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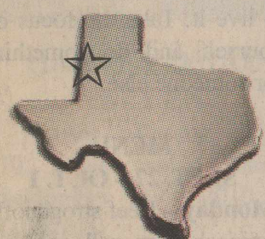
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Courtesy Photo

DR. RANDALL G. GRIFFIN'S NEW dental office in Floydada celebrated its recent opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony sponsored by the Floydada Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Griffin has returned to Floydada to re-establish his dental practice after a five-year active duty tour with the United States Air Force. "I've always wanted to practice in a new, state-of-the-art facility, and now it's finally happened. It feels great to be back in Floyd County!" The office is located at 508 South 2nd Street. Office hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For an appointment call 806-983-2100. Participating in the ribbon cutting were (l-r) Floydada Mayor Bobby Gilliland, Mary Sanders, Gayla, Randall, Rachel, Hannah and Emily Griffin, and Floydada Chamber of Commerce President, Justin Payne.

23rd Annual Punkin Day Celebration is Two Weeks Away

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is currently in the process of planning the 23rd Annual Punkin Day Celebration which is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 9 on the courthouse lawn.

Registration for the 5K and Fun Run will begin at 7 a.m. There will be an arts and crafts show which is scheduled to start at 9 a.m. and food vendors will be on

PUNKIN

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Courtesy Photo

Gayla Griffin displays the print "Quilts" by renowned artist, Kenneth Wyatt. Mr. Wyatt, of Tulia, Texas, is widely known for his Western heritage art and his works on the Apostle paintings. Mr. Wyatt donated this print to the Join in the Journey Women's Christian Conference for 2010. The print will be awarded in a drawing at the conference on October 2 at the Unity Center. For a chance to win the print or other prizes, you must be present at the conference at the time of the drawing. Also to be given in the drawing are an American Eagle Silver Dollar from First National Bank of Floydada and a \$100 gift certificate from Kristi's of Plainview."

Football Contest Standings

(Number of games won/ total number of games)

1. Coy LaBaume - 24/29
2. Vera Jo Bybee-21/29
2. Pam Fulton-21/29
2. Brent Sanders -21/29
2. Boyd Lee-21/29
2. Max Yeary - 21/29
3. Lanny Barnett -20/29
3. Franklin Harris -20/29
3. Imelda Resendiz -20/29
4. Ricky Ascencio-19/29
4. Quality Body Shop -19/29
4. Keith Marricle-19/29
4. Jared Lambert-19/29
4. Chris Fulton-19/29
4. Martin Ramirez -19/29
4. Joe Guerrero-19/29
5. Jane Pruitt -18/29
6. Jack Covington-16/29

County Commissioners' Court discuss bills, work with FEMA

By Homer Marquez
Reporter

Floyd County Commissioners convened last Monday, Sept. 13 for their monthly commissioners' court meeting. Leading off the agenda was the issue pertaining to the disconnection of Lockney's Justice of the Peace's telephone service. As of last week, the Lockney

Justice of the Peace had been without a phone for a little under three months, making it extremely difficult for the Lockney court to conduct affairs. Commissioners deliberated this past week to try to reach a resolution.

Commissioner, Linden Morris, opened up discussion

FEMA

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Lockney School Board discusses construction, and student code

By Homer Marquez
Reporter

Trustees for the Lockney Independent School District met last week for their September school board meeting. After members approved the payment of school bills and a report was given by Superintendent, Phil Cotham on the school's stable finances, Curriculum Director, Marva Rasco informed the board on the present success of Equine Essentials. Equine Essentials is a new classroom management system that is being adopted by many teachers in the Lockney school district. Created

by Sammye Henderson, a teacher out of Canyon, Texas, Equine Essentials combines unique training techniques with common sense tactics as a way to reduce the causes of wasted instructional time. Mrs. Rasco gave a number of testimonials from Lockney teachers and students that praised the effectiveness of Equine Essentials.

Shortly after, the board discussed the progress of the construction to the high school. Phil Cotham, who had spoken with the architects prior to the meeting, informed

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Photo by Homer Marquez

Kaileigh Cook, of Lockney, races towards the finish line as she competes at this year's Kids Rodeo. Kids from ages 3-10 raced stick horses this past Saturday during the Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair. Winners of the rodeo were awarded medals and ribbons.

Fun under the sun at the Fair

By Homer Marquez
Reporter

The return of the Floyd and Surrounding Counties Fair proved to be a great success this past weekend. After months of preparation and cleaning, the hard work of the Fair board and volunteers paid off as fair-goers enjoyed four days of fun in the sun.

The fair jumped back in the saddle Thursday, as entries filed through the door with the hopes of taking home a blue ribbon; contests where held in a number of different categories including: arts and crafts, photography, painting, culinary, jewelry making,

FAIR

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VJ News

By Vera Jo Bybee

Everyone that I talked to about The Floyd Co. Fair said it was a great success. I know it was a lot of work because I've been there and done that. Back in those days there was also a rodeo arena behind the fair ground. My, my what great memories. I really did enjoy sitting on my porch watching the parade. If I were judging the floats I would give first place to Yunis Tex-Mex Restaurant.

My friend Ann Ford came by and gave me some news. She said, "There are still some honest caring people in Lockney." I quote Ann who says, "Thank you, Thank you to the one who found my nearly full lawn mower 5 gallon gas can at Lockney Coop Fuel. I filled the can and drove off and left it sitting there by the gas pump. Whoever came by for gas after I left took the can out of the drive and put it by the pump out of the way where I found it two hours after I left it there. After I got home and went to mow the grass I realized where my gas can was. I hurried back to town never dreaming the gas can would be there still full." Ann says "This Senior appreciates your kindness very much, how great to live in Floyd

County."

A reception was held Saturday afternoon honoring W.L. and Clementine Carthel at the Lockney Recreation Center (former Legion building). They celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary July 11. On July 1, Clementine celebrated her 84th birthday. On Dec 24 Levirn will celebrate his 90th birthday. Also everyone who attended the party Saturday got to visit with their children and grandchildren; especially, their son Wayland who has been here visiting his parents and siblings for a while.

Renee said Jimmy Wiggington has reserved the Center Friday and Saturday for the 1975 Lockney class reunion. Renee also wants to thank the Bill Hunters for the delicious apples. She wants to remind everyone who is going to eat lunch at the Center to be sure to call in your reservation by no later than 9:30. a.m.

The Baptist Church Informer printed a letter from Mildred Reagan who fell back in August injuring her hip but did not have any broken bones and is doing much better now but is still on a walker and has a long way to go she said. Rudy Zachary is now at home after being in the Lubbock Heart

Hospital. He did not have to have heart surgery except having flood drained. Mary Jean Moore is recuperating at home from having breast surgery, the Informer said.

The Methodist Spirit weekly paper printed that Ronnie Thornton is recuperating at home after having a couple of stints put in his heart. I talked to Ronnie's sister Kathy about Ronnie and she said she was doing fine but is looking to have more heart surgery.

Our preacher Ricky Carstensen had foot surgery in Amarillo. It was one-day surgery so Ricky is at home recuperating. Please keep all these people on your prayer list.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Wiggington family on the death of Ruby Carrell Wiggington who passed away July 8th at Belton. Ruby was a nurse in the Lockney Hospital. There will be a memorial service in the Lockney Cemetery at a later date.

MENU
Sept. 27 – Oct 1
Monday – Beans and cornbread
Tuesday – Hamburgers
Wednesday – Steak fingers
Thursday – Tacos
Friday – Meatloaf

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573. We are located at 301 E. Georgia. We do not have a mailbox at the Center. Please send all correspondence to P.O. Box 573.

If you are 60 years or older come join us. Meet new people or visit your friends while you eat lunch.

