



Clean-Up Day

The Floydada Chamber, the Red Hat Society, the City of Floydada, Lighthouse Electric, and the Highway Department are joining forces to encourage people to participate in a "Clean-Up Trash Day", Friday, April 22rd in Floydada.

To encourage people to participate there will be a "free" day at the landfill, all day on Friday.

People can bring large items to the north side of Lowe's Grocery Store for disposal. Extra dumpsters and trailers will be placed there.

If a resident has no way to haul items to the landfill, they can put only large items (stove, couch, chair, washing machines), behind their houses in the alley. "They must call the City to let us know items are there to pick up," said City Manager Gary Brown. "This service is only for elderly, disabled, or those without a pickup to haul the items. Tires will not be accepted."





DRIVER HOSPITALIZED--Jesus O. Varela, 37, of Richmond, Texas was taken to UMC Hospital in Lubbock by helicopter after he failed to negotiate the curve at the Hwy. 70 and Hwy 62 intersection in Floydada, Monday morning, April 18. Varela is listed in stable condition. Varela was traveling east and hauling cotton bales from Plainview Compress to Houston. According to the investigating Floydada police officer, Ruben DeLeon, the truck slid 87 feet after it turned over. "Speed was a factor in the accident," said DeLeon. Police and clean-up crews were at the scene from 9:50 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Trustees discuss buying laptops for FHS students

Veterans plan a **Memorial Park**

Lockney will soon have a Memorial Park to honor all veterans who have served in any capacity in either war time or peace time. The Park will be located in the already cleared lot on the east side of the Lockney Fire Department. Trees have already been planted and wait for memorials for be erected.

A newly organized veteran's association has undertaken the project and members are very excited about the future of the Park and the prospects of how the Park will look. "The purpose of the Park is to remember those who have served, who are serving now, or who will be serving in the future," said Ed Marks, president of the Texas Plains Veterans Association. "Some veterans think if they didn't go to war then they aren't a veteran. We believe you did your duty and we welcome you.'

Marks, a Vietnam Veteran, has strong feelings of veterans being recognized for their service. "When we came back from Vietnam we were just kicked off the plane into demonstrators waiting for us outside the base. It was not much of a welcome home."

Marks says veterans will build the Park and maintain it. "We already have help promised from Dyess Air Force Base. It will be Staff Photo something to see with the old vet-

With the help of area veterans erans working alongside the young ones."

> The Texas Plains Veterans Association, which is open to any veteran (not just those living in Lockney) plans on erecting a flag for every branch of the service and a P.O.W. flag. "The flags will be put in a semi-circle," said Marks. "In the center of the circle we will have a rifle with a helmet on top, combat boots, and dog tags. They will be encased in glass to prevent vandalism."

> "The rifle with the helmet have been symbols of fallen soldiers since WWI," said Bill Hunter, a Vietnam Veteran and the Associations communications officer. "The rifle was stuck in the ground with the dog tags so the soldier could be located and identified at a later time. The boots were left so if another soldier came along and needed a pair then he could trade out boots."

> Marks said there will be a fence around the Park with a concrete patio and eventually the Association wants a waterfall. "Lisa Mosley is going to make us a mural," said Marks. "This will be a place of solitude, reflection and healing." The idea for the Park came to Marks after a visit to the Federal Prison in Big Springs (on a prison ministry). "I went to the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial while I was there. I was very im-

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The Red Hat Society will be joining in clean up by handing out Krispy Kreme donuts and coffee at Lowe's Pay-N-Save beginning at 8:30 a.m., April 22rd.

Workers needed in Theatre Project

The Old Downtown Theatre in Lockney is continuing to undergo transformation thanks to the Lockney Beautification Association's intent for making it an open-air theatre.

After an initial demolition took place by several volunteers both young and old back in the fall, the men from the Plainview Formby Wheeler Unit have helped complete the demolition, hauled off the excess trash, and brought in fill dirt.

Another community-wide workday is being announced for Saturday, April 23rd beginning around 9:30 am. This workday will focus on leveling the dirt in preparation for the sprinkler system and grass planting. Another workday will be slated in May to trench and install the sprinklers and lay the sod.

Larry Mullins, chairperson for LBA states, "We would love to see all those interested to come and join the fun this Saturday as we continue to work on something that all of Lockney can be proud of. And don't forget to bring your rake.



By Darwin Robinson

During the April 11 board meeting, FISD trustees had a lengthy discussion concerning the immediate need to decide whether to buy laptop computers for the entire high school student body for the 2005-2006 school year. The move would cost, according to Superintendent Jerry Vaughn, \$160,000 per year for the next four years.

The board heard from Superintendent Vaughn, Board Member Bill Dean, FHS Principal Wayne Morren, FJHS Principal Jim Bob Hobbs and FISD Technology Director Rex Holcombe.

Superintendent Vaughn told the board, "We met on March 28th with representatives from Apple Computers and we looked at the need for the high school. We tooked at the infrastructure and technology needs at the high school, in order to accommodate this (laptops for every student), like we had to do at the junior high.'

"We will need \$32,504 now in order to pull this off, according to Holcombe's estimates. Whether we buy the laptops, or not, we must get ready anyway (in computer technology) for about \$13,124 (this coming school year), as compared with \$32,504 getting ready for the laptop computers. The difference is about \$19,380," explained Vaughn.

FISD has already applied for two grants to help pay for some of this expense, according to Vaughn. "We are looking for additional grants as they come available, but we don't know any results on any of these grants. We are looking for additional funding from Austin on this," added Vaughn.

The Austin legislature is presently looking at ways to divert school textbook funds into the computer and technology needs of Texas schools, according to Vaughn. "If we can get our textbook money freed up for this, then we will be in pretty good shape," said Vaughn.

"We will come to a jumping off point on this issue at our next board meeting (on May 17th). We need to be able to have summer training done for teachers in order to get this implemented for the next school year. We need to get the equipment installed and be ready for the next school year. We must decide whether we are going to do it, or not. This will be an action item on the May agenda," said Vaughn.

A four year lease with Apple for the laptop computers, plus the needed equipment to be installed at the high school, will cost \$160,000 per year for four years, according to Vaughn.

Speaking on behalf of buying the high school laptops and keeping the junior high students at their computer levels that they are now used to, FHS Superintendent Morren told the board, "When the sixth graders come to the high school (without laptop computers), it will be like fish out of water. We will have real problems in a couple of years (without laptop computer technology at the high school). It will help us on our TAKS tests and speed up our studies. We will cover more territory and help us meet our tests' requirements."

Vaughn added, "We need to extend this program (laptop computer technology) to the high school as these (junior high) kids progress. If Austin passes a bill to help us with TIP (Technology Immersion Program), then the whole state will go this way. We need to extend this to all the kids at the high school. Some schools we can't compete with, but laptop computers put all the kids on the same level."

FJHS Principal Hobbs said, "Yes, this will put all the kids on the same playing field. It will bridge the gap. The junior high kids pick up these (computer) skills very quickly. They know more than most adults do about computers."

Vaughn concluded, "Our Fund Balance can be used for this type of technology."



FLOYDADA HOME GRANT PROJECT OPEN HOUSE-Friday, April 8, was Open House at two locations, 309 W. Crockett (shown in photo) and 416 W. Kentucky. The City of Floydada in cooperation with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs has completed the reconstruction of 5 houses through the HOME Owner Occupied Rehabilitation program. **Staff Photo**

Lockney Council continues discussion on city ordinance regulating Pit Bulls in City

On Friday, April 15th the Lockney City Council met and discussed banning Pit Bull dogs from the city limits. Three citizens addressed the counsel with concerns about dog problems in the city. Concerns from dogs running at large, barking dogs and owners not getting license for their pets were discussed.

The main discussion however was the possible ban of Pit Bulls. Mayor Stapp cited a number of citizens complaints about Pit Bull dogs. "I have also received a number of calls and comments from the public in favor of banning Pit Bulls from Lockney," said Stapp.

City Attorney Lanny Voss advised the council of the research he has made concerning banning Pit Bull dogs. "The law does not allow us to ban any breed of dog from the city," stated Voss. "However recent laws have been passed to address the problem of dangerous dogs.'

Citing Sec. 822 of the Health & Safety Code Voss stated, "This statue is clear and has teeth it to back it up". According to Voss any dog could be declared a dangerous dog if it takes action that would qualify as a dangerous dog. If for instance a dog tried, or did bite someone a police of-

ficer could deem the dog a dangerous dog. The owner would then be required by law to secure \$100,000 in liability insurance for the dog. The dog would have to be confined in an enclosed area and a sign placed on the inclosure advising the public that a "Dangerous Dog" is kept in that area.

The City Council has discretion to define what is considered an acceptable inclosure. The council felt that a tall solid fence. no chain link, that could not be dug under would be appropriate. The council will discuss updating their current ordinance and take action on the matter at a future meeting.

In other matters City Manager Ron Hall asked Attorney Voss to look into options concerning notice to property owners who let weeds grow on lots in town. At this time when weeds grow tall Ron has to send a certified notice to the property owner and then give them ten days to mow the weeds before the city can go in and mow the property. "This process can take up to 25 days before the city can mow the lot," said Hall. "By this time the weeds have grown ever taller". Attorney Voss is going to look into the

ficer or the Animal Control Of- matter and report back to the council.

> The council then discussed two properties owned by Joe Castro. The city has requested that Castro repair and clean up the properties. Little action has been taken by Castro and the city will now take ordinance action against him

Councilwoman Graves advised, "We have given Mr. Castro 120 days to make repairs on these properties. We have also give him 60 more days on top of that."

'We asked Mr. Castro to come to this meeting but he has not shown up," said Stapp.

Representatives from Western Industrial Supply addressed the council with a proposal to update the water metering system to a radio controlled system.

This system would replace old existing meters with new ones. The meters could be read by a radio system located in the water department truck.

Meters could be read in a fraction of the time with more accuracy. The new meters would also be more accurate as to the amount of water used by the customer. Western Industrial Supply offered to bring in some meters and do some random test to give the

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Local Veterans plan new **Memorial Park in Lockney**

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pressed with that. It was not done by a professional, but you could see the love and care that was put into the Memorial."

The Association is searching now for military surplus equipment. They hope to put equipment such as a cannon, a Huey, and maybe a jet at the location.

Donations are being accepted now for the landscaping. "The flag poles alone will cost \$5,000," said Marks. "The Association has applied for, but is still waiting for their tax exempt status to come through. Checks can be made out now to the City of Lockney--for the Memorial Park. The Association is also seeking information on area veterans and will be start-

ing a data base. Veterans should fill out the form below.

The Association is encouraging Veterans to come be a part of the group. "We meet the last Tuesday of every month," said Marks. "The next meeting will be April 26th, 7:30 p.m., at the American Legion Hall (the former Lockney Community Center), in Lockney. The building is located on Hwy. 387 next to the Lockney Swimming Pool.

"Many Vietnam Veterans feel like their job was left undone," said Marks. "Veterans carry a lot of scars that run deep and sometimes they don't get any closure. We hope this Memorial will help in that process."

