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## Rare Trumpeter Swans killed

By Alice Gilroy

A tip from a pheasant hunter, December 13, led Game Warden Mark Collins to the sickening sight of dead Trumpeter Swans in the vicinity of Lockney's water treatment plant.

Collins was surprised when he arrived at the scene to find not regular swans, but two dead and three injured Trumpeter swans. The birds had been shot and left to die.

A reward has been posted and a criminal investigation is now underway to find out who killed the protected birds.

Hunters were in abundance in Floyd County, Saturday, on the opening day of pheasant season. One of those hunters luckily spotted the injured swans and made a call to the game warden.

"I was told by the hunter that he saw two dead swans and one was still swimming in the pond," said Collins.

Collins and Hockley County Game Warden Jay Oyler proceeded to the area. When the two arrived at the scene they found 6 Trumpeter Swans.

Of the six Trumpeters discovered, two immature birds were dead, and two immature birds and one adult were injured. "Their wounds appeared to have been caused by gunshots," said Collins. "We also discovered one lone, apparently uninjured, immature Swan staying near the injured adult.

"These are very rare birds anywhere, but especially in Texas where they are not known to exist. It is considered a rare

treat to see a wild Trumpeter anywhere in the U.S."

Trumpeters are protected under both state and federal law. They mate for life and travel as a family group. They establish strong family association and seldom stray far from each other until the immature birds mature and seek their own mates.

Collins and Oyler recovered the dead swans and then set about capturing the three injured birds.

"Trumpeter Swans are immense in size," said Collins. "Even when injured they can be very aggressive and quite fleet if they are trying to avoid being captured.

"Even though they were injured we had a time capturing them. None of the injured swans was capable of extended flight, but they were still entirely too fast to be initially caught by a man on foot."

Collins then turned to a tool he has used in the past to capture injured animals—his lariat.

"Unlike T.V. shows often portray, injured wild animals do not understand that we are just there to help them and they will do everything in their power to get away or attack when threatened."

Collins said after some "nifty driving", "several foot chases", and some accurate throws with his lariat rope the injured swans were captured.

Collins has also captured a bald eagle, during a blizzard, with his lariat.

"I'm sure I'll get razed about using my rope again, but it was the best tool I had available at the

time to get the job done."

The injured Trumpeters were transported to the South Plains Rehabilitation Center in Lubbock by Captain Game Warden Rick Gully, where every effort will be made to help the swans recover.

According to Carol Lee, the director of the South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, two of the Trumpeters have been injured too badly to be returned to the wild.

"One of the immature birds will probably lose part of a foot and another has a shattered leg bone," said Lee.

According to Lee the tracking band on the neck of the adult male was traced to the Iowa Trumpeter Swan Restoration Project.

"The adults were hatched in a captive breeding program in 1999 and released in 2000. They were saddened to hear the news of the shooting, but glad to hear the released adults had had a brood. The swans will be returned to the captive breeding program because it is inhumane to separate the adult from the immature swans. They travel as a family and it would be cruel to release one and take the others to the captive breeding for care. It is a good thing they will be able to stay together. We hope we can get the other immature Swan back with these that were injured.

"It is awful they were shot and left to die, but I'm grateful to the hunter that called it in. I'm glad they will recover with care."

The investigation into the shooting is now in full swing.

"I could possibly see a person mistakenly or accidentally shooting one Swan, thinking it might possibly be a different species", said Collins, "but to intentionally and willfully shoot a whole family unit of Trumpeter Swans is inexcusable.

"With God's help," said Collins, "and the help and information of citizens in this region, including the media and law abiding responsible hunters, we will do everything in our power to bring the people responsible for this crime to justice.

"At present several leads are under investigation. I know someone out there knows who did this. They saw something that will be useful in the investigation.

"I will not give the people responsible for shooting these Swans the dignity of calling them 'hunters'. I hunt, and I wholeheartedly support the privilege of others to hunt—but the people that committed this act go beyond my vocabulary of printable words I can use to describe them. They have stolen from all of us a beautiful and rare example of God's wild creation. I know in my heart those who responsibly hunt or participate in outdoor activities will be outraged at this crime, and I expect they will be of great assistance in solving this crime."

A reward hot line, with possible cash reward upon arrest and conviction of the people responsible for this crime has been set up through Texas Parks and Wildlife's "Operation Game Thief" program. Callers can remain anonymous.



GAME WARDEN MARK COLLINS HOLDS INJURED ADULT TRUMPETER SWAN

The Hotline is: 1-800-792-GAME, or 806-23-8535.

"You can make a difference," said Collins. "Any information—no matter how insignificant you

may think it is could be useful. "The best thing to do, for whoever committed this crime, is to come forward before this situation gets any more serious."

The newspaper will have an early deadline for the next two weeks. All ad and story copy should be in the Floydada office by 3:00 p.m., Monday, December 22, and Monday, December 29th, for the following Thursday's paper. We will be closed on December 25 & 26th, and January 1st.



**DON'T MESS WITH THE GORILLA**—An awesome looking gorilla showed up on the corner of downtown Floydada last Sunday morning. Finally it was traced back to Babe Jones who told the Hesperian-Beacon, "I won it at an auction in Fort Worth last Saturday. We unloaded the 3,000 pound statue with a forklift Saturday night around 10 p.m.. I'm not sure what I want to do with it." The patriotic gorilla has red and white stripes on top with blue pants and two stars on his bottom. Staff Photo

## Lockney given STEP Grant

By Judy Macha

Lockney mayor Roger Stapp recently received official notice awarding the city with a STEP fund grant to reconstruct the city's wastewater system.

A letter from Robert Tessen, executive director of the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA), to Stapp, stated: "ORCA is pleased to inform you that the city has been awarded a Texas Small Towns Environment Program (STEP) Fund grant in the amount of \$278,368.

"The grant will provide funding for materials and related costs for sewer treatment plant improvements.

"We appreciate the commitment of the citizens of Lockney in utilizing the Texas STEP concept of self-help, as a method to address their communities' water needs."

According to City Secretary Ron Hall, "This is an 'In Kind' service grant, in which the City of Lockney provides \$165,000 worth of Labor by its citizens for the project; making the total grant amount \$422,250."

The City needed this grant, because it was looking at a very steep fine for having a waste water disposal system that did not meet State Standards.

"We will use the grant monies for the reconstruction of our waste water disposal system which is located on the City Farm South of Lockney," Mayor Stapp said. "Now that the STEP grant has been approved, we hope to

start the process by the first of the year."

"We are thankful for all the citizens who have signed up to help. In the very near future the City will be contacting those volunteers. I am really looking forward to getting this project behind us," stated the Mayor.

Bryan Grimes made a presentation to the City Council at its 12-11-03 meeting on behalf of Grant Works, Inc. It is a corporation that works for 10% of the grant it applies for on behalf of a customer. "We have to deliver in order to be paid," Grimes said. He covered the top three kinds of grants cities pursue: Home Program (involves demolishing substandard housing and replacing it with new); Comprehensive Planning (usually involves 5 year plan for downtown improvement and water and sewer); and TCDP (through Parks and Wildlife).

During his presentation, he commended the City of Lockney, "For being first in this area to be awarded this type of STEP grant." Grimes continued, "It is very difficult for a city to get enough of its citizens together to meet the 'In kind' service requirement."

In further business, Police Chief Edwards informed the Council there has been a contract signed with Dickens County to come pick up prisoners and house them in their 200 bed facility.

The Council heard a grievance

aired by former Sanitation provider, Roy Coomer concerning a past billing.

Considering the recent costly repair of the City's sanitation truck, Mayor Stapp stated, "The City will try to set aside \$5,000 per month, for a total of \$60,000 per year, strictly for overseeing the maintenance of equipment."

The Council unanimously passed upgrading of City Employee Insurance on a motion by Tina Grave and second by Ginger Mathis.

In other business, the Council unanimously passed clarifying the wording in City Dog Ordinance #187 to specifically include barking as part of the definition of "public nuisance". Junior Brotherton made the motion, and Ginger Mathis seconded.

Another unanimous vote passed a resolution stating SPAG would be awarded the contract for administrative services on the City's STEP grant. The motion was made by Ginger Mathis and seconded by D. Copeland.

The need to honor Lockney's retiring Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority Board members Robert McDonald and Kenneth Tate for their service was discussed. McDonald has served on the board since 1984, and Tate has served since 1996. The Council will be looking to replace them on the board.

These men were honored with a noon reception at City Hall on Wednesday, December 17.

## Volunteers needed for holiday meal

Volunteers and donations are still needed for the "Spirit of Christmas" meal served to area shut-ins for the past 19 years.

Volunteers will once again join with organizers Sudy Cochran, Fred Thayer to prepare a Yuletide meal for shut-ins, elderly, and disabled.

Last year over 500 meals were prepared and sent out to shut-ins in Floyd, Hale, Dickens, and

Motley County. The Ronald McDonald Houses in Lubbock and Amarillo are also recipients of the generosity.

The meals are prepared and delivered from the First United Methodist Church in Floydada, on Christmas Day. Volunteers are now being lined up and an account has been set up at City Bank in Floydada, under the

name "Spirit of Christmas".

"We need helpers in the kitchen, drivers, turkeys, and money," said Cochran. "We also need the names of people you feel will benefit."

If you would like to donate your time contact Cochran at 983-5165, or Fred Thayer, at 983-3121. Money can be taken to City Bank.



**By The Way**

By Alice Gilroy



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If you haven't seen the gorilla standing on the corner of California and Main Street, in Floydada, then you have to make a special trip and see him in person.

This is too much fun. I love him. I appreciate Babe Jones going to all the trouble to bring him downtown and putting him on the corner. It is a great attraction!

Plainview has cows and Floydada has the gorilla!

I think we could start a tourist promotion of some kind which would be centered around the gorilla. Greater minds than mine should go to work on this.

We could have a contest to name him--or he could be moved around town to different corners or different businesses for super sales attractions or some other type of promotion. The problem is the giant gorilla weighs \$3,000 pounds!

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Congratulations to the soldiers who never gave up their mission! Saddam is now a prisoner and hopefully those who thought he was a courageous

leader now see his true colors. The coward who sent young men and women out to die in suicide bombings, crawled to soldiers and told them that as the President of Iraq he wanted to negotiate.

I heard one of the soldiers who found him, answered with, "President Bush sends his regards."

God bless our men in uniform and thank you God for answered prayers.

By the way--I don't know if you saw this on Fox News but it was so funny that I wanted to share it.

Remember how the soldiers were given decks of cards with pictures of the "most wanted" of Saddam's regime on the face of the cards. The idea was to see the faces so often they would be able to recognize them quickly.

The number one picture was of course that of Saddam. He was on the Ace of Spades.

When he was captured, Fox News reported the soldiers were saying, "We got our Ace in the Hole!"

**A view from**



**The Lamplighter**

By: Ken Towery

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**By Ken Towery**

Our soldiers got Saddam. Good news. Great News.