October 8th – Flu shots will be given. Please bring your Medicare card or cash. The time will be Friday, October 8th at 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. No appointment necessary.

Friday, September 17th Bob Goodnight of San Jose, California, and his niece, Sandy Ducato of Prunedale, California (Monterey Bay area) ate lunch at the Center. Bob enjoyed seeing friends. They are spending several weeks traveling across the country visiting relatives and friends and enjoying the drive. They also attended the First Baptist Church here in Floydada Sunday morning, September 19th.

Thankyouforremembering

the Center when you need to make a memorial donation.

In memory of Jackie Duke – Louis and Ferne Anderson, Larry and Nancy Kirk, Monte and Kellie Williams, Joy Smitherman, Judy Dunlap, S. C. and Lou Burleson, Wanda Davenport, Brenda Agee, Linda Self, Cindy Beck, Billy Duke, Robert Goodnight.

In memory of Bob Lotspeich – Larry and Nancy Kirk, Judy Dunlap, Sandra Forehand, Lovene Moore, Mac and Charlene Smitherman, John and Carolyn Redding.

In memory of Jean Hale – Bill and Norma Feuerbacher, Lovene Moore.

In memory of Margaret Jackson – Joy Smitherman, Jane Pruitt, Mac and Charlene Smitherman.

In memory of Bill Daniel – Lovene Moore.

In memory of Verna Lynn Stewart – Shorty Turner, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Graham, First National Bank of Floydada, Louis and Janice Lloyd, The

Ginn Family, Lovene Moore, Jerry and Winola Galloway, Kelly Chadwick, Mary L. Lee, J. W. and Dolores Cannon, Harold and Vivian Snell, Robert Goodnight, Bill and Norma Feuerbacher.

Thought for the Week – If you don't like the way your life looks, change the way you look at it, you will find contentment that had been missing from your life – and the inspiration for how to live it. Take the focus off yourself and do something for someone else.

MENU
SEPT. 27 – OCT. 1
Monday – Beef stroganoff, spinach, corn, roll, cookies
Tuesday – Chef salad, pimento cheese sandwich, carrots, banana pudding
Wednesday – Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, cobbler
Thursday – Turkey pot pie, salad, roll, cherry crisp
Friday – Pork stew, pinto beans, cornbread, blueberry muffins

From the archives...

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

From The Floyd County Hesperian July 3, 1942

CANNING PLANT TO OPEN MONDAY

Mrs. T. L. Griffith Will Again Supervise Operation of Plant

The county sponsored canning plant located in the old South Plains Lumber Co., yard here will open Monday morning, July 6th, according to announcement by county officials. Mrs. T. L. Griffith, who supervised the operation of the plant last year, will again be supervisor.

The plant will be operated under different arrangements this year, Mrs. Griffith said. The county will pay the supervisor's salary, rent on the building and the utilities but the consumer must furnish their own containers this year. Working percent will be some different also. This year the person who furnishes the products and leave them to be canned by the employees of the plant will receive 60 percent of the cans, Mrs. Griffith stated, but those who furnish the products and did their own work would receive all of their cans.

County officials felt that since it is necessary that the nation conserve food that the canning plant should be operated. They urge that the people of this section conserve and can all the food possible, taking advantage of this plant. Mrs. Griffith said the plant canned 60,000 cans last year.

Contrary to reports it is possible for the individual to buy tin cans for canning purposes, Mrs. Griffith reported, and she also said that as far as she knew there was no restrictions on the number of cans an individual could obtain for personal use.

Following are a number of rules which will govern the operation of the plant:

1. The opening time shall be 8:00 o'clock.
2. The canning center shall be used by Floyd County people only.
3. Only perishable fruits and vegetables will be canned. No Irish potatoes will be canned.
4. Persons who bring fruit and vegetables to the plant to be canned and do not expect to do any work themselves receive 60% of the food canned.
5. Everybody shall furnish his own containers.
6. Any person or family

who wants to bring their fruits and vegetables and do the work themselves may do so and receive 100% of the cans.

7. Appointments for having food canned or for the canning of food shall be made ahead of time.

8. Women who work at the plant shall receive 40% of food canned but shall furnish their own containers.

9. The regulations for workmen shall be the same as last year.

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

From The Lockney Beacon June 9, 1944

LOCAL CANNERY NOW IN FULL OPERATION

The local government-sponsored cannery is now running full blast according a statement this week by Mrs. Sallie Griffith, instructor. The cannery opened for the summer session last Monday, June 5th.

The rooms where the cannery is housed, in the City Auditorium, have been repainted and new linoleum put down recently Mrs. Griffith said. A quantity of new machinery has been received and installed since last season and the plant will be able to handle the products faster and more efficiently this year, it was stated.

This plant canned approximately 80,00 cans of fruits, vegetables and meats during last season, extending from June, 1943 until February, 1944, Mrs. Griffith said. This was more than any other similar plant in the United States produced.

There is absolutely no charge for the use of the machinery or fuel if an individual comes and does

Museum News

By Dorothy Turner

Fall has arrived at the museum with a new exhibit entitled "Canning Time". Carol Hopkins painted and donated to the museum a painting of jars of fruits and vegetables that portrays many hours of work.

Along with the painting,

the display has all the other necessary items to use for the preservation of foods. This brings back memories to most Senior Citizens and is a topic of conversation for the younger group.

October 9 is Punkin Day and the museum will be open

for visitation and the usual exciting Rope Making activity for the kids. Stop by, see all your friends, and check out our new things.

We have had a busy and hot and wet summer and are excited about the weeks ahead.

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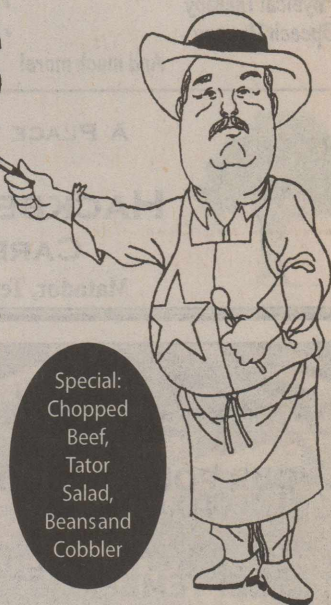


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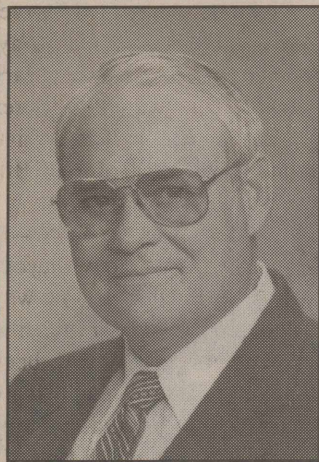
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HARVEY DWAIN ALLEN

Harvey Dwain Allen, 70, passed away Sunday, September 19, 2010 in Lubbock.

Memorial services were held Tuesday, September 21, 2010 at 11:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church with Vernon Baker and Tim Franks officiating. A private burial was held at 10 a.m. at the Floydada Cemetery with Masonic Rites under

the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

Harvey was born November 30, 1939 to Vander Allen and Ocie Bell (Childs) Allen in Floydada. He graduated from Floydada in 1959 and attended West Texas State in Canyon.

Harvey married Winona Lee (Hatley) Jackson on May 14, 1989 in Floydada and later moved to Lubbock on October 1, 2001. Harvey retired in February 2001 after 35+ years as a warehouse supervisor and purchasing agent for Lighthouse Electric Cooperative in Floydada. He was a 32nd degree Mason and was a member of the Floydada Lodge 712, Wolfforth Lodge 1447, Plainview Commandry of York Rite Masonry and the Lubbock Scottish Rite. Harvey served on the Floydada School Board for 12 years. He was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Floydada.

