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Floydada honors outstanding citizens

Floydada honored their outstanding citizens at the annual Floydada Chamber Banquet, Monday night, March 7th.

Earning the community's thank-you for outstanding service were Charles Tyer as Citizen Through the Years, Jon Jones with the Extra Mile Award, Linda Matsler as Volunteer of the Year, and Superintendent Jerry Vaughn as Employer of the Year.

Tyer was recognized for his willingness to come to the aid of the school district by serving in several capacities as a principal and teacher. Several times Tyer has been pulled from retirement to fill a vacated position on different campuses in FISD.

A 1949 graduate of Levelland High School, Tyer attended West Texas State in Canyon for two years before going into the Korean conflict. He returned to W.T. and graduated in 1955.

After graduation Tyer came to Floydada as a junior high coach and a 7th grade teacher of Social Studies, American History and Driver's Education. In 1960 he became head coach and athletic director for two years.

In 1962 Tyer became High School principal and remained in the position for 22 years. In 1984 he left high school and went to R.C. Andrews as principal for 6 years, retiring in 1990.

In 1996 he was called back to work to finish one semester at R.C. Andrews as principal--and retired again.

During retirement Tyer set up a woodworking business and built cabinets, desks, and com- in every corner of her church. puter tables for the school dis-

after the High School principal left at mid-term. After one semes-

ter Tyer retired again. of retirement to serve as principal at A.B. Duncan. Finishing his "This is absolutely the last year. I am really going to retire.'

Jon Jones was recognized for his enthusiasm and hard work on community events such as Punkin Day, Relay for Life, Old Settlers, stock shows, and more.

JoLyn Dean presented the award to Jones ad thanked Jones for "wearing many different

"He organizes the Punkin Day Bead Run for the motorcycle group and delivers huge loads of his own pumpkins to the square to decorate the town. "He has also been known to dress up in a pumpkin suit and sell Cow Patty Bingo tickets at the Floydada-Lockney game," said Dean.

Jones is a member at First Baptist Church and a leader of the Royal Ambassadors. He is past president of the Chamber of Commerce and the Old Settler's Committee. A County Commissioner for Pct. #4, Jones has also traveled to Brenham and cooks for kids and families participating in the Houston Stock Show pig sift.

Martha Farris presented the Volunteer of the Year award to Linda Matsler.

Farris praised Matsler's volunteer work in the 1956 Study Club, and the local chapter of the American Cancer Society.

"When she is asked to chair a committee," said Farris, "that doesn't mean to her to 'sit in chair' and delegate work. She leads and we try our best to keep

Farris said Matsler has worked "Three years ago the parsonage needed renovating and she In 2000 he un-retired again kindled the spark to light the fire for fundraising and supplies."

As a help mate with her husband, 25 years ago she helped lay In 2002 Tyer was called out the foundation of Leonards Cafe in Floydada. After her working hours she helps her husband in third year at Duncan, Tyer said, the family business.



OUTSTANDING CITIZENS honored at the Floydada Chamber of Commerce Banquet were: (back, l-r) Extra Mile Award Jon Jones, Employer of the Year Award Jerry Vaughn; (front, I-r) Volunteer of the Year Linda Matsler and Citizen Through the Years Charles Tyer.

De Chance, and employee of FISD presented the Employer of the Year Award to Superintendent Jerry Vaughn.

"He is responsible for 200 employees and 1005 students," said Chance. "His workday is not the normal 8 to 5 but he works many long hours and weekends to make FISD a safe, learning environment for all the staff and students. He is a very fair employer who has an open door policy with all his employees. He

makes working for FISD fun as well as a wonderful learning ex-

Chance pointed out that FISD has received thousands of dollars in grants since Vaughn became superintendent.

According to Chamber Manager Iantha Smith, 206 people attended the banquet at the Unity

"We had some difficulty with the Coronado film we were going to show because of a scratch was a disappointment, but our speaker did an excellent job of

Dr. Michael Mathes, Profes-Spanish Exploration was the guest speaker at the banquet.

Mathes spoke on the 1541 expedition of Spanish Explorer Francisco V. de Coronado. Re-

on the CD," said Smith. "That Blanco Canyon have proved that Coronado's 1,500 member expedition came through the Canyon reviewing Coronado's expedi- and camped for 3 weeks. Mathes talked extensively about how the expedition was represented by all sor Emeritus at the University of walks of life, and on the care of San Franciso and a specialist in the animals and people on the journey.

Smith apologized after the banquet for omitting the name of Nick Long State Farm Insurance from the program as one of the cently discovered artifacts in chamber sponsors.

Floydada in running for "Town Haul" renovations

chosen as one of 25 small-town contacted by a representative of American cities in the running for a new series on television. TLC (the Learning Channel) has our city. Smith was told Floydada a new spin-off series from their was chosen because producers popular program "Trading Spaces", call TOWN HAUL. Floydada was the Punkin Capi-This is a renovation program for small-town America, refurbishdowntown areas.

The City of Floydada has been Commerce Manager, has been the program and that TOWN HAUL will be in town to "scout" keyed in on advertisement that

"They are very interested in ing buildings and improving our festival and marketing of pumpkins," said Smith. "This Iantha Smith, Chamber of may be a definite point in

Floydada's favor in being chosen for a TOWN HAUL series. The chamber is encouraging everyone to get out you punkin decorations, get them in our business windows, and put them in your yards. TOWN HAUL has also done their research and they are aware of the Coronado excava-

During their scouting of the town, producers will be looking **Continued On Page 3**



WHIRLWINDS WIN TEAM TENNIS REGIONAL TOURNAMENT-The Floydada Whirlwind Tennis Team won the Regional Team Tennis Tournament held March 3rd at Plainview High School. The team defeated Slaton 11-8 and Wellington 10-5. The team will compete in Round Rock, March 11 and 12 in State Team Tennis Tournament. (back row, l-r) Landon Lackey, Jess Finley, Tana Lloyd; Kody Smith, Reagan Heflin, Spencer Schacht, Kevin Smith, Brandon Rainwater, Cam Battey, Tate Greer: (middle row, l-r) Coach Robin Nixon, Coach Regenia Smith: (front row, l-r) Whitney Williams, Jesalyn Bradley, Lindsey Leatherman, Kenan Nixon, Rachel Griffin, Kirby Nixon, Kelsey Williams, and Emily Griffin. (not pictured, Kendra Covington, Blake Greer). (see related story)



ART PROJECTS HEADED TO STATE-Four art projects from FHS have qualified to compete at state competition in Houston, April 16th. Chosen by a panel of judges at the regional competition are: (l-r) Lindsey Leatherman, charcoal self-portrait entitled "The Promise'; Kristan Lackey, a charcoal self-portrait and a clay bodice sculpture; and Justin Vargas, a pencil self-portrait. Congratulations to these very artistically talented students.

Love Fund started for man who loses arm in auger accident

Elpidio Diaz, of Floydada, has Diaz was helping a friend dig been transferred from ICU to a private room at UMC Hospital where he has been after an auger ripped off his right arm while digging post holes, Sunday, February 28. Although the Diaz family feared he might also lose his left arm, the left arm has been

According to family members a 50-50 chance to live, but he is

post holes when his coat sleeve got caught in the auger and twisted his arm off. Before Mr. Diaz could be freed his left arm was also badly damaged.

