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Floyd County--Is it Open or is it Closed Range?

By Alice Gilroy

If someone were to ask you if Floyd County was "Open Range" or "Closed Range", what would you say?

You might be surprised to find out that what you weren't as right as you thought you were. And, ignorance of the right answer could cost you in a civil court of law.

According to Texas Attorney General Gregg Abbot, "Texas in general still uses open range law for its livestock."

However, said Abbot, "Chapter 143 of the Texas Agriculture Code allows a county or portion of a county to decide by local election whether to prohibit certain classes of livestock from running at large in the locality."

And that is exactly what Floyd County did in 1921.

On October 18, 1921 the County was petitioned by F.T. Emert and 152 "free holders" to call for an election to determine whether horses, mules, cattle, jacks, and jennetts would be permitted to run at large in the County.

The election was held on Dec. 3, 1921 and voters were instructed as such:

"Voters desiring to prevent the animals designated herein from running at large shall place upon their ballots the words, 'For the Stock Law';

"Those in Favor of allowing such animals to run at large shall place upon their ballots the words, 'Against the Stock Law'."

One hundred and thirty-seven people voted.

One hundred and sixteen cast their ballots "for the Stock Law (animals can't run at large, or 'Closed Range').

Twenty-one people cast ballots "Against the Stock Law" (animals can run at large, or

"Open Range").

What does this mean for owners of livestock?

In a closed range jurisdiction, the cattleman must fence in (enclose and restrain) their animals or face liability.

In an open range jurisdiction, farmers and other landowners must exclude (fence out) the livestock. Cattleman face no liability if their cattle are not properly excluded.

According to the Cattleman Magazine, in either situation, "liability depends on whether a fence is 'sufficient' to restrain ordinary livestock permitted to run at large."

A "barbed wire fence must consist of three wires on posts not more than 30 feet apart, with one or more stays between every two posts.

"A picket fence must consist of pickets that are not more than six inches apart.

"A board fence must consist of three board not less than five inches wide and one-inch thick; and

"A rail fence must consist of four rails."

There was no mention in "The Cattleman" story of electric fences.

To determine criminal liability, the word "knowingly" is the key.

"The livestock owner must have actual knowledge that the livestock are not fenced in to be in violation of the Agriculture Code," said Attorney Stephen M. Spitzer in "The Cattleman".

"The fact that the owner should have known that the livestock were out is insufficient to establish a violation," said Spitzer.

However, there could be liability in a civil case for property damage and/or personal injury

resulting from a motor collision with livestock. The determining factor is whether the owner has a duty to fence his livestock.

Floyd County's local stock law says the owner has the duty to fence his livestock.

In cases where livestock owners pasture their stock on land owned by others, according to Spitzer, "the duty to control the livestock usually rests with the owner of the animal, not the owner of the land."

Texas also has different kinds of laws for different kinds of roads. The Agriculture Code, according to "The Cattleman", states that it is "unlawful for a livestock owner to knowingly permit livestock to roam unattended on a U.S. or Texas state highway. Numbered farm-to-market roads are specifically excluded, unless they are in an area covered by a local stock election law."

The 1921 stock election law held in Floyd County would include the farm-to-market roads.

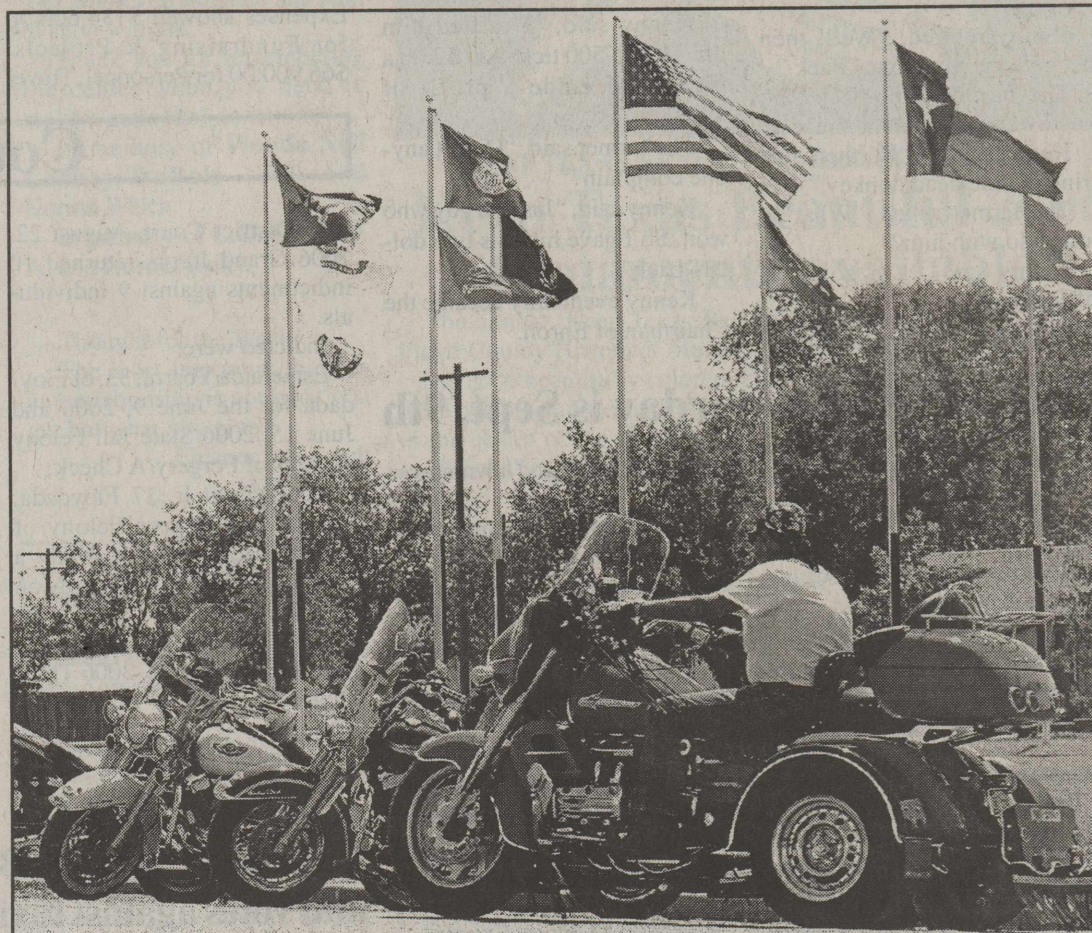
An interesting note in "The Cattleman", was that the Agriculture Code prohibits certain counties from conducting countywide elections on running cattle at large.

Those counties are: Motley, Andrews, Coke, Culberson, Hardin, Hemphill, Hudspeth, Jasper, Jefferson, Kenedy, Kinney, LaSalle, Loving, Newton, Presidio, Roberts, Schleicher, Terry, Tyler, Wharton, and Yoakum.