He is preceded in death by

his parents, Vander Allen and Ocie Bell (Childs) Allen.

Harvey is survived by his wife, Winona; two sons, Mike Allen and wife, Julia of Tahoka, and Norman Allen and wife, Kelly of Ransom Canyon; two step-daughters, Brenda Whitten and husband, Randy of Salado, and Jeannie Young and husband, David of Shallowater; nine grandchildren, Courtney Allen, Macey Allen, Lexie Allen, Sterling Allen, Axie Allen, Bryce Bowley, Lindsey Zea, Kade Young, Brogan Young; and a sister, Juanema Christensen of Lubbock.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in **Harvey Allen's** name to the **Texas Boys Ranch**, PO Box 5665, Lubbock, TX 79408 or the **Scottish Rite Hospital**, 2222 Welborn St., Dallas, TX 75219.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

THIS WEEK'S

PUNKIN' DAY CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend Punkin Days on Saturday, October 9th. For info call Gina at 806-983-9646, Charla McHam 806-549-1739 or join them on Facebook.

"JOIN IN THE JOURNEY" WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

Get your tickets now. The "Join in the Journey" Women's Christian Conference will be held Saturday, October 2nd at the Unity Center. Call Connie Johnson - 983-3441 or Kay Martin 652-3386 or email Connie at connie@joininthejourneyconference.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Grief Share Grief Support Group Mondays at 6:30 p.m. Call 983-3172 for more information.

WHIRLWIND BOOSTER CLUB MEETINGS

The Whirlwind Booster Club is meeting each Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Everyone is encouraged to come and show your support for all the athletes!

LOCKNEY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The Lockney National Honor Society will be painting Longhorns on driveways for \$25. If you would like one contact any of the members of call Julie Ellison at the high school, 652-3325.

THE CAPROCK HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

The Caprock Hospital Board of Directors holds their monthly meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The meeting is held at the Cogdell Clinic at 7 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

The Floyd County Commissioners' Court holds their monthly meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month. The meeting starts at 8 a.m. and is held in the County Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse. Everyone is welcome.

Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

When planning to come to the Punkin' Days celebration on October 9th, don't forget to come by the library for the Friends of the Library book sale.

We will be open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. and will have

a nice selection of books for you to choose from. You can stock up with books to read this fall and winter.

If you have books at home that you have read and would donate to the library for our sale, we would be very happy to get them. Just bring them

by the library any day or if you can't get them to us, just call the library and one of the Friends members will be happy to pick them up.

We are looking forward to seeing you Punkin' Days at the Friends of the Library book sale.

Angel Food Ministry now accepting food stamps

If you are a recipient of Food Stamps, it is now possible to order food through the Angel Food Program in Floydada.

Angel Food Ministry is a way to buy food cheaper. There are several different boxes to choose from dependent upon your personal need. You need only buy what meets your need.

The program is for anyone who can pay for it or otherwise use food stamps. Menus with order forms are available at: First Baptist Church or the WIC office. In order to process your food orders, you may go to the WIC office who is handling this convenience for you. If you are not using Food

Stamps you may purchase by paying with exact change or money orders. No checks accepted. All orders are taken to First Baptist Church or will be picked up at the

WIC office.

For more information contact Jean Appling, 806-697-2648 or First Baptist Church at 806-983-3755.

We are so proud to be a part of a community that takes care of its own. That is what the Floydada community has done the past several months that Verna Lynne has been ill.

You have shown your love for her and her family by many acts of kindness. You have said prayers, made calls, sent food, sent flowers, sent cards, came by. All these things have blessed our hearts.

We wish to give special thanks to: Dr. Salman Ahmad and the staff at Cogdell Clinic, Interim Hospice Care and Shepherd's Meadow.

*L. B. Stewart
Juanita and Ronny Williamson & Family
Jo Anne and Hugh Peek & Family*

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers,
If so, we saw them there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thought of us today.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much, whatever the part.*

*With special thanks to:
"The Girls" at Shepherd's Meadow,
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and Hospice Hands of West Texas.*

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Floyd County Church Directory

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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

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Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL

Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

West College & Third,
Lockney
Steve McLean -Minister
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship5:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Levi Sisemore, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Beau Stringer, Minister of Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Lockney
John Franklin, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min..
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday6:30 p.m.

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Floydada
Rev. Les Hall, Pastor
Early Worship8:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday)5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday) ..7:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service6:00 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 School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Service7:30 p.m.
Tuesday8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney
Jay Don Poindexter, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wednesday7:30 p.m.

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Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
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Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ...7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST

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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.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.
Wednesday7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada
Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:55 a.m.
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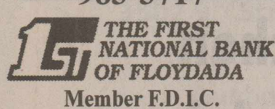
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Injuries continue to wear on the Longhorns

By Homer Marquez

The Lockney Longhorns weren't able to hinder Tahoka's homecoming celebrations as they ended up falling to the Bulldogs 34-14. Injuries continue to wear on the Longhorns. With six hurt players on the sideline, the Longhorns were no match for Tahoka's defense in the first half. Lockney's would allow 34 unanswered points before the end of the half.

In the second half the Longhorns would start to come alive, especially after a 40 plus yard touchdown catch from sophomore, Maison Ragland, but the rally would come up short as they ended up losing their third consecutive game. This week the Longhorns will continue to shuffle around players and fill in empty spots as they prepare to host the Olton Mustangs.



Photo by R.K. Hunt Photography

Lockney's Dylan Aufill (52) proves that it's hard to escape a Longhorn. The Longhorns would go on to shut out the Mustangs in the second half of last week's game.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU Sept 27 – Oct. 1

Monday

Breakfast- Waffle or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Burrito, Spanish rice, tossed salad, fruit choice, sugar cookie, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Oatmeal or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Barbequed chicken, mac and cheese, tossed salad, chilled pears, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast- Eggs/Sausage or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Steak fingers, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, hot roll, frozen cherry bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast- Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Fajita chicken over rice, broccoli & cheese, seasoned corn, French bread stick, apricot fruit fluff, milk

Friday

Breakfast- Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch- Pizza or ham/cheese salad, salad, fruit, milk

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Photo by R.K. Hunt Photography

Longhorns Austin McAnally (1) and Renee Cruz (21) resemble superheroes as they dodge and evade the Tahoka Bulldogs during last week's game. This week the Longhorns will host the Olton Mustangs at Mitchell Zimmerman Field.

WTAMU awards diplomas to summer graduates

Degrees were officially conferred on 293 West Texas A&M University students during summer commencement exercises

Aug. 6 at the First United Bank Center. The University awarded 208 baccalaureate degrees and 85 masters' degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords. The three levels of honor recognition are Summa Cum Laude (3.90-4.00), Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.89) and Cum Laude (3.50-3.74). The WTAMU Class of 2010 included ten graduates with

See GRADS on page 9



Courtesy Photo

The Floyd County 4-H Clubs are organizing a community service event to promote the importance of recycling. The community service project chosen by Floyd County 4-H members is "The National Crayon Recycle Program". The National Recycling Program has prevented over 56,000 lbs of unwanted crayons from going into landfills across the country. More than 120,000 lbs of crayons are being made EVERY DAY in the US. That equals 60 tons of crayons. Crayons are made from non-renewable petroleum-based products. The 4-H Clubs Crayon Recycling Program coincides with the Texas "one day 4-H" community service event. From now until October 9th, we will be collecting as many crayons as possible. So please, find all the unwanted, rejected, and broken crayons you have so they can be taken to a better place. Like new crayons will be donated to family shelters or community art programs. Pieces will be recycled into fresh, new crayons! Drop off boxes are being provided by the Floyd County 4-H and have been placed around Lockney & Floydada. For more information check out this website -www.crazycrayons.com/recycle_program or call Beth Bramlet 652-2322. Floyd County 4-H'ers and You can help make a difference one crayon at a time! Reduce-Reuse-Recycle-one day 4-H.