"He was in surgery for 10-12 hours," said a daughter. "The doctors said he had a 50-50 chance to lose the other arm, and now out of the woods." He is facing more surgery on the left arm.

Mr. Diaz is employed at Thrashers and is married to Josephine Diaz. They have two children at home and two grown

A Love Fund has been set up at First National Bank and American State Bank to assist the family with expenses.

Youth to entertain at Lockney banquet

The Lockney Chamber of Commerce will host their Citizen Awards banquet on April 2, at 7:00 p.m. at the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria.

The banquet will name the Citizen of the Year and the Volunteer Fireman of the Year.

Entertainment will be provided by the youth in the com-

Rhythm High Harmony singers will be accompanied by Kellen Hooten, Landon Cotham, Danny Cervantes, Cagan pital, and City Bank.

Cummings, Cole Patton, Bryan Cooper, and Marti Nolan.

The Lockney High School Jazz Band will also perform, as well as tumblers. Lucy Dean Record will provide the dinner

The cost of tickets is \$10.00 in advance or at the door. The meal will consist of brisket, cole slaw, baked beans, potatoe salad, rolls and cobbler.

Tickets can be bought at Dicks Automotive, W.J. Mangold Hos-

Courtroom Activities

In District Court, March 8,

Brandon Clark Covington, 26, of Lockney, pled guilty to Driving While Intoxicated/Felony on June 14, 2004. He was sentenced to 8 years in TDCJ which was probated for 8 years, a \$1,000 fine, court costs, attorneys fees, \$10,000 restitution, 30 days in jail, and suspension of drivers license for one year.

Jon Henry Buford, 20, of Plainview, pled guilty to Burglary of Habitation which occurred on October 7, 2004. He was sentenced to 6 years in TDCJ, probated for 6 years, \$1,000 fine, court costs, attorney's fees, and \$2,864.00 restitution.

Norah Lee Williams Jr. 47, of Floydada, pled guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance (Cocaine) on October 24, 2004. He was sentenced to 2 years in state jail, payment of attorneys fees and court costs.

In County Court:

John Arredondo, 28, of Floydada, pled guilty to February 16, 2005 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years.

Damian Luna, 29, of Lockney, pled guilty to a February 16, 205 charge of Possession of Marijuana which occurred on February 16, 2005. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 6 months in jail which was probated for 2 years.

Jesus Perez Salazar, 45, of Muncy, pled guilty to a February 16 2005 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years.

March 3, Cruz Tamayo, 37, of Floydada, pled guilty to a February 16, 2005 charge of DWI. He was fined \$600 and court costs and sentenced to 180 days in jail which was probated for 2 years.

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A view from



The Lamplighter

It's getting to look more and more like we're going to have a rerun of the last gubernatorial race in Texas, wherein Rick Perry cleaned the plow of multi-millionaire Tony Sanchez.

We are indebted to a story in our favorite daily newspaper (the one that keeps tabs most closely on comings and goings within the Democratic Party, the Austin American-Statesman), for the information that Mr. Sanchez, the banker, oilman, investor from Laredo who has emerged as a major donor to Democratic causes and candidates, will seek the nomination...providing, of course, the head of the Democratic Party, Mr. Charles Soechting, is leveling with the paper. Too, it should be noted, Mr. Sanchez was quoted by the paper as saying Mr. Soechting was "a little ahead", whatever that means.

There is little doubt in our own mind that if Mr. Sanchez wants the honor, he will get it. His buddies now control most levers within the Democratic Party, and if he wants the job we must assume the rest is a formal-

That comes on top of a meeting of the Associated Republicans of Texas (ART) in Austin last week where Perry was endorsed for another term by Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. He was also endorsed by his own Secretary of State, but one would expect that. (After all, the Secretary of State is a Perry appointee). Both Patterson and Dewhurst, however, are elected statewide, including voters in Dallas and Houston, as well as the Panhandle and South Plains.

The endorsement by Patterson was especially significant, as well as somewhat circuitous. Patterson made a point, in his remarks, of specifically endorsing Kay Bailey Hutchison...for reelection to the United States Senate. Few in the crowd of several hundred failed to appreciate Patterson's point.

(It should be noted, perhaps, that the ART meeting, it's 30th birthday, and its annual tribute to the March 2nd Texas Independence Day celebration, went unreported by Austin-based reporters for the daily press, consumed as they were by coverage of the

Texas Legislature.)

So now we have the makings of another campaign between Mr. Tony Sanchez and Mr. Rick Perry next year. Once is evidently not enough for those who control the levers within the Democratic Party in Texas. The trial lawyers are not going to stop until they have their person at the helm, and in Sanchez they have that person. They also have their man, Charles Soechting, as Executive Director of the Party. That combination, plus the millions of dollars at Mr. Sanchez's disposal, will all but guarantee Sanchez's position as the Democratic nominee.

Mr. Sanchez headed the Democratic ticket last time largely because Mr. John Sharp, who himself ended up as the Democratic nominee for Lt. Governor, envisioned the trio of Sanchez, Sharp and Kirk as a racial "dream ticket" that would dominate Texas politics for years to come. Instead, it got wiped out by Texas voters. In that "dream ticket" scenario, Sanchez would have been the rich Hispanic that would automatically guarantee all Hispanic voters in Texas for

were adorned with green hair. At

the Democratic Party, Mr. Sharp, a former Comptroller, would have guaranteed all "brass collar" white Democratic voters, and Ron Kirk, the black former mayor of Dallas, would have guaranteed all the black voters. That would have wrapped everything up into a neat little package. On the way to the polls, however, something must have happened, 'cause it didn't work out that way. None of them were able to deliver 100 percent. They all lost.

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

> We have absolutely no idea how Texas voters will respond this time around to the same choice they had last time around, if indeed things develop that way. Mr. Perry has run into some flack on school and tax issues, while Carol Keeton McClellan Rylander Strayhorn, the State Comptroller who wants to be Governor, and U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, who also wants to be Governor, all have one or more problems. All we can be sure of, looking at the political records of all of them, is that Perry has been counted out before, and now he's the Governor.

Letters to the Editor

To the People of Floyd buy fertilizer within the county, County

After seeing what has been written and what has been voiced about the proposed dairy permit I am seeking for my farm, I thought it necessary to calm the fears of my neighbors and friends by giving as much information as I have on the subject.

Concerning the Environ-

First let me say that the dairy will meet every requirement set by the State of Texas Environmental Quality Department.

The dairy site will use less for my cotton, and the watershed will be controlled so as not to pollute our under ground water sources. No dairy would be allowed to continue in business if fied to answer your questions acit violated the very strict environ- curately and without bias. mental laws of the State of Texas, nor would I willingly ever do so.

Likewise, any dust or chemical particles will be less than that of a crop of cotton, milo, or wheat, or our daily dust storm. We, as farmers, know and agree that all airborne pollutants should be and are controlled to the best of our ability. Even so, as farmers, we still use weed control and pest control sprays that must meet certain standards. The proposed dairy will not exceed these standards nor should it.