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FISD approves study for **Caprock Hospital usage**

By Darwin Robinson

In the April 11 board meeting, the FISD trustees approved a quiring the old Caprock Hospital building for school use

Following a lengthy discussion, in closed session, the board unanimously approved a feasibiland Associates of Lubbock, con- Comptroller's Office. cerning the possibility of acquir-

collection contract with the Floyd County Central Appraisal District from January 1, 2006 to Defeasibility study for possibly ac- cember 31, 2007. Vaughn suggested the board wait and see a piece of legislation in Austin to be filed soon that will allow counties, with less than 10,000 population, to have their taxes ity study, to be done by Grimes collected by the Texas

The 2005 summer school stu-



We see by the papers where the U.S. Postal Service intends, once again, to raise the price of mailing a letter. How all that will play itself out in terms of overall postal rate increases will remain to be seen.

. About the only guide we have, in this instance, is history. And history is not kind to those who pay the bill. We can only imagine that rates will go up across the board, and it will cost more

to deliver the Hesperian-Beacon readers door each week. Nobody **Lockney Council considers** updated water

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council some firm data. Mayor Stapp advised that this information would be helpful during the next budget cycle and that the council would take a serious look at the proposal at that time.

Councilwoman Tina Graves had concerns on the slow city audit report. "The E.D.C needs this information as soon as possible to pursue grants. Hall stated the City should have the audit completed by May or June."

Graves also advised the council that she has been approached to sell 34 acres owned by the city

More elections cancelled

There are no contested races on the Lockney General Hospital Board, so the election will be cancelled.

Terry Jones and Dub Hallmark will be serving again and Jim Bob Martin will take the place of Nell Schur who will be at the May Board meeting.

County gets mileage reimbursement raise

The Floyd County Commissioners met in Special Session, Wednesday, April 13, and approved their monthly financial report and a ten cent raise in the county's mileage reimbursement rate

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a job as we should in delivering a topnotch newspaper to our

back to the council with a offer

from the person interested in the

property. Councilman Copeland

advised the council he had res-

ervations about the sale of the

property. He felt the city might

want to use this property again

in the future. No action was taken

to reappoint Ed Marks to the

Mackenzie Water Board for 2

more years. Also by unanimous

vote the council canceled the

upcoming city election because

of no contested races

The council voted unanimous

on the matter at this time.

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fied with our product. There's always a word or two that should have been changed, or could have been changed, to make things read better. There's always a "lead" that could have been different. But when we compare our product with newspapers costing twice as much, or three times as much, and charge 100 times as much, or more, in advertising rates, I think our staff does a pretty good job. Our readers must think so, too. The Hesperian has been here for more than 100 years, and, with luck and continued dedication on the part of our staff, will be here another 100

We hope so, even with escalating costs every time we turn around. As an advertising medium, the printed word is still the best bet going. In terms of immediacy, we must defer to radio and television on some things, but in terms of coverage, and the thoroughness of that coverage, there is still no comparison.

We also see by the papers where Israeli Prime Minister Arial Sharon is in the U.S. to visit with President Bush, among other things. We hope the meeting goes well. There will, of course, be no change in the devotion of this President, as opposed to his father, of anything Israel wants or

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desires relative to the Middle East. Things have always been different with Israel. As a general rule, when a "client state" signs on and accepts American taxpayer money, they agree to do America's bidding. That's the way it worked with Taiwan for years. Then they made the determination that they were able to stand on their own two feet. They voluntarily gave up billions of dollars in "aid" of one kind or another. That's the way it happened with India, although there had to be some prodding along the way.

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

> But that's not the way it has happened with Israel, or ever will happen with Israel. No matter who is in charge there, and evidently no matter who is in charge here, the annual dole of American taxpayer money continues to flow. Congress would have apoplexy if it had to choose between Americans and Israelis, even if one is the giver and the other is the "givee." And American Administrations, ever since the days of Harry Truman, have vied for favor within the American Jewish establishment. They're still vying, and no change is in the works. The current President understands the situation much better than his father did. He understands politics better, even if his principles don't measure up to his dad's.



National Cattle I.D. program will become law in the next two years," said Ragland.

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ing the old Caprock Hospital facility for school use.

Board Member Kerry Pratt said, "This looks like a real good deal, if we can make it work."

added, "We need to look at the building for asbestos studies and its structure for renovation and use in a school setting. Maybe we could use it for Junior High or whatever."

Board Member Pratt made the motion and Board Member Mark McCormick seconded it.

In other action the board voted unanimously to accept bids to purchase two new school buses and to sell two old buses. One bus will be for CSSA with a handicap lift. The other bus will be a 55 to 72 passenger bus, with seat belts and shoulder restraints, to be delivered after September 1, 2005.

Upon recommendation by Superintendent Vaughn, the board took no action on renewing a tax

dent program LEP (Limited English Proficient) was set by the board to be in session from June 1 through July 13, 2005.

The board approved the 2005-Superintendent Vaughn 2006 school calendar starting classes on August 17, 2005 and ending May 24, 2006.

FISD Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented the board with the March, 2005 Financial Report. a Tax Statement, and the March Cash Flow Statement. The March Financial Report showed the General Operating Fund at \$5,704,758.97. The March Cash Flow Statement showed Average Monthly Expenses at \$580,000.00, with a Current Cash Balance of \$5,337,381.19, and a projected increase of \$412,252.87 to the

Fund Balance as of August 31st. The March Tax Statement showed \$1,972,976.67 collected, which is 94.89 percent of the Current Tax Roll of \$2,088,173.01.

Martinez presented the monthly and the quarterly financial reports to the commissioners. The March Financial Report showed Beginning Balance of \$861,351.52 and Receipts at \$180,960.39. Transfers In and Out were \$165,978.32, with Disbursed at \$221,976.85, leaving Ending Balance of an \$820,335.06.

The court approved raising the mileage reimbursement rate from \$.25 cents per mile driven to required meetings, seminars and other county approved functions to \$.35 cents per mile. The federal mileage reimbursement rate is \$.40.5 cents per mile.

In another matters, the commissioners approved a request by Gary Nixon to cross a county road with an electrical line.

County Extension Agent J.D. Ragland presented a report to the commissioners. Ragland stated in his report, "There were approximately 25 4-H'ers who assisted with the Floyd County Friends Gala. The County 4-H Roundup will take place April 25 at the Unity Center. The State Contest will be June 7-10 at Texas A&M."

"Agriculture-wise, producers are currently preparing fields for the upcoming planting season. The Extension Service will be hosting a wheat field Day on Wednesday, May 11 on Louis Bearden's farm near McCoy. The

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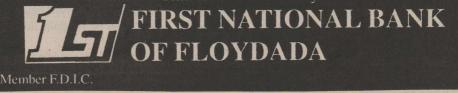
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MATHIS RETIRES FROM COUNCIL-- Lockney City Councilwoman Ginger Mathis received a Certificate of Appreciation from Mayor Roger Stapp for serving on the City Council for the past four years. During the presentation Mayor Stapp praised Mathis for her hard work and dedication to the City of Lockney. Staff Photo.

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COPELAND RECOGNIZED FOR 65 YEARS-- Councilman J.D. Copeland recently received recognition from TML, Texas Municipal League, for 65 years of service on the Lockney City Council, including 4 years as Mayor. Pictured presenting the award is Mayor Roger Stapp. **Staff Photo.**

****Muse News ****

By Carolyn Hardy

Dr. Donald Blakeslee, seven students and three volunteers from Wichita, Kansas worked at the Jimmy Owens Site in Blanco Canyon during their spring break in March.

Those who prepared meals or helped serve meals to the archeologists were Brenda Whitten, Laura Turner, Iantha Smith, Thomas Trevino, David and Mary Lou Jones, Brenda Knight, Nikki Oaks, Don and Nancy Marble and Don and Carolyn Hardy. As the archeologists were preparing to go back to Kansas they expressed their appreciation of the local hospitality.

A 1950's ladies hat display has drawn many favorable comments. Almost all ladies and girls wore hats to Church then. Especially for Easter, a new hat was in order. If you have not been in to see the hat exhibit, you need to do so soon before a new exhibit takes its place.

Plans are being made for the Museum's Open House on Friday, May 27, 2005 from 1:00 m. until 5.00 p.m. "Coronado" in Blanco Canyon", the DVD produced by the Museum, will be shown during the Open House. Copies of "Coronado in Blanco

Canyon" will be available for purchase at the Museum in either DVD or VHS. Refreshments will be served.

The Museum will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 28, for the annual Floyd County Pioneer Reunion. The Wildflower Show will be held in the East Room. The ropemaking volunteers will be here to assist children in making ropes. The Exhibit Committee is working on changing out some of the display cases. Everyone should mark their calendars and plan to attend the Open House at the Museum and the Floyd County Pioneer Reunion, May 27 and May 28.

Frank Potts continues to scan photographs for our photograph collection. Anyone having old photographs relating to Floyd County is encouraged to bring them for Frank to scan.

Recent memorials received by the Museum were in memory of: Eleanor Schacht; John E. McCleskey; Sam Morren; Virgie W Summers, John R. "Jay' Hoflums, II; B.J. Wofford; Georgia Ford; June Powell Williams; Reuben DeLeon; and Melvin Terrell.

Longhorn Band earns UIL sweepstakes Award

High School, the Lockney Longhorn Band earned a lst Division rating in both U.I.L. Concert and Sight Reading.

They had previously earned a lst Division rating in October at U.I.L. Marching Contest; thus earning the U.I.L. Sweepstakes Award as well.

Concert judges were Dwight Hardin of Jacksboro High School, " Good start and nice crecendo";Jim Cude of Whitesboro High School, "Nice style on the March-some very nice musical ideas"; and Blake Edmondson of Childress High School," Nice ensamble sound."

The judges for the Sight Reading were James Nance of

a very fine performance band. You read with confidence and play with such a wonderful band sound"; James Streit, retired from Vernon High School, "Band, you did a great job of sight reading this number. You have a great sound and play very musical while sight reading. You have a fine director and a fine band. Your community and school can be very proud of you"; and James Maclaskey, A&M Consolidated High School at College Station, Good job today. There is evidence of good teaching and many fine musicians. Congratulations.'

The band members participating were, (alphabetically): Windy Adams, Nolan Armstrong, Rion

Camacho, Dru Carthel, Tyson Carthel, Danny Cervantes, Audrey Collins, Bryan Cooper, Landon Cotham, Desiree DeLeon, Angelica Fierros, Addie Foster, Senee' Foster, Laura Fulton, Luci Garcia, Amanda Garza, Brandon Gilroy, Greg Gonzales, Andrea Guerrero, Emily Guerrero, D.J. Hernandez, Karen Hernandez, Taylor Hill, A.J. Jiminez, Kami Keaton, Jaime Ledesma, Courtlyn Long, Graden Long, Erin Mangold, Edrie Marricle, Jacob Martin, Adam Martinez, Sarah Martinez, Ashley McCulloch, Martin Melendrez, Frankie Mendez, Zach Montandon, Zane Montandon, Albert Moralez,

Wednesday, April 13 at Sudan Perryton High School, "Overall, Aufill, Andrew Bernal, Mario Wendy Moralez, Miguel Nieto, Marti Nolan, Cole Patton, Anthony Peralez, Matthew Prather, Jeremy Pyle, Lorenzo Salazar, Richard Salazar, Tana Smith, Lauren Stewart, Jonathan Suarez, Rebekah Thornton, Margarita Valles, Crystal Vasquez, John Vasquez, Stephana Villarreal and Brandon Wilson.