So, the answer to the question, "Is Floyd County Open Range or Closed Range?"

It is Closed Range.

To minimize liability, livestock owners should inspect, repair, and maintain fences on a regular basis.



MOTORCYCLE ENTHUSIASTS filled the street between the Lockney Veteran's Memorial and the Fire Hall, on Saturday, August 19, to enjoy the Fire Department Fun Run and to chow down on bar-b-que cooked by local veterans. The event was held to honor Veterans and to raise money for the memorial. A large crowd filled the barn next to the fire hall to eat brisket and ribs, and approximately \$3,000 was raised for the memorial.

Photo by Rodney Hunt

Monte is new postmaster

By Darwin Robinson

David Monte is Floydada's new Postmaster. Monte was transferred to Floydada from the Monterey Station in Lubbock, where he served as Supervisor, Manager and in Customer Service.

Monte made the US Postal Service his full-time career in 1999, but he has worked in the post office part-time since 1992. This gives him 14 years experience with the postal service.

Monte and his wife, Isabel have been married since 2000.

They have one son, Evan, 3 years old. Monte graduated from Plainview High School in 1988 and he graduated from Texas Tech University in 1994.

Just before coming to Floydada, Monte experienced a diving board accident which tore tendons from both his knees. He is temporarily walking with two leg braces until the knees heal.

Monte told the Hesperian-Beacon, "Floydada is a nice change from the 'big city'. I am looking forward to serving the public here."



DAVID MONTE

Floydada Council keeps same tax rate and votes against taxing personal property

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada City Council met Tuesday, August 15, and voted against taxing personal property.

The City also discussed keeping track of sex offenders, the proposed 2006-2007 operating budget and proposed tax rate, and approved the Floydada Economic Development Corporation 2006-2007 operating budget.

All taxing entities in the County are being asked by the Tax Appraiser to decide if each entity wants to tax personal property.

When the item came for discussion in the City Council meeting, Councilman Clar Schacht made a motion to tax personal property, such as vehicles and motorcycles. The motion was

seconded by Council Member Jon Nielson (which allowed for discussion).

Schacht said, "We have people in Floydada who do not pay any taxes. Its time to tax vehicles and motorcycles."

The vote failed 5-1. Council Members Nielson, Sheldon Sue, Monte Williams, Bettye King and Ruben Barrientoz voted against the motion, while Schacht voted for the motion.

In discussing the tax rate, City Manager Gary Brown said, "The City's proposed tax rate of \$.40 cents (per \$100 property valuation) is the same as last years tax rate."

"It looks like our budget for the 2006-2007 fiscal year will be around \$5,000,000. This year's budget is as solid a budget as we

have had in three or four years. Our health insurance is down and that is sure helping."

The proposed budget includes three new vehicles. One will be replacing on old pickup in the electric department and the other two will be for updating police vehicles, according to Brown.

A Public Hearing on the proposed budget and proposed tax rate was scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th, at 7:30 p.m.

In other matters, Police Chief Darrell Gooch and City Attorney Karen Houchin addressed the council concerning where sex offenders can live in the City.

Houchin told the council, "This is a hot topic today. Large cities have ordinances prohibiting sex offenders from living

within 1000 feet from schools, churches or day care centers. That would almost mean they could not live anywhere in the City limits of Floydada. The large cities run them out. Do we want to defend ourselves from them?"

Gooch added, "We have 11 'low risk' registered sex offenders living in Floydada now. We have had as many as 14 in the past. I am only concerned with two of these as being predators. High risk offenders already are under state mandated regulations, while low risk offenders are not. Do you want a City ordinance regulating where these sex offenders live?"

Council Member Williams said he believed the City should

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THE GRAVES FAMILY accepted a Texas Flag from the Lockney Veteran's Assoc., on behalf of Ryan Graves who is currently serving in Iraq. Shown here are Ryan's mother, Tina Graves, Ryan's wife, Jana, and Ryan's father, Glen Graves.

Photo by Rodney Hunt



JESSIE GARZA (left) AND JOHNNY DORMAN (right) were the Korean War Veterans honored at the Fun Run in Lockney on Saturday. The Run was organized to raise money for the Lockney Veterans Memorial.

Photo by Rodney Hunt



CECIL CARTEL (left), and TOMMY MCINTOSH (right) were the World War II Veterans honored the Lockney Veterans Fun Run on Saturday, August 19.

Photo by Rodney Hunt



DALE GALLOWAY was the Vietnam Veteran honored at the Fun Run in Lockney on Saturday. The Run was organized to raise money for the Lockney Veterans Memorial.

Photo by Rodney Hunt

By The Way

By Alice Gilroy



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A young hillbilly named Kenny, moved to Texas and bought a donkey from a farmer for \$100. The farmer agreed to deliver the donkey the next day.

The next day the farmer drove up and said, "Sorry son, but I have some bad news---the donkey died."

Kenny replied, "Well, then just give me my money back."

The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already."

Kenny said, "O.K., then, just bring me the dead donkey."

The farmer asked, "What ya gonna do with him?"

Kenny said, "I'm going to raffle him off."

The farmer said, "You can't

raffle off a dead donkey."

Kenny said, "'Sure I can. Watch me. I just won't tell anybody he is dead."

A month later, the farmer met up with Kenny and asked, "What happened with that dead donkey?"

Kenny said, "I raffled him off... I sold 500 tickets at \$2.00 a piece and made a profit of \$998.00."

The farmer said, "Didn't anyone complain?"

Kenny said, "Just the guy who won. So I gave him his two dollars back."

Kenny eventually became the Chairman of Enron.

Old Fashioned Saturday is Sept. 9th

Old Fashioned Saturday will be held in Lockney on September 9, 2006.

Booth vendors will be setting up around 10:00 a.m.

Main Street will be the place to enjoy a variety of foods, a car

show, pedal pull, and lawnmower races.

The traditional evening street dance will return with local boys, Todd and Landon Cotham bringing their "Second Hand Superman" band to town for the entertainment.

Palo Duro Basin Oil and Gas Report By Tom Musser

Bankers Petroleum Ltd: On Monday, August 14, 2006, Bankers Petroleum Ltd. of Canada issued their 2006 second quarter report. Bankers Petroleum Ltd. reported in the Palo Duro Basin that Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. was currently conducting fracture stimulation of the Bend Shale Zone in the Misener Lease Well #1 Floyd County, that Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. was currently designing and planning the fracture stimulation of the D.M. Cogdell, Jr. Estate Lease Well #10-01 Motley County, and following the conclusion of this

work that Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. would proceed with the design and planning of the fracture stimulation of the Jones Lease Well #1 Floyd County.