What it all really means will be played out over the months and years ahead, but for now it means dancing in the streets of Baghdad (and a lot of other places too). The wicked witch of the East (male version) is now in the custody of U.S. troops, caught in a hole in the ground not

far from the lavish palaces he built with money that should have gone to help his people live a better life.

One can differ, and many Americans do, with the stated reasons for going to war against Saddam, but very few would disagree with the idea that the world is better off without him in power. The fact that the same thing can be said of many so-

called "leaders" around the world does not negate, in our mind, the simple realism that in this instance one more brutal murderer was removed from a position where he exercised life and death decisions over his people. During his time in power, Saddam was the law. The rule of law was equal to the rule of Saddam. The two were one.

We would say, too, that we appreciate our President's restrained manner of addressing the situation during his "formal" report to the nation regarding Saddam's capture. We have never appreciated the Old Testament practice of "gloating" over the fate of a deposed foe. We have seen it first-hand. During his press conference later, the President couldn't keep his feelings on

that matter secret. He could not resist chortling a bit, that in the end, Saddam 'dug a hole and crawled in it, like a rat' and that the removal of Saddam from power was "good riddance." All of which is true, of course, but it was not necessary for the President to say it. Plenty of others were around to make the point.

We are most proud of all those of the armed forces who had a hand in bringing this about. It was obvious, at first, that our troops were thrust into unfamiliar surrounding when they were asked to not only destroy an enemy, but to police the country after the enemy was destroyed. To ask them to also ferret out hiding remnants of an enemy force would obviously take time and learning.. It appears they learned exceedingly well..

**Courtroom Activities**

In J.P. Court, for the month of November, there were 30 speeding tickets issued; 14 traffic violations; 4 license and weights citations; an eviction notice; a hot check complaint filed by Cornelius Oil against Darryl Gordon; and small claims suits filed by Producers Coop Elevator against: Homent Solutions-Brad

Emert; Benito Hernandez; Albert Juarez; Danny Degollado; Remijo Tamayo Sr.; and JDBJ Farms-Jerry Battey Jr.

In County Court December 2, 2003:

Reginaldo Flores Mata, 35, pled guilty to DWI-2nd, and the May 25, 2001 charge of Evading Arrest. He received 81 days in jail plus court costs.

**FISD reviews student leadership**

By Darwin Robinson

The FISD Board met Thursday, December 11, and unanimously approved both the 2002-2003 Annual Performance Report and a \$103,575 property/vehicle TASB insurance renewal policy.

FISD Superintendent Jerry Vaughn told the board about the performance report. "We gave this information in last month's (principals') report and we have had our waiting time for anyone to come in and look at it with any questions. I recommend we approve the report."

Concerning the property/vehicle TASB insurance renewal policy, Vaughn said, "No one else turned in a bid for our insurance, except TASB. We have the exact same coverage as our last year's policy. It is \$1,000 deductible, except for a hurricane or hail."

"Our vehicle fleet full-coverage policy went up this year over \$3,700. Our building/equipment policy went up by \$2,935, giving us a total increase of \$6,776 above last year's premium of \$96,889," Vaughn explained.

The board approved Vaughn's recommendation to appoint Floyd County Extension agents J.D. Ragland and Melissa Long as adjunct FISD faculty members without pay. Vaughn explained, "Our students will not be considered absent from classes with faculty members present on stock show trips."

FISD Business Manager Sharon Rainwater gave a tax collection report. She noted that \$1,253,103.65 had been collected so far this school year. This is 60.1 percent of the total tax roll of \$2,093,435.17.

Recognized during the meeting were the Students of the Month and the Educator/Support Staff of the Month. They were: Students of the Month - John Cortinas, Grade 1, A.B. Duncan Elementary; Ashley Lucke, Grade 3, R.C. Andrews Elemen-

tary; Diane Flores, Grade 6, FJHS; D.J. Summers, Grade 12, FHS; Educator of the Month Therese Knowles, CCLC; and Support Staff of the Month Juan Gomez, bus driver.

In the Superintendent's Report, Vaughn handed out a School Leadership and Activity Participation report that breaks down the number of Anglo, Hispanic and African American students in leadership roles throughout FISD. This report was requested by Board Member Rachael Castillo in last month's meeting.

Some of the report breakdowns showed: Grades 9-12: Class Officers - 53% Hispanic; 40% Anglo; and 7% African American. Student Council Officers - 75% Hispanic; 25% Anglo; and 0% African American. Cheerleaders/Mascots - 36% Hispanic; 55% Anglo; and 9% African American. FFA Officers - 22% Hispanic; 78% Anglo; and 0% African American.

Ag Classes - 41% Hispanic; 55% Anglo; and 4% African American. Construction Trades Classes - 67% Hispanic; 13% Anglo; and 20% African American. Government Classes - 34% Hispanic; 66% Anglo; and 0% African American. Advanced Math Classes - 30% Hispanic; 70% Anglo; and 0% African American. Science/Biology Classes - 38% Hispanic; 68% Anglo; and 0% African American. Spanish Classes - 50% Hispanic; 50% Anglo; and 0% African American.

Band Students - 79% Hispanic; 16% Anglo; and 5% African American. Boys Athletics - 54% Hispanic; 35% Anglo; and 12% African American. Girls Athletics - 44% Hispanic; 48% Anglo; and 8% African American. National Honor Society - 37.5% Hispanic; 62.5% Anglo; and 0% African American. Advanced Courses in Accounting and Art-AP - 50% Hispanic; 50% Anglo; and 0% African American.

can. In other matters, Vaughn reported that Band Director John Odom plans to have a Jazz Band play at the district games next school year.

According to Vaughn, FISD will dismiss classes, for the Christmas two week break, at 12:00 noon on Thursday, December 18, and will resume classes on Monday, January 5, 2004.

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# Thornberry promises his support

## Letter to the Editor

Congressman Mac Thornberry met with community leaders, December 9, at the Floyd County Library to discuss the effects of redistricting in Floyd County and to assure those present of his future support for Floyd County.

The new redistricting plans have taken Thornberry from Floyd County's 13th Congressional District and put him in the 19th District.

"I'm not happy about the way this turned out," said Thornberry. "Part of it is selfish because I've represented Floyd County since the beginning--but it seemed like the interests of the people in the county was the last thing on people's minds."

"There is no telling how it is going to end up. It may be in courts for months. However it goes, I want you to know that I was hired to represent Floyd County until my term ends in 2005 and I intend to do that."

Thornberry assured the gathering that he and his office would be available to help this county with needs and would continue to represent this area's interests.

Thornberry was questioned in several areas over different issues before Congress at this time.

He said the vote on the prescription bill was one of the hardest votes he has ever cast. "I've cast 5,000 votes on bills," said Thornberry, "and this in the top 4 hardest votes I've had."

Thornberry said he was encouraged to vote for the bill by President Bush and he felt there were good aspects of the bill, but



CONGRESSMAN MAC THORNBERRY, (right), visits with John O'Connell, of Lockney, during a brief visit to Floyd County December 9th.

he worried over the future costs. "I know there are parents who need it," said Thornberry, but the kids are going to pay for it. I voted with hopes of what it can do instead of what I fear it might do.

"It is a great bill for rural health care. I know people will get help with prescription medicine, but I worry that medicare will go bankrupt sooner."

"The Health Care IRA's are also a good part of the bill."

Thornberry recently returned from a trip to Iraq and said it was

a "brief-but intense 3 days."

"I talked to the troops and the number one thing I came away with was awe of our people there," said Thornberry.

"In the morning the soldiers are searching for hours for the bad guys. Then, they switch modes and coach soccer programs for the youth, or work on sewer systems in the afternoons. They have to have an incredible amount of judgement and cool heads."

Thornberry said he estimated that 90% of the Iraqi people want

the soldiers there. "They are glad we are there," said Thornberry.

"There is a small number who have been associated with Saddam who don't want to lose power."

Thornberry agreed with an assessment by a businessman that the message of what is being accomplished by the soldiers was not filtering down from the media to the American people.

"I believe we will be there a long time in some fashion, but a lot has been turned over to the Iraqi people."

Dear Editor,

I would like to start this off by saying I know the jail had to be closed because of jail standards and safety regulations, but my question is this, "With all the warnings (and I know there were many), why was this not corrected before now?"

The wiring, the bricks out front, broken windows and no fire escapes; why have the Judge and the commissioners set on their ----, and have not had this done? They have been warned for at least 2 to 3 years for these problems.

There are grants out there that could be used. Our jail houses inmates from the City of Floydada, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Motley County and Briscoe County. We are sending our inmates to Spur and along with the inmates we are sending our county tax money to support another county.

Wake up people of Floyd County, first we lose our hospital and now our jail. What's wrong with this picture? Let's all start getting involved with the county and city discussions. Its your and my rights. What's go-

ing to happen when an officer arrests someone and then they get another call or an officer needs back up? Why don't we cut back to two commissioners instead of four. Two could handle the whole county. An average of twelve inmates now stay in jail at Spur, at \$38.00 a day per inmate. According to my calculations our taxes are paying \$456.00 a day or \$13,680.00 a month or \$164,160.00 a year. Another question - why is our dispatchers still in the jail house if its not safe? And last, why was it voted on by Judge Hardin and the commissioners to pay all jailers 4 week's pay but when Shane Derryberry (which is part-time, working full time hours) was told he wouldn't get 4 weeks pay. This was voted on and no exceptions were made at the meeting about part-time workers?

Now for my closing, I want to thank the city police dept. county deputies, sheriff, DPS, the fire departments and the EMS departments in both Lockney and Floydada for your outstanding work.