The site of the proposed dairy is not located 500 feet from one of the properties owned by individuals opposed to the dairy and so stated in a letter describing it

Concerning the Value of the Dairy to the City of Lockney and Floyd County

There are many more people in Floyd County supporting the dairy than there are opposing it. Those in support understand that the dairy provides an additional source of tax revenue for the county and income for additional families in Lockney and the greater Floyd County.

We surely need the kind of jobs that can support families; families that send their children to our schools; families that shop locally; and families that fill the pews of our churches.

These jobs are not entry-level jobs (or like fast food jobs) as

some have reported. These jobs myself. It took a lot of courage will provide the diversity needed for this young man to come back when other income is on the detowns are now subject to the days cut short, he still enjoys whims of the cotton market and government price supports.

We can no longer wear blinders and continue to ignore the threat of cheap Asian cotton. Some diversity is necessary if we are to do more than just survive.

Without this diversity the future of our kids, schools, hospitals, and businesses looks pretty bleak. We need new faces, new families, and new industries in Floyd County.

Even those few who oppose the dairy will find that they have an additional market for their corn, milo, wheat, silage, and cattle. They will also be able to

thus keeping the income from its sale locally.

Conclusion:

The dairy is an opportunity that should not and cannot be lost if we were to diversify. We must stand up for the future of our kids, schools, hospitals, businesses, towns, and county. We ask that those who oppose the dairy to rethink that position and then aid us in this effort. Support the dairy before we lose this chance and any further consideration by the dairy industry.

If you have any questions water than I am presently using a please direct them to the Texas Agencies that oversee such issues rather than asking the people of interested parties (either pro or con). These Agencies are quali-

> Respectfull Dale and Debbie Gallaway

Dear Editor,

As a self-employed person with a small business, I am reluctant to write this public display of my opinions. Oftentimes, there is a subject that I want to comment on, but am afraid to do so for fear of compromising my reputation as a free agent, trying to make a living in a small town. Many times I have been told by others that I should not be intimidated, that perhaps more people

agree with me than not. The mother of three children, understand the necessity of rules and the discipline that follows when said rules are broken. In all things public and private, there will be such rules and consequences, no matter our age or station in life. I try not to complain about rules that I think are useless, especially in front of young people who are impressionable. As a taxpayer and an almost life-long resident of this community, I do, however, feel that I have a right to tell this story.

There is a young man I know, a mere sixteen years old, who, in his youth and particular station in life, had his life permanently altered by circumstances both in and out of his control. Due to his situation, he graduated early from high school so that he could work full-time and try to make a living in a small town, much like here and face his life with detercline or no longer available. Our mination to succeed. His school watching his former classmates and friends as they excel in activities such as band contests, football, basketball, et cetera.

One night, as he rushed home from work and took a quick shower, he decided that he wanted to wear green and support his local high school team in a play-off game. He took the time to borrow a shirt and cap, each item bearing the Floydada Whirlwind logo. He then hurried off to the game which was being played in a neutral town. The gym was packed of course, so he found some friends to sit with who had their faces painted and

some point during the heated game, he became excited, as many of us do, and turned his cap around. A local administrator approached him and ordered him to turn his cap around and to tuck his shirt in. The young man thought the "grown" man was kidding at first because this seemed so ludicrous. When he realized the "grown" man wasn't joking, he left his friends, who happen to attend FHS, and went to sit with "grown" people who do not. This apparently was not satisfactory either. The "grown" man brought another "grown" man, who is also a local administrator, over to tell the young man to either turn his cap around or leave the gym. Well, needless to say the young ex-student of FHS, who still supports his local basketball team, was upset, not only did this seem trivial, but he was missing the action on the court. Eventually, as this non-student tried to watch and participate in the event, the two "grown-ups" brought a security police figure over to remove him from the gymnasium. As a taxpayer I am amazed that these administrators don't have more important things to attend to, such as security, safety, and the overall best interests of our kids. I am almost positive, in my years raising children and attending sporting events, that I have seen men turn their caps around when the bill got in the way of their vision. In fact, I have seen adults get so excited and involved, they did much worse. I can't believe I am even referring to "turning a cap around" as a social problem: There are so many things that our young people need from adults, like spiritual guidance, academic guidance, and safe buildings for our students and teachers. They need to see adults have compassion for those who have made mistakes and that want to redeem themselves in a world where that can be very difficult.

There is a dress code for students in FHS that does not allow such trivial things as un-tucked shirts (for boys only) and wearing a cap backwards. Apparently, the rule is also in effect for people who are not students but want to attend school events. I eat lunch amid farmers and other hard-

working people who turn their

caps around while eating. Perhaps all men reading this should be careful with their caps and shirts. How old does one have to be to enjoy a ballgame? The young man in my story wants to be a part of this community and work here, until he can decide what kind of school he wants to attend to further his education. I would like to say that these very administrators had a part in his wanting to be a productive member of this community. Unfortunately, these "grown" men have only shown him that unimportant things matter and that he can't trust the school system he chose to leave early, due to his circumstance. You see, this young man

has a child to support that he loves very much. He is trying to grow up as fast as he can. It frightens me when unimportant things, such as backward caps, stand in the way of a young person trying to do the most important thing he can do, which is to be supportive of his fellow young people. Would someone please explain to me where our priori-

This young man is strong and he will survive this horribly embarrassing night of public humiliation. He will still support his friends in all that they excel in. He will also support his friends who are not blessed with talents that enable them to excel in football, basketball, and other sports. I love and respect this young man and I am so sorry to say that he won't feel comfortable wearing green anymore.

Heartbroken, **Billie Christian Campbell**

Dear Editor,

What a ride in the basketball playoffs with the Floydada Whirlwinds! What a year following the Whirlwinds and Lady Winds. Both teams were fighters to the end and provided me with so much inspiration as I left the gym each night.

It was easy for me to attempt to be the bridge of excitement to many faithful Whirlwind fans who could not attend the games in person. When you have good material to work with, it is easy to tell the message of pride, perseverance, and teamwork. We are all hungry for positive things and boy did these young people feed

It was motivating to me to see the large gathering of fans wearing green all season and especially during the 3-game playoff run. Imagine who this display of encouragement was received by the players. Your presence one by one does add up in anything you

I personally want to thank the management of KFLP, Hesperian-Beacon; Floydada I.S.D. administrators, coaches, teachers, fans, and players for the different role that each played in such a memorable time that affected so many. It just goes to show how important each person is and we all-have purpose in life.

Thanks for the ride, Nick Long, **KFLP Broadcaster**

Dear Editor,

Floydada has a great asset in your Floyd County Historical Museum and Genealogy Center. I recently had the pleasure of working in your genealogy library. I found the staff, Janet Milam and Carolyn Hardy very helpful and gracious. Through an online search, Carolyn was able to solve a problem that I had been working on for years. I do hope the people of your community are aware of this treasure in your

> Sincerely, **Carolyn Courtney**

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for citizen input. They want to know (1) what are the attributes of our community that keep you here? (2) if you grew up here, moved away, and then returned. what brought you back? (3) why should everyone want to live in a small town? (4) what projects would we like them to consider for improvements in our city that would improve the quality of life for our citizens?