> Saturday, May 7, the Lockney Junior High Band will take part in the Greater Southwest Music Festival in Amarillo. They will perform at 11:45 a.m.

> Thursday, May 19 all the Lockney Bands, 5th Grade, 6th Grade, Junior High and High School will perform concerts starting at 7:00 p.m.



THE LOCKNEY LONGHORN HIGH SCHOOL BAND earned a lst Division rating in U.I.L. Concert and Sight Reading. They also earned a lst Division rating at the U.I.L. Marching Contest in October, thus earning the Sweepstakes Award. (See the related story.) **Staff Photo**





Floyd County Agent J.D. Ragland

Tips on Turf

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From time to time we (Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service) like to provide helpful information to homeowners regarding tips that may assist you lawn and tree care management. This week we will discuss: "Impact Factors to Consider for Paper Water Management for Lawns.

The following information was provided by Roger Havlak, Turf and Water Management Specialist.

Are you having problems determining when and how much to water each time your irrigate your lawn? Well, you need to understand that several factors need to be considered to accomplish this task properly. First, determine the type and depth of your soil. Clay soil will certainly be different than sandy soil be-

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cause of the clays ability to hold water and its inability to allow water into the soil (reduced infiltration rate). Furthermore, having a soil depth greater than 6 inches allows for deep and infrequent irrigation (recommended) and the ability to maintain a reservoir of water for roots to tap into. Research has shown that turfgrasses are able to extract water deep into the soil profile if you maintain an adequate root system. Shallow soils lack this attribute; thus, light and frequent applications will be needed which results in a shallow root system and reduced drought resistance.

Other factors that affect water management in turf include: proper turfgrass selection, proper fertilization, proper mowing, thatch management, aerification

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practices, pest management, water quality, and many environmental conditions (wind, sun, shade, relative humidity, air temperature, etc.) Keep in mind that we want to maintain a healthy; well-rooted lawn grass. Do not over-saturate your site for long periods of time-roots need oxygen to survive-saturated soils lack oxygen. So, if possible, water deeply and infrequently. Water in the early morning hours! You will be much happier with your lawn and your lawn will be much happier with you.

For more information on "Water Management in Lawns" go to the Aggie-Turn website at: http:/ laggie-turf.tamu.edu and click on "Turf Tips" or call the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office at 983-4912.



RELAY FOR LIFE CONTRIBUTION--Carrie Terrell, American Cancer Society Relay for Life Chairperson (left), accepts a contribution for \$325 raised in a bake sale done by employees of First National Bank and Leonards Cafe. Presenting the check are (I-r) Sarah Gomez, Augie Garcia, and Mary Lou Herrera. **Staff Photo**

Love fund established

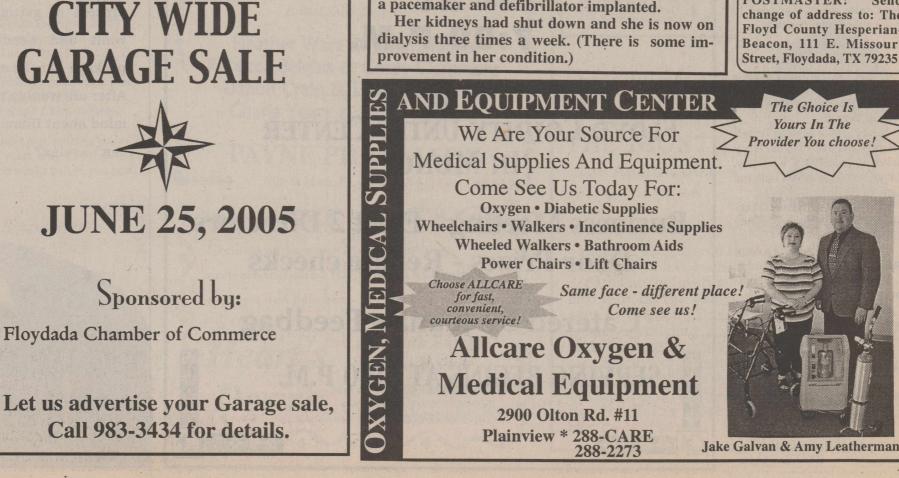
A love fund for Allison Griggs, 15 year old daughter of Judy Griggs of Floydada has been established at City Bank.

Allison is now home recovering from her 3-22-05 open heart surgery, during which time she had a pacemaker and defibrillator implanted.

Her kidneys had shut down and she is now on provement in her condition.)

THE FLOYD COUNTY **HESPERIAN-BEACON**

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Offutt and Frazier exchange wedding vows



MRS. NATHAN FRAZIER Nee Courtney Offutt

Lockney.

Courtney Paige Offutt and band Tim, and the late Rick Nathan Michael Frazier were united in marriage at 4:00 p.m. daughter of Ninalie Teuton of Saturday, April 9, 2005 at First Baptist Church in Lubbock.

The bride is the daughter of Rhea Offutt Stansell and her hus-

Brockway of Houston. He is the grandson of James L. Frazier of Victoria and John and Dorothy Faulkner also of Victoria. Escorted down the aisle on the

arm of her brother Spencer, the bride wore a white Italian satin wedding gown from the Private Collection of The Bridal Shoppe. The strapless bodice was heavily decorated with pearls, crystals and crystal beads in a lovely design. The bouffant skirt had an inverted V in the front. A design inside the V was adorned with pearls, crystals and crystal beads. The semi-cathedral train was also studded with pearls, crystals and crystal beads in delicate swirls and designs.

She was given in marriage by her mother.

Her bridal bouquet was a full clutch of Calla Lilies. The handle was finished in white crushed satin with rock crystal and pearl beads worked throughout the handle.

Serving as maid of honor was Monica Elizardo of San Antonio, friend of the bride.

Bride's attendants were: Julie Green of Lubbock, friend of the bride and Hope Offutt, her sister-in-law, both of Lubbock. They wore cranberry colored, strapless, full length dresses and carried bouquets of cranberry colored Calla Lilies.

Serving as best man was J.R. Hartman of Victoria, friend of the bridegroom.

Groomsmen were: Wesley McReynolds of Lubbock, friend of the bride and bridegroom and Spencer Offutt of Lubbock, brother of the bride.

Ushers were Tim Stansell, husband of the bride's mother; Tyler Stansell, the bride's brother; Bruce Williams, the Victoria, and Mike and Debbie bride's uncle; and Paul Harmon,

friend, all of Lubbock.

The mother of the bride and the mother of the groom each lit a candle on either side of the unity candle.

Paul Harmon read a special message prepared by the bride's mother from her dad, Rick Offutt, entitled "To My Daughter on Her Wedding Day.'

Special music performed by pianist, Larry Landusky and vocalist, Amy Sparks included "The Lord's Prayer" before the family was seated and "I Will Be Here", which was sang as the bride and groom lit the unity candle.

A reception followed the wedding at the Lubbock Club on Broadway.

Julie Stansell Goodman of Lewisville, sister of the bride sang "Because You Love Me" by Celine Dion at the reception.

The bride graduated from Monterey High School and attended South Plains College. She is employed at First United Bank in Amarillo.

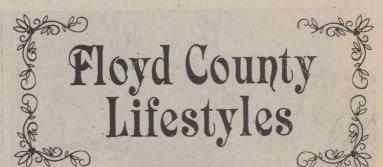
The bridegroom graduated from Texas Tech and is an electrical engineer at Pantex.

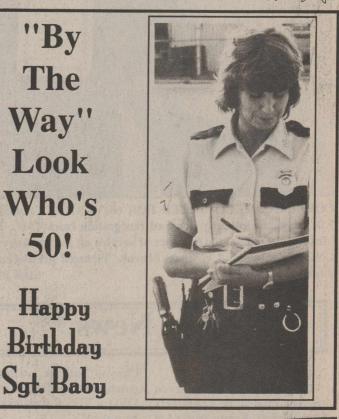
The couple will reside in Amarillo. They are planning a honeymoon at a later date.

Bridal courtesies included a rehearsal dinner hosted by the groom's parents, Gary and Virginia Frazier at Sugarbaker's in Lubbock on Friday, April 8, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

A bridal shower in Amarillo March 20, 2005 was given by Kara McElya.

A bridal shower was given at Sugarbaker's on February 26, 2005. Hostesses were Rita Carlisle, Vickie Melton, Monica Elizardo, Julie Green, Suzanne Morman and Patti Houston.







Floydada Senior Citizen News and Menu

By Margarette Word

Tom Emert's son-in-law recently had a car wreck which totaled his car and left him with a bad broken leg. He is at home now

Elaine LaBaume recently had compressed neck surgery. You may see her with a neck brace on. Her headaches have stopped so she is feeling better.

John Cockrell had back surgery recently. He is already com-

Safeguards and Security Division Personei Our sympathy to the family of

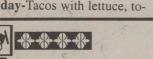
Offutt. She is also the grand-

The bridegroom is the son of

Gary and Virginia Frazier of

Josephine Rendon. Menu

April 25 - April 29 Monday-Tacos with lettuce, to-



matoes, onions, cheese, refried or pinto beans, stewed tomatoes, taco sauce, apricots

Tuesday-Liver and onions, BBO beef, baked potato, broccoli, cookie

Wednesday-Baked ham and pineapple, rice, Chinese or mixed

vegetables, wheat roll, gingerbread

Thursday-Salisbury steak, green peas, cauliflower, biscuit or cornbread, peach pie or cobbler Friday-BBQ brisket on a bun, hash browns, three bean salad, plums, mayo, mustard, ketchup

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ing back to the Center to eat lunch. He is really healing fast and feels so much better.

William and Faye Bertrand are home after being on a trip to Tennessee to see their granddaughter and family. Also, Randy and Connie Bertrand traveled with them and saw their daughter and family. They were gone a week.

Gene and Nancy Lawson, Nancy's sister Florene and her daughter of Lubbock drove to East Texas to see the Bluebonnets recently.

Congratulations to R.L. and Geneva Giesecke who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary recently. They live in Lubbock now

Carlton and Louise Fawver joined the Center Monday April 18th. We are happy they have started eating lunch with us.

Leitha Lightfoot's son Kenneth from Colorado ate lunch at the Center Monday April 18th.

Rance Young ate lunch with his mother Lafaun Smith Monday April 18th.

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

A mistake on last week's list has been corrected this week as: Tony and Cecelia Jones made a donation in memory of Sam Baker, Freddie Allen and **Melvin Terrell.**

In memory of Melvin Terrell - Randy and Judy Payne, Betty Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C.K. Hatley, Johnny and Margie Sue, Dale and Carolyn Smith.

In memory of Sam Baker-Bill and Roberta Hardin, Johnny and Margie Sue.

In memory of Louvena Brown-Bill and Roberta Hardin. In memory of Vergie Sum-

mers-Johnny and Margie Sue. In memory of Thomas Warren-Johnny and Margie Sue, Betty Baker.

In memory of Polly Cardinal-Johnny and Margie Sue.

In memory of Reuben DeLeon-Betty Baker, Dale and Carolyn Smith.

In memory of Freddie Allen-Jerry and Winola Galloway, Betty Baker, BWXT Pantex You are invited to

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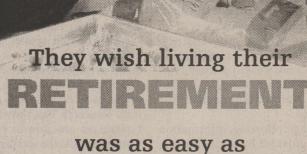
> **33rd Annual Stockholders** & **Producers Meeting**

Tuesday, April 26th, 2005 7:00 P.M.