Sheryl Back

## Lockney's Salvation Army in need of toys for Christmas



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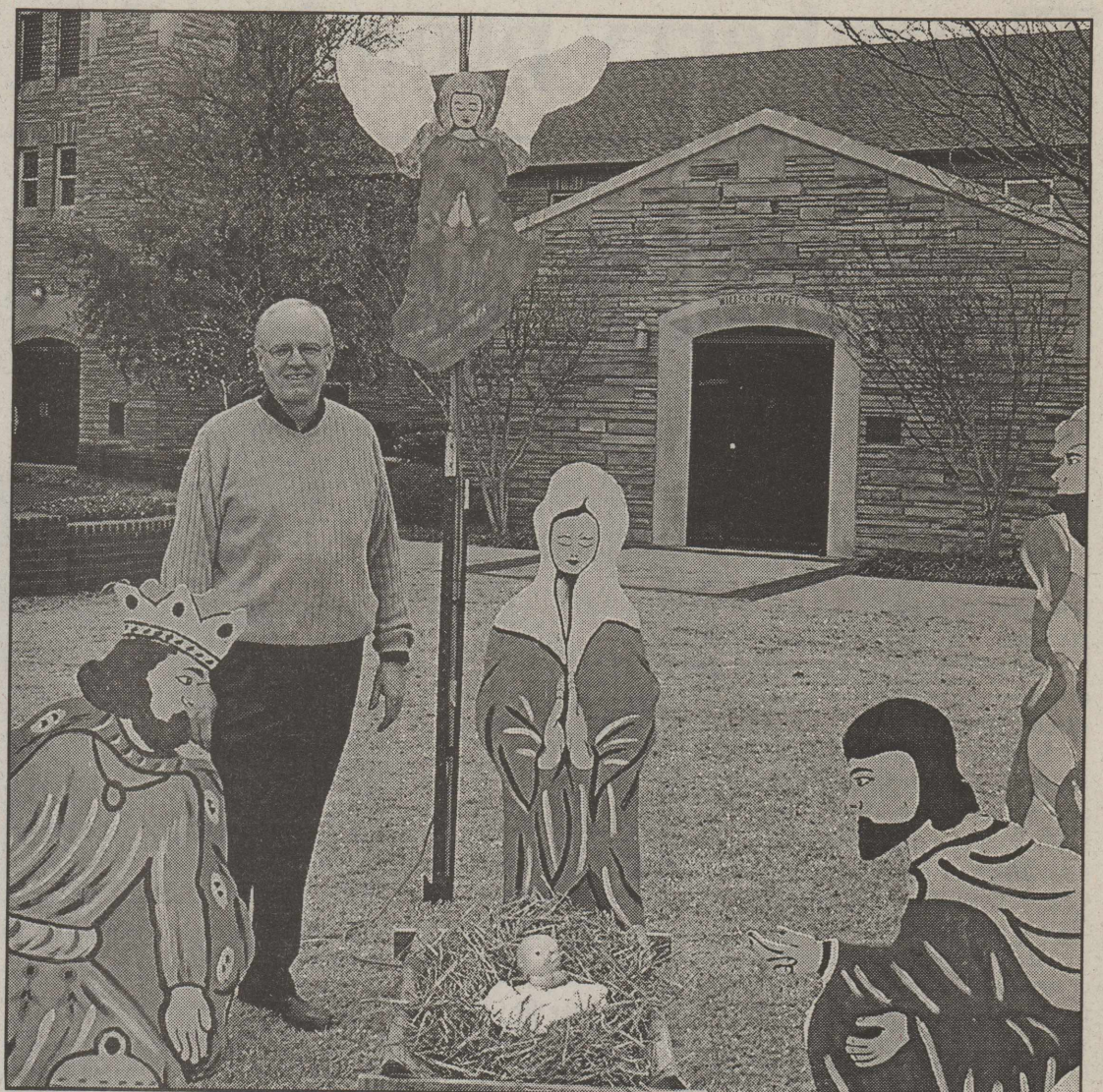
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**TEDDY BEAR PICNIC PLANNED**-Members of the Lockney Library Associates (l-r) Vida Hrbacek, Virginia Taylor, Doyleene Dipprey and Peggy Roberts view teddy bears collected by Virginia. She has decorated them with jewelry, fur collars, and feather boas in preparation for their display at the library. Some of the bears will be used for prizes (minus the embellishments) during the January 12 through February 14 exhibit. Everyone is encouraged to bring in their favorite bear during registration January 7, 8, and 9. Each bear will be photographed with the owner and have his/her biography written on individual registration sheets. Registration sheets can be picked up in advance at the library. The exhibit will conclude Valentines' Day with a "picnic". Kathy Ruiz, a story teller from Lubbock, will entertain. *Courtesy Photo*



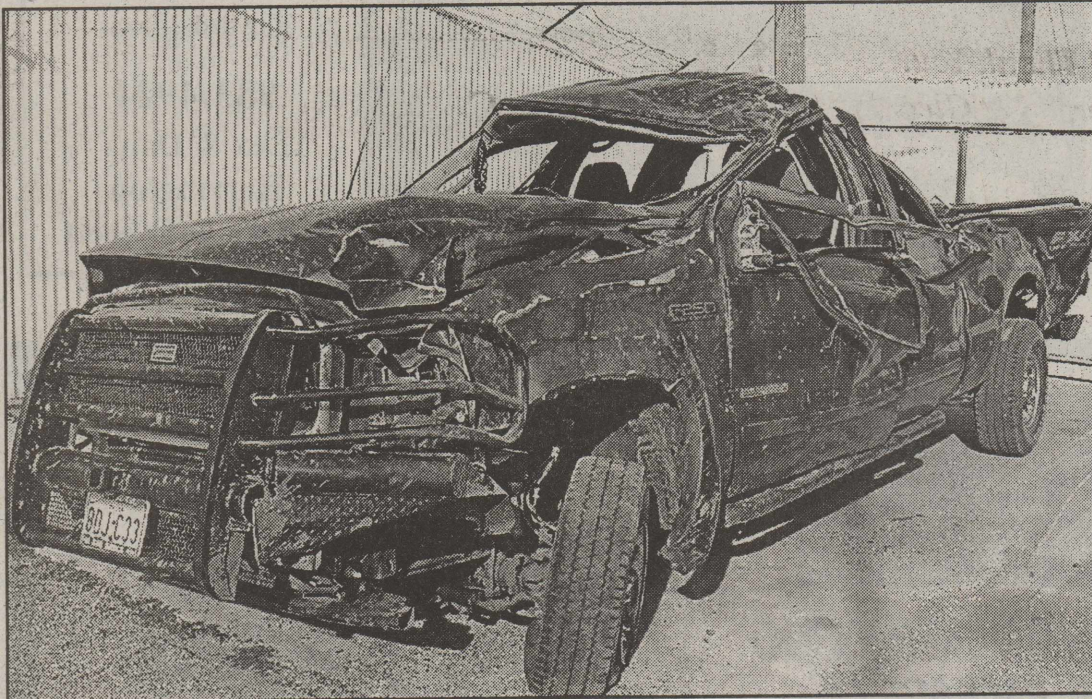
**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**-Floydada's First United Methodist Church will observe Christmas Eve with a service of carols, candles and communion at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 24, in the sanctuary. "If you want that 'Christmas is here' feeling, gather with your family and friends for the service on Christmas Eve," said Dr. David Jones, pastor. "Come as you are and hear a friend read the Christmas story. Sing traditional carols with your neighbors and celebrate Holy Communion with Christian friends from other denominations. Let God renew your strength and heart as you light your candle, hold it high, and sing 'Silent Night'." *Staff Photo*

## Rollover injures young hunters

**By Alice Gilroy**  
A single car rollover accident in the early morning hours of December 15 seriously injured two young hunters. Two others escaped serious injuries. Highway patrol and emergency personnel were called to the scene at 4:02 a.m., two minutes after the car landed in the front yard of a residence on County Road 27, 1.7 miles north of U.S. 70. According to Trooper Marty Lucke the 2003 Ford Pickup, driven by Kevin Clinton Hamlin, 19, of Aiken, was south bound on County Road 27.

"The truck went into the east bar ditch and rolled numerous times (covering a length of 240 feet) before coming to rest facing northeast, wheels down, on an earth mover parked in the front yard of a residence," said Lucke. "The driver and the left rear passenger, Corbin David Parciany, 18, of Lometa, were both ejected from the vehicle. The front right passenger, William Russell Roland, 20, of Forney, was not ejected. He received minor injuries and was transported to W.J. Mangold Memorial by Floydada EMS. The right rear passenger, Beau Darin Bessent, 21, of Lometa, refused medical treatment." Hamlin and Parciany were transported by Aerocare to Covenant Medical Center in Lub-

bock. Hamlin is in critical condition in surgical ICU. Parciany is in serious condition. "At this time the cause of the accident is still under investigation," said Lucke, "but alcohol is believed to be a factor." Another accident was subsequently investigated as a result of this accident. While bringing the City Auto wrecker to the scene at 6:18 a.m., to take away the wrecked car, Chad Guthrie, 25, missed a small S curve and landed in the edge of a field. "The accident damaged the front of the 1993 tow truck," said Lucke. "Guthrie was transported to the hospital where he was treated and released."



THE PICKUP TOTALED EARLY MONDAY MORNING SITS AT CITY AUTO. (See related story above)

## Ten Commandments Stand At Texas Capitol

**By Gregg Abbott, Attorney General of Texas (Edited for space)**

The question of whether the Ten Commandments should be allowed on public property has for years been the subject of debate and litigation.

Last year, the debate came to Texas when a red granite Ten Commandments monument on the Capitol grounds was challenged as an unconstitutional establishment of religion. The plaintiff in this case, Thomas Van Orden, argued that the monument's continued display would cause him "irreparable injury" because of its placement along his regular walking path through the northwest quadrant of the grounds. He lost his case at federal district court and he lost again at the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in November, when the judges agreed with the State of Texas that the decalogue should stay where it is.

"History matters here," wrote Judge Patrick Higginbotham in the 5th Circuit's ruling, noting that the Ten Commandments monument stood for more than 40 years before anyone filed a legal complaint. But the fact that someone finally did indicates that time has faded the public's memory of why those stone tablets were first memorialized.

In 1961, the Fraternal Order of Eagles donated the six-foot monument to the state as a way to combat juvenile delinquency and promote a personal code of conduct for youths, resulting in "liberty, peace and justice." The group gave similar monuments for the same reason to other states during the 1950s and '60s. In Texas, donations of monuments must be accepted by the Legislature before being placed on the Capitol grounds. Plaintiff Van Orden argued that by accepting such a gift, the state directly endorsed a religion favoring the Jewish and Christian faiths and thumbed its nose at all others. Though the legislative record is brief, it suggests that lawmakers accepted the Ten Commandments monument to commend the Eagles for their efforts in fighting juvenile delinquency — a constitutionally secular reason in the court's eyes.

The Ten Commandments are undoubtedly a sacred religious text, but they are also a foundational document in the development of Western legal codes and culture. As such, they deserve a place on the Capitol grounds

among the other 16 statues and memorials to the people, ideals and events that have shaped Texas' history.

Interestingly, the monument isn't the only one with a religious depiction or theme. For example, the seal of the Republic of Mexico, which hangs over both north and south entrances to the Capitol and is in the floor of the Rotunda, contains an eagle holding a serpent in its mouth, perched on a cactus which grows from a rock surrounded by water. A representation of Aztec mythology, this religious display is neither Jewish nor Christian, but is an acknowledgment of the historical and cultural contributions made by people of differing faiths.

Given the conflicting court rulings across the country on the question of the Ten Commandments, I would not be surprised if the U.S. Supreme Court eventually takes up the issue.

It remains to be seen whether the Texas ruling will be appealed to that level, but if it is, I will be there to again defend the monument's display.

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Happy Holidays to each of you.

Love,  
Phil, Cindy and Landon Cotham  
David Frizzell

I want to thank the wonderful doctors, especially Dr. Kevin Stennett, the nurses, aides, dieticians, physical therapists and anyone connected with the W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital for the great care during my stay in the hospital.  
Also thank you to my family and many friends your prayers, cards, calls, visits, flowers and gifts were just overwhelming. May God richly bless each of you.

