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Shermans teaching "Right to Carry"

By Alice Gilroy

Since 1995, the year Gov. Bush signed a law granting Texans the right to carry concealed firearms over 237,000 Texans are now licensed to carry a concealed handgun. Texas also has reciprocity agreements with 37 other states with the similar laws.

Although it was a tough legislative battle in Texas the rhetoric of "bloody shootouts" if the concealed carry law was passed have failed to come to fruition.

In fact, according to a 2000 news release by the National Center for Policy Analysis, "Texans with concealed carry permits are far less likely to commit a serious crime than the average citizen."

According to the report, Texans who have become licensed to carry a concealed firearm are much more law abiding than the average person.

Comparing arrest rates:

Texans who exercise their right to carry are 5.7 times less likely to be arrested for a violent offense.

They are 14 times less likely to be arrested for a non-violent offense.

They are 1.4 times less likely to be arrested for murder.

In 1990 Texas' crime rate was 38 percent higher than the national average. Since then, serious crime in Texas has dropped 50 percent faster than for the nation as a whole.

Murder rates have dropped 52 percent compared to 33 percent nationally.

Rapes have fallen by 22 percent compared to 16 percent nationally.

According to the NCPA report, this experience is consistent with the experience of other states with concealed carry laws.

These numbers may come as a surprise to some, but not to those who have devoted hundreds of hours in teaching the "right to carry" license classes. "Texas instructors have re-

cently been praised by DPS for their classes and the lessons learned by their students," said Tommy Sherman.

Tommy and his wife June, of Lone Star, have been teaching classes in Floyd County since the concealed carry laws went into effect.

"When June went back to Austin for her first instructors renewal in 1997, an instructor at DPS told them that within the last 2 years after the right to carry law went into effect, Texas had gone from one of the worst in the nation as far as child accidents with firearms to being #8 (with one being the lowest)," said Tommy. "This was attributed to the safety awareness being taught by the CHL instructors. The DPS had gone from being very apprehensive of the CHL law to singing it's praises."

Tommy and June have been teaching firearm safety to young and old. Before they became instructors, the Shermans (who are both certified by NRA) were 4-H Coaches for several years.

The requirements for obtaining a right to carry license include more than just learning how to handle a handgun.

Candidates for a license must undergo a background check, submit passport pictures, fingerprint cards, fill out standard application, pass a written test, and qualify on a firing range. The classroom, written test, and practical qualification take a mandatory 10 hours and can be done in one day.

Instructors, of course, put in even more time.

Both of the Shermans are NRA certified which requires 3 full days of lessons in Lubbock and another day in Amarillo. A few years later they spent weekends in Claude, TX upgrading and adding to their NRA certifications.

"We became NRA certified so we could teach 4-H in shotguns, rifles and pistols," said Tommy.

"You don't have to be NRA certified to teach the concealed handgun license (CHL) courses. But, it is necessary to be a DPS certified 'guest speaker', which is what I do."

"I don't have all of the classes June has," said Tommy. "June can do anything I can do--but I can't do everything she does. To get the CHL instructor certification she also had to go to Austin for 6 full days of instruction (which she renews every 2 years). She had to take additional courses so she could teach the legal and psychological aspects of the CHL courses."

In the summer of 2003, June also went to a "Women's Only" defensive shooting school for 5 full days at a location close to Kerrville to help hone her skills.

The CHL courses at the Shermans begin at 8:00 a.m. in the morning with basic firearm instructions on safety and mechanical operations of a handgun. After lunch students go outside to qualify on the range. They shoot 50 rounds in timed sequences at an official Texas Police Target and must score 70%.

June then teaches the legal and psychological portion. Students must pass a written test of 50 questions with 70%.

"After the written test, I teach personal protection and principals of home defense," said Tommy. "Then we finish the required 10 hours of class with videos."

The cost of the class is \$100 plus ammunition and the cost of the license is \$140. The license has to be renewed every five years.

"When you renew, the class is only \$50," said Tommy. "The license is \$70."

Students wanting a license must be 21 years of age.

"The oldest person we've taught was an 80 year old woman," said Tommy. "She did very well. She scored over 90% on her practical."

The CHL classes are not for those with no firearm experience.