Lockney JV Wins Weather Shortened Game

The Lockney JV hosted the Tahoka Bulldogs Thursday night that ended at halftime due to weather. The Longhorn defense kept the Tahoka offense out of the endzone while Lockney scored on a 25 yard pass, from Ky Teeter to Andrew Hooten, for the lone score of the game. The Longhorns failed on the 2-pt. conversion. The touchdown came before half and that is when Mother Nature took over. Lightning kept the game from continuing and the victory went to the Longhorns 6-0.

Lockney will travel to Olton to take on the Mustangs on Thursday night at 6:30.



4-H member Jake Moore (right) and Speckles received their Canine Good Citizen Award during the Responsible Dog Ownership Day at the Floyd County Unity Center.

This program recognizes dogs who have good manners at home and in the community and is nationally recognized. Dogs passing the 10-step test receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club. Also pictured is C. J. Jacobs, (left) the Dog Project leader.

7TH Grade Longhorns win again

By Coach Browne

The Lockney Longhorn 7th grade football team added another win to the record book on Thursday beating the Tahoka Bulldogs 20-0. The Longhorns are now 2-0 on the season and playing really

See 7TH GRADE on page 9



Photo by Homer Marquez

Mary Sammann makes her way past a Petersburg runner during Sept. 4 Plainview Cross County meet. Marcos Bernal finished 21st respectively for the boys and Devin Caballero finished 12th for the girls.

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Post	0	6	7	0 - 13
Floydada	0	18	0	16 - 34
Second Quarter				
Pos - Vance Blair 3 run. (Kick failed.) 10:37				
Flo - Troy Morales 5 run. (Kick failed.) 5:53				
Flo - Bryson Sessions 62 run. (Pass failed.) 1:42				
Flo - John Yannis 5 run. (Pass failed.) :22				
Third Quarter				
Pos - Chase Greathouse 15 run. (Dale Diaz kick.) 7:40				
Fourth Quarter				
Flo - Rex Mathis 61 run. (Yannis run.) 11:43				
Flo - Sessions 23 run. (Yannis run.) 4:42				
TEAM STATISTICS				
	POS		FLO	
First Downs	11		11	
Total Net Yards	169		308	
Rushes-yards	39-124		34-284	
Passing yards	45		24	
Comp-att-int	4-13-2		2-6-0	
Punts-avg	3-25		3-33	
Fumbles-lost	2-2		2-2	
Penalties-yards	3-26		1-5	

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Photo Courtesy of Jim Covington
Whirlwind running back, Bryson Sessions, (3) runs 23 yards for his second touchdown of the night. Sessions ended the night with 9 carries for 121 yards. Floydada will be looking to bring the same explosiveness this week as they travel to play their first district game against Spearman.



Photo Courtesy of Jim Covington
Floydada's Xavier Cervera (43) was able to catch a crucial interception during last week's game against Post. The pick off would help the Whirlwinds blow right past the Antelopes by a score of 34-13.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK AT DUNCAN ELEMENTARY for September 13 were (back row, l-r) Jaquorien Sweat, Margarita Deleon, Damaris Mendoza; (front row, l-r) Skylar Eckerberger, Megan Zuniga, and Azalea Garza. Not pictured: Faith Reyes.

The Whirlwinds blow right past the Antelopes

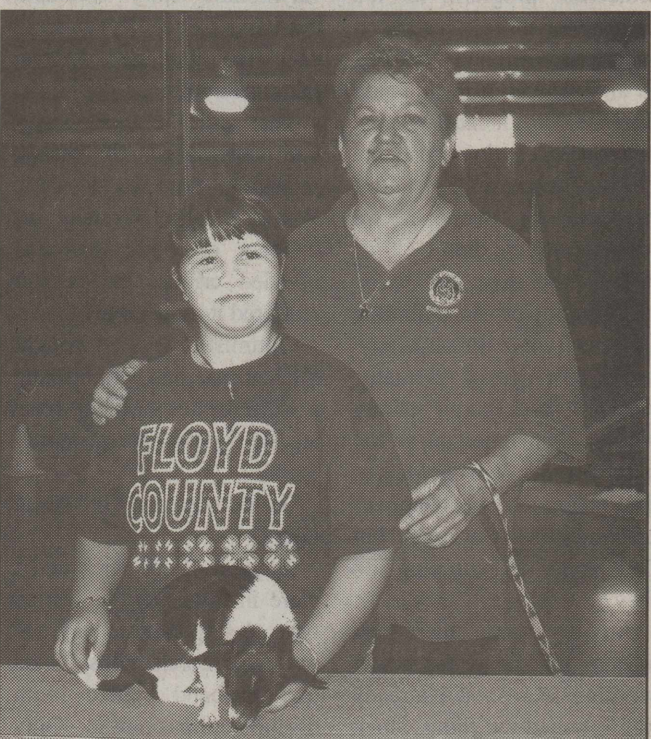
By Homer Marquez Reporter
The Floydada Whirlwinds were able to get back to their winning ways last Friday as they went on to crush Post by a score of 34-13. Floydada quarterback, John Yannis, was ecstatic over the Whirlwind win, "It feels great...we worked hard and came out to win, we got go get something next week."
Both defenses came out swinging in the early part of the game; both teams were able to produce big hits and crucial stops in the first quarter. Offensively, both Floydada and Post had trouble capitalizing on opportunities in the first quarter.
In the second quarter, the Antelopes would be the first ones to light up the score board with a 10 yard touchdown run from Post running back, Vance Blair. A blocked field goal courtesy of Bryson Sessions would put the Antelopes up by 6. A few plays later in the second quarter, Floydada's Jordan Woody, would recover a fumbled punt to Post at the 29 yard line. Not wanting to miss this opportunity, Floydada did what they do best and drove the ball deep
See WINDS on page 9

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU Sept. 27 – Oct. 1

Monday Breakfast -French toast, or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch - Hot dog with chili, oven fried potatoes, apple & orange smiles, sherbet cup, milk Tuesday Breakfast - Sausage, toast/jelly, or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch -Enchiladas, pinto beans, tossed salad, Rosie applesauce, milk Wednesday Breakfast -Waffles with syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch -Teriyaki chicken, rice pilaf, English peas, pineapple tidbits, hot roll, milk Thursday Breakfast - Breakfast sausage, roll or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch -Taco salad, pinto beans, fruited gelatin, brownie, milk	Friday Breakfast -Scrambled eggs, toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch -Hamburger, lettuce, tomato & pickles, baked chips, baby carrots w/ranch, crispy cereal treat, milk
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Courtesy Photo
DUNCAN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE WEEK for September 20 were (back row, l-r) Jarrah Gonzales, Emily Cisneros, Allison Muniz, Maria Sanchez; (front row, l-r) Francis Riojas, Ryan Perez and Jaylen James.



Courtesy Photo
4-H member Catharine Kemp (left) and Skipper received their Canine Good Citizen Award during the Responsible Dog Ownership Day on Saturday, September 11, 2010. The Responsible Dog Ownership Day was sponsored by the Floyd County 4-H Waggers and Droolers dog project. Also pictured is C. J. Jacobs (right), the Dog Project leader.

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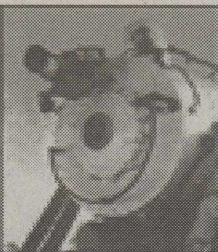
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The 501

by
Hanaba Munn Welch



"You hold the pipe wrench; I'll turn the stove."

You don't hear that everyday. Call it creative plumbing. Anyway, it worked.