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### Mary Ann Gonzales

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## Tyler and Jackson exchange wedding vows

Cassie Charlotte Tyler and Joe Brett Jackson, both of Amarillo, were married Saturday, Dec. 6, in San Jacinto Baptist Church in Amarillo with the Rev. John Love officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Charlotte and J.T. Tyler of Amarillo, formerly of Hereford. Grandparents of the bride are Noah and Marn Tyler of Hereford, who attended the wedding, and the late Allen and Rachel Doan. Great-grandparents of the bride are the late Tom and Mintie Hall.

Parents of the groom are Ginger and Larry Jackson of Amarillo. Grandparents are Betty Graves of Amarillo, who attended the wedding, Jim and Faye Hicks of Splendor and the late Lena and Q.D. Jackson.

Matron of honor was Kara Baker of Lubbock. Bridal attendants were Kenna Sluder, Allison Smith, Heather Ladd and Micah Monk, all of Amarillo, Kamie Hamilton of Whitehouse and Meredith Fox of The Woodlands.

Best man was Greg Jackson of Amarillo, brother of the groom. Groom's attendants were Chris Jackson of Katy, brother of the groom, Adam Tyler of Altus, Okla., brother of the bride, Dan Belcher of Dallas and Kris Culp, Gene Weave and David Duncan, all of Amarillo.

Flower girl was Erin Doan of Canyon, cousin of the bride. Ring bearer was Kristopher Tyler of Amarillo, cousin of the bride.

Ushers were Corey Holtman of Dallas, Cody McDowell of Austin, Josh Sluder of Amarillo and Jeremy Snead of Fort Worth.

The Amarillo Boys Choir sang the "Christmas Canon." Noah Tyler, grandfather of the bride, sang "The Lord's Prayer" and Trent Monk sang "I Can Only Imagine."



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Nee Cassie Charlotte Tyler

The bride wore a gold heirloom watch from Norway. It had been given to her great-great-grandmother by her husband on their wedding day. It was worn by her grandmother, Marn Tyler, and by her mother, Charlotte Tyler, on their wedding days.

The wedding reception was at the Tascosa Country Club. House

party attendants were Christina Erdman and Natali Schenck, both of Amarillo, and Kate Denison of Canyon.

The bride graduated from Trinity Fellowship Christian School and from West Texas A&M University in December 2001 with a bachelor of business administration degree in market-

ing. She is a business development representative for Amarillo Community Federal Credit Union.

The groom graduated from Amarillo High School. He works for Xcel Energy.

After a wedding trip to Cozumel, Mexico, the couple will be at home in Amarillo.



MARY AND DUARD REVES

## Reves' honored with 50th Anniversary reception

Mr. and Mrs. Duard Reves will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, December 27, 2003, at the Fellowship Hall, First United Methodist Church, Lockney. Friends are invited to join them in the celebration.

Hosts for the occasion will be their children, Willa Linsey of Waxahachie, Edith and John Cole of Graham, and Peggy Laird of Anson.

Mary Hopper married Duard Reves December 25, 1953 in Lorenzo. They have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Muse News

By Carolyn Hardy

The Museum was open for Christmas on the Square on Tuesday night, December 2. The winners of the Floyd County coins were: Zachary Martinez, Blanca Suarez, Kyi Baker, Elizabeth Suarez, Zach Lopez, Stephani Lerma, Tammy Lopez and Betty King. A special thanks to Directors J.W. and Dolores Cannon, Donnell and Wilma Gowens, Joyce Williams, Janet Milam, Sherry Colston, Laveta Morren and Carol Reese for helping. Also, volunteer Kellie Williams did a great job greeting visitors. Lila Kendrick, Museum hostess, also helped by visiting with guests.

There is a limited number of the 1996-2002 Texas Ornaments, which Nelda Laney designed, for sale at the Museum. Several people have come in and purchased the complete set. The Museum also has a limited number of Floyd County History books for sale. The history book is a very nice gift for children and grandchildren and will be treasured for years to come.

In the past few weeks we have helped several beginners with their family heritage. We have family group sheets and pedigree charts that we can provide to help people get started. We get such pleasure seeing our visitors' faces light up when we find their grandparents or great-grandpar-

ents on the Federal Census with the names of all living in the household.

The Board of Directors and Staff appreciate local Floyd County residents and our out of town visitors for their loyal support of the Museum. We have repeat visitors several times each week.

Memberships dues, contributions and memorials help the day-to-day operation of the Museum tremendously. Volunteer's help is always appreciated. Thank you for helping make the Floyd County Historical Museum one of the best in the Panhandle/South Plains area.

Memorials recently received are: **Dorothy Mae Mixon:** Janet Milam; **Mildred Cates:** Janet Milam, Don and Nancy Marble; **Don Vickers:** Don and Nancy Marble, Don and Carolyn Hardy; **Kyle Glover:** Don and Nancy Marble; **Carl Minor:** Bill and Jodie Brown; **Charles Blanton Hartsell:** J.A. and Norma Welch; **Jerry Williams:** Don and Nancy Marble, Don and Carolyn Hardy; **J.P. Williams:** Don and Carolyn Hardy; **Fred D. Byrd:** Don and Carolyn Hardy, Don and Nancy Marble; **Ed Hammond:** Don and Nancy Marble, Don and Carolyn Hardy; **C.E. Flippin:** Janet Milam; **Richard Bennett, Jr.:** Don and Carolyn Hardy; and **Linda Lamphere Morris:** Don and Carolyn Hardy.



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Roger and Stefanie Alldredge of Tulare, California, are the proud parents of a son named Harrison Barlow.

He was born December 14, 2003. He weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

His brother Hayden is age 3. Grandparents are Joan Andrews and Don and Carol Barlow of California, and Bob and Charlene Alldredge of Floydada.

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BOB AND MELBA VICKERS

## Vickers' celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vickers of Lubbock celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary at 6:00 p.m. on December 6, 2003 with a family dinner at the 50 Yard Line Restaurant hosted by their children: Beverly and Mel Boldes of Lubbock; Brenda Vickers of Mineral Wells; and Brian and Debbie Vickers of Monument, Colorado. Bob Vickers married Melba Franks in Floydada on December 24, 1953. They have five grandchildren.

## Floyd County Lifestyles

### Annual toy drive is now underway

Reflections of Love is in the process of collecting toys for children. This annual toy drive gives us an opportunity to share the true meaning of Christmas with children who will not be receiving a toy for Christmas. Any toy that is age appropriate for children, ages infant to 12 years old, is being collected to be distributed on December 23.

Toys may be dropped off at Fred Thayer's office, 122 E. California. Donations may be sent to P.O. Box 9, Floydada. Toys will be assembled for delivery on December 23.

Reflections of Love is an organization of volunteers that provides assistance where needs arise. The two annual projects are the Baskets of Love that are delivered to the elderly during the holiday season and the Christmas Toys for Children. Throughout the year as opportunities arise assistance is given on an individual basis. Persons receiving assistance are those that are not being served by other organizations.

Join Reflections of Love this holiday season as we share in the "Reason for the Season."



TYSON MCDONALD-EVANS AND DOTTY HARRISON

## Evans and Harrison

Dotty Harrison and Tyson McDonald-Evans are proud to announce their engagement. Dotty is the daughter of Mike and Deborah Harrison of Lockney.

Tyson is the son of Marlon and Sherry McDonald of Lockney, and Hal and Lee Evans of Sanger.

Dotty and Tyson are both 1998 graduates of Lockney High School. Tyson is also a graduate of Western Texas College of Snyder and is currently self-employed. Dotty is currently employed by Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center.

The couple plan to wed January 10, 2004 in Sanger. After a wedding trip to Las Vegas the couple will reside in Rosston.

## Floydada Senior Citizen News and Menu

By Margarette Word

The Center is open Monday through Friday. Come and eat a very good hot meal. Lunch starts at 11:30 a.m.

Our Center's Christmas Party will be Monday, December 22 at the Center at 5:00 p.m. If you can attend please bring a wrapped "White Elephant" gift. If you need a ride please call the Center at 983-2032 before 4:00 p.m. on Monday December 22.

R.C. and Amy Patton of Snyder were here over last week-end visiting with his sister Nell McClung.

My son Greg and a friend,

Terry Fate, both of Granbury, were here this past weekend pheasant hunting with friends.

Our sympathy to the family of Edith Grimes Aylesworth.

Our sympathy to the family of Ed Hammond.

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

In memory of **Kyle Glover** - Delmas and Pauline McCormick, Tom and Jerry Pearson.

In memory of **Pauline Myrick** - Hope and Kay Crabtree, Tom and Jerry Pearson.

In memory of **Ed Hammond** - Tom and Jerry Pearson, Tony and

Cecilia Jones, Joe and Pat Jones. In memory of **Betty Gilbreath** - Tom and Jerry Pearson.

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- Tom and Jerry Pearson.

Thought for the week - To love what you do and feel that it matters-how could anything be more fun?

### Menu

**December 22-December 26**  
**Monday**- Chicken fried steak, white gravy, baked potato or mashed, broccoli, wheat roll, oranges

**Tuesday**- Lemon chicken, rice, green peas, sliced tomatoes, wheat roll, chocolate cake

**Wednesday**- Turkey sandwich, green beans, hot roll, grapefruit or orange sections, pumpkin pie or bars

**Thursday**- CHRISTMAS DAY HOLIDAY

**Friday**- Liver and onions, macaroni and cheese, greens, tossed salad/Ranch or coleslaw, wheat toast or bread, brownies

## Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Jo Webb's guests last month for Thanksgiving were her nephew, Sherwood McCloud of Merit and his daughter Keava and her husband Ray Naphery and son Ryan of Klondike. Also guests were her daughters, Arlene Anderson of Littlefield, Lynda Holly of Lockney, and Ruby and her husband Jimmy Wardlow of Seymore, and her son Randy Webb and family of Plainview.

Special Thanksgiving guest of Glen, Tina, Chase and Trey Graves was their son and brother, Ryan who is serving in the Air Force at Fort Walton Beach, Florida. He is in the EOD Technical School for six months and then will be sent to Raleigh N.C.

All of the Graves were guests of Tina's parents Doyle and Dub Dipprey for Thanksgiving dinner. Other guests were Doyle's mother Velma Harrison and their sons from Shallowater, Todd, Nancy, Tyler and Wesley Dipprey. Tyke, Connie, Tyka and Conner Dipprey.

Guests of Mike and Merle Mooney at the Center for lunch last week were her sisters Betty and her husband Dub Threadgill of Floydada and Kathleen and her husband Jay McPherson of Midland.

Last Wednesday Cleatis Hayes had both of his knees replaced. He is already at home recuperating. Good Luck Cleatis you are one more tough man to have both of them done at the same time.

Last Saturday Donnie and Louie fed over 100 pheasant hunters out at Martin Stoerner's barn at Providence. Donnie had a lot of friends out there helping him cook or he could not have fed that many. I am not going to name the workers because I probably would leave somebody's name out and I sure don't want to do that. Those guys certainly know how to put on a dinner. Of course they have had a lot of practice. I'm a thinking we have had a pheasant season and dinner for at least 25 years.