"You have to have some type of prior shooting experience before you take this class," said Tommy, "and I can teach you that at no charge."

Tommy says he will teach beginners with 4 hours of class-

room and on the range for free.

"We specialize in teaching women. I will even loan them a handgun. If they can afford it I appreciate the ladies replacing the ammunition."

"Our philosophy is to teach students the fundamentals and to correct their own mistakes. That

way if they start developing bad habits, they can recognize the problem, go back to their fundamentals and fix what is wrong."

Tommy says it is important for women (and men) to find a handgun that fits their hand. A woman with a delicate hand will

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TIMED SHOOTING--Instructor June Sherman (center) watches the clock during the timed shooting for "Right to Carry" students Leigh Dawdy Cranmer (front), and Linda Cranmer (back).



PRONE SHOOTING--Leigh Dawdy Cranmer shoots from the ground while instructor Tommy Sherman looks on. Courtesy Photo

Floydada Banquet is April 10

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held April 10 at the Unity Center in Muncy.

Awards will be given to outstanding citizens for: Citizen of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, The Extra Mile Award, and Em-

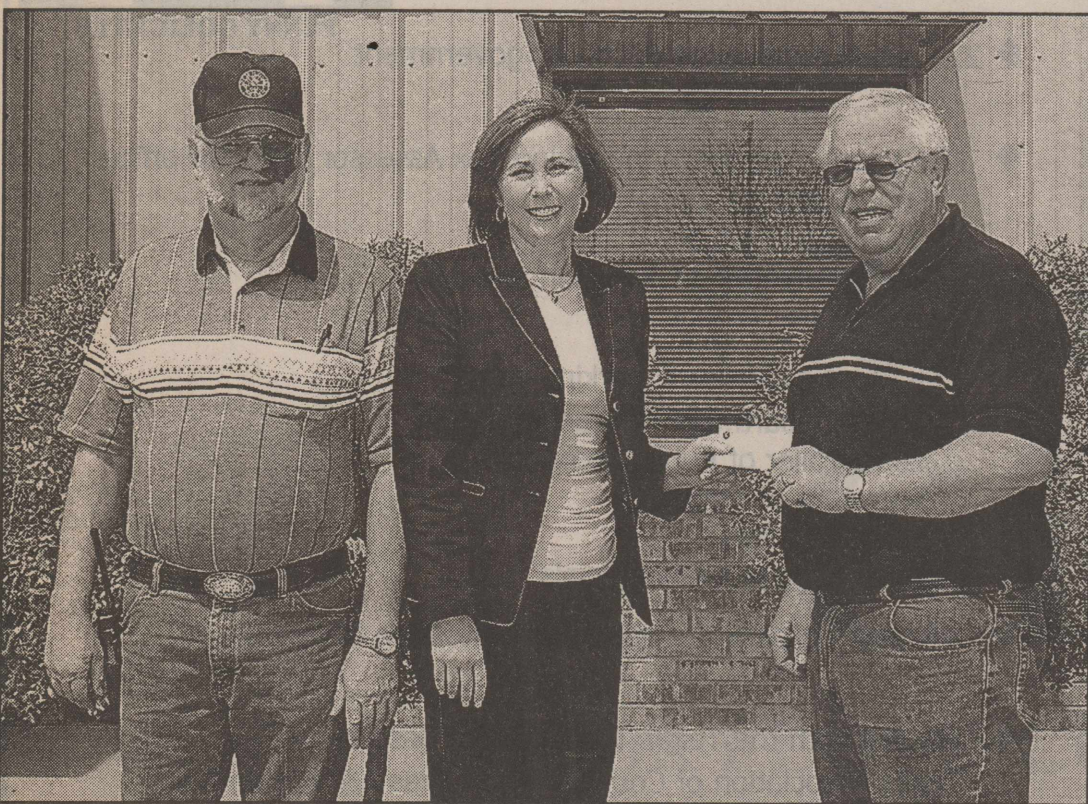
ployer of the Year Award.

The Banquet will start at 6:30 p.m. The meal will be catered by Triple T's of Floydada and will consist of steak and all the trimmings.

History Teller Lou Bursleson will present the story of "Mollie

Bailey, The Circus Queen of the Southwest."