Bankers Petroleum Ltd. of Canada further reported that they have spent \$3,600,000 on drilling and evaluation of the three wells in the Palo Duro Basin, the Misener #1, the Jones #1 and the Stansell #1.

Floyd County: Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. is swabbing back load water from the August 4, 2006 frac job on the Misener Lease Well #1.

Shana Stambaugh plans to run as write-in for J.P.

Another candidate has announced her intention to run as a "Write-In" for Justice of the Peace for Pct. #1 & #4.

Shana Seymour Stambaugh informed The Hesperian-Beacon, on Tuesday that she intends to run for the position.

Stambaugh has lived in Floydada since 1979. She has a 6 year old son in Kindergarten and she currently works for Don Hardy.

Shana will face off another write in candidate, Tali Jackson, and Democrat candidate Drew Ann Lloyd.

Council discusses locations of sex offenders

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leave the state laws for the local regulations.

Council Member Clar Schacht added, "As a small town, you know where they are and you can keep a watch on them."

No action was taken.

The council also approved the FEDC's 2006-2007 operating budget. The FEDC budget's Total Income from interest, rental, tax revenue and fund-raising showed to be \$225,100.00, while Expenses showed \$134,600.00 for Fundraising & Projects, \$66,900.00 for Personnel, Travel

& Training, \$12,000.00 for Office, Promotional, Professional & Memberships, and \$11,600.00 for Building Operating & Maintenance.

Following a Public Hearing prior to the regular meeting, the council approved a request from Gethsemani Assembly of God to rezone Lots 5 and 6, Block 21, Original Town of Floydada from Single Family Residential District 2 (R2) to Commercial District - General (B2).

Concerning building code enforcement in Floydada, Brown

told the council, "There are 23 structures waiting for the new Building Code Enforcement Officer Cloetta Shotts to begin contacting the owners."

The council approved a bid of \$1500.00 by David C. White, Jr. to purchase all 6 lots: Lot 1 (316 E. Lee), Lots 3-4 (308 E. Lee), Lot 6 (304 E. Lee), Lot 7 (306 E. Lee) and Lot 8 (300 E. Lee), all in Blk 37, Original Town.

Water & Street Superintendent Jack Alaniz addressed the council concerning the failure of a south Main Street sewer lift sta-

tion. "It is flooded and 10 feet under water now. The seals or plumbing has gone bad. It will cost about \$4,000 to repair it, or about \$70,000 to redo the station and move it to the top of the ground."

The council told Alaniz to get started on redoing and moving the station to the top of the ground. There are \$250,000 worth of tax notes that can be used for this project, according to Brown.

In Brown's report, he told the council, "We are having to install bigger transformers for the new building being installed at the junior high school. We need a 600 amp load there. Also, the dry ground is cracking and breaking our water lines all over the city. We are averaging about one break per day."

Courtroom Activities

In District Court, August 22, 2006 Grand Jurors returned 10 indictments against 9 individuals.

Indicted were:
Esmeralda Ybarra, 33, of Floydada for the June 9, 2006 and June 15, 2006 State Jail Felony charges of Forgery/A Check;

Robert Luna Jr., 17, Floydada, for the 2nd Degree Felony of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon, occurring on June 11, 2006;

Joe Daniel Luna, 22, of Lockney, for the May 10, 2006 Third Degree Felony of Injury to a Child;

Salvador Martinez, 36, of Lockney, for the June 30, 2006 Third Degree Felony of Injury to

a Child;

Oscar Esquivel, 37, of Floydada, for the April 22, 2006 2nd Degree Felony of DWI;

Porfirio Garza, 54, of Floydada, for the 2nd degree Felony

of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon/Threat, which occurred on June 3, 2006;

Edward Lou Wickware, 34, of Floydada, for the First Degree felony of Robbery which occurred on June 21, 2006;

Lanny McMurrian, 35, of Floydada, for the 2nd Degree Felony of Sexual Assault of a Child, occurring on February 10, 2006 and March 25, 2006; and

Frank Castro, 41, of Lockney, for the 2nd Degree Felony of

Caprock Hospital Board keeps tax rate and votes against taxing personal property

By Darwin Robinson

The Caprock Hospital District Board met Tuesday, August 22, and approved the 2006-2007 budgets for CHD and Floydada EMS. The board also approved a tax rate of \$.1361 cents per \$100 valuation.

Board Member Tom Farris told the Hesperian-Beacon, "The CHD board did not raise taxes this year. Our tax rate will generate the same amount of dollars as last year."

In other matters, the board voted "no" to taxing non-producing income personal property.

The EMS reported 42 runs for

July, which gives a year-to-date total number of runs at 384. "Our new ambulance has been delivered to EMS this week," said Farris.

The board authorized 'up to \$3,000' to purchase a new telephone system for the Cogdell Clinic. The clinic reported a \$34,183.51 profit for July, according to Farris.

The board approved a property bid of \$1,500 by David C. White to purchase Lot 1, 316 E. Lee; Lots 3-4, 308 E. Lee; Lot 6, 304 E. Lee; Lot 7, 306 E. Lee; and Lot 8, 300 E. Lee, all located in Blk 37, Original Town.

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- ✓ Social Programs are more effectively and efficiently administered by the Private Sector rather than through Governmental Agencies.

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Brock to be speaker at Women's Christian Conference

Tracey Puckett Brock, a "home grown girl" will be one of the featured speakers at the "Join in the Journey 2006" Women's Christian Conference, Saturday, October 21.

A graduate of Floydada High School, Brock went on to get her bachelor's degree from Oral Roberts University. She returned 10 years later to change careers and get a Masters in Christian Counseling.

Tracey was a CPA for 6 years before returning to school. She is married to Mike Brock from Lubbock.

Tracey was told by doctors that she would never have children. Now Tracey says her life is a testimony of God's grace and ability to bring his life and joy through her three children.

Mike and Tracey pastor at Grace Through Faith Fellowship in Dumas. She also manages a career as a licensed professional counselor.

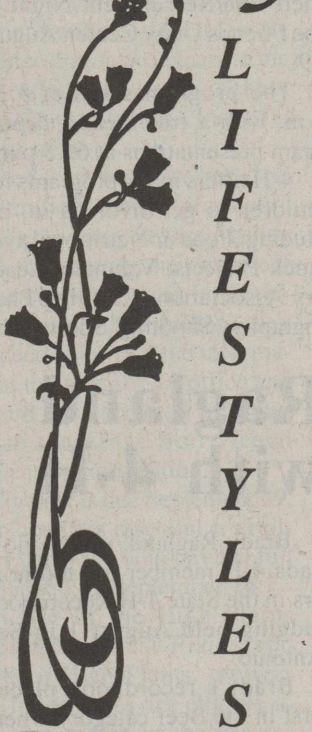


TRACEY BROCK

To hear Tracey's testimony and how God has walked her "down a path of redemption by instructing her in His Word and guiding her by His Spirit, come to the Conference at the Unity Center, October 21.