AT **FLOYD COUNTY UNITY CENTER IN MUNCY**

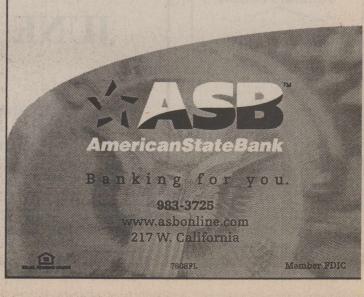
Business Meeting - Elect 2 Directors Door Prizes - Rebate checks

Catered by Jeana's Feedbag SERVING BEGINS AT 6:30 P.M.



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Lloyd and Hubbard recite wedding vows



MR. AND MRS. BRANDON HUBBARD Nee Stacey Beth Lloyd

Stacey Beth Lloyd and Brandon Jason Hubbard, both of Canyon, were united in marriage Saturday, April 9, 2005 in the gardens of Country Home Weddings, of Canyon. J.D. Young, pastor of Victory Baptist Church in Stinnett performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Steve and Judy Lloyd of Floydada. Grandparents of the bride are Ozell and Juanita Chappell of Floydada and Louis and Janice Lloyd of Floydada.

The groom is the son of Jack and Connie Gillum of Amarillo,

Mark Hubbard of and Springdale, Arkansas. Grandparents of the groom are Milton and Waynell Young of Canute, Oklahoma, Bill and Lois Hubbard of Elk City, Oklahoma, and Leon and Ruth Gillum of Erick, Oklahoma

Escorted on the arm of her father, the bride wore a two-piece strapless organza gown in candlelight ivory. The gown featured multicolored floral embroidery and Swarovski crystal beading on the bodice, hem, and chapel-length train. She wore a matching tiara and fingertip

length veil.

Following tradition, for something old she carried a Motherof Pearl covered bible brought from Israel by her great-grandparents, and which was carried by her mother at her wedding. Something new was her wedding attire, something borrowed was a pair of pearl earrings belonging to her mother, and something blue were blue roses and blue ribbons in her bouquet. To complete her ensemble she wore a triple strand pearl choker, and carried a small drawstring bag which matched her dress in which she carried 2 coins from the years she and the groom were born.

She carried a bouquet of sterling, blue, ivory, and lilac roses.

Serving as maid of honor was Lee Dunavent of Canyon. Carrying out the color scheme of spring pastels, the maid of honor wore a floor-length sage green 2-piece ensemble featuring a scoop neck and elbow length sleeves, and she carried a bouquet to match the bride's.

The flower arrangements and bouquets for the wedding were created by the mother of the groom

The groom was attired in a formal black tuxedo, with pale blue vest and tie.

Serving as the groom's attendants were Shane Brooks and Matt Hill, both of Amarillo. They were attired in tuxedoes to match that of the groom.

Pachelbel's Canon in D" was played as the groom and his attendants entered the garden area

The bride was escorted down the aisle to "Wagner's Bridal Chorus."

Guests were registered by Emily Gillum, sister of the groom. Ushers were Shane Lloyd, brother of the bride, Jeremy Lloyd, cousin of the bride, Jerrod Young, cousin of the groom and Cody Crow, friend of

the groom

Immediately after the wedding ceremony, the couple greeted their guests and a reception, buffet and dance were held. The buffet consisted of barbecue brisket, smoked sausage, cold cuts, and finger foods including fruit sculptures, cheese and crackers accompanied by chocolate mice, veggies and relishes, chips and dips, and white chocolate dipped strawberries.

The bride's cake was a 4-tier white cake with cream cheese icing. It was decorated with swirled icing and fresh flowers in the bride's colors. Sparkling cider was served with the bride's cake. The groom's table was set in the bed of an antique Conestoga wagon, and featured a red velvet cake with cream cheese icing decorated with lattice frosting centered with the letter H. Coffee and soft drinks were served with the groom's cake

Following the reception, the bride and groom departed in an antique horse-drawn carriage.

After a honeymoon to Las Vegas, the couple will reside in Bushland.

Both bride and groom are graduates of West Texas A&M University in Canyon. The bride is employed by Foust Feed of Amarillo. The groom is employed by Brooks Cattle Company and Irlbeck Cattle of Amarillo.

Prior to the wedding the couple was honored with a bridal shower in the home of Dee Sanders of Floydada and a shower in the home of Debbie Hansen of Amarillo. Co-workers of the bride hosted a dinner in her honor on Thursday before the wedding at Leal's of Amarillo, and the groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner catered by Dyer's of Amarillo on Friday before the wedding.



J.D. HEINRICH AND TOBI LUTRICK

Heinrich and Lutrick

Roby and Teresa Lutrick of Cotton Center proudly announce the engagement of their daughter, Tobi Lutrick to J.D. Heinrich.

J.D. is the son of Buddy and Cacse Brown of Lubbock and David Heinrich of Idalou.

The bride-elect graduated from South Plains Cosmetology College and is currently a hair stylist at Kuts & Kurls in Wolfforth.

The future bridegroom is currently attending Texas Tech University and will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture and Applied Economics.

The couple will marry June 4, 2005 at the First Baptist Church in Cotton Center. The couple will reside in Lubbock.



‡‡‡‡‡‡‡‡ **Bridal Selections For:** Heather Ware & Jason Phillips Rebecca Beights & Corey Clemmons Danon Crain & David Rainwater Charla Yeary & Lance McHam Sue's Gifts & Accessories

By Vera Jo Bybee

typing. It's not a blur anymore Manor. 102 Cottage, Apt B,

address since she is now living Tonight I can see what I am in a retirement complex at King's Hereford, TX 79045.

By Geneile Evans The 1950 Study Club met at Lighthouse Electric with Sandy Forehand and Nancy Lawson

FAIRCHILD

parents are David and Kenzie

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Great-grandparents are Dor-

Lyndall and Karla Stapp of Lock-

ney and Jack and Diane Lahde

othy Stapp and Bill and Mary

Fairchild, all of Albany.

Sherman, all of Lockney.

of Bonham.

1950 Study Club

News

if you have someone in the military and would like a letter sent to them, please contact a member of our club or call Fern Hartsell, 983-5076.

cause I had a cataract taken off of my left eye this morning.

When I found out a couple of weeks ago that Dr. Kopp could not help the vision of my left eye with lens anymore and that I needed surgery I would not set a date for it at that time. I came home and talked with husband Donnie about it and that night I talked with my other buddy, God. Next day I called Bobbye Lu Bean and told her my situation and she said call them right now and set up a time for the surgery so I did. Bobbye was having her other eye done this morning right before me. Like my niece Debbie Stennett told me, "You'll be okay. It's a walk in the park." I believe it cause so far there has never been any pain at all and I can see wonderful already. Well enough about me.

While I was in the hospital I found out that Dewanda Blenden was in there too but I'm sorry I didn't get to go visit with her.

Donnie and I did visit with Margaret Harper Biggs Saul who was acting as a Pink Lady at the main registeration desk.

I want to thank Ruth Fortenberry of Hereford, a former Lockney resident, for the sweet letter she sent to husband Donnie and me last week. She is always so complimentary on this article and in this letter there was a generous contribution to the Lockney Cemetery Association for the work Donnie does to keep it looking so nice. Thank you Ruth for being such a sweet and generous lady. Ruth has a new

Last week I also received a

telephone call from a former Lockney and area resident, Willie Mae Woods Taylor Gregg now of Roby. She said she was just calling to tell me how much she appreciated the column. While she was on the line I got her to fill me in on her and her three boys lives since she left Lockney. I was sorry to hear that she had lost her husband Coach Gregg several years ago. She is still nursing and the boys are all grown and gone. She promised me she would come by and visit me when she comes to Floydada to visit her son Jeff Taylor.

Last week everyone, especially the Senior Citizens, enjoyed watching our grandchildren in all of the District's track and field events that was held here in Lockney. Tulia won Boys District and Lockney won Girls. Lockney thought they had won the Boys District trophy but after much tabulation Tulia won it. However we really have our share of athletes going to Abilene to Regionals. Good Luck Horns and Lady Horns from Maw Maw.

Menu for April 25-29 Monday: Meat Loaf

Tues: Spaghetti and Garlic Bread

Wed: Chicken Fried Steak Thursday: Fish Friday: Chicken Strips

Junk is something you've kept for years only to throw it away three weeks before you need it.



The program was titled "Life Gift" and was led by Fern Hartsell. Fern told of her liver transplant and spoke on organ and tissue donation.

serving as hostesses.

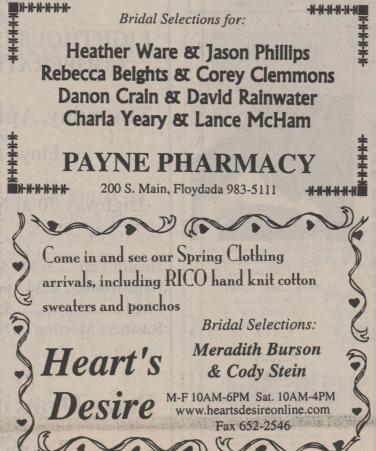
Kia Reimath of Lorenzo spoke from a donor family's view point. Kia told of the donation of the organs of her eight year old son, Brock.

Carolyn Cheek told her experience of being a bone marrow donor to her brother, Ray McDonald. Fern and Kia are volunteers for Life Gift and organ and tissue recovery organization.

As a volunteer, it is their job to help educate the community about organ and tissue donations.

Our club gave a monetary donation to the Shattered Dreams Program of Lorenzo High School in memory of Brock Reimath

The 1950 Study Chub is sending letters of appreciation to all service men and women from this area. We have been able to obtain many addresses; however





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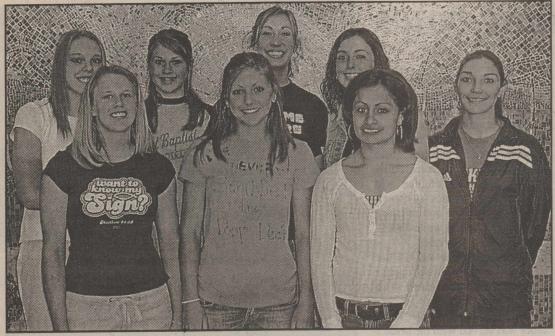


Shelda Rogers

Shelda is a Registered Health Information Technologist and has been the Director of Medical Records at the hospital for over 12 years. She also took on the added responsibility of Manager of Cogdell Clinic in 2004. Shelda is extremely proficient at her job and continually seeks ways to improve the areas that she oversees. She strives to do her best and works to bring this out in others as well.

We appreciate Shelda and congratulate her for being selected for this honor by her co-workers!

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LADYHORN REGIONAL QUALIFIERS: Girls who placed in the top 3 of their events at the District Track Meet in Lockney, April 14, and qualified to advance to the Regional Track Meet, in Abilene, April 28 and 29 were: (Back, l-r) Jaime Butler, Sprint Relay (1st), 400m (2nd), Mile Relay (3rd); Leah Ford, 800m Relay (1st), Shot (1st), 100m (2nd); Rebekah Thornton, Mile Relay (3rd); Trinity Ford, Discus (2nd); (front, I-r) Krista Rasco, Sprint Relay (1st), 800m Relay (1st), 100 Hurdles (1st); Amber Dorman, Sprint Relay (1st), Hurdles 100 (2nd), Hurdles 300 (1st), Long Jump, 1st; Emily Mercado, T-Jump (1st), 800 Relay (1st), Mile Relay (3rd); Alyssa Poindexter, Sprint Relay (1st), 800 Relay (1st), Mile Relay (3rd), Long Jump (2nd), and Pole **Staff Photo** Vault, (1st).