Tickets are \$12.50 for adults and \$9.00 for children. Call the chamber office at 983-3434 for information and to purchase tickets, or go by the office at 114. W. Virginia.



WES-TEX HELPS WITH BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS--Dora Ross, center, presents a \$500 check from the Wes-Tex Resource Conservation & Development Center to Mayor Bobby Gilliland (right) and City Manager Gary Brown (left), both representing the City of Floydada. Wes-Tex gave the money to the City of Floydada to help in the purchase of planters for the downtown business district. Wes-Tex is a 16-county non-profit organization whose mission is to provide tailored education, leadership, and support through partnerships addressing specific challenges to revitalize and to strengthen communities. Ross is on the Board of Directors for Wes-Tex RC&D. According to Ross, Floydada businesses and individuals have donated enough money to purchase 120 planters for the City. The planters will be delivered Friday morning at 7:00 a.m.

Students to entertain at Lockney Chamber Banquet on April 8th

Local youth will be entertaining at Lockney's Chamber of Commerce Banquet 7:00 p.m. this Saturday, April 8, at the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria. The Citizen of the Year and the Volunteer Fireman of the Year

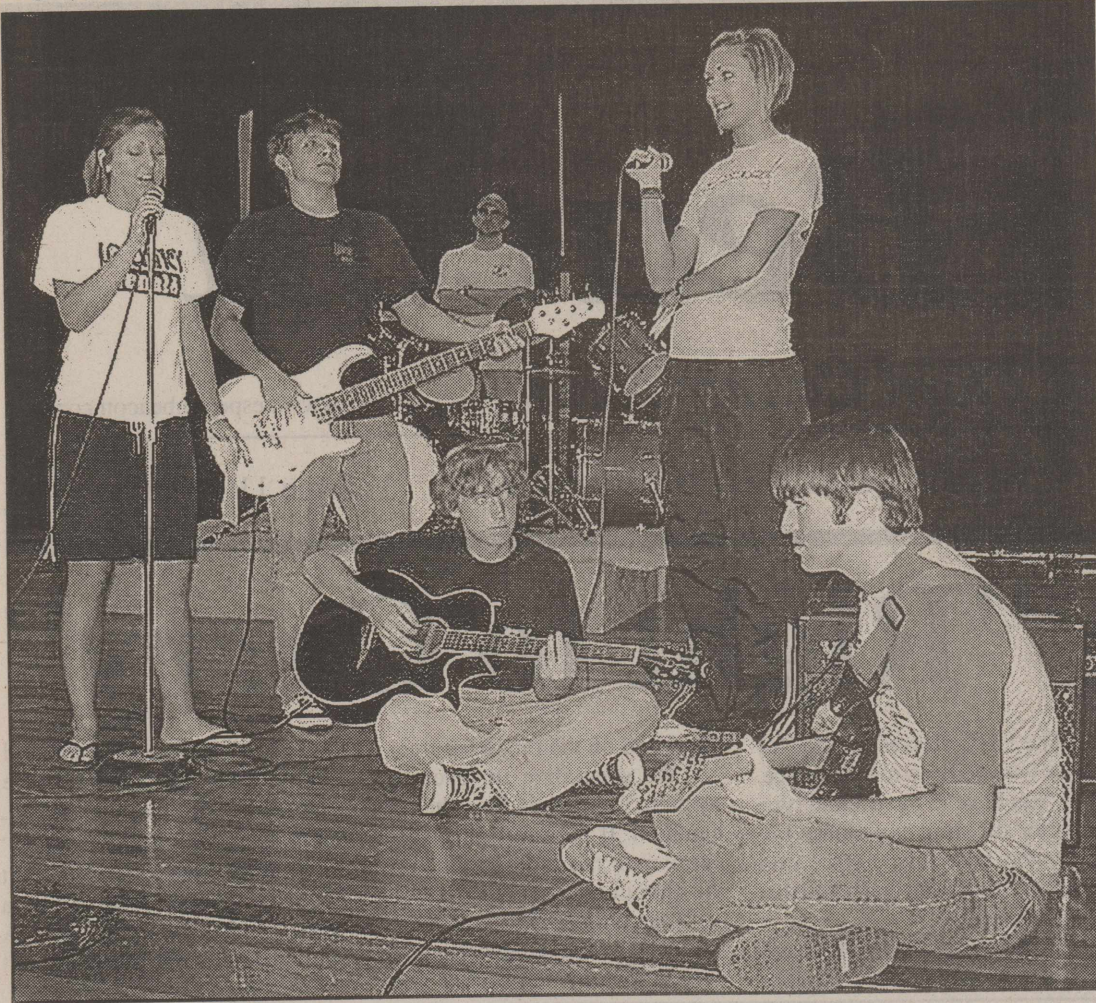
will be named. Rhythm High Harmony singers. Rebekah Thornton, Amber Dorman, Caitlynn Wylie, Lucy Garcia, Erin Mangold, Alex Hall, Andrew Bernal and Landon Cotham will be soloist.