For more information go to: www.joininthejourney.org. For tickets call, Connie Johnson at 983-3441 or Kay Martin, 652-2286.

Floyd County



Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Gene Brotherton

Lunch at the Center costs \$3.50 for members and \$4.00 for nonmembers. Takeout meals start at 11:00 a.m. and we start serving lunch at 11:30 a.m. Call 652-2745 by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat lunch at the Center. It is located on 118 W. College Street.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, Dorothy Stapp leads a 30 minute exercise class, starting at 9:00 a.m. Come give it a try.

Every Thursday we have a pot luck supper at 6:00 p.m. (bring a dish) and have fun playing games in the back room afterward.

Coffee is served at the Center six days a week from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Bring your cup and join us.

We enjoyed those eating with us on Thursday, August 17. They were Donnie and Vera Jo Bybee, W.L. Thomas, of Canyon; Audie V. and Betty Barnett of Lubbock and their son, Lannie Barnett.

On the 18th, Dylan Wilson, of Felton, PA., came to eat with us. He was the guest of his grandparents, Dennis and Mary Carter.

Every Friday the Rotary Club also eats with us.

We also appreciate our regulars at the Center, such as Van and Cheryl Bradley.

Menu
August 28 - September 1

Mon:
Tues: Ham
Wed: Mexican Casserole
Thurs: Liver & Onion
Fri: Chicken Fried Steak

HAVE A NICE DAY!

Floydada Senior Citizen News

By Margarette Word

The center is open Monday thru Friday. If you are 60 years or older, come join us. Lunch starts at 12 Noon. Please call 983-2032 by 10:00 a.m. if you plan on eating.

If you are interested in playing games in the afternoon at the center, please call the center. We have bridge, Train and "42" being played each week.

We plan to have a fundraiser "Bake Sale" at Lowe's Pay-n-Save on Saturday, September 2nd. Mark your calendar and plan to shop with us.

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

In memory of **Wanda Nell Lackey DuBois** - J.A. and Norma Welch

In memory of **C.O. Lyles** - J. A. and Norma Welch

Thought for the Week:

The most important thing in any relationship is not what you get but what you give.

Eleanor Roosevelt
(1884-1962)

Menu

August 28- September 1

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

Tuesday - Turkey and dressing, green peas and carrots, tossed salad/1000 island, hot roll, cranberry sauce, apple cobbler

Wednesday - Pizza pie, Italian vegetables, cucumber & onion salad, garlic bread, pear crisp
Thursday - Baked ham, navy beans, carrots and zucchini, cornbread, pineapple cobbler cake

Friday - Cheese enchiladas, red beans, stewed okra and tomatoes, fruit gelatin

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Keep Texas Beautiful 2006 Ornaments available

The annual 'Keep Texas Beautiful' ornament has arrived at the Floyd County Historical Museum in downtown Floydada.

The 2006 beautifully colored red, white, silver and gold ornament is on display at the museum. The Texas state mockingbird is shown in the center of the ornament. The mockingbird was named "centonlatolally" by the early American Indians, meaning "four-hundred tongues!"

Keep Texas Beautiful is as protective of our state as the mockingbird is of its nest and surrounding environment. Keep Texas Beautiful is supported with programs like the Great American Cleanup, Don't Mess With Texas, Lake & River Cleanup, Recycles Day and Stop Trashing Texas Illegal Dumping.

Like the mockingbirds medley of many different sounds, so Keep Texas Beautiful brings together businesses, civic groups and state agencies. There is always an opportunity to get involved and make a difference.

The purchase of this ornament will fund projects that will provide a cleaner environment for the Mockingbird and all its two and four legged friends.

For more information call the local county museum at 983-2415.

A \$60.00 donation from the Salvation Army and a \$60 match from Wal Mart allowed the Lockney Community Storehouse to supply school supplies for 15 children. "We are pleased to have been able to do this," said Alicia Luna. "Thanks for all the donations and the support throughout the years. We need continued support so we can keep on doing this in the future. Children's clothing is in short supply now."

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Lockney Rotary Club

By Carl Moman

Lockney Rotary Club installs new officers for 2006-2007. Past District Governor J.B. Roberts of Plainview installed the officers. Chapter officers are Carl Moman, President, Kelly Prayor, President-Elect, Jerry Cooper, Secretary-Treasurer, Claude Brown, Foundation Chair, Keith Marble and Lindan Morris, Membership and Attendance Officers, Sharon Hunt, Public Relations Officer and Bulletin Editor, Jim Doucette, Vocational Service Director, Larry Mullins, Community Service Director, Buck Ford, International Service Director, Phil Cotham, Youth Director.

Paul Schacht, Fellowship Director and Dee Copeland, Song Leader. New club members include Ron Hall and E. L. Brotherton, Jr.

The club has chosen to participate in a community service to participate in a community project related to the Lockney Downtown Beautification project and an international water project in Kenya, Africa. Fundraisers for these projects begin with Old Fashioned Saturday, September 9. The club is sponsoring Cow Patty Bingo and a food booth. Tickets can be purchased from any Rotary member. Call Carl Moman at 652-3361 for further information.



LOCKNEY ROTARY CLUB NEW OFFICERS-(l-r) J.B. Roberts, International Speaker; Carl Moman, 2006-2007 President; Neely Landrum, Past President 2005-2006.
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Wireless Technology meeting Thursday, 7 p.m. at FHS

FISD, Blue Moon Solutions, and Reese Technology Center have joined together to bring an informational meeting to the community concerning the upcoming wireless technology being brought to Floydada. The meeting will be held, August 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School auditorium.

Steps are being taken by these groups to open up mobile wireless internet, and phone and television access throughout Floydada.

Within the past 18 months this mobile wireless technology was deployed in several Texas cities including Corpus Christi, Granbury, and San Antonio.

This idea was brought on by a partnership between Reese Technology Center, Blue Moon Solutions, Floydada ISD, and the City of Floydada.

The Open House will have a question and answer session.

For more information call: Jerry Vaughn, 983-3498.

FISD earns Superior Rating

Floydada Independent School District officials announced that the district received a rating of "Superior Achievement" under Texas Schools FIRST Financial Accountability Rating System. This rating demonstrates the quality of Floydada ISD's financial management and reporting system.

The primary goal of Schools FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas) is to

achieve quality performance in the management of school district's financial resources, a goal made more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system.

This rating shows that FISD's schools are accountable not only for students learning but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently.