District Track Meet in Lockney, April 14, and qualified to advance to the Regional Track Meet, in Abilene, April 28 and 29 were: (Back, l-r) Mark Ford, Long Jump (2nd), High Jump (3rd), 800m relay (2nd), 1600m relay (1st), and 200m (3rd); Cagan Cummings, Triple Jump (1st), 110m hurdles (2nd); 300m hurdles (1st), 1600m relay (1st); Rance Schumacher, Discus (1st), Shot (1st), 800m relay (2nd); Brandon Gilroy, High Jump (2nd); Rion Aufill, Pole Vault (3rd); (front, l-r) Jonathan Silva, Alternate; Jon Sherman, 1600m relay (1st); Edward Reyna, 800m relay (2nd), Blaine Hall, Pole Vault (2nd), 800m relay (2nd), and 1600m relay (1st). Staff Photo

Longhorns win over Whirlwinds 5-0

The Lockney Longhorns hosted the Floydada Whirlwinds on April 12, 2005 and came out on top after seven innings by a score of 5-0.

Lockney turned 2 double plays, left 4 runners on the bases and committed 3 errors.

Mark Ford, the winning pitcher, went the full seven innings and pitched a two-hitter. He struck-out 5 batters, walked 2 and had no earned runs. Ford also went 2 for 3 at the plate and struck out once.

Hagan Johnson, Centerfielder, went 2 for 3, had 2 RBI's and struck out once.

Trey Graves, 3rd Baseman, went 1 for 2 at the plate which included a homerun. He scored 2 runs and had 1 RBI.

Reid Carthel, Rightfielder, went 0 for 3, scored 1 run and struckout twice.

Wes Davis, 2nd Baseman. went 0 for 2 at the plate, scored 1 run and had 1 base-on-balls.

Matt Reay, Shortstop, went 0 for 2, scored 1 run and had 1 base-on-balls.

Dahlen McCarter, Catcher, went 0 for 3 and had 1 RBI.

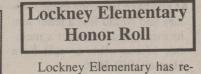
Tyler Kidd, 1st Baseman, went 0 for 2, had 1 base-on-balls and struck out once.

J.W. McPherson, Designated



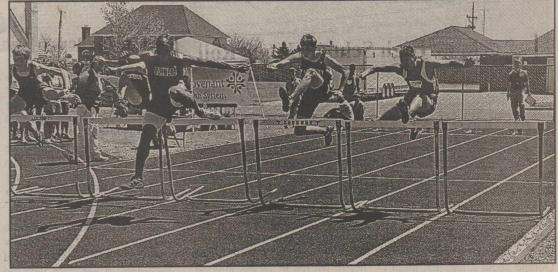
SAFE !- A Longhorn slides in 'safe' under Whirlwind third baseman Brandon Monreal during the Lockney vs. Floydada game last Tuesday. Lockney won 5-0. Photo by Jim Covington







SEEING DOUBLE? Lockney Independent School District currently has nine sets of twins enrolled. Pictured above (back row, I to r) Brandon and Blaine Hall, sons of Ron and Donna Hall; Tori and Lance Terrell, children of Jeff Don and Gaye Terrell; Beatrice and Fidel Araujo, children of Fidel and Amelia Araujo, Sr.; (middle row, I to r) Grip and Trip Fortenberry, sons of Sam and Becky Fortenberry; Raymundo and Anjelica Alvardo, children of Jime and Maria Alvardo; Tanisha and Taleah Peralez, daughters of David and Bertha Peralez; Israel and Ricardo Cuellar, sons of Ricardo and Ruby Cuellar; and Gunnyr and Tuff Araujo, sons of Romeo and Michelle Araujo. (Not pictured are Jeremy and Jelecia McDonald, children of Kim McDonald.) **Staff Photo**



LONGHORN REGIONAL QUALIFIERS: Boys who placed in the top 3 of their events at the

Hitter, went 0 for 3 at the plate and struck out once.

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Lockney Menu

April 25 - April 29 Monday

Breakfast-Donut or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Chicken fried steak or PBJ, mashed potatoes, green peas, pears, hot rolls, milk Tuesday Breakfast-Breakfast burrito or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Fish sticks or ham, pinto beans, yellow squash, applesauce, cornbread, milk

Wednesday Breakfast-Scrambled eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk Thursday

Breakfast-Biscuit and gravy or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Cheese pizza or burrito, tossed salad, baby carrots, orange halves, milk

Friday Breakfast-Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk Lunch-Hamburger or corndog, baked fries, lettuce and tomatoes, peaches, milk

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SANDRA RENDON, a sophomore at MacArthur High in Irving, was selected to District 6-5A's All District team in basketball. Sandra is the daughter of Armando and Sylvia Rendon Irving. of Grandparents are: Thomas and Udelia Rendon, of Lockney, Teodoro and Jesusa Rodriguez, of Floydada, and great grandmother Vicki Rendon, of Lockney.

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leased its honor roll for the fifth six-week period. Second grade: Sarah Belt,

Dixie Williams

Third grade: Clay Bigham, Jake Bramlet, David Johnson, Stevie Karlin, Janette Ybarra, Tanille Bigham, Nathan Cabballero, Dillon DeLeon, Anna Hernandez, Emily Williams

Fourth grade: Rubina Cruz, Landry Kidd, Lindsay Stewart, Justin Roberts, Luke Sherman

Fifth grade: Courtney Edwards, Amber Segovia, Ashley Teague, SyAnn Foster, Sunny Williams, Quinn Jackson, Jonathan Sustaita, Miski Hollis, Christopher Franco, Dylan Aufill, Scarlet Hernandez, Landon Kidd, Dolores Luna, **Riley** Teeter

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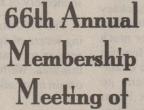
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men who served and sacrificed

Floydada and Lockney were neck and neck at Thursday's Track Meet in Lockney

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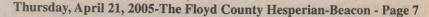
Thursday, April 28, 2005 **Floyd County Friends Unity Center**

Highway 70 at Muncy between Floydada and Lockney

Health Fair3:30 - 5:30 pm **Registration..** 4:30 - 6:00 pm Meal 5:30 pm **Business Meeting7:00 pm**

Meal Catered by Danny's Fins & Hens Entertainment by "Highway 70" **Children's Entertainment Election of Directors**

Prize Drawings Throughout the Meeting \$500.00 Grand Prize





ORNS ARE DISTRICT CHAMPS -- The Lady Horns Track Team won the title of District Champions at the District Track Meet in Lockney, April 14. The team consists of: Leah Ford, Jordan Sherman, Krista Rasco, Kimberly Jimenez, Emily Mercado, Audrey Collins, Rebekah Thornton, Amanda Gonzales, Margarita Valles, Alyssa Poindexter, Lindsay Collins, Trasa Poindexter, Jaime Butler, Trinity Ford, Amber Dorman, and Desiree DeLeon. Courtesy Photo



LITTLE LONGHORNS: (Back row, I-r) Damario Means, Marcos Bernal, Katalina Araujo, Bishop Zambrano, and Tyler Crutchfield; (middle, l-r) Andrew Nunez, Delfino Rodriguez, Susie Salas, Michael Guerrero, and Carlos Rodriguez; (front, I-r) Austin Ledesma, Mark Solis, Michael Tejeda, Celestina Rodriguez, and Augustina Rodriguez.

Lockney High School Honor Roll

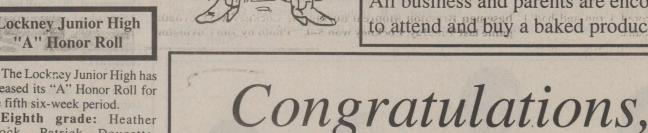
Lockney High School has re- Jarrit Johnson, Jaime Ledesma, leased its "A" Honor Roll for Aracely Luna, Sarah Martinez, the fifth six-week period.

Addie Foster, Monte Lass, Alissa Jeremy Pyle, Meagan Stadd Poindexter, Clara Reecer and **Rance Schumacher** Emily Mercado, Trevor Morris, Nathan Hancock, Kami Keaton, Tana Saul, Tori Terrell, Rebekah April Lopez, Dahlen McCarter, Thornton

Jana Miller, Crystal Molina, Zane Twelfth grade: Mark Ford, Montandon, Shelly Pachiano, Lockney Junior High

"A" Honor Roll

released its "A" Honor Roll for the fifth six-week period. Eighth grade: Heather



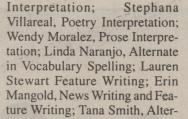


LOCKNEY U.I.L. ACADEMIC REGIONAL QUALIFIERS --- see related story.

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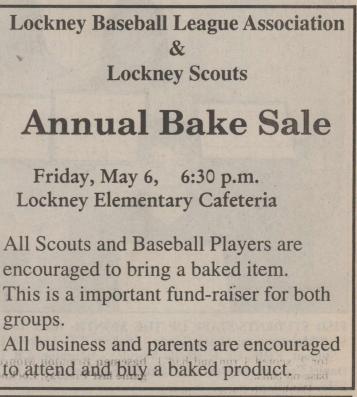
The following Lockney stu- Interpretation; dents will be participating in the Regional U.I.L. Academic Contest Saturday, April 23, 2005.

Jana Miller, Headline Writing and Current Events; Alissa Poindexter, Editorial Writing and Feature Writing; Mandy Formby, Literary Criticism; Alex Hall, Lincoln Douglas Debate; Rebekah Thornton, Persuasive Speaking; Tori Terrell, Ready Writing; Emily Mercado, Computer Applications and Informative Speaking; Ashley McCulloch, Alternate in Poetry



nate in Computer Applications; Shelly Pachiano, Alternate in Editorial Writing.