The day was beautiful and the birds were plentiful, so a fun day was had by all.

Our grandson Clint Faries of Frisco spent Sunday night with

us on his way to Lubbock where he will be auditing a bank. He is an accountant with McGladney and Pullen, LLD in Dallas. I bet after Monday he was ready to get back to Dallas. He was raised in Spearman so he knows the wind blows up here but nothing like Monday. That was awful.

This week's Senior Citizen Profile is on Gene and Arvie Newton.

Gene was born April 28, 1932 at Forman, Arkansas to Luther and Myrtle Spencer Sutton. In Arkansas she attended school at Arkinda and Forman.

The family moved to Pittsburg, Texas in 1945 where she finished school.

She moved to Lockney in 1949 and on July 3, 1962 Gene and Arvie Newton were married by Brother Goree Applewhite at his and wife Felicia's Lone Star home. They have always lived here in Lockney where they have been in the trucking and restaur-

ant business. They are both retired now.

They are the parents of one son Charlie Minick of Lockney and one granddaughter Tori Lard of Portales, N.M. Gene is scheduled for hip surgery January 8 so Arvie is in the nursing home until Gene is able to take care of him. Gene is still recuperating from open heart surgery she had a few months ago. Thank you Gene and Arvie for being this week's Senior Citizen.

Lockney's Senior Citizen Center will be closed next Thursday and Friday.

Menu for Dec 22-24  
**Monday:** Pork Chops  
**Tuesday:** Salmon Patties  
**Wed:** Chicken Fried Steak

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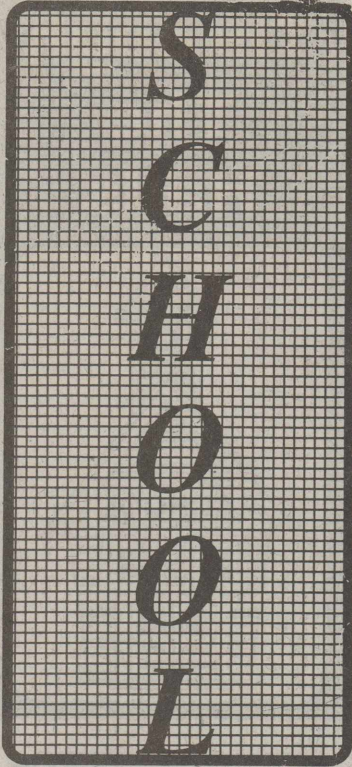
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**FHS PUBLIC RELATIONS TEAM AT STATE**-The FHS Public Relations team placed 5th in the state out of 222 teams. The team of (l-r) Britnee Brotherton, Skyler Cornelius and Meghan Graham presented their presentation at the State Leadership Development Event at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, December 6, 2003. Courtesy Photo



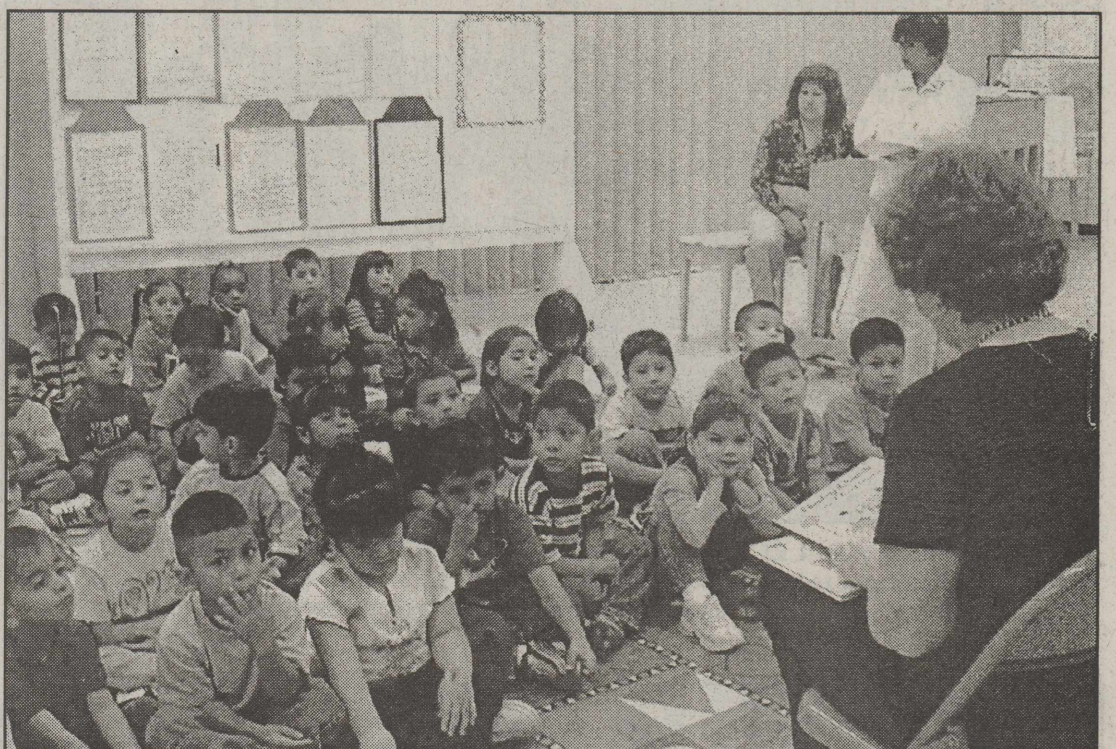
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**FISD STUDENTS AND STAFF OF THE MONTH**-Those selected were: (back row, l-r) Therese Knowles, CCLC; Sammy Bradley, A.B. Duncan Elementary (November); Juan Gomez, bus driver; (front row, l-r) Ashley Lucke, Grade 3, R.C. Andrews Elementary; John Cortinas, Grade 1, A.B. Duncan Elementary; Diane Flores, Grade 6, FJHS. (D.J. Summers, Grade 12, FHS, not pictured), Staff Photo



**SCOUTING FOR FOOD**-On Saturday, December 6, the Floydada Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts participated in their annual Scouting For Food. There were 7 vehicles and 18 people helping to collect food from 9 a.m. to 12 noon over two thirds of the city. The food was taken to Spirit Of Sharing where it will be given to the needy. Over 2,000 pounds of food was collected. Thanks to all that helped and those that donated. Shown are: Leann Duus, Tami Nielson, Curtis Emert, Jay McGaugh, Jon Nielson, Derrick Griggs, Kenny Griggs, B.J. Chappell, Jerry Chappell, Brian Odom, Rodney Duus, Bob Gilliland, kneeling: J.C. Chappell, Seth Nielson, John Duus, Tim Duus, Tyson Turner. (not pictured, Jay Potts, Neal Potts, Teddy Summers, Jake Graham, Janson Graham) Courtesy Photo



**RIF BOOK EVENT**-On December 4th, Pre-K 1 and Pre-K 2 of A.B. Duncan Elementary held their second RIF Book Event. Our guest reader was Mrs. Mulder, our school librarian. The children later received books. The book given was "The Donkey's Christmas Song" by Nancy Tafuri. Courtesy Photo

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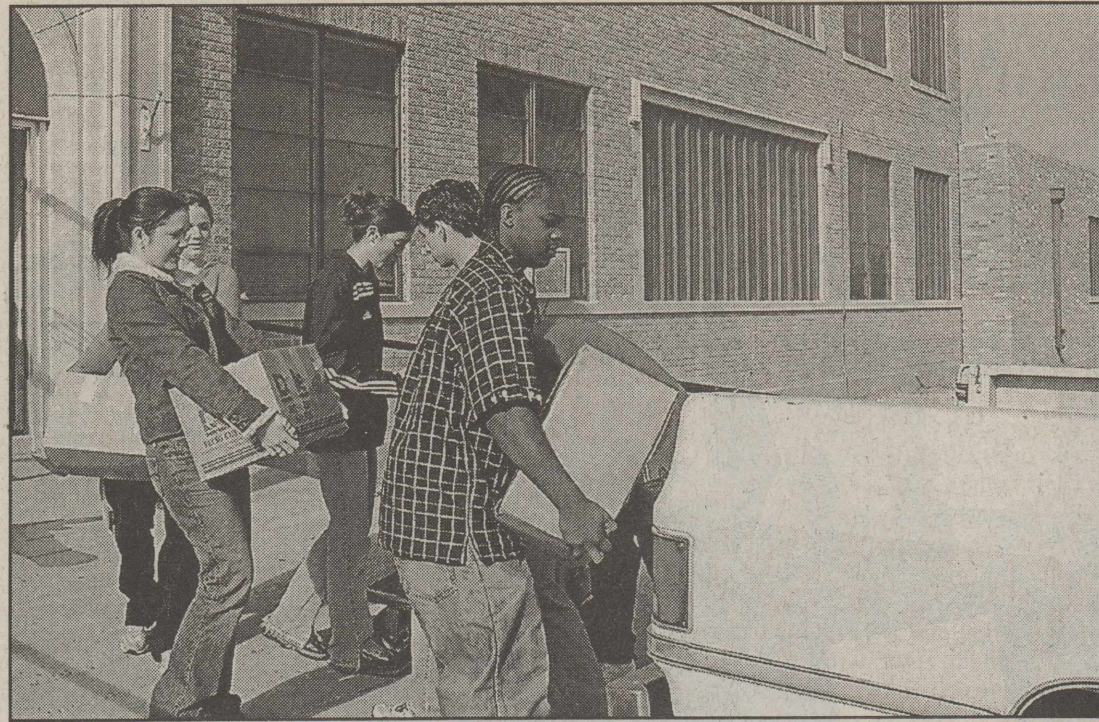