CONTEST PHOTO



MARGARITA DE LEON (5) of Floydada is seen reading the Hesperian-Beacon on vacation in Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico

Floydada School Menu

August 28-September 1
Monday

Breakfast - French toast, cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Chili dog, fries, salad, cookie, fruit, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Sausage, toast/jelly, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Burrito, lettuce and tomatoes, rice, fruit, cake, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Waffles with syrup, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Pizza, tossed salad, corn, jello, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Breakfast sausage roll, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll, fruit, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburgers, lettuce and tomatoes, pickles, chips, fruit, milk

Lockney School Menu

August 28 - September 1
Monday

Breakfast - Blueberry muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Corndog or PBJ sandwich, corn, tossed salad, cantaloupe, milk

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

Breakfast - Pancakes or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Popcorn Chicken or corndog, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, hot rolls, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Rice or cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Pizza or ham & cheese, salad, fruit, milk

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Floyd County 4-H Club News

Floyd County 4-H is having their Fun/Recruitment Night at the Friends Unity Center, August 29.

The program starts at 5:30 p.m. with a free meal and program presentations at 6:15 p.m.

4-H offers many programs for children to get involved in, including: Food & Nutrition; Livestock Projects; Volunteer Leaders Association; Clothing/Photography; Shooting Sports; and

Camps/Trips.

The Recruitment Night is open to everyone and there is no charge to attend.

Following the program presentations there will be games and recreation. The program should be over by 7:30 p.m.

Parents are encouraged to attend with their children.

For more information, contact: 983-4912.



COY DEAN TOMISON

Tomison graduates from Tarleton State

Coy Dean Tomison received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Services and Development, Saturday, August 5, 2006 at Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

Coy is a 2002 graduate of Roosevelt High School and he is the son of Rick and P.J. Tomison of Roosevelt.

Coy is the grandson of Arvie Schulz and the late Monroe Schulz of Idalou, formerly of Floydada, and of the late Ocie and Ophia Tomison of Paducah.

Ragland wins State with 4-H Recordbook

Brady Ragland, senior Floydada 4-H member too top honors in the State 4-H Recordbook judging held August 1 in San Antonio.

Brady's recordbook placed first in the Beef category where he beat out eleven other competitors for the honor.

Brady's win enables him to participate in Texas Leadership

Conference to take place in Washington, D. C. over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Also participating in the judging were Cheyann Powell who placed second in the Consumer Education category and Bailey Davenport who placed sixth in the Communication and Expressive Arts category.

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Mike Green has transferred from the Crosbyton Nursing Home to the Lockney Nursing Home. Mike invites all his friends to come by or contact him.

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Sept. 21	Post	There	6:00
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Plains Ginners Association Annual Meeting to Focus on Bale Moisture Issues

Focusing on a topic that is garnering a lot of attention within the U.S. cotton industry, the Plains Ginners Association plans to emphasize the important role gins play in maintaining the region's reputation for high quality and dependability during the organization's 2006 Annual Meeting.

The Plains Ginners meeting will be held Tuesday, August 29th, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Cagle Steaks in Lubbock.

Specifically, Plains Ginners officials will focus their attention on the practice of adding moisture to cotton prior to baling and the responsibility that ginners have to their producer customers to ensure it is done responsibly.

Scheduled speakers include Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. President Mike Hughes; Dr. Jeff Johnson, Texas Tech University CASNR Agricultural Economics; DR. Jackie Smith, TCE Economist; and Craig Brown, Vice President of Producer Relations for the National Cotton Council of America.

The main agenda item, however, will be a panel and discussion session on bale packaging focused primarily on the moisture issue that will include views from a cross section of the cotton industry.

Scheduled panel participants include: Dr. Bill Norman, Executive Vice President of the National Cotton Ginners Association; Manfred Schiefer, President of the American Cotton Shippers Association; Dr. S. E. (Ed) Hughes, Research Leader, S.W. Cotton Gin Research Lab, Mesilla Park, NM; Darryl W. Earnest, Deputy Administrator, USDA, AMS Cotton Program, Washington, D.C.; Bill Brown, Inman Mills, Inman, SC; and Barry Evans, Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., of Kress, Texas.

HB 3 Revises Texas Franchise Tax Rules

Ever since the Texas Legislature passed House Bill (HB) 3, the question on the minds of many Texas business owners has been how the changes would affect their operations. The good news about the changes is that there appears to be plenty of time for everyone to find out how the new rules will affect them.

It turns out that, while the new state franchise tax rules will impact a significantly broader array of Texas businesses, there is plenty of time for everyone to find out exactly where they fit into the new tax code. Changes approved in HB 3 will go into effect for franchise tax reports originally due on or after January 1, 2008.

Many of the regulations to implement the new rules are still being developed and the Texas Comptroller's Office has set up an online questionnaire designed to allow Texas business owners an opportunity to express their thoughts about how the tax code will be implemented. The survey can be accessed at: <http://aixtc.tcp.state.tx.us/surveys/hb3/intro.html>

HC 3 amends Texas Tax Code Chapter 171 by changing the tax base, lowering the rate and extending coverage to active businesses receiving state law liability protection.

The revised tax will apply to partnerships (general, limited and

limited liability), corporations, limited liability companies, business trusts, professional associations, business associations, joint ventures and other legal entities with statutory liability protection.

Businesses exempt from the revised tax include: sole proprietorships; general partnerships directly owned by natural persons; entities exempt under Subchapter B of Chapter 171; certain unincorporated passive entities; grantor trust, estates of natural persons and escrows; passive investment partnerships; certain family partnerships; real estate mortgage investment conduits (REMICs) and certain real estate investment trusts (REITs); and certain non-business passive entities.

The revised franchise tax will be calculated based on the tax base of the entity which is defined by the statute as the entity's "Margin." The taxable margin will be the LESSER of three calculations: total revenue minus cost of goods sold; total revenue minus compensation; or total revenue times 70 percent.

Total revenue used to figure the taxable margin of an entity is determined based on federal income tax reporting. The "Cost of Goods Sold" is traditionally defined by the statute; but excludes officer compensation and includes some specific items for certain industries and up to 4 percent of overhead costs.

Taxable entities only selling services are not eligible for the cost of good sold deduction. Motor vehicle and heavy construction equipment rental or leasing entities may use cost of goods sold.

Compensation and benefits that can be used in the calculation include: W-2 wages and cash compensation paid to officers, directors, owners, partners and employees (including owner of partner distributions to natural persons), limited to \$300,000 per person; and benefits provided to all personnel, including workers' compensation, health care and retirement benefits to the extent deductible for federal income tax purposes.

The new tax rate is 0.5 percent for entities primarily engaged in retail and wholesale trades as well as those businesses under Major group 58 of the 1987 SIC code (eating and drinking establishments). The rate is 1 percent for all other taxable entities.

Under the new rules entities with revenues of \$300,000 or less will owe no tax. Taxable entities with tax due of less than \$1,000 will owe no tax as well. All taxable entities, including those that will owe no tax, must fill a tax return.