Rance Schumacher, Lance Terrell and Rion Aufill, Number Sense Team; Brance Wilson, Mathematics; Kory Smith, Literary Criticism



Prather, Krista Rasco, Kayla Terrell, Brance Wilson, Ty Young Thomas

ter, Courtlyn Long

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Eleventh grade: Landon Cotham, Amber Dorman, Trinity Eleventh grade: Alexis Hall, Ford, Blaine Hall, Brandon Hall, James McPherson, Wendy Tenth grade: Matthew Moralez, Kory Smith, Lance

Tenth grade: Tyson Carthel, Ninth grade: Elizabeth Fos- Bethany Dietrich, Greg Gonzales, Erin Mangold, Miguel Nieto, Amos Poole, Ryan The "AB" Honor Roll for Reagan, Joanie Reecer, Jonathan Lockney High School is as fol- Sherman, Coby Tannahill, Bran-

Ninth grade: Jamie Butler, Twelfth grade: Taylor Audrey Collins, Bryan Cooper Becker, Ashley Brock, Jonathan Leah Ford, Laura Fulton, Jacob Carthel, Lindsay Collins, Cagan Martin, Ashley McCulloch, Cummings, Eddie Fortenberry, Zachary Montandon, Tanner Brandon Gilroy, Davis Hooten, Morris, Trasa Poindexter, Lauren

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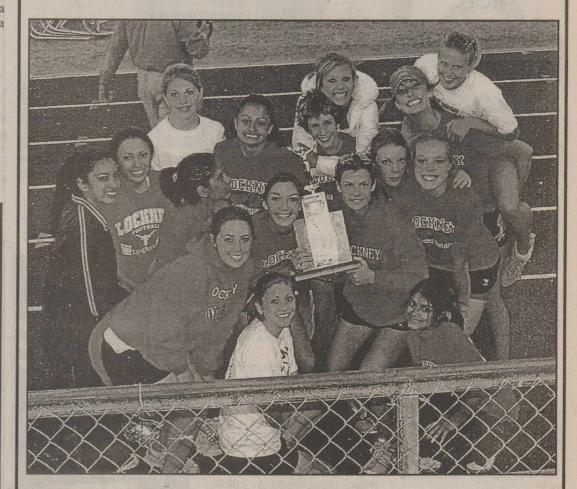
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Seventh grade: Katie Bice. Lezlie Jackson, Anna Sherman, Lexie Terrell, Jathan Williams

Sixth grade: Lydia Annunziato, Kami Hunt, Antonia Morales



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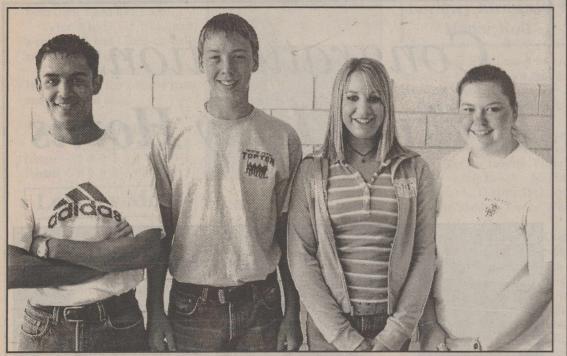
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DISTRICT FASHION SHOW--Floyd County 4-H members competed in the District Fashion Show held Tuesday, April 12 at First Church of the Nazarene. Those participating were: (front, l-r) Jake Bramlet, Sunny Williams, and Jill Bramlet; (back, l-r) Kami Keaton, Bailey Davenport, and Jianna **Courtesy Photo** Davenport.



FISD STUDENTS/STAFF OF THE MONTH- (back row, l-r) Adrian Martinez - Support Staff/Maintenance; Alyssa Garcia - Student, R.C. Andrews Elementary, Gr. 5; Gabriela Davila - Student, FJHS, Gr. 6; Rhoda Morales - Educator, A.B. Duncan Elementary, Gr. 2; (front) Daniel Cervera - Student, A.B. Duncan Elementary, Pre-K. (not pictured, Taylor Sue - Student, **Staff Photo** FHS, Gr. 12)



4-H'ers participate in Fashion Show

By Melissa Long of the District 4-H Fashion Show held Tuesday, April 12 at First Church of the Nazarene in Lubbock. Seven Floyd County 4-H'ers participated in the event. Senior Kami Keaton qualified to participate in the state judging during Texas 4-H Roundup on the Texas A&M campus, June 7-11. Kami will compete in the Buying Casual Division. Also participating were Sunny Williams in the Junior I Buying Specialty Division, Jianna Davenport placing 1st in the Junior I Construction Specialty Division, Jake Bramlet placing 1st in the Junior I Recycled/Embellished Division, Cheyann Powell placed 2nd



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in the Junior II Construction Spelished Division.

Sixty seven 4-H'ers from 4-H Paradise was the theme cialty Division, Bailey Daven- across the 20 county South Plains port in the Buying Dressy Divi- area took part in the events. The sion and Jill Bramlet placing 1st District II Texas Extension Eduin the Junior II Recycled/Embel- cation Association sponsored the event.

> Due to Testing in Floydada **Schools This Week We were** Unable to Get Pictures of Regional Qualifiers, So We Decided to Catch Up on Basketball **Pictures Instead.**



NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES

On February 25, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or the "Company") filed a Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas (the "Commission") to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated area ("Environs") surrounding the Cities of West Texas Service Area (the "Cities"). This proposed increase in gas rates willing to apply to customers residing inside the city limits of the West Texas Service Area.

In its filing, the Company proposes to change its Environs base rates and service charge tariffs to the same level as those current rates previously approved by the Cities for customers inside the city limits. The service charge rates have been in effect inside the city limits since April 10, 2003 and the base rates have been in effect inside the city limits since May 1, 2004. The Company proposes to change the Environs rates effective April 1, 2005. The Commission may suspend the proposed effective date for up to 150 days.

The proposed changes will affect all classes of Environs tariff customers, including Residential, Commercial, Industrial, State Institution, and Public Authority customers. The Company's Air Conditioning Customers, who currently take service under a separate tariff, will instead be served under the Residential tariff. There are approximately 17,306 Atmos Environs tariff customers (15,071 Residential, 1,916 Commercial, 182 Small Industrial, 16 State Institution, and 121 Public Authority). The proposed changes in Environs base rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$440,274. The Company also proposes to implement and apply a new Weather Normalization Adjustment clause to the bills of customers in weather-sensitive classes (Residential, Commercial, State Institution, and Public Authority).

The typical monthly residential customer bill (assuming consumption of 6 Mcf) and the typical monthly commercial customer bill (assuming consumption of 30 Mcf) will be affected as follows by these changes:

FHS GOLF REGIONAL QUALIFIERS- (I-r) David Vasquez, Tucker Ross, Mary Warren, and **Staff Photo** Jeffri Vaughn.

Floydada Track Meet 8th Grade Girls

The Floydada Junior High School 8th grade girls competed 2nd - 12.25:86 in the Floydada Track meet on Thursday, April 7, 2005.

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Results are as follows: **TEAM PLACE** - 2nd

SHOTPUT: Angela Wiley, 1st - 27'10-1/2"; Ashley Aleman, 2nd - 26'3"; Amber Ferrer, 6th -24'3'

DISCUS: Angela Wiley, 2nd - 63'-1/2"; Ashley Aleman, 3rd -58'5

LONGJUMP: Blanca Garza, 6th - 11'9"; LaShay Gooc- 9'6-1/

TRIPLE JUMP: Crystal Alvarez, 5th - 25'11-1/2"; Brooke Sansom, 6th - 24' 9-3/4"; Carrol Chavez - 21' 7-1/4"

HIGH JUMP: Johanna Dawdy, 1st - 4'6"; Nikki Nino, 3rd - 4'6"

2400 Meters: Lindsey Wells,

400 Run: Brooke Sansom and Blanca Garza, tied 2nd - 59.25; Johanna Dawdy and Crystal Alvarez

800 Meters: LaShay Gooch, 4th - 3.20:99; Jennifer Rainwater, 5th - 3.29:14; Lindsey Wells, 6th - 3.30:69

100 Hurdles: Johanna Dawdy, 2nd - 19.52; Nikki Nino, 6th - 23.37

800 Run: Brooke Sansom and Blanca Garza - tied 2nd - 2.09:98; Chavez and Alvarez

400 Meters: Elda Lopez, 3rd 70.73

200 Meters: Crystal Alvarez, 2nd - 30.28; Brooke Sansom, 5th - 32.09; Carrol Chavez - 34.09 1600 Meters: Jennifer Rain-

water, 5th - 8.00:84 1600 Run: Dawdy, Garza,

2nd - 5.07:47; Nino, Lopez

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Current Proposed Bill (1) Difference **Bill** (1) Residential Customer using 6 Mcf: \$15.12 \$1.13 \$13.99 \$0.05 Commercial Customer using 30 Mcf: \$43.05 \$43.10

(1) (a) Includes average PGA of \$4.96 per Mcf as of December 31, 2003.

Atmos estimates that the proposed changes to its nonrecurring charges will increase it s Other Revenues in the Environs by approximately \$30,377 annually. The proposed changes are as follows:

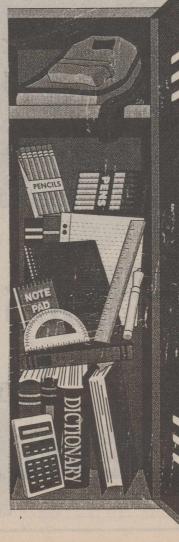
Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS: Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$23.50	\$32.00	\$8.50
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$19.00	\$23.50	\$4.50
Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS (cont'd):			
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$10.50	\$15.00	\$4.50
Miscellaneous service calls	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$0.75
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's reque	\$29.50 st	\$37.50	\$8.00
Dishonored Check Charge	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
AFTER BUSINESS HOURS: Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$35.25	\$48.00	\$12.75
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$28.50	\$35.25	\$6.75
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.75	\$22.50	\$6.75
Miscellaneous service calls	\$15.75	\$16.88	\$1.13
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's reque	\$39.00 st	\$56.25	\$17.25

The various changes in base rates and nonrecurring charges proposed by Atmos would increase the Company's total revenues in the Environs by approximately \$470,651 on an annual basis, or 9.7%. The proposed change in revenues is a "major change" under state law. The new Environs rates will not exceed 115% of the average of all rates for similar services in all municipalities served by Atmos Energy within the same county.

Affected individuals may review a copy of the proposed filing during normal business hours (9 am until 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays) at 1) the local offices of Atmos in its West Texas Division; 2) Atmos' Lubbock office, located at 5110 80th Street; or 3) the Railroad Commission.

Customers affected by the proposed Environs rate changes may file written comments or protests with:

Docket Services Section Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9573) **Railroad Commission of Texas** P.O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967



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OUT!-Longhorn Hagan Johnson is shown being tagged 'out' on 2nd base by Whirlwind shortstop Luke Miller during play at the Whirlwind vs. Lockney game last Tuesday. Lockney won the hard fought contest 5-0. Photo by Jim Covington



WHIRLWINDS 2005 POWER LIFTERS-(back row, l-r) Harvey DelaFuente, Gabriel Mendoza, Daniel Ortega, Abran Enriquez, Arturo Diaz; (middle row, l-r) Paul Beuning, Tony Perez, Greg Vasquez, Buck Foster, Vicente Ortega; (front row, l-r) Robert Beuning, Chris Reyes. Photo by Cory Sinklier Photography



FHS 2004-2005 JV GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Marla Reeves, Stacey Griggs, Marlen Carmona, Coach Eddleman, Michelle Yannis, Brittny Rando, Stephanie Carrasco, Morgan Marble; (front row, l-r) Kelsey Williams, Jennifer Leatherman, Morgan Norrell. Photo by Cory Sinklier Photography





WHIRLWINDS 2004-2005 JV BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Coach Brattain, Brandon Monreal, Kody Smith, Blake Greer, Ryan Monreal, Coach Emery; (front row, l-r) Tucker Ross, Adam Rainwater, Eladio Saldana, Kevin Smith, Raymond Everett.