The House Band, Landon Cotham, Bryan Cooper, Danny Huggins and Zach Montandon, will perform songs that feature each member singing and accompany several of the other per-

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Polling Places
Run-Off Election Day
Tuesday, April 11
Open from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- S. W. Floydada #1.....Massie Activity Center
- Providence #7.....Lutheran Church
- Harmony #16.....Harmony Community Center
- West Lockney #18.....Lockney Methodist Church
- S.E. Floydada #23.....County Courtroom, Courthouse
- East Lockney #5.....City Hall
- South Plains #9.....Baptist Church
- Goodnight #17.....Fairmont Baptist Church
- Dougherty #20.....Producers Farm Store
- N.E. Floydada #24.....Mount Zion Baptist Church



ENTERTAINMENT PRACTICES FOR LOCKNEY BANQUET--Members of Rhythm High Harmony and The House Band practice together before they perform for the Lockney Chamber of Commerce Banquet on April 8. Shown here are (standing, l-r) Amber Dorman, Bryan Cooper, Rebekah Thornton; (sitting, l-r) Zach Montandon and Landon Cotham; (on drums in back) Danny Huggins. Photo by Lisa Mosley

Students to entertain at Banquet

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formers.
The LHS Jazz Band will also be playing. It is made up of the following: Saxes-Jonathan Suarez, James Mercado, Rion Afill, Ashley McCulloch and Adrian Cortez; Trombones-Tyson Carthel, Kami Keaton, Mario Camacho, Jacob Martin and A.J. Jimenez; Trumpets-Matthew Prather, Brandon Wilson, Lorenzo Salazar and Andrew

Bernal; Rhythm Section-Bryan Cooper, Greg Gonzales, D.J. Hernandez, Landon Cotham, Cole Patton and Zach Montandon.

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

Courtroom Activities

In District Court, March 30, Kevin Ortiz, 18, of Floydada, pled guilty to Forgery. He was sentenced to 6 months in State Jail and a \$500 fine.

April 4, Anthony James Sanchez, 21, of Floydada, pled guilty to Credit Card Abuse, which occurred on Nov. 5, 2005. He was sentenced to 3 years in State Jail which was probated for 4 years and a \$500 fine. He must also pay court costs, attorneys fees, and restitution of \$365.69.

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April 11th**

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Your help is still needed in gathering personal stories or information on the history of the Foydada/Lockney Rivalry (the Floyd County Championship Games). Do you know when the rivalry started, the origin of the traveling trophy, etc.
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The Chamber benefits both businesses and individuals by promoting local shopping and providing community events such as the annual Chamber Banquet, City Wide Garage Sale, Punkin Day, Trunk or Treat and Christmas on the Square. We also assist with and promote Old Settlers Day.

Membership dues are affordable and can be billed annually, bi-annually, quarterly or monthly.

Contact the Chamber office at 806/983-3434
Or come by 114 W. Virginia

Early Voting is Over Friday, April 7 As of Tuesday, April 4, 135 people had voted Election Day is April 11

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in the Republican Primary. It was an honor to run.

I feel that Lennie Gilroy is the best candidate in the runoff. Lennie has always kept the business of Floyd County first. He is conservative and level headed. He will continue to keep our taxes low and keep our county services here in the county. Lennie is the best man for the job!

Sincerely

Preston Belt
Preston Belt

Pol. ad paid for by Preston Belt

Lennie Gilroy has worked hard for Floyd County and Pct. 2. He has kept our taxes low. Your vote is very important. If you need a ride to the polls please call 652-2580 or (cell) 292-2205.