"TOWN HAUL cannot give us an exact date and time next week, but they will be here and

the home of Shirley Morton with

Carolyn Cheek as co-hostess.

Vice-President Margaret Jones

called the meeting to order.

Martha Lotspeich introduced

Nicki Logan, Life Style Editor

for the Plainview Daily Herald,

as our program. This being the

day before Texas Independence

Day, her program was "Lone Star

Texas Declaration of Indepen-

dence was written in one day. She

also talked about the character of

many of the influential Texans of

She read from a just published

report of how Texas ranks in

many different categories. It was

not a good report for our State as

By Vera Jo Bybee

Center's scrapbook.

I have a change to make in the

list of quilters who worked on the

Jody Baccus. Jody has had to

quit quilting for a while until

Rusty gets better. I talked to Jody

tonight and she said that Dr.

Burke talked about surgery but

where the break is he couldn't put

a pin in so Rusty's broken leg will

have to knit back together on its own. Jody said it may take a

while since Rusty is a diabetic

and is 84 years old. Let's keep Rusty and Jody in our prayers.

Molly Huffman wasn't at the

quilters today They said she was

at home sick with the awful crud

what ever that is. So sorry Molly

but I kinda know how you feel. I

had a slight cold too and I guess

that threw my crazy ole diabetes

out of whack and I haven't felt

My 1948 classmate Margaret

Weathers Turpin is here visiting

in Plainview with her grand

daughters and friends. Last

Thursday she attend a Red Hat

luncheon with me at the Country Club in Floydada. We all had

Saturday the Longhorn base-

ball park was full of Horns,

It was the alumni game. There

I believe the score between the

were 20 exes here. Enough for

Horns and the exes was about 6-

3 in favor of the youngins. The

exes had just started to play each

other and the rain came so that

ended the fun. I had two grand-sons on the exes' team and one

on the Horn's team so I didn't do

friend Justin came in from San

Angelo and grandson Matt

McPherson came in from Tech.

Grandson Tyler Bybee and his

very good either.

such a good time.

young and old.

two teams.

that time.

She reminded us that the

1950 Study Club News

The 1950 Study Club met in we rank near the bottom in edu-

want to talk to ALL of us," said Smith. "As soon as we know this information, we will get it out to you by Cable TV and KFLP radio. Tentative plans are to have a community discussion with the TLC representative to take place at the MAC.

"He may request a public forum or want to visit informally with our citizens. It is undecided at this time. This is a once-in-alifetime chance for Floydada and our enthusiasm and suggestions are what this company wants to see and hear.'

cation and health. In fact, we are

near the bottom in almost every

category listed in this three page

report. Nicki urged us to write

letters to the Editors and contact

our Legislators if we are unhappy

with this situation. Things will

Refreshments were served

and then we continued with our

business meeting. Members

present were Margaret Jones,

Geneile Evans, Billie Jordan,

Jane McCulley, Shirley Morton,

Martha Lotspeich, Carolyn

Cheek, Sandy Forehand, Nance

Lawson, Lovene Moore, Sue

Daniels, Joy Assiter and guest,

Matt and Tyler both have made

big guys but the young one J.W.

is just as big as they are. I think

Geneva and Sol Barclay had

13 of their children and grand-

children visit them Sunday. They

had such a good time visiting

J. Wofford family on his passing

Floydada on June 30, 1931 to Ed

and Berlin Parrish Dunavant.

Inez attended school at Floydada,

South Plains and graduated from

Mosley on May 18, 1947 at Doris

Vinson's house north of Floy-

1928 at home in Sterley to Elmer

and Vera Cox Mosley. Pete at-

tended school at Sterley and

graduated from Lockney High

children. One son Rick and two

daughters Elaine and Susan. Six

ful members of the West College

and 3rd Church of Christ. Pete

is enjoying his retirement from

farming. Inez said she enjoyed

being this week's Senior Citizens

Menu for March 14-18

Friday: Chicken Strips

in a square box?

Monday: Hamburger Steak

Tuesday: Liver and Onions

Wed: Chicken Fried Steak Thurs: Chicken and Dressing

Why does a round pizza come

Thank you Inez and Pete for

grandchildren and 5 greats.

retirement sometimes.

They are the parents of three

They have always been faith-

School in 1946.

Pete was born December 12,

Inez married Boyce (Pete)

Lockney High School in 1948.

Our sympathy is with the B.

Add my 25 year old grandsons Clint

would have thought it?

with each other.

Mary Quattlebaum.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

Annabelle Bramlet and delete and Bryan are the smallest. Who

voices heard.

and refurbishment projects will make our city a more attractive place to live. The projects may bring additional leisure activities as well as activities for our young adults. The senior citizens are very excited about renovations that could be done for them. The extra activity in town will help our local merchants. Think of the publicity for our pumpkin growers. NATIONAL TELEVISION - what more could we ask?," said

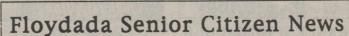
"Obviously, any renovations

TLC's "TOWN HAUL" can

be seen on Cable TV Channel 50 Saturday nights at 9:00 p.m. Check your satellite schedule for the channel number. See www.tlc.com for an article on their initial project at Jeffersonville, New York, a town of 450 people.

Listen to KFLP and cable TV for information on the community meeting. "Talk it up, Floydada!", said Smith.

"Phone friends! We have a fantastic opportunity to make things happen to - and for - our community.'



By Margarette Word

Our Center is open Monday through Friday. Lunch starts at 11:30 a.m. If you plan on eating, please call the Center at 983-2032 by 10:00 a.m. We are located at 301 E. Georgia St. If you are 60 years or older come join change only if we make our us.

This past weekend Irene King and her sisters from Lubbock. Evelyn Pollen, Alma Petty and Johnnie Barton, flew to Yuma, Arizona to attend their brother George Owens and his wife's 50th Wedding Anniversary party. Their brother as well as lots of nieces and nephews. They had a great time. There were 50 in at-

Our sympathy to the family of Sam Baker.

Our sympathy to the family of Santos Salazar.

Our sympathy to Louis Anderson on the loss of his brother, William T. Anderson.

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

In memory of Maggie Jones Perry, Polly Cardinal and Jason Allen-Judy Beedy.

In memory of Thomas Warren-Larry and Gail Noland.

In memory of Vernola Hanna-Keith and Geneva Stansell, Steve and Sandra (Stansell) Lundgren and Wayland and Margaret Jones.