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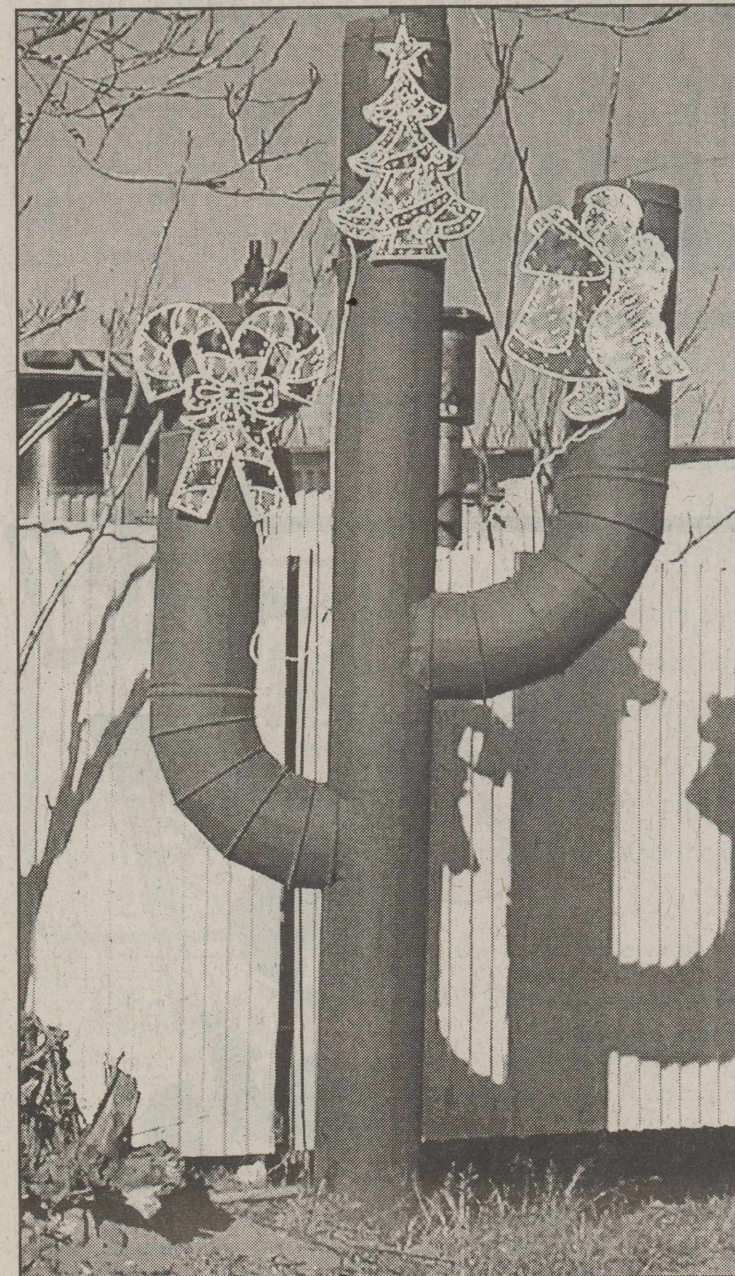
**FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE AND OBJECTIVE MET**-Lockney High School won the challenge over Floydada High School to provide cans of food for their communities during this holiday season. The food drive was a big success. A big total of 2,309 cans of food were gathered by both schools. LHS's drive began slowly but escalated Thursday and Friday, which proved to outdistance FHS by 355 cans. Lockney collected 1,332 cans and Floydada collected 977 cans. There were no losses for the people of Floyd County because of the combined efforts of both Lockney and Floydada high schools. A gracious thank you to the students on a job well don. Courtesy Photo



**FFA AND FCCLA COLLECTED CANS FOR SOS**-The FFA and FCCLA of Floydada High School joined together to help those in need this holiday. They collected 975 items and 760 pounds of food. They were all collected locally and given to the Floydada Spirit of Sharing. By Skyler Cornelius

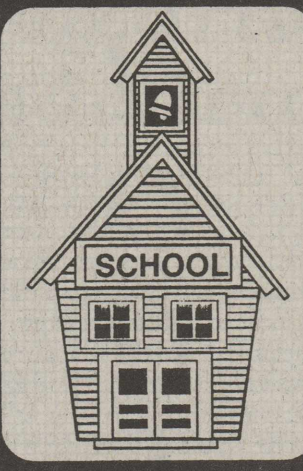


**REFLECTIONS OF LOVE BASKETS**-Ladies from the Wednesday noon Bible Study Group of First United Methodist Church gather to assemble Baskets of Love. The baskets were distributed to over 60 elderly persons in Floydada on Friday, December 12. Volunteers from Floydada EMS, City, PAC and County employees delivered the baskets. Bible Study ladies shown are: (l-r) Velvet Bryant, Leigh Smith, and Robin Hambright. Staff Photo



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## COLLEGE NEWS

### South Plains College is among fastest in nation

South Plains College is among the fastest growing community colleges in the nation, according to a report in the Dec. 8 edition of Community College Week.

SPC was among 19 Texas colleges that made the list in the lead story, Big Numbers, the Incredible Growing Community College.

SPC, which has campuses in Levelland and Lubbock, Texas, was number 30 nationwide among the top 50 schools in the 5,000-9,999 student enrollment category, according to the report by Dr. Victor Borden, associate vice chancellor for information management and institutional research at Indiana University/Purdue University Indianapolis.

In the article, SPC showed an enrollment increase of 10.8 percent from the fall 2001 to fall 2002 semester. The college has had consecutive enrollment increases for the past seven years, growing a remarkable 35 percent in that time. "The college is excited to be recognized in a national publication for the enrollment growth we have shown. We have experienced dramatic growth in the last several years, and that is due in large part to our excellent faculty and accessibility," believes David Jones, vice president for student affairs.

The report is based on figures gathered by The U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics, which conducts an annual survey of student enrollment. The distribution of Pell grants and other sources of federal financial aid is based on student enrollment numbers.

Northwest Vista College, North Lake College, Navarro College and Wharton County Junior College in Texas joined SPC among the top 50 schools in the enrollment category of 5000-9,999.

Western Texas College and Frank Phillips College made the list of enrollments of fewer than 2,500 students.

Southwest Texas Junior College, Weatherford College, Alvin Community College and Coastal Bend College made the top 50 in the 2,500 to 4,999 enrollment classification.

Nine Texas colleges with enrollments of 10,000 or more students that made the top 50 were Central Texas College, Brookhaven College, North Harris Montgomery Community College District, Columbus State Community College, Blinn College, Collin County Community College District, South Texas Community College, Del Mar College and Tarrant County College.

Community colleges must report their enrollment statistics to the National Center for Education Statistics, which asks institutions to gauge their enrollments at the end of the traditional registration cycle, usually two to three weeks after the start of the semester. The NCES also asks that institutions report all students enrolled in courses creditable toward a diploma, certificate, degree or other formal award and to include students enrolled in vocational or occupational programs at off-campus centers as well as main campuses.

### Jones earns degree

Lexi Jones, daughter of Terry and Windy Jones of Lockney has completed requirements for her Bachelor of Arts degree in communication arts from Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

- LISD NEWS**
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  - Thurs., 12-18 and Fri., 12-19: Semester tests
  - Thurs., 12-18 at 2:30 p.m.: Early dismissal
  - Fri., 12-19 at 12:00 noon: Christmas holiday begins, and buses run
  - Tues., 1-6-04: Classes resume

### Turner inducted into Eta Kappa Nu national honor society

Chad R. Turner was inducted into the national honor society in electrical engineering, Eta Kappa Nu, on December 8, 2003 at Texas Tech University.

Eta Kappa Nu invites into its membership students in their junior year of study of electrical engineering who rank in the upper quarter of their class and senior year students who rank in the upper third of their class.

Eta Kappa Nu was founded in 1904 at the University of Illinois for electrical engineering students and now has chapters in over half of all the engineering schools in the United States. History has shown that these are the students who later become leaders in the profession.

Chad is the son of Terry and Zahn Turner of Floydada and a 1999 FHS graduate.

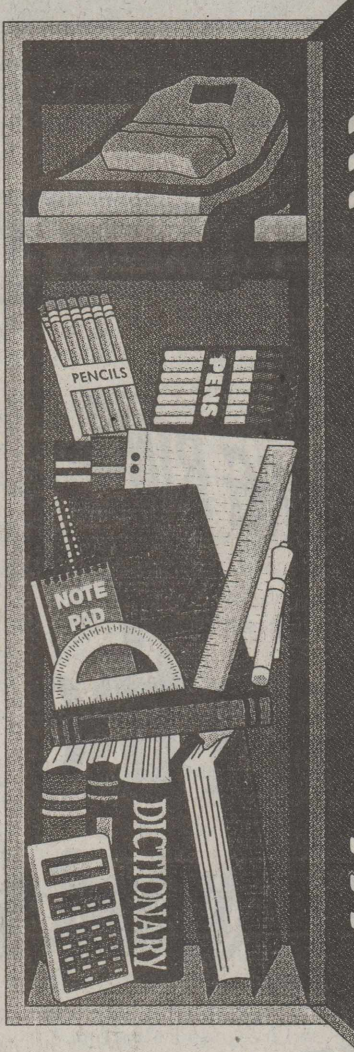
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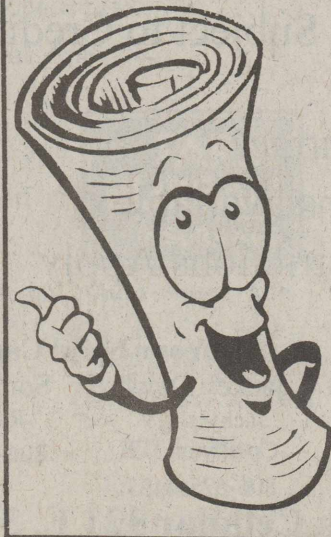
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# Longhorns win championship title in New Deal tournament

**By Coach Edwards**

The Lockney Longhorns found their way back on the right track this past weekend as they swept through the "Mean Green Tournament" in New Deal to earn the championship.

Lockney matched up with the tournament host, New Deal Lions, in the Championship game. The Longhorns came out of the gate on fire as they shot over 50 percent in the first half. Most importantly, their defense shut down a red hot Lion squad as New Deal could only score 11 points in the first half.

Lockney was able to sustain the lead in the second half and beat the Lions 63-45.

"We played absolutely the best defense we have played all season," Coach Bubba Edwards exclaimed. "But to go along with our defense, we actually started to put the ball in the bucket which pretty much makes your team a little more solid."

Kirk Wilson lead all scorers with 15 points followed by Rance Schumacher with 11 points. Mark Ford added nine points, Cagan Cummings with eight points and Reid Carthel with six points. Both Trevor Morris and Jeran Butler pitched in four

points while Dahlen McCarter and Jeremy Pyle chipped in two points each.

Lockney opened the tournament against the Smyer Bobcats and were able to outscore them 55-27. The Longhorns jumped out to a 34-13 lead at the half. They extended their lead in the third quarter by allowing the Bobcats only two points while scoring 10 points. Rance Schumacher lead the team with 14 points followed by Jeran Butler and Kirk Wilson with eight points. Mark Ford was next with seven points and Reid Carthel and Taylor Becker with six points each. Jeremy Pyle chipped in five points and Cagan Cummings with two points.

Lockney had to face an always tough Lorenzo Hornet team in the semifinal round of the championship bracket. After being down as many as nine points in the fourth quarter, the Longhorns found a way to send it into overtime. Lockney shot just two for eight from the charity stripe, but it was enough for the Longhorns to capture the victory 44-43. Rance Schumacher lead all scorers with 13 points followed by Mark Ford with eleven points, Kirk Wilson added nine points,

Jeran Butler with six points, Dahlen McCarter with four points and Cagan Cummings with one point.

Earlier in the week, Lockney matched up against a Regional Semifinalist team, the Roosevelt Eagles. Both teams traded leads several times throughout the course of the game which made it real exciting for any basketball fan to watch. Lockney had a one point lead with just seconds remaining in the contest, but it vanished after a late defensive foul was called against the Longhorns. The foul was call with just one-second on the clock and the Eagles were in the bonus. Roosevelt hit both free throws to win the game 67-66.