The setting? My friend Terri and I were fixing up our extra farmhouse to make it habitable. She's already living in it, but habitable is the goal. She's in a witness protection program, so it's the perfect place. Her friend Rick was alternately helping us and observing from a safe distance. He's a cautious guy. My equally cautious husband, Hugh, was at a safer distance, reachable by phone if we needed him. We didn't.

Rick was supposed to be on the tractor. A hydraulic leak cast him in the plumbers' helper role instead. Actually, we all took turns taking orders. Terri emerged as the natural leader. You could liken the dynamics to what happens on shows like "Survivor," but they don't do plumbing, do they?

Anyway, our chief goal was to get the water heater working. Terri and I already had installed the thing, albeit with a coffee can integral to

the venting system. Vented is vented.

My used appliance friend Raymond had sold me the water heater cheap long ago. He'd assured me then it was practically new. The previous owner had fallen out of sorts with his propane supplier and switched to an electric model instead. The handsome cast-off looked as good as Raymond's story sounded, but looks can deceive, and so can used appliance dealers, but not Raymond.

That said, the water heater had languished for years, including time in a shed. Would it light? Or had dirt daubers' or other gremlins invaded critical places and rendered it inoperable?

Optimistic, I bought kitchen matches. For lighting a water heater, nothing beats an adequate supply of sturdy lucifers.

By the way, don't try this at home.

Anyway, Terri, Rick and I were in town for the second time to buy stuff to upgrade our gas connections when my husband called with disappointing news. Only days before, a Salvation

Army harvest gold toilet had been for sale in Abilene for ten dollars. In hindsight I should have bought it myself. Although not accustomed to dealing in used porcelain, Hugh acknowledged that the period toilet with its sizable tank was a bargain. But when he went to pick it up, someone else had already snatched it up. Alas.

So, before returning to the country, we three would-be plumbers went cruising for a toilet to replace the one that got away. At a wholesale plumbing concern, customers gave us leads on toilets - two near the cemetery and one close to an Allsup's store. You gotta love folks who keep an eye out for used toilets.

Space doesn't permit me to describe the ensuing adventures, especially the scenario at the cemetery. Maybe another time.

The water heater? Many spent matches lay on the floor when the pilot light finally caught nicely close to midnight. On cue, the big burner whooshed on too. Yes!

Thanks, Raymond. I always wanted to believe that story.

Area producers toured farms during annual Ag Tour, Sept. 14

By Melissa Long
CEA-FCS,
Floyd County

The Floyd County Ag and Natural Resource Committee along with Texas AgriLife Extension Service hosted the annual Ag Tour on Tuesday, September 14 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center.

Area producers toured the Zach Nutt farm with a presentation by Dr. Randy Boman on Variety Test Plots Under Drip Irrigation. The next stop was on the Lyle Miller farm with a presentation by Corbin Kellison and Brady Henson on Smart Field/Smart Crop. The last stops were on the farms of Keith Phillips and Ronnie Aston. Rick Kellison presented information on Soil Moisture Monitoring Equipment using Evapotranspiration.

A presentation on Rural Economic Development was given during the lunch by Nancy Cordero, Rural Economic Development Representative for the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

The Student Agricultural program was presented to over 400 students at Duncan Elementary school. The Mobile Learning Barn, sponsored by Texas Farm Bureau was presented by Tanner Smith and Wesley Campbell. Gun and Hunter Safety was presented by Officers Ruben DeLeon and Ruben Ramon of the Floydada Police Department, C. J. Jacobs, Floyd County 4-H Dog Project leader presented Animal Safety with the help of Caitlin Bishop and Barlow. Corey Johnston with the help of J. C. Chappell represented the Floydada Fire

Department and promoted fire safety. Devon Casey with Texas Department of State Health Services presented Bicycle Safety.

A huge thank you goes to the committee, all those who participated, those who hosted tour stops, those who presented and those who made the tour possible through sponsorships. Those included: American State Bank, Attebury Grain, Barwise Gin, Brown Implement, Caprock Products Services Branch 5186, City Bank - Lockney, City Bank - Floydada, D & J Gin, Delta Pine & Land, Faulkenberry Irrigation, First National Bank of Floydada, Floyd County Farm Bureau, J & K Insurance, Lighthouse Electric, Producer's Cooperative, Ray Lee Equipment, and Scott Gin.



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Nancy Cordero, Rural Economic Development Representative for the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) was the noon speaker at the Floyd County Ag Tour on September 14 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center with 48 in attendance. The Ag Tour was hosted by the Floyd County Ag and Natural Resources Committee and Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

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Random thoughts...

By **CHRIS BLACKBURN**

Did you ever watch “Saturday Night Live” and those “Deep Thoughts By Jack Handey?” Consider these thoughts not so deep...

During last week’s column on agriculture I left wheat off my list of crops. Maybe you noticed, maybe you didn’t, but wheat is a pretty good crop and certainly deserved to be mentioned. My apologies.

The hardest thing about losing a parent or grandparent is the lack of advice.

I would dearly love to be able to draw on the experiences of my parents or the wisdom of my grandfather. I often wonder how they would handle certain situations.

My grandfather, the late Morris Higley, left me with this gem: If you get yourself into an unpleasant situation, you can think your way out of it.”

His dad gave him that tidbit following an undisclosed incident. He said it meant to always use your head.

WARNING: The following contains something unpleasant which children do on occasion (Meant for a friend in Memphis who got on me for writing about this before).

I coached my first flag football game Saturday (first-third graders). We got slaughtered.

The opposing team scored touchdowns on three of their first four plays. Needless to say, we’ll be working on grab-

bing flags this week.

I was proud of the way my son played. He fell out of a tree before the game then threw up. He managed to get it together.

I actually had two guys throw up and five cry. It made for an interesting hour of football.

We did a better job in the second half allowing only one score.

I thought Bush’s tax cuts were only for the rich? Many on the left now want all of the Bush tax cuts left alone, especially those for the poorest Americans and the middle class.

Well how can that be? If the tax cuts were just for the rich, how come Democrats want them left alone?

Maybe it’s because Bush cut taxes for all Americans paying them.

I think it’s funny when the facts get out and people are either forced to admit the truth or look foolish by denying it.

I have a pair of flip-flops which may end up being the death of me.

I’ve slipped twice on wet concrete during the past few weeks and you think I would have learned my lesson.

Oh no! I’ll just be more careful when I wear them, right?

Wrong!

Friday, I’m coming out of the garage with a rug and an eight-foot ladder. I step on a rake which flies up and hits me in the side causing my left flip-flop to get snagged on a step. Down I went on top of the ladder. Humpty Dumpty didn’t

have anything on my great fall!

After sitting there for a few minutes, I realized that I was lucky. Didn’t do a lot of damage and there were no witnesses. Guess the witness part really doesn’t matter since I’m writing about it now...

Want to know what kind of sympathy I received? I didn’t. I received anti-sympathy.

There was no, “Oh Honey, are you okay?”

Instead, I received, “Chris Blackburn, you are six foot four and were trying to walk through a door with a ladder and a rug, what did you think would happen?”

I actually thought I’d make it, but realized I didn’t once I was looking up at the pecan tree.

Speaking of Jack Handey’s Deep Thoughts, here’s a few:

“If trees could scream, would we be so cavalier about cutting them down? We might, if they screamed all the time, for no good reason.”

“The crows seemed to be calling his name, thought Caw.”

“Whether they ever find life there or not, I think Jupiter should be considered an enemy planet.”

Check out deepthoughtsbyjackhandey.com if you’re interested.

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The SEIU Takes On Sodexo At George Mason University

By **ADAM BITELY**

Earlier this month, the SEIU launched a “strike” against Sodexo on the campus of George Mason University, a public university in Northern Virginia. Oddly, Sodexo does not recognize the SEIU Local 32BJ that organized the “strike”. Sodexo is a private food services provider that was contracted by George Mason University to provide cafeteria and food services for students. The SEIU has been trying to draw attention to tough anti-union laws and attempted to use George Mason University as a pawn in their fight to overturn collective bargaining laws.