Thought for the week - Spring Break is March 14 through the 18th, please drive carefully as many children will be out play-

Spring is that busy period when highway crews rush to get the main routes torn up in time for summer traffic. -Doug Larson

> Menu March 14-March 18

Monday-Brisket, potato salad, turnip greens, cornbread and peach cobbler

Tuesday-Fish nuggets/Tartar sauce, baked beans, okra, coleslaw, cornbread and fruit salad Wednesday-Ham and beans over rice, spinach, biscuit, banana pudding

Thursday-Spaghetti, Italian vegetables, cucumber onion salad, garlic bread, apple or pear crisp (St. Patrick's Day)

Friday-Chicken strips, new potatoes with white sauce, broccoli, sweet pickle, hot roll and



LOCAL ROTARIAN HONORED --- Mabry Greenhaw (1) receiving the highest honor offered through the Rotary Club from Dr. Michael Graves. (See related story) **Courtesy Photo**

Mabry Greenhaw honored for years of service and Leadership

The Floydada Rotary Club and City Bank honored Mabry Greenhaw by making him a Paul Harris Fellow, the highest honor a Rotarian can receive. Assistant District Governor, Dr. Michael Graves, presented Mabry with the Certificate and medallion a the Wednesday March 2nd meeting of the Floydada Rotary Club.

A Paul Harris Fellow is one who has a substantial donation made in his or her name to the Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Foundation is responsible for many local, district and international projects.

The eradication of Polio throughout the world is nearing completion due in a large part to the efforts of Rotarians through the Rotary Foundation.

District activities include Children's Diabetic Camps each

Mary Kay Cosmetics

leadership and Group Study Exchange allowing students to study in another country for one The Floydada Rotary Club

summer, RYLA camps teaching

provides scholarships to selected Floydada High School Seniors, supports the summer baseball program and participates in a Student Loan Program at West Texas A&M in Canyon. Rotary also gives support to the Senior Citizens Organization in Floydada.

Much of the local contribution is made available through the club's fund raiser, headed by Mabry Greenhaw for the past several years.

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Floyd County Lifestyles This week's Senior Citizen profile is on Inez and Boyce Inez Dunavant was born at

> The family of Eleanor Schacht would like to thank each and every one of you who have taken the time to make our loss easier to bear. Each expression of love and support has touched our hearts and made mother's home going a celebration. Thanks again.

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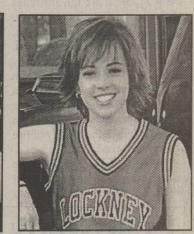
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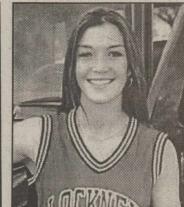
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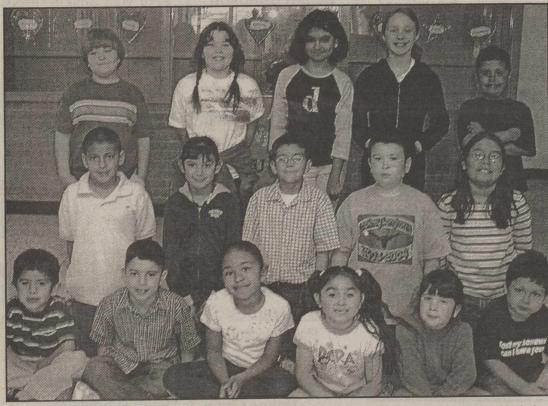
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Congratulations!



LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS for the week of March 7: (back row, 1 to r) Christian Bersaga, Darby Long, Dolores Luna, Miski Hollis, Tommy Lopez, (middle row, l to r) Anthony Nunez, Alyssa Cruz, Andrew Hooten, Rene Guerrero, Alyssa Tejeda, (front row, l to r) Estephan Pena, Joshua Guerrero, Sadie Mathis, Elizebeth Clato, Faith Bradley and Lupe Huerta, Jr.

row. These Lockney FFA mem-

bers represented our school and

community very well at the show.

the San Antonio Stock Show Calf

scramble on Sunday night, Feb-

ruary 13th. He competed against

23 other FFA and 4-H members

from across thes tate. The calf

scramble participants try to catch

a calf during the rodeo perfor-

mance. There are 12 calves and

24 contestants at each scramble.

Ty caught a calf and wa awarded

an \$800 certificate towards the

purchase of a heifer. He will have

to keep records on the heifer

project and will have to show his

heifer in the 2006 Junior Heifer

ney FFA members on their ac-

complishments at the show.

Congratulations to the Lock-

Ty Young also participated in

Lockney seniors visit colleges Recently, Lockney senior stu- entertainment and meals on all

dents were given an opportunity the campuses. The objective of to visit at least one of three colleges on a field day.

targeted at giving future freshman a look at their specific programs and campuses. The col- and programs given for their benleges were chosen by their specific sizes and the students could came back more enriched and experience the atmosphere at the knowledgeable about the college campuses.

South Plains, a smaller campus, was visited at their "sneak peak" on February 11. West Texas A&M, a more medium sized campus, offered their Discover Day on November 19. Texas Tech University, the largest, had their University Day February 18.

Transportation was paid for by the South Plains Tech Prep grant. Students were treated with

the field trips was to give the seniors an opportunity to start Each college has a special day preparation for their future education.

Seniors participated in tours efit at each of the colleges. All they might attend in the fall of

"We will continue to offer experiences for our students to take a look into the future by offering various experiences," said High School Counselor Patsy Ulmer. "We would like to ask the parents of the students to encourage the students to take advantage of any opportunities offered to them through their school.



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Lockney FFA members attend the San Angelo Stock Show gus heifer and Ty Young had a By Ted Young 2nd Place Angus heifer at the Lockney FFA members par-

Lockney FFA members attend

the San Antonio Stock Show

By Ted Young

Lockney FFA members participated in the 2005 San Anto-

nio Stock Show. The members

that participated in the show were

Edrie Marricle (gilts), Garrison

Marricle (gilts), Ian Dunbar (barrow), McKenzie Kemp (barrow),

Walker Kemp (barrow), Krista

Rasco (barrow and lamb), Ty

Young (barrow), Will Foster

(heifer), Asa Cole (heifer),

Karmichael Ramos (barrow), and

Edrie Marricle had a 5th Place

Chester gilt and a 5th Place Berk-

shire gilt. Kayla Kelley had a

10th Place Chester gilt. Asa Cole

had a 10th Place Angus heifer.

Will Foster had a 4th Place

Chianina heifer. Krista Rasco had

a 5th Place Cross barrow, Ty

Young had a 6th Place Cross bar-

Kayla Kelley (gilts).

ticipated in the 2005 San Angelo Stock Show. The members that participated were: ASA Cole (heifer), Ty Young (heifer), Katalina Araujo (barrow), Garrison Marricle (barrow), Ian very well. Dunbar (barrow), Karmichael Ramos (barrow).

Asa Cole had a 3rd Place An-support of our members.

Garrison Marricle had a 5th Place Chester barrow. The Lockney FFA members represented Lockney FFA and the community

Thank you to the school and community for your continued

COLLEGE

Jordan inducted into Gamma Beta Phi at Texas Tech

Jessica Noel Jordan, daughter of Bonnie and Jackson Jordan and granddaughter of Belton and Clydelle Jack of Lockney, was invited to join Gamma Beta Phi, an honor/service organization at Texas Tech University.

The invitations were based on grades, and offered to only those students in the top of their classes. The inductions were March 6, 2005.

After her first semester at Tech, Jessica also received the President's Honor List which is the award that students receive when they earn a 4.0 GPA.