Rance Schumacher finished the game with 21 points and Mark Ford with 20 points. Kirk Wilson followed with nine points while Jeran Butler and Cagan Cummings added six points. Dahlen McCarter and Trevor Morris each chipped in two points.

Lockney(7-3) will travel to Smyer on Friday to face the Bobcats starting at 8:00 p.m. Then on Monday, December 22, the Longhorns will host the Brownfield Cubs before the holidays begin.



**LITTLE LONGHORNS---**(back row, l to r) Jennifer Garza, Amber Segovia, Keenan Stennett, Belia Astorga, Christopher Torrez (middle row, l to r) Reeda Sustaita, Brenda Salazar, Kennedy Hallmark, McKenzie Kemp, Bobby Nunez, Carmichael Ramos, Alejandro Salazar (front row, l to r) Destiny Caudillo, Jake Moore, Skye Robison, Osiel Mondragon, Dylan Adams, and Emily Reyes. **Staff Photo**



**LOCKNEY JUNIOR HIGH MADE HOLIDAY DONATION**-Household supplies and cash were given to the Ronald McDonald House of Lubbock. (see related story) **Courtesy Photo**

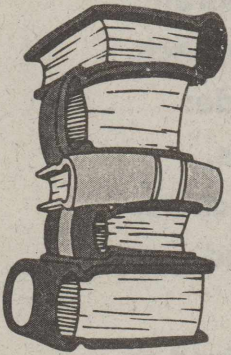
## Lockney Junior High makes donation

For the sixth consecutive year, Lockney Junior High made a holiday donation of household supplies and cash to the Ronald McDonald House of Lubbock. The students collected hundreds of items including toiletries, food items, paper goods and cleaning supplies. In addition, the school made a \$415 cash gift to the Ronald McDonald House.

The Ronald McDonald House of Lubbock is a home-away-from-home for families of critically ill children who are receiving treatment in a Lubbock hospital. The House serves over 500 families each year. "Over 70% of the Ronald McDonald House budget is generated by donations, so this annual contribution by Lockney Junior High is a huge boost and helps us as we serve families who are facing unexpected and unbelievably difficult times," said Susan Maxwell, executive director of the Ronald McDonald House.

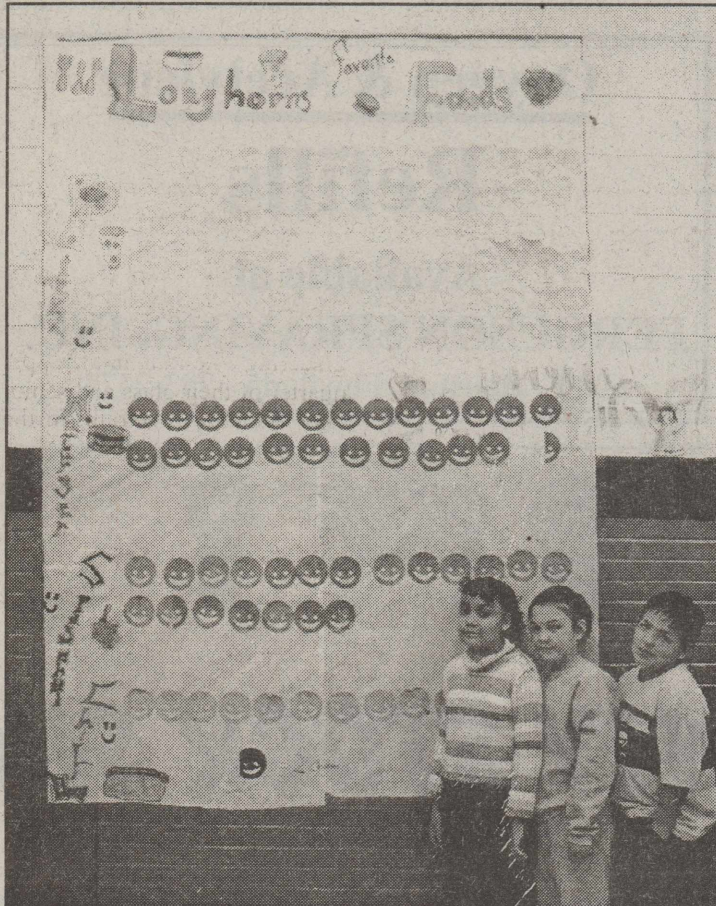
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**OUR FAVORITE FOODS--**The 3rd grade class at Lockney Elementary surveyed the entire elementary school to find out their favorite food. The information was then used for a math project to learn how to make a tally chart, and a pictograph on the computer. The project gave students a wide variety of experience in math and computer skills. Pizza was the overwhelming winner for the 2nd year in a row. Shown here with the chart are: Belia Astorga, McKenzie Kemp, and Bobby Nunez.

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## Lockney JV Boys Basketball Report

The Lockney Longhorn Junior Varsity squad lost a nail biter to the Valley Patriots on Monday night 45-41.

The Longhorns trailed at the half 21-12, but they managed to erase the deficit in the second and take a four point lead early in the fourth quarter. However, the Patriots connected on eight of

eleven free throws down the stretch to hold off Lockney.

Brance Wilson lead all scorers with 25 points. Brandon Gilroy and J.W. McPherson added four points each and Blaine Hall pitched in three points. Frankie Mendez and Tyler Kidd each scored two points and Brandon Hall chipped in one point.

Last Tuesday, the Longhorns hosted the Roosevelt Eagles in a matched game. Both squads were tied at the half at 23 each, but a poor offensive third quarter gave the Eagles the advantage

and were able to hang on for a 38-35 victory.

D.J. Rosales and Brandon Hall lead the team with six points each followed by Frankie Mendez with five points. Tyler Kidd, Blaine Hall and Brance Wilson each added four points while Brandon Gilroy, Rion Afill and J.W. McPherson chipped in two points.

The Junior Varsity will travel to Smyer on Friday to play the Bobcats starting at 5:15 p.m., and then on the following Monday they will host the Brownfield Cubs starting at 5:15 p.m.

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**BOY SCOUTS COLLECT FOOD**--Lockney Boy Scout Troop 259 picked up cans from citizens around Lockney on Saturday morning and brought them to the local Salvation Army. The Scouts picked up cans gathered door to door, and from kids who collected at the High School and Elementary School. 3,154 pounds of food was gathered. The fork lift was used to bring a huge box filled with cans from the elementary school.



**SPECIAL AWARDS PRESENTED AT FLOYDADA MASONIC LODGE**--A special awards meeting was held at the Floydada Masonic Lodge in November. The meal was prepared by Mike Bishop and Mac Willson and they served 35 family and friends. Robert Bearden of Petersburg welcome everyone and prayer was led by Jimmy Willson. Willson presented H.S. Calahand, Jr. of Abilene a 50 Year certificate and pin along with a 50 Year Service to the Craft Card for his years of service to the Masonic Lodge. Calahand and his wife, June, were escorted to the Lodge by Doyle Walls. Wes Campbell presented and escorted Harold Campbell of Matador to the Lodge. Billie Farley of Turkey started the second presentation to Brother Campbell and Marvin Porr of Lubbock finished the presentation of the Cryptic Triangle Award, one of the highest awards to be presented to a York Rite Mason, for the years of service by Brother Campbell. Campbell thanked the membership for the award and said he would cherish this award. He said he had taught many lessons to other members. Mr. Campbell holds certificate of works in the Blue Lodge, York Rite, and Eastern Star Bodies containing about 120,000 words to remember. The Lodge recognized the family of Brothers Campbell and Calahand. Pictured are: (l-r) Marvin Porr, Harold Campbell, Billie Farley, H.S. Calahand, Jr. and Jimmy Willson. Courtesy Photo

**Cotton**  **News**  
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College Station provided the backdrop for an informative set of meetings that brought Plains Cotton Growers representatives together with cotton growers from across Texas.

The PCG group participated in the meetings to discuss important cotton issues and hear updates on cotton research programs being directed by cotton producers through the Cotton Incorporated State Support program.

The week started with a meeting of the Texas Cotton Producers organization. TCP is the state-wide organization comprised of the nine regional cotton organizations representing producers in Texas.

TCP agenda items included: adoption of a 2004 operating budget, discussion of U.S. trade policy and its effects on cotton marketing and prices, boll weevil eradication, crop insurance, and reports on activities of the National Cotton Council and the Cotton Board.

A special guest at the TCP meeting was Dr. Ed Hiler, Dean of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Head of the Agriculture Program at Texas A&M University. Dr. Hiler discussed issues involving cotton and the Agriculture Program at TAMU.

The TCP group concluded their meeting with a luncheon with members of the Texas Farm Service Agency and the Texas State FSA Committee.

Texas State Support Program One of the unique ways that cotton producers benefit from their Cotton Research and Promotion Program is the Cotton Incorporated State Support Program.

The State Support Program provides cotton growers across the nation the ability to direct the expenditure of CI research dollars in order to develop solutions for the key production and profitability challenges that they face.

The majority of this research addresses issues such as cotton marketing and economics, cotton breeding, genetic improvement, insect management, irrigation and fertilization management, weed control, production systems, as well as harvesting and ginning issues effecting harvest efficiency and crop quality.

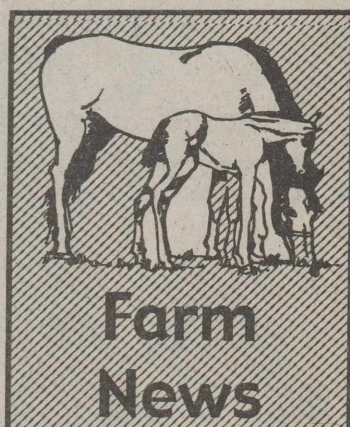
Members of the Texas State Support Committee met on December 10 and 11 to hear updates on the progress of research projects funded for the 2003 crop year. A total of 43 projects were reviewed during the two-day meeting.

Each year the Texas State Support Committee receives projects in six broad research categories: genetic improvement, pest control, fertilization/irrigation, production systems, harvesting/ginning, and marketing/economics.

For 2004 the Texas State Support Program has approved approximately \$790,000 to fund projects covering the full range of research areas. The biggest adjustment for 2004 was a renewed emphasis on getting individual researchers working on similar issues to work together. The goal is to build closer working relationships between both research organizations and the individual scientists involved.

The Texas State Support Committee also finalized the

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# 2004 FLOYD COUNTY STOCK SHOW

The 2004 Floyd County Stock Show is scheduled for January 9-12 at the Unity Center in Muncy. This year's show will provide the opportunity for many Lockney and Floydada youth to exhibit a variety of livestock projects. During the Stock Show, Floyd County youth will be competing for prizes, money, and scholarships. Along with this year's show, the FCSS Board of Directors will again be holding a scholarship raffle. The proceeds of the raffle are used to present Scholarships to Floyd Co. exhibitors. Everyone is encouraged to come and join in the fun of the 2004 Floyd County Stock Show and to support our agricultural youth of the community.