Virginia has some of the toughest public-sector union collective bargaining laws in the nation. So strong are the laws in Virginia that it is a crime for a public official to enter in to a collective bargaining agreement with a union. Thus, unions are extremely weak in Virginia.

There are several issues regarding the “strike” that broke out at GMU. First, the “strike” resulted in several university food operations being shut down affecting services that students had paid for up front at the beginning of the fall semester. The SEIU proved that they cared less about the money that students had spent for these services and instead sparked near revolution on campus through chants such as “No justice, no peace!”

Second, the SEIU organizers admitted that they had bussed in strikers from other universities around the country. mpus from Ohio State, Georgia Tech and other various universities according to an organizer.

Third, and by far the most troubling, was the support that was lent to the event by State Senator Dave Marsden, a Democrat whose district is in Northern Virginia. Marsden went so far as to attend a “speakout” held on campus by the SEIU on the second day of the strike.

We contacted Marsden for comment but he did not return our call.

For years, the SEIU has been funneling millions of dollars in legislative races to overturn the tough collective bargaining laws. Marsden is one such official in Virginia that the SEIU has been attempting to persuade through donations. Clearly, those investments have paid off as Marsden has sided with the unions when he endorsed their “strike” at GMU, and it is likely that the SEIU will be able to count upon Marsden to aid and abet any SEIU operations when they try to overturn those laws.

According to an interested parent, “If Dave Marsden had one ounce of honor he would return the SEIU money and defend the students and their parents against the ruthless power grabs by the union.” Several people affected by the situation expressed concerns about the “strike” and the meaning of the protests. The SEIU thugs that were allowed to roam around

campus posed a danger to students — as they have an extensive track record of violence.

Just as troubling, the SEIU may have illegally used public-sector property at Mason to attempt to organize inside of Sodexo. Which begs the question, why did Mason allow the SEIU to run wild across the campus for the better part of a week? If any other group were to come on campus to recruit folks they would need explicit permission from the university. We have been unable to ascertain the reasons that the SEIU was allowed this privilege.

The SEIU appears to have packed up and moved on from their “strike” theatrics at Mason for the time being. But they are pulling these antics in other states attempting to influence the government officials that keep the union out of the public sector. The SEIU might just be coming to a university near you. So be on the lookout for the purple shirt brigade.

Democrats Jumping Off Pelosi’s Ship

By **ROBERT ROMANO**

Tennessee congressional nominee Bret Carter wants Nancy Pelosi to step aside as House Speaker because, he says, “She has become a lightning rod who is keeping us from getting our message out.”

In other words, the San Francisco Democrat has been a toxic distraction that could make it impossible for Democrats to get reelected in November, let alone pick up any new seats.

Carter described Pelosi as a “baseball bat” that Republicans are using to beat over heads of Democrat candidates.

It’s no wonder. Since Pelosi took control of the House, the national debt has risen by over \$4.49 trillion. Unemployment has risen from 4.6 percent to 9.6 percent.

Pelosi’s House foisted the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program bailouts on the American people, the \$814 billion “stimulus,” the \$2.5 trillion ObamaCare, the sweeping takeover

of the financial sector in the Dodd-Frank bill, and even passed the destructive Waxman-Markey cap and tax on carbon emissions. Unemployment benefits have been extended to 99 weeks repeatedly.

Bankrupt states like New York and California have received federal bailouts to balance their budgets. In short, on Pelosi’s watch over the people’s House, the economy has collapsed, millions of jobs have been lost, and all the while government spending has exploded. And, argues Carter, it is killing Democrats on the campaign trail.

Blue Dog Democrat Congressman Bobby Bright joked openly about Pelosi dying to avoid answering a question about whether he would vote for her as Speaker. Kathy Dahlkemper too declined to comment publicly if she would support Pelosi. John Spratt and Dina Titus both dodged the question, too.

Not so much as a single lukewarm endorsement.

As Pelosi becomes more politically toxic, and more Demo-

crats jump ship, her hold on power will weaken. Already 31 House Democrats have asked that all of the Bush tax cuts be extended. If all 177 House Republicans voted to extend those tax cuts, they would only be 9 votes short right now.

An up or down vote on extending all of the tax cuts would be politically very tough to deny in the current economic climate. Unemployed Americans want jobs, and those employed want to keep their jobs, and everyone knows that raising taxes on job creators now will just mean that more jobs will be lost.

Nancy Pelosi could very likely lose control of the House on the eve of the November elections if she loses that vote. Could her Speaker’s chair really be far behind?

When candidates on the campaign trail are forced to denounce one of their own party leaders, it signals the end of Pelosi’s power over future Democrat caucuses, regardless of the political outcome in November.

Official Washington Screams at ODonnell Victory

By **RICK MANNING**

It wasn’t until Christine O’Donnell beat official Washington’s choice Mike Castle in a Delaware primary election for the Republican nomination to seek the U.S. Senate seat that it happened.

The Washington, DC insiders have finally gone completely nuts.

Democrats were declaring victory in a race that they had previously conceded, and the know-it-alls in the Republican Party who created a political environment that allowed Barack Obama to become president, became completely unhinged.

How could the actual Republican voters in Delaware give up a “sure thing” Republican takeover in order to nominate a candidate who actually is in alignment with their principles? Don’t they understand the potential power they are giving away? Unsophisticated rubes.

Karl Rove, who gained his fame as President Bush’s campaign guru, became the official mouthpiece of insider DC Republican “intelligentsia” when he castigated the voters’ choice of O’Donnell on the Sean Hannity show on FOX News, and again the next day, providing political fodder for Harry Reid’s “pet” candidate, Democratic Party nominee — Chris Coons.

A reasonable person would ask why Rove and those of his ilk freaked out.

They are scared, and cannot afford to have O’Donnell win the general election. An O’Donnell victory forever destroys their capacity to choose the “safe” nominee because he/she has the best chance to win. An O’Donnell victory in November would strip the power of this argument from them.

Of course the irony of the “vote for the electable candidate” selection process is that it produces candidates who are virtually indistinguishable from one another as was the case

in Delaware.

Last year, New Jersey broke this mold by electing a Republican as its governor who promised to cut government. Governor Chris Christie has turned the establishment of the state on its head with his plain spoken imposition of budget cuts to pull the state back from the brink of bankruptcy. No one thought he could be elected, yet he was.

In Massachusetts, no one thought that a Republican named Scott Brown who touted himself as a fiscal conservative could win the so-called Ted Kennedy Senate seat — yet he did.

These two cataclysmic events in late 2009 and early 2010 signaled brightly that the political world has changed and the politicians better get on board or they are going to get to find out that the people really aren’t messing around.

Those who are flocking to the tea party banners have for years been told to sit in their corners and trust the big money political professionals to give them the candidate that can win. This year, the “silent majority” of the Republican Party have gotten up collectively and screamed in their best Howard Beale voice, “I’m mad as Hell and I’m not going to take it anymore.”

Record deficits, the decline of the American standard of living, failing public schools, high unemployment, taxpayer bailouts of failing banks, the housing crisis, and a general disgust that many elected officials seem to be more interested in feathering their own nests rather than serving the public interest, these have all fueled an electoral revolt among citizens who have never felt they needed to get involved before.

The politicians in both parties have let them down, and the tea party movement is rapidly remaking the face of the Republican Party to represent their values, and the insiders better shut up and listen. In 1852, there were two political parties in America, the Whigs and the Democrats. The vacil-

lating Whigs wanted to be in the middle and not take on the most pressing issue of the day — slavery. In 1854, the Republican Party was born, and by 1860, the Whig Party ceased to exist, and Abraham Lincoln was our first Republican Party president.