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Whirlwinds season ends at Region Quarterfinals

By Nick Long

(Littlefield, Tx) Abernathy's hot shooting in the first quarter delivered a staggering blow to Floydada, and eventually led to the #4 State Rated Antelopes knocking the #19 Rated Whirlwinds out of the Class 2A State Playoffs at the Region I Quarterfinals by a score of 68-54 in front of packed house of 1,200 at the Littlefield Wildcat Gym on March 1.

Four different Abernathy players combined to sink four long range 3-pointers in jumping out to a 26-14 first quarter lead, plus Floydada's leading rebounder Jacob Reddy got into foul trouble midway through the opening stanza that proved to be detrimental as the game progressed. The 6'1" junior missed more than half of the game in foul trouble, and eventually was the first of four Floydada players to foul out of the game in the 4th quarter when the Whirlwinds were making another patented comeback.

Floydada was already at a height disadvantage at the start of the game as Abernathy's lineup included the 6'6" twin towers of junior Stanton Royal and sophomore Reese Myatt, and being without Reddy just complicated the Whirlwinds game

Abernathy built its lead to 36-20 at intermission. The Whirlwinds then switched to the man defense and full court press in the 3rd quarter that this exciting team had lived off of in accumulating 25 wins. Floydada outscored Abernathy 13-4 in the 3rd quarter and had cut the deficit to 40-33 going into the 4th quarter. It appeared that the Whirlwinds were about to pull off their second miraculous comeback of the coming an 11-point lead by Shallowater at Bi-District.

But in the final stanza the Whirlwinds began falling like dominos with Reddy, junior guard Trey Helms, sophomore forward Douglas Williams and freshman forward Payte Beedy all fouling out during a span of 3:47. Abernathy was not void in the abnormal amount of fouls as the Antelopes lost both post players - Myatt and Royal. When the game had ended it took several recounts to tabulate the total fouls at Floydada's 29 to Abernathy's

During the 4th quarter Abernathy was 18 of 29 at the free throw line. For the game the Antelopes were 26 of 43, and Floydada was 12 of 21 at the charity stripe which proved to be the exact point difference of 14.

6'3" senior Luke Miller closed out a spectacular career with 21 points. Beedy and Williams gave Floydada fans a lot to be hopeful for in the future by ending the season with 16 and 12 points respectively.

Abernathy was led by Tate Riley's 16 points that included 7 of 10 shooting at the line in the 4th quarter. Royal added 15 and 5'10' senior T.J. Paden contributed 12 points. Paden also made a big difference with his ball handling and passing throughout the game that led to many of the Floydada fouls.

The win advanced Abernathy to the Region I Tournament in Midland for the 3rd straight year. Floydada ended its very respectable season at 25-7. It was an extremely gratifying season since the Whirlwinds were a 4th place preseason pick in District 6-2A by the Panhandle-Plains Basketball Magazine, and they ex-

playoffs like they did in over- ceeded all expectations by being state ranked their last 9 games.

> The Whirlwinds list of accomplishments were lengthy this year including the 25 wins, first place at the West Texas Invitational (Slaton), beating #7 rated Dimmitt at their gym, the state rankings, an 11 game winning streak, District 6-2A runnerup, and winning a pair of playoff gold basketball trophies against Shallowater 50-49 and Canadian

This concluded the 3rd campaign for Whirlwind Coach Chris Brattain, who has taken Floydada to the playoffs every year. This was the second time the Winds had reached the Regional Quarterfinal round under Brattain. He had a very good support cast with assistant coaches Coby Emery and Keith Prather, plus managers Ruben Ortiz and Titus Miller.

Despite the disappointing departure from the playoffs, Brattain and the Whirlwind faithful have to be optimistic about the future with 7 of the 9 players being underclassmen.

The returnees will include juniors Trey Helms, Dustin Ochoa, Oscar Garza and T.J. Collins; sophomore Douglas Williams; freshman Payte Beedy; and some potential replacements from the J.V. team that had 18

Floydada will definitely miss the services of seniors Luke Miller and Lionel Williams. Miller was the team leader in scoring and blocked shots, plus had the talent of turning a game to the Whirlwinds favor with an incredible play.

Williams was known for his hustle on defense and giving Floydada a spark coming off the

Sports

Whirlwind **Team Tennis wins** Regional

The Floydada Whirlwind Tennis Team won the Regional Team Tennis Tournament held March 3rd at Plainview High School. The Whirlwinds are lead by seniors: Jesse Finley, Tate Greer, Rachel Griffin, Spencer Schacht and Whitney Williams.

The team defeated Slaton 11-8 in the Semi-Finals. In the Championship match Floydada defeated Wellington 10-5.

The team will compete in Round Rock March 11th and 12th in the State Team Tennis Tournament

Other team members are: Juniors: Jesalyn Bradley, Kendra Covington, Lindsey Leatherman; Sophomores: Cam Battey, Tana Lloyd, Brandon Rainwater; Freshmen: Blake Greer, Emily Griffin, Landon Lackey, Kevin Smith, Kody Smith and Kelsey Williams. The team is coached by Robin Nixon and Regenia Smith.

Coach Nixon's Comments:

I am so excited about this team. They are so competitive. I guess with four sets of siblings on the team that is to be expected! They all are getting better each and every match. AWE-SOME JOB!!! Way to "take care of business".

Floydada Tennis Results:

The Floydada Tennis team participated in the Frenship Tournament held February 24th.

Results are as follows: Girls Doubles

4th Place: Emily Griffin/Tana

Consolation: Jesalyn Bradley/ Whitney Williams

Girls Singles 3rd Place: Rachel Griffin 4th Place: Lindsey Leatherman

Boys Doubles 1st Place: Tate Greer/Spencer

Other Contestants: Cam Battey/Taylor Hilburn

Boys Singles Consolation: Brandon Rain-

13th: Landon Lackey

Mixed Doubles Consolation: Kendra Covington/Jesse Finley

Girls team placed 2nd overall. Team placed 3rd overall. **Coach Nixon's Comments:**

This was a great tournament to start the 2005 season. I am so excited to see such great play this early in the season.

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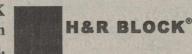
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Floydada Whirlwinds and Lady Winds All-District pictures were not ready at time of printing. We will run them in next week's edition.

Whirlwinds's successful basketball season ends

By Coach Brattain

The Floydada Whirlwinds basketball season came to an end last Tuesday night in Littlefield. The Whirlwinds played Abernathy, the then #4 team in the state for the Region 1-AA Regional Quarterfinals.

The Antelopes played like the team that got them the high ranking also. They came out in the opening quarter and made 9-10 baskets and scored 26 points. Floydada scored 12 points in the opening quarter and found themselves fighting to get back in the

The game went back and forth in the second quarter with Abernathy winning that quarter, 10-8. Floydada found themselves down 16 at half time and could have easily quit but didn't. The Whirlwinds went out and won the third quarter by a score of 13-

Going into the fourth quarter, the Whirlwinds were now down by the score of 40-33. Foul trouble finally did Floydada in though, early in the final period the Whirlwinds lost Jacob Reddy, then lost Trey Helms, then Payte Beedy, then at the end, Douglas Williams. Luke Miller played the last 5 minutes with 4 fouls.