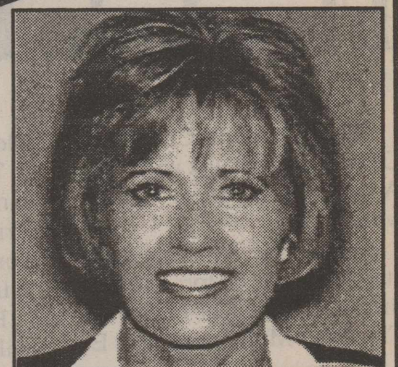
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Floyd County Commissioner Precinct 2

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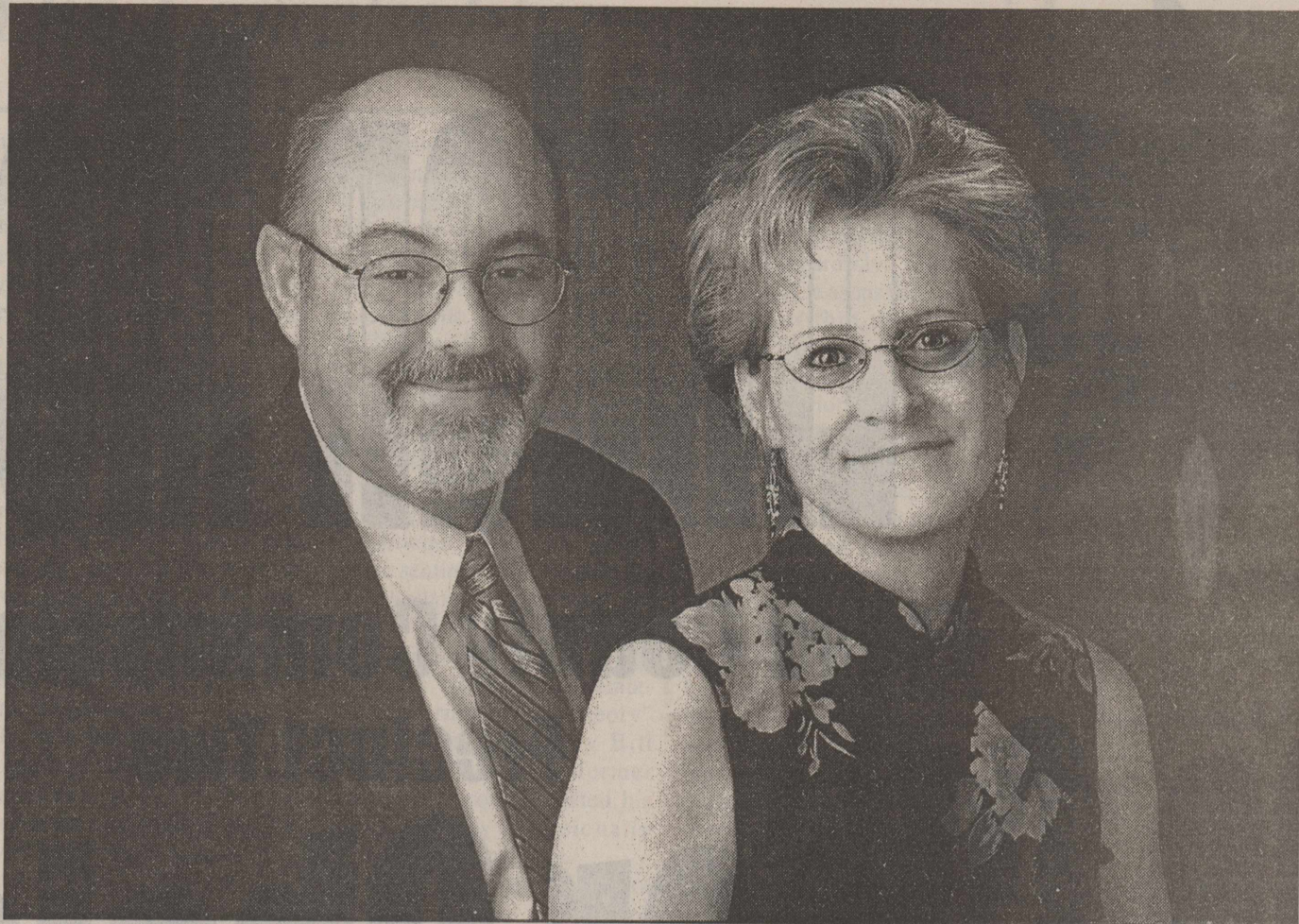
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For Floyd County Judge



PENNY GOLIGHTLY

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General Management
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Motor vehicle registration laws
Titles
Ad valorem taxes

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For several weeks now I have been asking you to think about your county's government and who you might want to lead that government.