A political party that stands for nothing serves no purpose and is destined to disappear from the political landscape. The basic debate in American politics today is about whether larger government is the answer or the problem. The tea party movement is in the process of taking the Republican Party back from those who have forgotten the basic credo that the best government is the least government, and the establishment deal makers don’t like it.

The great part about America is that we get to vote for our elected representatives. Perhaps the political intelligentsia will learn a valuable lesson from the 2010 election cycle — a candidate has to be electable in the primary election, and if not, they never get to run in the general election. All the wringing of hands by the power brokers about lost opportunities are merely the dying gasps of those who are seeing their fortunes built on political connections being shattered by an electorate determined to fix Washington, and save their country.

America’s leaders, both Democrat and Republican, have lost the trust of the people, and now those people will not be ignored, just ask Arlen Specter, Bob Bennett, Lisa Murkowski, and now Mike Castle.

It sure will be interesting when the Capitol Building is filled with idealistic tea partiers who believe in constitutionally limited government rather than angling for a spot on some obscure committee that only matters to people in DC. If you think the insiders are screaming now, just wait until January 3, 2011.

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their own work. Mrs. Griffith pointed out. If you desire to have your products canned, the ladies at the cannery will charge a certain percent of the products for doing the work, it was stated. Of course, each person must furnish their own cans.

The cannery will open at 9 a. m. and close at 6 p.m. promptly, Mrs. Griffith said. She suggested that those who desired to can should phone her in advance and make an appointment.

FAIR

and much more. Blue ribbon winners were on display for the rest of the fair.

On Friday, students who attended School Day at the fair were treated to a magic show from the hilarious clowns, Never Had a Name and Notes. Students had a blast as they sang and danced with Notes and Never Had a Name. Afterward, students were able to explore educational exhibits inside the fair building.

On Saturday, the festivities kicked off with the Fair Parade on Lockney's Main Street. Veteran and Lockney native, Staff Sergeant Rosales, led the way as local businesses and organizations marched down the street, showing off their floats and tossing candy to young onlookers. The fun would move on back to the fair building where vendors offered fair-goers a wide assortment of merchandise. Kids were able to have lots of fun as they rode ponies, reeled in huge fish at the Fishing Hole, and raced stick horses at the Kid's Rodeo for ribbons and medals. Women who participated in the Fair's Ladies' Day were able to watch demonstrations on a variety of different topics including: quilting, rug hooking, crockpot cooking, and jewelry making.

As the sun went down, high-flying acts such as Mrs. Sherry's Flying Angels and the powerful singing voice of fourth grader, Lindee Setliff, thrilled the crowd during the Fair's Variety Show. The live and silent auction helped to raise money for next year's fair.

Sunday, Pastor Windfield Davenport led services at the Fair's Community Church. Shortly after, fair-goers participated in washer pitching and a kid's pet show.



Courtesy Photo

"We're all involved in Agriculture" explains Tanner Smith and Wesley Campbell representing Texas Farm Bureau with the Mobile Learning Barn. Over 400 Duncan Elementary students took part in the youth portion of the Floyd County Ag Tour hosted by the Floyd County Ag and Natural Resources Committee and Texas AgriLife Extension.



Photo by Homer Marquez

Staff Sergeant Rosales led the way last Saturday during the Floyd County Fair Parade. Lockney native, Sergeant Rosales has recently returned home from active duty in the Middle East.



Photo by Homer Marquez

Vendors from all over the region packed into the Floyd County Fair building last week, offering a wide assortment of goods to fair-goers.

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Doctors treat victims aboard the Military Sealift Command hospital ship USNS Comfort (T-AH 20) off the coast of Haiti. Comfort is conducting humanitarian and disaster relief operations as part of Operation Unified Response after a 7.0 magnitude earthquake caused severe damage in Haiti Jan. 12. The Comfort and the U.S. Navy are leading a multi-national effort to provide emergency medical assistance in Port au Prince, Haiti.

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We will be having a pumpkin baked goods contest. Entries will be accepted from 9 – 11 a.m. and judging will be shortly after that. Please bring a copy of your recipe with your entry so that we can publish it in the pumpkin cookbook to be released at the 25th anniversary celebration in 2012. The winning baked goods will be auctioned off at 4 p.m.

There will be a classic car show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cow Patty Bingo tickets are available from any chamber board member of local boy scout. The winning ticket holder will receive \$300, second place will be awarded \$200 and third place will receive \$100.

Susan Turner Browning will be performing under the pavilion at 2 p.m. followed by a costume contest for all ages. Prizes will be awarded for each age group.

The Chamber of Commerce booth will have short and long sleeve adult t-shirts, kids t-shirts, and infant t-shirts. All t-shirts will be \$5 and adult polo shirts will be \$7. We will also have some caps and bags for \$10.

We will also be sponsoring "guess the weight of the trailer of pumpkins" and "guess the number of candy pumpkins in a jar" as well as a pumpkin coloring contest for Pre-K through 5th grade.

For more information please contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at 806-983-3434.

We look forward to seeing all of you for a fun filled day in Floydada, Texas – "Pumpkin Capital USA!"

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

with a motion to pay the full amount of the past due phone bill, \$5,100. Mr. Morris cited that it was unacceptable for the Justice of Peace's office to go so long without telephone service. The rest of the commissioners strongly agreed, but Budget and Finance Clerk Dennis W. Morgan was still convinced that the county still did not owe the full \$5,100.

Mr. Morgan claimed that AT&T owed Floyd County credit over two accounts that were supposed to be turned off when the county switched over to Suddenlink Communications. Justice of the Peace Kelly Dunbar, along with other county services located in Lockney still continue to use AT&T services due to the fact that Suddenlink would not provide service in the Lockney area. The accounts that were supposed to be turned off were the Floyd County Sheriff's communication towers and the Commissioners barn phone.

Mr. Morgan told the court that for some reason AT&T maybe tacked the past due bill from the said accounts to the Justice of Peace's phone account causing the debt, but as of last week Morgan and County Officials could not prove that a request was ever made to turn off the accounts. He told commissioners that a billing address error was the reason that he had not received any AT&T bills. It wasn't until an AT&T phone bill was sent to Floyd County Farm Supply that the commissioners became aware of the past due bills. Mr. Morgan commented that he is only able to pay the bills that were given to him. Morgan, who has for the past two months been lost in AT&T's Call Center maze, informed the Commissioner's Court that he now found someone at AT&T that could personally help the county. He stated that by the end of the day he would more information on the bill. The Commissioners allowed Morgan a few more days to investigate the bill.

On Sept. 17, the court reconvened to hear the results. Mr. Morgan reported to the commissioners that AT&T would allow them some credit on the bill. Morgan claimed that the conversations with an AT&T representative had led him to believe that the county would receive around \$3,000 dollars in credit. Also on further investigation, AT&T would also find a 5 year old past due bill of \$673. So all together, with some penalties and interest from past due bills, Morgan informed the Commissioners that the total bill from AT&T would come out to \$2,673. He also told the court that the AT&T representative had already sent a work order to turn the phones back on. The Commissioners would unanimously vote to pay the phone bill.

Floyd County Commissioners are continuing to meet with FEMA officials. Commissioners have spent this past month showing FEMA appraisers some of the heavier damage caused to county roads by last July's heavy rains.

Other topics in Sept. 13 commissioners court, was the adoption of the .6485 tax rate and a report from Texas AgriLife's Melissa Long. Mrs. Long explained to the court the future plans of Ag Tours, 4-H, and the implication of the OrganWise program.

LOCKNEY

members that construction was running smoothly and was on the right track for completion before the start of the new school year.