Abernathy did a great job at the free throw line, making 19-24 free throws in the 4th quarter alone. They were 25-39 for the game. Floydada went 12-23 for nately, Abernathy seemed like you!

they couldn't miss.

Floydada ended their season with a overall record of 25-7. The Whirlwinds lose two seniors. Lionel Williams and Luke Miller. These two will be greatly missed not only because of what they did on the court, but because of the type of people they are. Both showed leadership and displayed the proper example to a bunch of younger players on the team. Luke and Lionel also daily displayed the type of work ethic in practice it takes to be successful, especially when there is no one there to watch. They both showed and continue to show this type of work ethic regardless of the sport they are in. I will miss both of these guys, not only from a coach/player standpoint, but as people I have built a relationship with over the past four years.

Overall we felt we had a successful season and this was evident not only by record, or by playoffs, but by how the district coaches recognized our players. Luke Miller, Jacob Reddy, Douglas Williams, Payte Beedy (Newcomer of the Year) were all placed on the 1st Team All-District Team. Dustin Ochoa was named to the district All-Defensive Team. Oscar Garza and Trey Helms were both named to the Honorable Mention All-District

Finally, the coaching staff and players want to thank Titus Miller, Ruben Ortiz for helping the game. Abernathy did a fine us, Hope Warren, our cheerleader job of finishing the game and sponsor and the cheerleaders, won by 14 with the final being Grant Stovall, our trainer, Nick 68-54. We were proud of the way Long and Tyler Helms and all the the players didn't quit and fought students and fans who supported back in the second half, unfortu- us throughout the year. Thank

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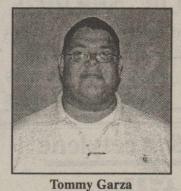
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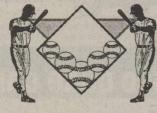
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Plains Cotton Growers officials echoed the disappointment and frustration expressed by the National Cotton Council and other cotton industry groups immediately following their initial review of the final WTO ruling on the U.S. appeal in the Brazil cotton challenge.

By Shawn Wade

The release of the latest ruling isn't the end of the road for this issue. The U.S. cotton industry, working primarily through the National Cotton Council, will now begin a new round of evaluation and assessment of the situation. Consultations with Administration officials, the U.S. Trade Representative's Office and Congress will be one of the first steps in this new phase of the WTO

Until the 311 page report is read, analyzed and finally interpreted there is not much that can be said outside of how disappointing the appellate body's decision is in light of significant evidence that runs contrary to the opinion rendered by the initial WTO panel, now upheld by the appellate body.

In a statement issued yesterday NCC officials noted that several aspects of the original WTO panel's findings were, in the U.S. view, inconsistent with the intent of the WTO Agriculture Agreement and change many longstanding interpretations of that agreement as well.

Staff from the U.S. Trade Representative's Office and the NCC will be reviewing the WTO appellate body report over the next week and discussing the findings at length to determine what, if any, differences might exist between it and the original WTO panel ruling issued last

For now there remains no expectation that the WTO findings will spur immediate changes to the U.S. cotton program or to other facets of U.S. agricultural

It is quite simply far too early to speculate about specific changes to current U.S. farm policy as a result of the Brazil case. It is safe to say, however, that any potential changes will be thoroughly evaluated and debated. Future discussions are likely to be rolled into the development process for the next farm

The U.S. cotton program is very important to U.S. cotton producers but, is just one part of a comprehensive farm policy that provides support to production agriculture and also funds important conservation and nutrition programs. Current U.S. farm policy was carefully designed to meet the obligations agreed to in the current WTO Agriculture Agreement.

The U.S. cotton program has been found to have no significant impact on the world cotton market in several independent studies conducted by numerous economic and research organizations including Texas Tech University.

These studies show the U.S. would continue to produce cotton in the absence of a program and that the current program has minimal impact on production while providing stability and helping farmers ride out low price and weather disasters.

Upland Cotton Average Price received by growers through January 2005

Cumulative Upland cotton marketings increased by 50 percent during the month of January and allowed total marketing for the first half of the 2004 marketing year to reach the 10.1 million-bale mark.

January marketings were estimated at 3.698 million bales with an average selling price of 39.6 cents per pound. Revised figures for December 2004 indicate 2,292 million bales marketed at an average price of 40.7 cents per pound.

Based on these numbers the 2004 Upland Cotton Weighted Average Price calculated through January 2005 stands at 43.72 cents per pound. This indicates 2004 Counter-cyclical payments will be based on the maximum 13.73 cent payment rate allowed by current program rules. So far the calculated 2004 Weighted Average Price is well below the 52 cent threshold where Countercyclical payment rates begin to

Based on the latest figures over half of the 2004 crop cotton marketed to date was traded in December and January. Figuring in the level of activity being reported by High Plains cotton February warehouses. marketings should also remain strong and provide another significant bump to the cumulative marketing total. The preliminary mid-month price reported for February 2005 was 38.1 cents per pound.

The 2004 Counter-cyclical payment rate authorized under the 2002 Farm Bill will be based on the 12 month Weighted Average Price Received by growers. For cotton the 12 month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and marketings for the 2004 marketing year. The 2004 cotton marketing year began on August 1, 2004 and ends July 31,

The following table shows the average price received each month by farmers and the calculated weighted average price based on estimated cumulative marketings and prices reported by the National Ag Statistics Service through January 2005.

Monthly Average Price Received for 2004-crop Upland Cotton Through January 2005

	Marketings (000's of Running bales)		Prices (cents/Lb.)	
	Monthly	Cum.	Monthly	Weighted
August	1,215	1,215	53.70	53.70
September	537	1,752	49.30	52.35
October	923	2,675	49.50	51.37
November	1,437	4,112	44.40	48.93
December	2,292	6,404	41.00	46.09
January	3,698	10,102	39.60	43.72
February	na	na	38.10	na

Floyd County 4-H Stock Show exhibitors excell at major shows

By J.D. Ragland

The first major stock show of the 2005 season was the Sandhills Stock Show in Odessa held January 5-8. Steer results were: Brady Ragland 1st and 5th, Cody Ware 4th and 10th, Clay Ware 8th and 10th. Goat exhibitors were Kortney Williams 2 10th places, 11th, 12th and 13th. Also exhibiting was Kolby Williams. Kortney Williams also received 1st Place Junior Showmanship Honors.

The week following the Floyd County Stock Show started the next three months of the major stock show season trail. The Ft. Worth Stock Show Junior Heifer's, Lambs and Goat shows wee held during the week of January 24-29. 4-H exhibitor results were: 4-H Junior Heifers Brazos Williams, Junior Champion Female Angus; Tylee Williams, Intermediate Heifer Champion Angus; Sunny Williams, won her class and Junior Heifer Calf Division; Riley Teeter, 1st Place Red Angus; Ky Teeter, 11th Place Red Angus; Senee' Foster, 1st Place; Segayle Foster, 3rd Place and SyAnn Foster, 2nd Place. Junior goat exhibitors were Kortney Williams, 10th Place and Kolby Williams, 8th Place. 4-H Junior Lambs was Dillon Chesshir, 7th Place. Other 4-H lamb exhibitor was Tyler Chesshir.