With almost 18 months before the new tax structure takes effect there is plenty of time to determine exactly how the new rules will impact individual operations.

For additional information about the new rules, Texas business owners are encouraged to email their questions to the State Comptroller's office at margin.tax@cpastate.tx.us

TBWEF Assessment Notice to Arrive Soon

Boll weevil eradication assessment notices were recently mailed to cotton producers in the six eradication zones across Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.'s 41-county area.

The assessments are based on information cotton producers provide the Farm Service Agency when they certify their crops. If growers find an error in the information on their billing, they will need to correct the information at their local FSA office and forward the corrected information to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Payment is due September 29, but a 2 percent discount is available to growers who pay the full assessment by September 14.

In two of the High Plains zones, Northwest Plains and Northern High Plains, growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed and not harvested. In the other four zones, Panhandle; Permian Basin; South High Plains; and Western High Plains, growers who failed acreage prior to the final certification date of July 12 are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed. Producers must certify failed acres with FSA and provide documentation to the foundation.

To aid growers who have been affected by adverse weather conditions, the TBWEF is offering payment extension agreements for producers who accounts are current.

"For those having difficulty paying their assessment, help is available by contacting the assessments department and arranging an extension agreement," said Chief Financial Officer Tina Ballard.

Producers entering into an extension agreement must make a 10 percent down payments, and they will be charged a late fee of 1 percent per month until their accounts are paid. This late fee begins on the date the signed agreement and down payment are received by the Assessments Department. Producers who are delinquent in payment and who do not have an extension agreement are subject to a late fee of 1.5 percent per month.

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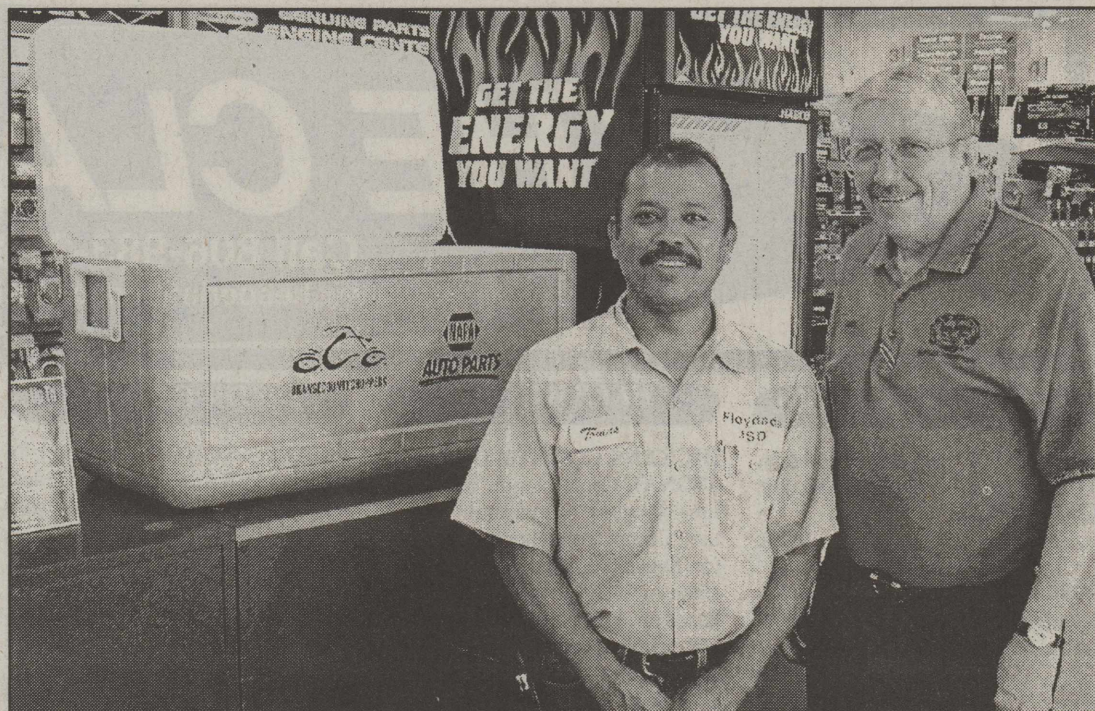
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Staff Photo

Applications for emergency farm loans being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought, high winds and extreme temperatures that occurred on January 1, 2006 and continuing are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) located in Floydada.

Floyd and/or Crosby Counties has been named as primary and/or contiguous counties eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the above disasters.

Farm Loan Manager, Becky V Rainer said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in the agricultural business, whichever

is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan," Rainer said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until April 9, 2007, but farmers should apply as soon

as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Rainer said.

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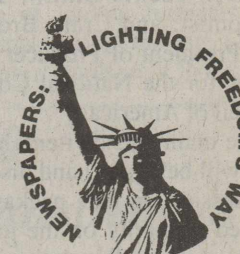
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The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Floydada Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

8-24c

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Bid proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. September 28, 2006. Bid proposals will be opened at 11:00 a.m. on September 29, 2006 at Cogdell Clinic.

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Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of the RENOVATION OF LOCKNEY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, a 10 unit multi-family Housing Project located in Lockney, Texas, funded by Rural Development (USDA), will be received by the Owner, Lockney Housing Authority, at the office of Jones Rowntree Architects, 2734 82nd St., Lubbock, Texas 79423, until 2:00 p.m. (Local Time), Thursday, September 7, 2006 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

Lockney Housing Authority Office, 112 West Locust Street, Lockney, TX. 79241

Jones Rowntree Architects, 2734 82nd St., Lubbock, Texas 79423, (806) 792-0096.

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Call for more details on these houses and the others we have listed!!

Thanks for reading the Hesperian-Beacon

Plainview Area Farmers Market

Each Wednesday and Saturday 7:45 am till we run out.

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FISD approves budget and sets tax rate

By Darwin Robinson
The Floydada ISD Board met Tuesday, April 15, and set the 2006-2007 tax rate at \$1.37 per \$100 valuation and approved a \$10,258,539 budget for this fiscal school year.

The new tax rate passed by a vote of 5-1. Board Member William Dean made the motion and Board Member Amado Morales seconded it. Board Members Dean, Morales, Bart Greer, Lyle Miller and Marty Lucke voted for the motion, while Board Member Kerry Pratt voted against it. Board Member Rachael Castillo was absent.

The \$10,258,539 budget passed by a unanimous vote. The new budget showed \$8,505,512 in the General Fund, \$995,953 in Federal Funds, with Special Revenue Funds at \$757,074.

Board Member Greer stated in the Public Hearing, "I don't want us to raise the tax rate and I want us to pay off our bonds in 11 years."