The board also approved the results of their evaluation from the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas or FIRST. Lockney ISD was awarded with a Superior Achievement rating from the agency.

Also approved during the September meeting were updates to the Lockney Student Code of Conduct. Example of some to the revisions made to the code include; students involved in three fights will be automatically sent to DAEP, and no hats or caps will be worn on school campuses or grounds from 7:30a.m-3:45p.m. Toboggans, hoodies, nets, ect. are to be off at all times in the school building and classrooms. Caps worn at extra curricular activities are to be worn with the bill facing the front.

Trusties for Lockney ISD would also approve two different waivers in last week's meeting, the first being a wavier for pregnancy related services. Students will now have the option of receiving pregnancy related services at the school; this will allow students to receive extra help in catching up with missed school work. The second is a waiver for the remediation of students who fail the TAKS test on the third administration. This will allow approved students to move up to the next grade and receive remediation from the following year.

The Board also voted for the retention of legal counsel for the up-coming voter redistricting. Do to Lockney ISD's single member districts, legal counsel will be needed to evaluate population redistricting after the 2010 census is released, ensuring the proper representation of voters.

After an approval of policy update 88 and reports from Lockney Administrators, the board went on to converse about a letter that was sent to them by the Stephenville Independent School District. With the state of Texas on the verge of an 18-21 billion deficit this year, school districts all over Texas are preparing for possible budgets cuts from the state. The letter from Stephenville, which was sent to every school district in Texas, described the need of improvement to Texas' system of financing public schools. The letter expressed that proposed target revenue for school districts in Texas was too high, suggesting that only 365 school districts were rich enough to meet this average, leaving 660 districts below the average and short of appropriate funding. The letter also claimed that the state was now receiving the majority of revenue from increased property taxes, not school districts. As a result of improper funding, school districts will be forced to dip into fund balances to cover the rest of the cost of running a school, fund balances that were accumulated by good financial responsibility. Stephenville ISD is calling other districts to join them in asking Texas Legislature to create a better school funding system.

Floydada ‘Running with the Winds’ Cross Country Meet

By Coach Styles

Floydada hosted the “Running with the Winds” cross country meet this past Saturday at Plains Baptist Assembly. We had over 500 runners participating. I would like to thank Plains Baptist Assembly and their staff for allowing us to run down there. It is a great venue for cross-country. To all the volunteers (parents, school staff, family, and friends) we could not possibly run a meet of this magnitude without your help. Thank you for your willingness to support our kids. Thanks to the Floydada

Booster Club for supplying the fruit for our athletes. Subway donated cups for our meet for water along with the FHS Cheerleaders and Plains Baptist Assembly. I am sure I left someone out that helped but it was not intentional if I did. Thanks to all again. The Floydada High School Boys team won 3rd place overall out of 8 teams. B.J. Perez finished 4th (18:14), Tyler Renfro 20th (19:57), Anthony Ascencio 24th (20:11), Reyes Casares 33rd (20:58), Adrian Gonzales, 37th (21:28), Colton Lehman 48th (23:03), and R. J.

Gomez 49th (23:12). Joseph Rivas of Littlefield won with a time of 16:27. There were a total of 68 runners in the High School Boys division. The Varsity Girls Division consisted of 102 runners. Floydada finished 6th out of 13 teams. Kristan Sanchez finished 4th (13:18), Ashley Lucke 5th (13:22), Tyler Whalen 32nd (14:45), Emily Prisk 42nd (15:04). Also competing were Amelia Gonzalez (16:10), Mattie Sanders (16:24), and Mari Mar Lira (17:30). Jacei Barrera of Hale Center won with a time of 13:03.

The Junior Varsity Girls division had 40 runners. Floydada girls did not compete in this division. We only competed in the Varsity division. The Junior High Girls division had 126 runners competing. Placing for Floydada was Bri Gonzales 12th place, Also competing for the Lady Winds were Savannah Casares, Dakota Whalen, Aimee Chavarria, Rebekah Hall, McKenna Johnson, Esmo Garza, Alyssia Miner Shepley, Kaithlynn Saldana, Yuli Serrato, Roxie Chavarria, Jacques Barrera, Kim

Pacheco, Delaney Lucke, Liz Morales, Victoria Castro, Rachel Hernandez, Reagan Hughes, Kim Delgado, Marqui Morales, Corina Melchor, Destiney Thomas, Melissa Arizpe and Alson Perez. Floydada finished 4th overall out of 12 teams. In the Junior High Boys division there were 65 boys. Placing for Floydada were Aaron de la Fuente in 12th place, and J. P. Segura 13th place. Also running for the Winds were Alex Pancardo, Zach Lopez, Kyle Baker, and Robert Cuba. The JH boys finished 5th as a team.

GRADS

Summa Cum Laude honors, eight students with Magna Cum Laude honors and 21 with Cum Laude honors. The graduating class represented eight states and 72 Texas cities and towns. Area graduates include: Lockney, TX Hall, Lauren M BSN Nursing – Summa Cum Laude honors Lockney, TX Long, Graden T BGS General Studies Lockney, TX Morris, Trevor C BS Engineering Technology – Cum Laude honors

7TH GRADE

good football. The Horns got on the board first with a 13-yard touchdown run by Levi Kasner. It wasn't until the second quarter that the horns punched another one in by Daylen Gatica on a 17 yard touchdown run, with the 2 point conversion added by Luke Ortiz. The score at halftime was 14-0 in favor of the longhorns. The Horns got off to a slow start in the second half but picked it up when Mark Solis ran for a 58-yard touchdown run. The Longhorns will be back at home on Thursday September 23 as the will face the Olton Mustangs with kick off at 5 pm.

WINDS

into red zone. Running back Troy Morales would finish the job with a 5 yard touchdown run; a missed kick would tie the game at 6. But the Whirlwinds weren't done yet. After another Floydada defensive stop, the Whirlwind's offensive line would create a hole the size of Texas, giving Bryson Sessions a chance to run for a 62 yard touchdown in the closing minutes of the second half. With 30 seconds left in the half, Floydada would once again find themselves in scoring position after Post fumbled a snap at the 5 yard line. Floydada quarterback, John Yannis would light up the board this time with a 5 yard touchdown run. After a failed two-point conversion, the Whirlwinds headed to the locker room leading the Antelopes 18-6.

In the third quarter, Post threatened to rally back with a 15 yard touchdown run from Chase Greathouse; a successful two pointer made the game even closer with a score of 13-18 at the end of the third. But the Whirlwinds would put the final nails in the coffin in the fourth quarter, after an interception by Floydada's Xavier Cervera. A 61 yard touchdown run from Rex Mathis and a 23 yard touchdown run from Bryson Sessions killed any plans for a Post comeback. The Whirlwinds would go on to win by a score of 34-13 over the Post Antelopes. This week Floydada will make the long journey to Spearman, where they will play in their first district game.

STATS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Post; Greathouse 8-53, Ernie Saldivar 13-46, Blair 11-15, Jacob Perez 1-7. Floydada; Sessions 9-121, Mathis 12-109, Yannis 6-39, Morales 3-10. PASSING: Post; Saldivar 4-45-0. Floydada; Yannis 2-24-0. RECEIVING: Post; Matt Soto 2-22, Perez 1-16, Dalton Holly 1-7. Floydada; Adrian Pleasant 2-24. RECORDS: Post 1-3, Floydada 2-2. (Compiled by Allen Grisham and Jim Plummer, Post)

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The Caprock Hospital District will hold a meeting at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at Cogdell Clinic 901 W. Crockett, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2011.

The proposed tax rate is \$.13548 per \$100 of value.

The proposed tax rate is lower than 2009; however it will increase total taxes in Caprock Hospital District due to increased valuations. Tax Code Section 26.04

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