The next week at the Ft. Worth Stock Show consisted of the Junior Steer and Junior Swine shows. 4-H steer exhibitors were

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Brady Ragland, 3rd Place Hereford; Mason Lipham, 9th Place Exotic and Haden Lipham, 13th Place Shorthorn. Other steer exhibitors were: Cody Ware, Clay Ware and Jason Nutt. 4-H Swine exhibitors were Brady Ragland, Madolyn McCormick, McCrae McCormick, Morgan Norrell, Spencer Schacht, Kaylie Nutt and Stetson Smith. Down the road south to the San Antonio Stock Show, was the next stop! February 7-12 was Junior Heifer, Goat and Gilt show week.

Two Floyd County 4-H'ers received \$6,000 scholarship awards with their Breed Champion Junior Heifers. Those winners were: Brazos Williams with his Champion Angus Heifer and Sunny Williams with her Champion Red Angus Heifer. Other 4-H heifer exhibitors were: Segayle Foster, 3rd Place; Senee' Foster, 2nd Place and SyAnn Foster, 1st

4-H goat exhibitors were Kortney Williams and Kolby Williams.

4-H Junior Gilt Show results were: Madolyn McCormick, 8th Place and McCrae McCormick a 1st and 10th Place.

The next week at San Antonio, February 13-18 was the Junior Market Barrow and Lamb Show with the following 4-H'ers exhibiting swine: Brady Ragland, 9th Place Hamp; Jose Guerrero, 10th Place Chester. Other swine exhibitors were Kelsey Williams, Dillon Thomas, Kami Keaton, Kelsey Nutt and Kaylie Nutt.

Sheep exhibitors were Dillon Chesshir, 7th Place Medium Wool. Other 4-H lamb exhibitor was Kami Keaton. Dillon Chesshir also place 4th in the Sheep Skill-A-Thon contest. While some were finishing up showing in San Antonio Junior Heifer, Goat and Gilt exhibitors were headed to San Angelo, February 16-20. Heifer exhibitors were Brazos Williams, 2nd Place and Tylee Williams, Intermediate Champion and Junior Showmanship winner. Junior Gilt show exhibitors were McCrae McCormick, Madolyn McCormick and Ashley Lucke. Junior goat exhibitors included: Kolby Williams 8th Place and Kortney Williams 7th and 8th

The next week, February 22-25 was the Junior Market Barrow Show with the following 4-H exhibitors: McCrae McCormick, 1st and 8th Place Durocs; Dylan Thomas, 5th Place Duroc and Braden Graves, 7th Place Hampshire. Other barrow exhibitors were: Ashley Lucke, Madolyn McCormick, Kelsey Nutt and Jose Guerrero.

As we close down the major stock show season we will be heading to Brenham and Houston on March 5-16. Watch for Houston results and placings next month.

We want to extend our highest congratulations to all 4-H'ers and their families, to those that placed and those who didn't and on this year's stock show season success!

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SAM H. BAKER

Memorial services for Sam H. Baker, 77, of Floydada were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, 2005 at the City Park Church of Christ in Floydada. Dean Robertson and Kenneth Free officiated.

Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Baker passed away on Sunday, March 6, 2005 at the Covenant Medical Center in Lub-

He was born on March 30, 1927 in Wichita County, Texas to the late Robert L. and Mary H. Baker. He graduated high school in Duncan, Oklahoma and attended college at Oklahoma State. He served in the Navy during WWII in Okinawa.

He moved to Floydada from Duncan, Oklahoma in 1947. He married Betty Stephens on May 23, 1947 in Vernon. He was a farmer and owned Baker Insurance Company for 30 years until he retired in 1992

He was a pilot and enjoyed flying, wood working and was a avid reader. His favorite subject to read about was history. He was a member of the City Park Church of Christ in Floydada.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Helen Larson.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Baker of Floydada; one son and daughter-in-law, Charles D. and Dana Baker of Davidson, North Carolina; one daughter and son-in-law, Donna and Larry Brand of Lafayette, Colorado; three sisters, Faye Dawdy of Idalou, Darlene Cockburn of Midland and Joslyn King of Duncan, Oklahoma; four grandchildren, Sabrina, Alexa and Garrett Baker, David Brand and wife, Rebecca of Boulder, Colo-

The family suggests memorials be made to White River Youth Camp, P.O. Box 496, Crosbyton, Texas 79322 or Floydada Senior Citizens, 301 E. Georgia, Floydada, Texas 79235.

SANTOS SANCHEZ

Funeral services for Santos Sanchez, 62, of Floydada will be held at 2:00 Thursday, March 10, 2005 at the True Pentacost Church in Jesus Name in Floydada. Pastor Dimas

Marmolejo will officiate. Graveside services will be held at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 10, 2005 at the Floydada Cemetery with Albert Marmolejo officiating.

Burial will be under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Sanchez passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2005 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born on September 16, 1942 in Asherton, Texas to the late Delfino and Antonia Isias. She married George Sanchez, Sr. on January 29, 1959 in Ashington. They moved to Floydada from Ashington in 2003.

She was a homemake and a member of the True Pentecost Church in Jesus Name in Floydada.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Ninfa Enriquez.

Survivors include her husband, George Sanchez, Sr. of Floydada; four sons, Juan Sanchez of Plainview, Oscar Sanchez of Floydada, George Sanchez, Jr. of Gatesville, David Sanchez of Corpus Christi; three daughters, Patricia Sanchez, Erlinda Ascencio and Juanita Sanchez, all of Floydada; one brother, Wesley Galvan of Carizzo Springs; one sister, Gloria Cuevas of Floydada; 20

grandchildren and seven great-

B. J. WOFFORD

grandchildren.

Funeral services for B.J. Wofford, 83, of Lockney were held Friday, March 4, 2005 at the West College and Third Street Church of Christ in Lockney. Frank Duckworth officiated and Steve McLean assisted. Burial was in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Mr. Wofford died March 2, 2005 at his residence in Lockney.

He was born June 12, 1921 in Lockney to the late Luther and Mamie Wofford. He moved from Lockney to Dallas in 1971 and moved back to Lockney in 1986. He married Gay Lambert on April 3, 1971 in Plainview. He was Merchant Marine during WWII and was a tire salesman for Sears until he retired in 1986. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge for 60 years and was a member of the Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Lloyd, Leon and Charles Wofford; two sisters, Una Fay Whitfill and Wynonna

Survivors include his wife, Gay Wofford of Lockney; one son and daughter-in-law, Billy Jake and Sue Wofford of Humble; one stepson and daughter-in-law, Richard and Peggy Lambert of Lockney; one stepdaughter, Gay Green of Dallas; one sister. Gwendolyn McPherson of Midland; one brother-in-law, Charles Whitfill of Silverton; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Hospice Hands of West Texas, P.O. Box 1118, Lockney, Texas 79241.

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Bro. Jackson will be showing slides and answering questions during the Sunday School hour starting at 10:00 a.m. Sunday. He will be preaching in the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service.

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LOCKNEY ATHLETIC **BOOSTERS**

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Jesse Caballero, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. .Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:30 p.m. ****

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Minister Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.

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