I hope I have effectively communicated to you all what I feel to be the best reasons to give me a chance to fill that role.....my qualifications, my philosophy and especially my experience on the Executive Board of the county. I hope I have laid to rest any doubts about my health. If not, feel free to ask me.

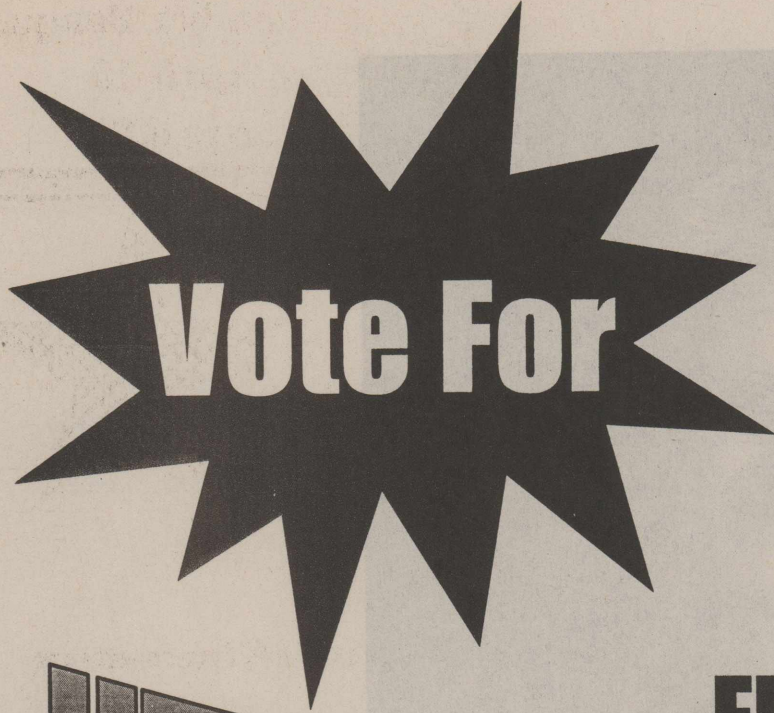
I hope my suggestions for improvements to services have either pleased you or at least have you thinking of services you might like to see added or changed. I have been, and always will be open to practical ideas to enhance your county government. Being a small county limits us in some ways but does have the advantage of allowing each and every one of us the opportunity to be heard.

Finally, Trudi and I pledged to ourselves as we started this campaign to stay true to our principles, to respect your concerns as citizens and voters (and friends and neighbors), and to remain open, honest and professional. If we accomplish that I will consider my campaign to have been a success.

Craig ★
Gilly

FOR FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE

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Lindan Morris

Floyd County Commissioner Precinct Two

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Personal endorsement for Lindan Morris:

For more than 20 years I have known Lindan Morris, and been privileged to observe his personal and professional growth. He has developed maturity in all facets of his personal life with sound judgment, integrity, and personal code of moral behavior which I deeply admire.

As a professional and businessman, he stepped forward relying on faith and his abilities during the past ten years to establish a business which is now a thriving, service oriented enterprise for Floyd and surrounding counties. In doing so, he has shown skills in fiscal management, strategic planning, and business development which are qualities he will carry forward into his role as County Commissioner for Floyd County. In addition, his long tenure as a resident and citizen of Floyd County has allowed him to build foundational relationships which are necessary for effective, responsive leadership if he is elected as County Commissioner.

I believe in and respect Lindan Morris. For these reasons, I am pleased to support him in his efforts to become County Commissioner of Floyd County.