## 2004 Stock Show Schedule:

- Friday, Jan. 9**
  - 8am Barn Opens
  - 3pm Lambs, Goats, and Swine in Place/Begin Weigh-in.
- Saturday, Jan 10**
  - 9am Goat Show
  - 10am Lamb Show
  - 11am Rabbit Show
  - 1pm Swine Show (Gilts followed by Barrows)
- Sunday, Jan 11**
  - 2 pm Heifer Show followed by Steer Show
- Monday, Jan 12**
  - 5pm Buyers Meal
  - 6pm Auction Sale

## Scholarship Raffle Information:

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To date, a total of 12 Floyd County youth have received a Floyd County Stock Show Scholarship. Currently, each scholarship presented has a value of \$500.

Tickets for the raffle are available from any FCSS Director. Drawings will occur throughout the three days of the show. Must NOT be present to win! (But why miss the fun?)

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• Cozy 3 bed and 1 bath home with 1 car carport located near junior high.  
• Spacious home located on corner lot--3 bed and 2 bath with carport.  
• Brick 3 bed and 2.5 bath home with 2 car garage close to upper elementary school.  
• REDUCED PRICE!! Large 3 bed and 2.5 bath home with 2 car garage located just west of town.

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• Neat 3 bed and 1 bath home with 1 car garage and carport on a corner lot.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF SCHEDULED ENTRY INTO FIELDS**  
Notice of Scheduled Entry Into Fields, Pursuant to Tex. Agric. Code Ann., Section 74.117 (Vernon Supp. 2003). Cotton producers in the Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, which consists of all of Hale and Swisher counties and portions of Randall, Armstrong, Briscoe and Floyd counties are hereby notified that Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation personnel will be conducting eradication activities in and around their fields, beginning **January 1, 2004**. All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during late season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone. For more information regarding this program, please call the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at 800-687-1212. 12-18, 12-25c

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 03-12**  
**SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS, PRESCRIBING RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING PLATS AND SUBDIVISIONS OF LAND WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAT; PROVIDING FOR A FINAL PLAT, FRACTIONAL OR REPLATING AND PROVIDING FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF SUBDIVISIONS AND FILING PLATS, SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION, ACCEPTANCE OF SUBDIVISIONS AND ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR STREETS AND ALLEYS, STREET SURFACING, STORM SEWERS, ASSESSMENT FOR THOROUGHFARE IMPROVEMENTS; PRESCRIBING FEES TO BE CHARGED; ESTABLISHING JURISDICTION WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY AND WITHIN ONE-HALF (1/2) MILES THEREOF; REPEALING ANY PART OF ANY ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND (\$2000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

**DECEMBER 11, 2003**  
**ENGINEERING SERVICES**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
**SMALL TOWN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM (STEP)**

The City of Lockney has recently received a notice of award from the Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) for a Small Town Environmental Program (STEP) grant and is requesting proposals for engineering services in conjunction with the grant. Accordingly, the City is seeking to contract with a qualified engineer/engineering firm registered to practice in the State of Texas to prepare all preliminary and final design plans and specifications, and to conduct all necessary interim and final inspections.

Please submit your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for these proposed services to the address below:  
City of Lockney  
City Hall  
P.O. Box 387  
Lockney, Texas 79241

Proposals must be received by the City no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 23rd day of December 2003 to be considered. The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all individuals, engineers or firms that submit proposals, as per the Texas Professional Service Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards.

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# Obituaries

### C.F. FLIPPIN

Funeral services for C.E. "Flip" Flippin, 78, of the Providence Community, were held Wednesday, December 17, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at the Claytonville First Baptist Church. Kelly Warren officiated.

Burial was held in the Hart Cemetery under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home. Mr. Flippin died on December 15, 2003 at 12:56 a.m. at the Plainview Covenant Hospital.

He was born August 22, 1925 in Floydada and moved to Hart at a young age.

He went into the U.S. Army in 1944 during World War II. He married Wanda Gene Nance on January 10, 1948 in Plainview. He was a farmer in the Providence Community and retired in 1990. He was a member of the American Legion and was also a deacon at Claytonville First Baptist Church.

Mr. Flippin was preceded in death by two brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Flippin; one daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Larry Ferguson of Floydada; one son and daughter-in-law, Ricky and Susan Flippin of Plainview; one brother, Kyle Flippin of Lubbock; one sister, Rosalie Birdsong of Plainview; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### UNA FAYE WHITFILL

Graveside services for Una Faye Whitfill, 77, of Lockney, were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 12, 2003 at the Silverton Cemetery. Cody Neil Whitfill, minister of Cody Whitfill Summit Ministries, officiated.

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

Mrs. Whitfill died Tuesday, December 9, 2003 at the Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

She was born on September 16, 1926 in Lockney to the late Luther and Mamie Wofford. After graduating from Lockney High School she attended Texas Tech.

She married Charles Whitfill in Lockney on March 25, 1948 and they moved to Silverton. She was a homemaker and enjoyed needlepoint and crocheting.

She was a Christian and a member of the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Lloyd and Leon Wofford and a sister, Wynona Allison of Lockney.

Survivors include her husband, Charles; one son, Gary Neil and wife, Melinda of Wolfthor; one daughter, Mary Lane Younger and husband, Aaron of Silverton; one brother, B.J.

Wofford and wife, Gay of Lockney; one sister, Gwenn McPherson of Midland; three grandchildren, Rhett and April Montague, Cody Neil and Melinda Whitfill and Leah Whitfill and two great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to Hospice Hands of West Texas, 305 N. Main, Lockney, Texas 79241 or the Silverton Cemetery.

### THIS WEEK'S

#### HOLY COMMUNION

A service of carols, candles and Holy Communion will be observed on Christmas Eve, December 24th at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church in Floydada. The very special service is open to all in the community!

#### THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army in Lockney is in need of children's toys for Christmas

#### BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

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

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010170001

**APPLICATION:** City of Floydada, P.O. Box 10, Floydada, Texas 79235, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to renew wastewater disposal Permit No. WQ0010170001 to authorize the disposal of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 500,000 gallons per day via irrigation of 128 acres.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TCEQ will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING.** You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application of if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted in the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087.**

**ADDITIONAL NOTICE.** After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commissioner's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **The TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**MAILING LIST.** In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

**INFORMATION.** If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll-Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

Further information may also be obtained from City of Floydada at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Gary Brown, City Manager, at 806-983-2834.

Issued: December 8, 2003

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## Floyd County Church Directory

- AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Randy Curtis, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.
- BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
810 S. 3rd, Floydada  
Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
983-5278  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ... 10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.
- CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP**  
Floydada  
Armando Morales, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
- CARR'S CHAPEL**  
Service Every Sunday:  
Morning Worship ... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
West College & Third, Lockney  
Steve McLean -Minister  
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.
- CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Ken Free- Minister  
Floydada  
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:30 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
401 S. Main, Floydada  
Anthony D. Sisemore, Pastor  
Duce Cooper,  
Minister of Students  
Bill Swinney,  
Minister of Ed./Music  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Phillip Golden - Pastor  
Chad Frizzell-Youth  
Minister  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Dr. David Jones, Pastor  
Rev. Ione Sedinger,  
Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Rev. Neely Landrum,  
Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service ... 6:00 p.m.  
Praise/Worship ..... 7:00 p.m.
- GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**  
Joe Bennett, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service .... 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday ..... 8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 7:30 p.m.
- MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Lockney  
Jay Don Poindexter,  
Minister  
Bible Study ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.
- MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Rev. Ralph Jackson  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday ..... 7:00 p.m.
- NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges  
(806) 637-0430  
Sunday Singing ... 10:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
- POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**  
Rev. Manuel Rendon,  
Pastor  
704 N. Main, Lockney  
Sunday Services .. 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m.
- PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA**  
Lockney  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 7:30 p.m.
- PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA**  
Floydada  
Rev. Lupe Rando  
Sunday School .... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:55 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Evening ..... 7:00 p.m.
- SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Lockney  
Jim McCartney, Pastor  
Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass ..... 11:30 a.m.
- SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Joe Weldon, Pastor  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
701 W. Missouri  
Rev. Ray Gonzales  
983-5286 (church)  
983-3047 (parsonage)  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.
- ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Floydada  
Father Arsenio Redulla  
Deacon Ricky Vasquez  
Phone: 983-5878  
Sunday Mass ..... 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday (Spanish) .. 5:30 p.m.  
Mon. Tues. Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m.  
Saturday Mass ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m.
- TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM**  
Lockney  
Pedro Reyes, Pastor  
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 p.m.  
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.
- TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Washington and 1st St.  
Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service ..... 7:00 p.m.
- TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA**  
Rev. Herman Martinez  
308 W. Tennessee,  
Floydada  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .... 5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Service ... 7:30 p.m.
- TRINITY ASSEMBLY**  
500 W. Houston  
Floydada  
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor  
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor  
983-5499  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday ..... 7:00 p.m.
- TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Providence Community  
on FM 2301 293-3009  
Melvin Loseke, Minister  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
- WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Floydada 983-3548  
Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.
- FLOYD COUNTY COWBOY CHURCH**  
Unity Center - Muncy  
1st Sunday of the Month  
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Services - 7:00 p.m..

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652-3347

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Lockney  
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Box 266, Lockney  
983-5087 - 774-4412 (Mobile)



### EDGAR HAMMOND

Funeral services for Edgar M. Hammond, 83, of Floydada were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 14, 2003 at Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel. Reverend Anthony D. Sisemore, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Floydada, officiated.

Burial was held Monday, December 15, 2003 in the New Hope Cemetery in Milam, Texas.

Mr. Hammond died Friday, December 12, 2003 at Floydada Rehab and Care Center.

He was born on January 24, 1920 in Iola, Texas to Morrison and Margaret Hammond. He graduated from Iola High School in 1939. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II, serving in New Guinea, South Phillipines and was awarded two Bronze Stars.

He married Doris Marie Shue on December 7, 1946 in Kountze, Texas. He worked in the shipyards and sheet metal business before moving to Floydada in 1952 and establishing Hammond Sheet Metal Company as owner and operator. He retired in 1986 after installing heating and air conditioning for 34 years in homes and businesses in Floyd County and surrounding counties.

Hammond was a member of the First Baptist Church and Oddfellows and served as a member of the City Council.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Cleo Hammond and George Hammond; son-in-law, Richard Marler and two great-grandsons, Jacob Marler and Austin Marler.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Doris Hammond of Floydada; two daughters, Linda Johnsona and husband, Wesley of Spring, Texas and Rebecca Hammond of Viterbo, Italy; two grandchildren, Trisha Gonzales and husband, Danny of Port Neches and Charles Marler and wife, Emily of Round Rock; five great-granddaughters; two great-grandsons; five nieces and one nephew and numerous extended family.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association, 4400 North Big Spring C32, Midland, Texas 79705.