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FHS 2004-2005 FRESHMEN GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Brianna Weeks, Randa Shurbet, Amanda Garibay, Coach Watson, Mary Warren; (front row, l-r) Cinthia Torres, Kelsey Williams, Adrianna DelaFuente, Adriana Diaz. Photo by Cory Sinklier Photography

Thursday

Breakfast-Scrambled eggs,

toast and jelly or cereal and gra-

Lunch-Enchiladas with meat,

beans, salad, cornbread, fruit,

Friday

Breakfast-Cinnamon roll, fruit

or cereal and graham crackers,

Lunch- "Whirlwind Sand-

wich", (Chicken Fried Steak

ham crackers, juice, milk

WHIRLWINDS 2004-2005 FRESHMEN BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM-(back row, l-r) Coach Prather, Abel Cortinas, Dustin Coursey, Daniel Saldana; (front row, l-r) Colby Turner, Magdiel Alvarado, Mauro Ortiz. Photo by Cory Sinklier Photography

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Floydada School Menu

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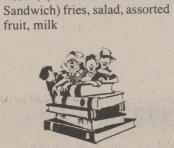
Breakfast-Eggs/biscuit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Frito Pie, corn, beans, brownie, milk

Tuesday Breakfast-Breakfast pizza or

cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Spaghetti with meat sauce, peas, carrots, bread

sticks, Jello, milk Wednesday Breakfast-Pancake & Sausage on a Stick, milk Lunch-Stuffed Baked Potatoes w/Ham & cheese, broccoli w/ cheese, fruit, milk



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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES

Attebury Grain, Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of an Existing Facility Air Permit, Air Quality Permit No. 73772, which would authorize operation of the previously grandfathered emission sources at their Grain Elevator located 12 miles north of Lone Star on U.S. Highway 378 north, Lone Star, Floyd County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.

2005-2006 Pre-Registration for Pre-K Thursday, April 21, 2005 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. & Friday, April 22, 2005,

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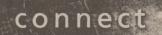
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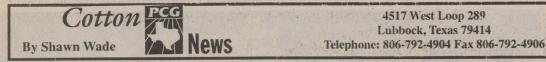
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It isn't a normal year on the Texas High Plains unless something out of the ordinary happens. The 2004 growing season certainly took that sentiment to heart and produced a crop that will linger in the memories of the High Plains cotton industry for years.

Now, 4.73 million running bales later, it appears the history books can all be rewritten and area producers and gins will have a new benchmark for judging future success.

High Plains cotton producers, when everything is finally tallied and county estimates published, are expected have produced the equivalent of 4.8 - 4.9 million 480 pound net weight bales in the area served by the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Classing Offices.

Once the National Agricultural Statistics Service releases county estimates, a final tally of total production in PCG's 41 county service area will be possible.

The season did not get off to the fast start many would normally ascribe to a record-breaking season, but things quickly turned around as timely rainfall, often accompanied by less than ideal temperatures, fed what would become a record 2004 crop

Cool temperatures affected a large part of the crop to the point that quality, particularly Micronaire, fell below normal levels. Some areas were so significantly impacted that growers were hit with both yield and quality drops that strained pocketbooks.

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On the flip side, the plentiful rain pushed dryland production in southern areas to record levels in some places and well above normal expectations just about everywhere else.

Getting the crop out of the field, though, proved to be a challenge at times with weather related interruptions slowing progress early. After that the next major hurdle turned out to be the shear volume of cotton produced. Many producers saw harvested cotton wait weeks and even months before ginning.

Many gins dealt with more cotton than they had ever processed before. While it is unclear whether or not a record for the most cotton ever ginned by a single gin plant can be confirmed, one High Plains gin, United Cotton Growers in Hockley County, may have a pretty good claim for such a record after processing 128,227 bales on its plant in 2004. United achieved an overall 2004 total of 152,449 bales, including cotton processed by nearby gins subcontracted to shorten the wait time for United customers. Quality reports from the Lubbock and Lamesa Classing offices show that over the season the High Plains produced a crop with an average Staple length of 34, average Micronaire of 3.6 and an average Strength of 28 grams/ tex. The predominant Color grade was a 31 at Lamesa and 41 at Lubbock. As a testament to the challenges that faced growers throughout the harvest season over fifty percent of the bales classed at the Lubbock Classing office and almost 44 percent of the cotton graded a the Lamesa Classing office were discounted for bark.

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, 2005.

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 February 2005.

See Chart 1 below Transition period for AWP calculation begins

The announcement of the Adjusted Word Price for the week ending April 21 will be the first in a 6-week period that will transition the AWP calculation between the current and forward Cotlook "A" Index quotes. The 6-week blending process is used to transition the AWP from old crop to new crop prices.

For the weeks ending April 21 and April 28, the formula is 2 times the current quote plus the forward quote divided by 3. For the weeks ending May 5 and May 12, the formula is the current quote plus the forward quote divided by 2. For the weeks ending May 19 and May 26, the formula is the current quote plus 2 times the forward quote divided by 3. For the week ending June 2 and thereafter until the end of the '04=05 crop year, the forward "A" will be used exclusively in calculating the AWP.

This week's AWP and Step 2 certificate rates, effective from Friday, April 15, 2005, through Thursday, April 21, 2005, are as follows: See Chart 2 below

Region's active boll weevil eradication zones announce 2005 assessment rates

The Texas Department of Agriculture has announced the 2005 assessment rate, due date and discount date for six of the seven active boll weevil eradication. programs in the High Plains region.

The TDA announced assessment rates apply to the following boll weevil eradication zones: St. Lawrence (Glasscock, Reagan, Upton and part of Midland); Permian Basin (Dawson, Martin, Howard, Ector and parts of Borden and Midland); Western High Plains (Yoakum, Gaines, Andrews and part of Terry and Lynn); Southern High Plains (Cochran, Hockley, Lubbock and parts of Crosby, Dickens, Garza, Lynn and Terry); Northern High Plains (Hale, Swisher and parts of Armstrong, Briscoe, Floyd and Randall); Northwest Plains (Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Bailey, Lamb and parts of Randall); Panhandle (Carson, Dallam, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Roberts and Sherman).

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Assessment rates for the Northern High Plains zone have been approved, but not announced by the Texas Department of Agriculture at this time.

Each of the announced 2005 assessment rates were set at the rate approved bay growers in the original referendums establishing those zones.

Assessment notices will be mailed by August 19, 2005 and payment is due September 30. Growers who pay by September 15 are eligible to receive a 2 percent discount on their 2005 assessment.

Assessments are based on the acreages certified to the USDA Farm Service Agency. In the St. Lawrence zone all acres planted to cotton will be assessed and no credit will be provided for failed acres. This decision is a change from the previous year and was recommended by the St. Lawrence zone's grower steering committee.

In other zones growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed before the final certification date. Qualifying failed acres must remain free of all hostable cotton until a killing freeze to receive the credit.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation is a nonprofit, grower-initiated and funded organization dedicated to eliminating the cotton boll weevil from the state in the most cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner possible. See Chart 3 below

Cotton Market Weekly A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association Cotton development is mak-

Cotton futures settled higher Thursday at the New York Board of Trade following the release of USDA's weekly export sales report

According to USDA, net sales of U.S. cotton for the week ended April 7 totaled 253,800 bales, 39 percent more than the previous week and 63 percent more than the four-week average. Major buyers included China, Turkey, South Korea and Indonesia. Net sales of 8,400 bales for delivery in 2005-06 were mainly for Indonesia and Japan.

Export shipments of 339,400 bales were four percent greater than the previous week and one percent higher than the fourweek average. Primary destinations were China, Turkey, Indonesia, and Mexico.

Most industry observers agreed that USDA's export sales figures were larger than expected. In fact, it proved to the largest week of sales since the first week of February, and that also was the case with sales to China. With purchases totaling 138,000 bales, it was the second largest amount of cotton sold to China in a one week period this season. Additionally, the 50,000bale sale to Turkey was the largest to that country since the second week of January.

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Many market sources are having a difficult time accepting a ing good progress in the Texas recent USDA projection that Rio Grande Valley despite dry China's cotton imports could be soils. The entire crop is up to a one million bales lower than previously anticipated. In its April supply/demand report, the department set its cotton import figure for the country at 8.0 million bales versus its March projection of 9.0 million bales.

"I'm still having trouble accepting USDA's import figure for China," said one analyst. "I think demand from China will continue to be strong in the upcoming year."

In the spot cotton market, online sales by producers in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas totaled 8,945 bales in the week ended April 14 compared to the previous week when 2,184 bales were traded. Average prices received by producers in the most recent week ranged from 38.35 to 42.50 cents per pound compared to 37.87 to 42.35 cents per pound the previous week.

In other news, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) reported that seven percent of the U.S. cotton crop had been planted by April 10 versus 11 percent one year ago and the five-year average of eight percent. Planting operations are underway in seven states.

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kept farmers out of the fields this week, but better conditions have returned. Seedling emergence has been satisfactory throughout the region. Pre-planting field activities continue on the Texas High and Rolling Plains where ginning of the 2004 crop is almost complete.



Monthly Average Price Received for

Chart 1

Average price received through February; AWP transition begins April 21

Cumulative Upland cotton marketings increased by 1.847 million bales during the month of February and brought total 2004crop marketings up to 11.949 million bales.

Through the first seven months of the 2004-crop marketing year, the U.S. has already eclipsed the 11.6 million bales reported as marketed in all of 2003. Average prices reported for the month of February 2005 were 39 cents per pound.

Based on these numbers the 2004 Upland Cotton Weighted Average Price calculated through February 2005 dropped to 42.93 cents per pound. So far the calculated 2004 Weighted Average Price continues to track below the 52-cent threshold where Counter-cyclical payment rates begin to drop.

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.

	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	1,847	11,949	39.00	42.93
March	na	na	42.20*	na

	Cents/lb
NE Price	56.62
Adjustments:	
Avg. U.S. spot market location	-11.68
SLM 1-1/16 inch cotton	-3.55
Avg. U.S. location	0.04
Sum of Adjustments	-15.19
ADJUSTED WORLD PRICE	41.43
Loan Deficiency Payment Rate	10.57
User Marketing Cert. Rate (Step 2)	3.73

Chart 3 2005 Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program Assessment Rates - High Plains Zones **Assessment Rates per Land Acre** Irrigated Dryland Zone \$6 St. Lawrence* \$2 \$12 \$6 Permian Basin \$12 \$6 Western High Plains \$6 \$12 Southern High Plains \$12 Northern High Plains* \$6 \$12 \$5 Northwest Plains \$4 \$4 Panhandle * Northern High Plains rates set, but not yet announced;

St. Lawrence assessment rate is \$2 per dryland acre and \$6 per land acre Irrigated.