Superintendent Vaughn responded, "It depends on whether we sell the bonds with an 'early call' feature on them. Our local tax dollars are down this year and we are dropping our tax rate from \$1.50 to \$1.37. Next year our tax rate will be at \$1.00 and we have already cut 8 personnel from our budget this year."

In other matters, Board Member Morales made the motion to approve the resolution for FISD to join the Lone Star Investment Pool. It was seconded by Lucke and members voting for the motion were Morales, Lucke, Dean, and Miller. Voting against the

motion were Greer and Pratt. Pratt told the Hesperian-Beacon, "I voted against joining Lone Star Investment Pool because I believe there could be a risk involved."

The board took no action concerning the taxing of personal property by the Floyd County Appraisal District.

The board unanimously approved the bid of \$1500 by David C. White, Jr. for the purchase of Lot 1, 316 E. Lee, Lots 3-4, 308 E. Lee, Lot 6, 304 E. Lee, Lot 7, 306 E. Lee and Lot 8, 300 E. Lee, all in Blk 37, Original Town.

Business Manager Sharon Rainwater presented to the board the July, 2006 Cash Flow Statement and the Tax Collection Statement. The Tax Collection Statement ending July 31, 2006, showed \$2,102,564.13 collected, which is 96.71 percent.

The Cash Flow Statement showed a Fund Balance of \$5,226,464.22, with the Average Monthly Expenses at \$595,000.

The board set a Public Hearing on September 14, 2006, 6:30 p.m., for Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST).

The board accepted the resignations of Michael Scott, Roijon Adams, and Holly Holmes.

The board employed JoAnn Chavarria at FHS, Jeff Miller at FJHS, Shelly Miller at FJHS, Marisa Barrientos at A.B. Duncan Elementary, Shiloh King at FHS, Monty Teeter at R.C. Andrews Elementary, Noelia Barrientos at R.C. Andrews Elementary, Nora Garza at FJHS and Libby Galvan at R.C. Andrews Elementary.

Superintendent Vaughn gave

his monthly report to the board. Vaughn said, "The Junior High Science complex is going very well. The building is in good shape and we are very pleased with it. There is still slight finishing that needs to be completed, but the supplies were missing. The electricity isn't completely hooked up and there is painting to be done. Site work and fences need to be done."

"All of our District's campuses were rated as Academically Acceptable and there will be a public meeting with Reese Technology Center/Blue Moon on Thursday, August 24, 7 p.m. at the FHS Auditorium," concluded Vaughn.

"Join in the Journey"

Christian Women's Conference

Saturday, October 21, 2006



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Old Fashioned Saturday

Sept. 9th

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.... at the Museum

By Bettye Jackson

At the museum we expect to receive this week the 2006 "Keep Texas Beautiful" keepsake ornament. This is the third in a series designed by Nelda Laney, who husband, Pete Laney, is the former Texas Speaker of the House. These ornaments make wonderful gifts and are certain to please the receiver.

Speaking of gifts, don't forget the museum has a selection of books that would make excellent gifts for the avid non-fiction reader.

After three months of walking and looking through the museum on a daily basis I have learned to appreciate all of our exhibits and the many artifacts that have been given to the museum. I have to confess, I do have some favorites. My number one is the Coronado Exhibit. It is hard to comprehend that the person in the pages of the history books has shown up five hundred years later right here in Floyd County.

Another favorite is the "slide

show". A computer is dedicated to pictures (over 3,000) given to us by all of you and Frank Potts (a board member, volunteer and computer guru) has scanned. All the pictures have been indexed and can be found by name or topic then with a click of a key can be viewed on screen. If you desire and have the time all can be watched as an automatic slide show, but bring your lunch it will take awhile.

This time of year begins a busy time for everyone, with school starting, harvest approaching, not to mention holiday activities to plan, but take a few minutes of "down" time and visit the museum. A leisurely walk through will allow you to visit your roots and appreciate the past.

My question for you this week is "What year did Floydada, Lockney and Floyd County have the largest population?". I'm really waiting for someone to give me the answers.

See youat the museum.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SALARY INCREASE

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County shall exercise its authority provided by VTCA Local Government Code §152.013 at the regular Budget Hearing, August 31, 2006, at 9:00 a.m. to set the salary, expenses and other allowances of Elected County or Precinct Officers. Proposed increased are as follows:

Elected Officials	Salary		
	Present Salary	Proposed Annual Increase	Proposed Salary
County Clerk	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00
District Clerk	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00
Justice of the Peace #1 & 4	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00
Justice of the Peace #2 & 3	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00
County Treasurer	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00
Tax Assessor - Collector	24,093.66	964.34	25,058.00

COMMISSIONERS' COURT, FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Floydada will hold a public meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at the Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2006.

The proposed tax rate is \$.4000 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate would decrease total taxes in the City of Floydada by .51 percent.

Tax Code Section 26.052

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Notice of Public Hearing

The City of Floydada will conduct a public hearing for the 2006/2007 Operating Budget.

The public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at the Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas.

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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County conducted public hearings on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the County of Floyd from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.98% percent on August 18, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. and August 22, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.

The Commissioners' Court of Floyd County is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Thursday, August 31, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. at the Courthouse, Room 106, Floydada, Texas.

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Obituary

LLOYD CLARK NELSON
Lloyd Clark Nelson, 74, life-long resident of Floydada passed from this life on Sunday, August 20, 2006 in Lubbock. Lloyd was born April 14, 1932 in Hugo, OK to Tom and Amanda Pryor Nelson.

Lloyd is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Terry, Leonard and Charles Nelson and two sisters, Katherine Lester and Christine Cowan.

He is survived by one brother, George Nelson of Lubbock; one sister, Irene Reeves of Floydada; numerous nieces and nephews and Fred, his canine companion and best friend.

There will be no services. Cremation is under the personal care of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

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What is Wacky Wednesday?

By Martha Farris

Beginning on Wednesday, September 6, boy and girls, ages Kindergarten through Grade five, will be welcome to come to Floydada's First United Methodist Church to find out what Wacky Wednesday is all about.

This will be a very special event beginning at 3:30 p.m., filled with fun games, music, and a snack-time until 5:00 p.m. every Wednesday. You do not have to be a member of First United Methodist to join in the fun!

Now, you are asking, "How can I get there?" Your parents may bring you; or, if you need a ride, the church will furnish transportation to the fun event at 3:30 from school. What a deal!

For more information, you may contact the church at 983-3706 or Tracy Campbell at 983-5850.

Remember, this is every Wednesday beginning September 6 at First United Methodist Church.

I want everyone to know how much I appreciate and love Dr. Keven Stewart for saving my life on July 22, 2006. I had knee replacement surgery July 6 at Covenant Hospital. Came to Mangold Memorial Hospital on July 13 for therapy. Then on July 22 I lost consciousness at 12:30 p.m. and woke at 6:00 p.m. They told me they were fixing to take me to Lubbock in the helicopter to get a pacemaker. Got that in the Heart Hospital.

