serving meals at NEXT week's meeting. See you there!

WHIRLWIND BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Whirlwind Booster Club will hold a meeting Monday, August 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Floydada High School Cafeteria. Everyone is invited to attend.

We wish to express our gratitude for the many cards, letters, flowers, memorials, telephone calls, and other acts of kindness shown to our family during the last six months.

The deaths of our parents, Eules and Hazel Waggoner, Mrs. John B. (Bernice) Stapleton, and our son-in-law, L.V. Currey have been easier to bear because of the prayers, thoughts and deeds of our friends and good neighbors.

Our Tennessee Street neighbors, Aunt Nell, Lori, Sue and Shirley, also the Hulon and Gary Carthel families, and to all of you who continue to help us, we say a special word of thanks. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. We will always remember your thoughtfulness and concern for our family.

Susan Waggoner-Currey
Audrey Allen Currey and Alex Stapleton Currey
Edd and Sandra Stapleton-Waggoner
John and Joy Waggoner and Abigail
Joe Edd Waggoner

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.

American Heart Association



Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke

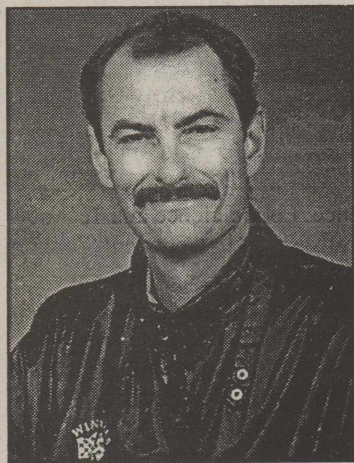
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County will conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2003, on Friday, August 22, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom, Courthouse Room 106, Floydada, Texas. The public is invited to attend

A copy of the proposed budget is on file and available for inspection in the County Clerk's office, Courthouse Room 101, Floydada, Texas.

WILLIAM D. HARDIN, COUNTY JUDGE
FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS
8-14, 8-21c



NORMAN GOEN

Funeral services for Norman Goen, 58, of Plainview were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 14, 2003 in the Trinity Fellowship Church. Reverend Steve Rogers, pastor, officiated.

Burial was held in the Parklawn Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bartley-Silva Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mr. Goen died Tuesday, August 12, 2003 in Covenant Hospital after a sudden illness.

He was born on December 31, 1944 in Lubbock. He grew up in Floydada and graduated from Floydada High School. He was a 1967 graduate of Oklahoma State University School of Technology and had developed the curriculum and course for service station management programs and taught that program as an associate professor.

He moved to Plainview from Floydada in 1974 and became the Auto Tech teacher at Plainview High School.

He was a deacon and active member of Trinity Fellowship Church, contributing to efforts with the 180 Youth Group ministry. He was founder of the Hale County Meals on Wheels Annual Car Show, taught the Voyager Class at the Wheeler Prison Unit, and had taught automotive technology in Zuni, New Mexico from 1969-1972. He was a past member of the Road Runners Car Club.

On December 30, 1980 he married Tennie Woods in Lubbock.

He was preceded in death by his father, Stanford Norman Goen, Sr., his mother, Margaret Hale Morris and a brother, Michael Crumpton.

Survivors include his wife, Tennie Goen, of the home; a son, Michael Goen of Lubbock; three daughters, Cheryl Lyon of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Denise Manis of Rockwall and Traci Graham of Horseshoe Bay; a brother, Donnie Brantley of Corsicana; two sisters, Cynthia Tapp of Waco and Donna Lowe of



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Lockney is seeking sealed bids on 268-three yard capacity trash containers and 103-one and one-half trash containers. Sealed bids must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2003 at 218 E. Locust, Lockney, Texas 79241.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date (s) shown below, and then publicly read:

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT (S)

Dist/Div: Lubbock
Contract 0905-00-027 for MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION in LUBBOCK County, etc. will be opened on September 9, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalifications information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract (s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 10586

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

Dist/Div Office (s)

Lubbock District
District Engineer
135 Slaton
Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771
Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin.

8-14, 8-21c

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Floyd County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.80% percent.

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Friday, August 22, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom, Courthouse Room 106, Floydada, Texas.

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