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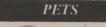
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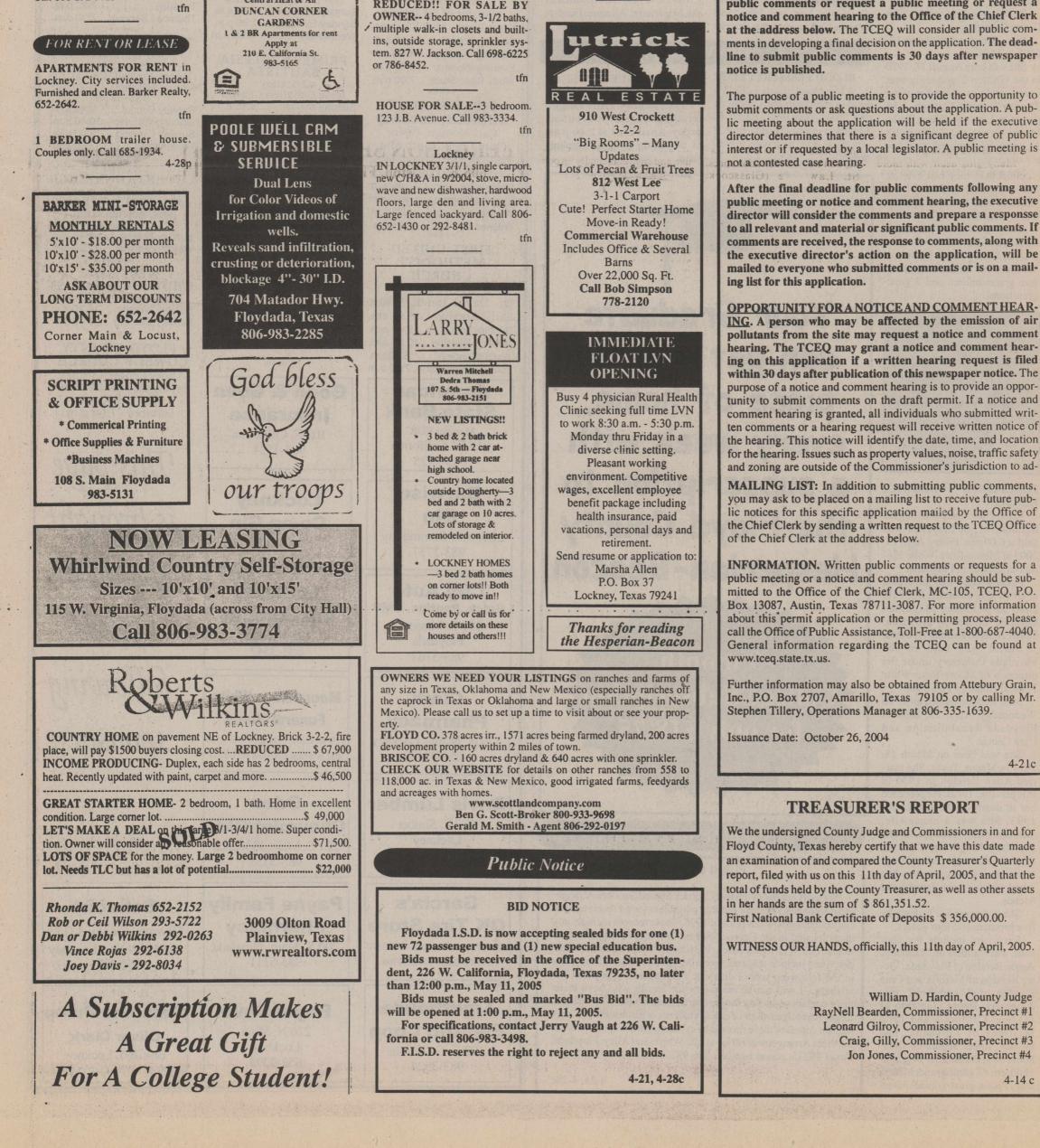
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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AN EXISTING FACILITY **AIR PERMIT**

PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NO. 73772

APPLICATION: Attebury Grain, Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of an Existing Facility Air Permit, Air Quality Permit No. 73772, which would authorize operation of the previously grandfathered emission sources at their Lone Star Grain Elevator located 12 miles north of Lone Star on U.S. Highway 378 noth, Lone Star, Floyd County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants; particulate matter. This permit will not authorize new construction or an increase in emissions.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on or before August 31, 2004. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office and the Floyd County Courthouse, 100 South Main, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING: You may submit public comments or request a public meeting or request a notice and comment hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 30 days after newspaper

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is

After the final deadline for public comments following any public meeting or notice and comment hearing, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a responsse to all relevant and material or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with Page 12-The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon-Thursday, April 21, 2005

bituaries

CHARLES ABBE

Funeral services for Charles Abbe, 77, of Morton was held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, April 18, 2005 at the Second and Taylor Street Church of Christ. Bill Schlabaugh and Owen Carr officiated.

Burial was held in the Morton Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Morton.

Mr. Abbe died Friday, April 15, 2005 in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born October 24, 1927 in Gladiola, New Mexico to the late Herman and Oleta Abbe. He married Jean Richardson in Morton on November 16, 1948. He was a long time resident of the Morton Community. He was a farmer and manager for farm fuel retailers for many years. He was also a member of the Second and Taylor Street Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Mitchell Abbe on April 6, 2004.

Survivors include his wife, Jean; two sons and daughters-inlaw, Charley Bob and Jeannie Abbe of Ardmore, Oklahoma and Geneo and Debbie Abbe of Panhandle; two daughters, Cheryl Martin and son-in-law, Bennie of Petersburg and Leanne Abbe of Morton; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Cochran County Cancer Fund.

LUE ELLA BREWER

Funeral services for Lue Ella Brewer, 84, of Canton were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at the Eubank Funeral Home.

Burial was held in the Elm Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Brewer died April 17, 2005 in Mabank.

She was born August 18, 1920 in the Whitton Community near Canton and was a member of the Tundra Baptist Church. She taught in Lockney, Wise, Phala, Mount Vernon and Kaufman for 31 years. Her husband taught ag at Lockney.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Janice Ellaine Whitton and brother, Lincoln Carl Fretwell.

Survivors included her husband of 62 years, McLee Brewer; In Loving Memory of Ruben H. DeLeon, Sr.

With deepest gratitude, we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy expressed by thoughtful friends and neighbors in our recent sorrow. For the food, cards and floral offerings, we are deeply grateful. Your kindness has meant so much to us.

> Aurora DeLeon Henry and Rosie Segura & Family Lorenzo and Mary Reyna & Family Luis and Norma Saenz & Family Ruben Jr. & Laura DeLeon & Family

Special thanks to Floydada EMS and Floydada Police Department.

The Melvin Terrell Family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, concerns, prayers and visits during our time of need.

We'd also like to say a very special "Thank you" to ...

- * Those who provided food
- * The Country Club and it's members for providing food to the Country Club.
- * The members of the Bible Baptist Church for their visits and family support.
- * The First Baptist Church for their visits and for lending a guitar to his granddaughters for use at his funeral.

1 Corinthians 9: 10-12

Light The Cross Donations

Donations to Light The Cross Fund have been made in memory of: Melvin Terrell by Tammi Galloway Lee and Jerry and Winola Galloway; John Burris, American State Bank.

by Bill and Charlene Hendrix. Donations to the Light The Cross Fund may be deposited to the Ministerial Alliance Fund at

THIS WEEK'S

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.

LOCKNEY LITTLE **LEAGUE T RYOUTS** The Lockney Little League tryouts (8-12 years) will be Saturday, April 23rd at 2:00 p.m. at the Little League Baseball field.

Floyd County Church Directory AIKEN BAPTIST FIRST UNITED SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH METHODIST CHURCH CHURCH Randy Curtis, Pastor Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Lockney Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Rev. Neely Landrum, Pastor Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting...... 7:00 p.m Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m. TEMPLO Evening Service 6.00 p.m. GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH Praise/Worship 7:00 p.m. 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278 701 W. Missouri Rev. Ray Gonzales 983-5286 (church) GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST 983-3047 (parsonage) Sunday School 9: 45 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Joe Bennett, Pastor Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m EveningService 5:00 p.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. ***** Tuesday 8:00 p.m. CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH Wed. Service 7:30 p.m. ***** FELLOWSHIP MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST Floydada Armando Morales, Pastor Floydada Father Arsenio Redulla Deacon Ricky Vasquez Phone: 983-5878 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Lockney Jay Don Poindexter, Minister Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Mon.Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. CARR'S CHAPEL Wednesday 7:30 p.m. ***** Service Every Sunday: TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Ralph Jackson Lockney Pedro Reyes, Pastor ***** CHURCH OF CHRIST Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m. West College & Third, Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 p.m. Lockney Steve McLean -Minister Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m. Thursday 7:00 p.m. Evening Worship 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST CHURCH Washington and 1st St. Ken Free- Minister Floydada Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Hedges (806) 637-0430 Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m. Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study 7:30 p.m. **** ***** **TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA** POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH CHURCH Floydada Anthony D. Sisemore, Rev. Manuel Rendon, Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Pastor Pastor Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Bill Swinney, 704 N. Main, Lockney Tuesday 7:30 p.m. Thursday Service ... 7:30 p.m. Sunday Services .. 10:00 a.m. Minister of Ed./Music Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m. Scott Reed - Min. Students ***** Wednesday 7:30 p.m Sunday School 9:15 a.m. TRINITY ASSEMBLY 500 W. Houston Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Floydada Henry Russell, Co-Pastor Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor 983-5499 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m. Lockney **** Jesse Caballero, Pastor FIRST BAPTIST Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:40 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. CHURCH, Lockney Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Carl Moman, Pastor Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:30 p.m. Chad Cook, Youth Min. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. ***** Phil Cotham, Music Min.. PRIMERA IGLESIA TRINITY Sunday School 9:45 a.m. LUTHERAN CHURCH Providence Community on FM 2301 293-3009 Rev. Burnell Lund, BAUTISTA Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Floydada Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Rev. Lupe Rando Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

a sons, Danny Udell Brewer of Whitton; one brother; one sister; five grandchildren and 3 greatgrandsons.



SEGURA **JOSEPHINE** RENDON

Rosary for Josephine Segura Rendon, 91, of Floydada was held at 6:00 p.m. Friday, April 15, 2005 at Moore-Rose-White Memorial Chapel in Floydada.

Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 16, 2005 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada. Father Arsenio Redulla officated.

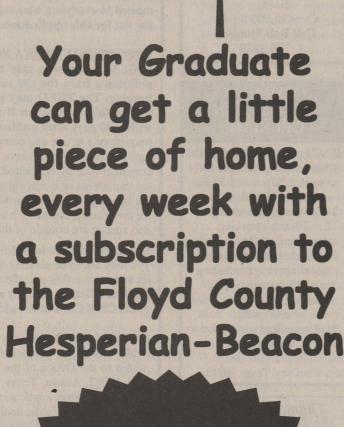
Burial was held in the Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mrs. Rendon passed away on Wednesday, April 13, 2005 at Floydada Rehabilitation and Care Center.

She was born on March 18, 1914 in Manor, Texas. She married Allen Rendon in 1930 in Pflugerville, Texas. He preceded her in death on November 23, 1993. She was a housewife, member of the Guadalupanas and St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. She enjoyed quilting, embroidering and gardening. She loved visiting with family and friends.

She was preceded in death by five brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include her four sons, Pat Rendon of Plainview, Aaron Rendon of Floydada, Victor Rendon of Victoria and Cruz Rendon of Round Rock; two daughters, Reyes Guajardo of Madera, California and Josie Martinez of Floydada; one brother, Julian Segura of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; 34 grandchildren; 82 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren.



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Notice is hereby given that Caprock Shared Services Arrangement intends to destroy records of students who received special education services prior to 1998. These records include only those located in the Caprock Shared Services Arrangement office at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the following school districts: Floydada, Lockney and Petersburg. It will not be necessary for parties who have made prior contact regarding these records to resubmit their request. Legal parent/guardian or adult students with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting the Caprock Shared Services Arrangement office at 622 Whirlwind Alley, Floydada, Texas 79235, phone number, 806-983-5382 by May 26, 2005.

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Wednesday7:15 pm ***** FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Floydada Dr. David Jones, Pastor Early Worship8:30 am. Sunday School9:45 a.m. Morning Worship10.50 a.m. Youth (Sunday)5:00p.m. Youth (Wednesday)7:30 p.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.	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
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