Came back to Lockney hospital July 27 for more therapy. Dr. Stewart told me I had no pulse or heart beat when he got to me. I can't thank him enough.

Also I want to thank all the nurses who were real good to me and helped Dr. Stewart. Thanks also to Dr. Gary Mangold, Dr. Kevin Stennett and Dr. Sharie A. Moore.

Thanks also to the therapist, Amy and Chrystal, who are still helping me.

God bless each of you,
Marjorie and Mel Holcomb



FOR HIM--Templo Getsemani's Sign Language team "For Him" recently competed at the National Fine Arts Festival held in Orlando, Florida during the week of 7th - 11th of August. They recieved a Superior Rating during these competitions. Among seventy-eight teams that participated in this catagory, For Him was one of fifteen that recieved this rating. Only four other teams recieved a higher score of Superior with Honors. The team members are: (Back Row L-R) Leslie Alvarado, Alyssa Gonzales, Adriana De lafuente, Adriana De La Cerda, Yelitza Serrato, and in front is Youth Pastor Irma Gonzales. The team says thanks to their church and everyone for their prayers, and finacial contributions that made it possible for them to compete at national's.

1956 Study Club members discuss annual Tater Bake

By Terri Bush

The 1956 Study Club met August 8th in the home of Charlene Hendrix to prepare for the annual "Tater Bake". After a delicious meal, President Jan Willson called the meeting to order and conducted business and discussions for this year's club goals. This year will mark over 20 years of "Tater Bakes" with much hard work and enjoyment. The "Tater Bake" is a major fund raiser for the Study Club. Linda Matsler, "Tater Bake" chairman, organized the details of individual duties to make this another successful event. Members volunteered to prepare the homemade chili, breadsticks, and delicious pies and desserts that make this such a delicious meal. Fourteen members were in attendance.

This year's feast will be Friday, September 1st from 5-7 p.m. at the Floydada Junior High Cafeteria. Baked potatoes with all the trimmings plus salad, breadsticks, and home-made pies are on the menu. A separate take-out line will be available again. The tickets will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Tickets will be available from all Study Club members and also at the door.

The funds collected are redistributed through the community in various ways of service and monetary support. We serve the children, youth and elderly, and each year we sponsor two to four local scholarships for young women attending FHS, to help with college tuition. Our efforts have helped in the building of the Floyd County Friends Unity Center, the Floydada Branch of the Floyd County Library, the Floyd County Veterans Memorial, and the Floydada EMS purchase of ambulances.

Our children and youth have been benefactors of donations to Kids Korner Daycare Center, Floyd County Child Welfare Board, Parent Adolescent Center, Parents Place Family Resource Center, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and 4-H. Tiger League, PIP, and the Floydada Baseball Association and school projects such as Accelerated Reading, Drama Dept., National Honor Society, Library Fund, Foreign Exchange students, and Teacher Appreciation Funds have all benefitted from Study Club support.

We have worked side by side with the Chamber of Commerce and Pioneer Association at Pumpkin Days and Old Settlers, and donated to the Chamber of Commerce Beautification Project, the Floyd County Museum, and another Study Club's Walking Path project. We have given clothing, toiletries, food, as well as monetary support to the Spirit of Sharing and Reflections of Love organizations and to the Floydada Senior Citizens Center.

The national organizations, American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, American Heart Association, The Make-A-Wish Foundation, Girlstown, Boys Ranch, and Mental Health/Mental Retardation also receive support from funds raised and member participation. We continue to support the community and look forward to many more opportunities to help through love, hard work, and many potatoes!

Next month's meeting will be at the home of Linda Harbin, 1232 South Ralls Highway on September 12 at 7:00 p.m. The 1956 Study Club will celebrate its 50 year anniversary. All Charter and past members are invited to attend.

THIS WEEK'S

LONGHORN BOOSTER CLUB MEETING

The Lockney Athletic Booster Club will hold a meeting on Monday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Longhorn Gym. LHS Cheerleaders will be serving a meal at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$5.00.

LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL BAND

The Lockney High School Band will be performing their annual March-a-thon on September 9th from 8-12. They will perform for the community around noon for Old Fashioned Saturday. Please come out and let these students know how proud of them you are. If you hear them in your neighborhood go out and wave! 5 miles is a long way.

LISD FOOTBALL PARKING SPACES

The parking spaces at the football field should be paid for by August 30th. The price is \$50.

FLOYD COUNTY 4-H FUN/RECRUITMENT NIGHT

Come learn more about what 4-H has to offer on Tuesday, August 29th at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. Time: 5:30 - FREE MEAL, 6:15 - Program Presentations; 7:00 - Games/Recreation; 7:30 - Conclude

A subscription to this newspaper is the gift that gives every week!

Pray for rain!

Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Jay Simpson, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL
Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
West College & Third, Lockney
Steve McLean -Minister
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ken Free- Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Anthony D. Sisemore, Pastor
Bill Swinney, Minister of Ed./Music
Eric Kaiser - Min. Students
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney
Carl Moman, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min..
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth).....7:15 pm

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor
Early Worship8:30 am.
Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....5:00p.m.
Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m

American State Bank
Member FDIC
217 W. California
983-3725

Barwise Gin
Barwise Community
983-2737

City Auto Buick, Pontiac, GMC
201 E. Missouri
Floydada
983-3767

Clark Pharmacy
320 N. Main - Lockney
652-3353

Davis Lumber
102 E. Shubert
Lockney
6523385

Garcia's OK Tire Store
306 S. Main - Floydada - 983-3370
511 1st Olton, TX 2657796

Lighthouse Electric Coop
102 E. California
983-3524

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Brian Adams
Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m..
Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m..
Evening Service 6:00 p.m..
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m..
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study .. 7:00 p.m.

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise..11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services .. 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m

Goen & Goen Insurance
102 E. California
983-3524

Lockney Co-op Gin
652-3377

Lockney Ins. Agency
105 N. Main
652-3347

Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home
329 W. Calif. Floydada 983-2525
402 S. Main Lockney 652-2211

Oden Chevrolet-Olds
221 S. Main, Floydada
983-3787

Payne Family Pharmacy
200 S. Main, Floydada
983-5111

Pay-n-Save
210 N. Main
Lockney
652-2293

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Floydada
Rev. Lupe Rando
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship . 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening 7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH
Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD
701 W. Missouri
Rev. Ray Gonzales
983-5286 (church)
983-3047 (parsonage)
Sunday School 9: 45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
EveningService 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM
Lockney
Pedro Reyes, Pastor
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 p.m.
Worship Service .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Washington and 1st St.
Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA
Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service ... 7:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY
500 W. Houston
Floydada
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Providence Community on FM 2301 293-3009
Rev. Burnell Lund, 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.

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