Very truly yours,

Lanny Voss

We have an opportunity to elect a proven businessman to oversee one of the largest budgeting entities in Floyd County. Not only does the county government budget large amounts of money, it is budgeting OUR money, the taxpayers' money. We are fortunate that a manager of Lindan Morris's experience would offer his service on our behalf. His desire to use his ability to make sure we receive all possible returns on our tax dollars is the same as he has employed in his successful, privately owned business.

Known to many as a devoted family man and tireless supporter of his community, he will bring to this important county position new and conservative ideas that will benefit and serve, not only Precinct 2, but the remainder of the county as well.

We, the undersigned, support Lindan Morris, and look forward to his ability to bring responsibility to our county government.

<i>John Lee Garthel</i>	<i>Mike Matt</i>
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VOTE FOR LINDAN MORRIS

COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

A view from



The Lamplighter

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

Our Congress, particularly our Senate, has put it off as long as they can. And our President, George W. Bush, has put it off as long as he can. Finally, at long last, pressure (in the form of letters from what we used to call "constituents", has had its sway: the Administration has finally decided it has no legitimate excuse to delay debate on the so-called "immigration mess." They, or "it" has decided the time is ripe to allow the issue to surface.

After years of dilly-dallying, after years of the Administration's pandering to any group it mistakenly thinks might add to its razor-thin majority among the voting public, Mr. Bush has decided to risk alienating a bunch of Bishops, Priests and other scofflaws, and do the right thing, or at least attempt to do the right thing. But first, he's gone down to Mexico where he will test his plan out with the Mexican President.

So now, maybe, the Senate will begin arguing about a subject that should have been decided years ago. Senator John Cornyn, a Texas Republican, has one version that may see the light of day before it goes down to defeat. His version, along with that of a Senator Kyl from Arizona, as we recall, is heavy on things (like

enforcement) that the Catholic Church is opposed too. So it will go nowhere in the final analysis. Then, there is the version that Senator John McCain (also of Arizona) is high on. Along with Senator Ted Kennedy from somewhere up east, near Chappaquiddick. Then, there is the version that Senator Bill Fritz (of Tennessee, who also wants to be President), is fond of. Then there is the leader of the Democrats, Senator Reid from somewhere, who lets us all know that the Democrats (or he) will do everything possible to kill any bill that makes anybody, anywhere, happy. And any bill the Senate may consider will make some illegal unhappy.

In the meantime, of course, the House of Representatives has passed its own version. And, of course, also in the meantime, our own sainted senior Senator from Texas, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, has been unusually non-visible and non-vocal. Usually, the most dangerous place in the Senate for one to be caught is between Kay Bailey Hutchison and a T.V. camera, but on this subject she has been exceedingly quiet, caught between the desires of her constituents on the one hand and the desires of

her President, George W. Bush, on the other.

One of the bigger mysteries in this whole mess is the position of George W. Bush. Most of the voting Hispanics polled, as we read the polls, are opposed to seeing the country flooded with illegal aliens. Bush does not seem to mind. The President says, repeatedly, that he pays no attention to polls. (Anyone who believes that, will believe just about anything. There has never been a politician born who ignores public sentiment. If one ever existed, he wouldn't exist long, and Bush is no exception.) Clearly the President is playing for bigger stakes. He has to be attempting the "triangulation theory" played so skillfully by Bill Clinton, wherein the former President discombobulated his opposition by occasionally adopting their positions.

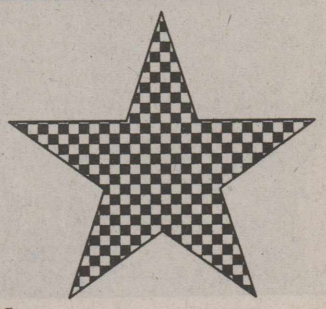
The Catholic Bishops have not been so consumed with homosexuals in their Priesthood that they have overlooked the most important thing...the claim that they respond to a different Caesar. The flat, simple, truth is that the Bishops claim they obey a "higher" law, a law which allows them to run "safe houses", wherein fake identification docu-

ments are handed out to people most citizens would regard as "illegal aliens." The high-handed manner in which most Catholic Bishops regard civil law is one of the chief reasons there is such friction within the Catholic Church, for in practically all cases the Catholic laypersons are the most patriotic people around, even as their Bishops play footsie with those who skirt the law. The laypersons, of course, have no chance of ever being chosen as Pope, while all Bishops think they have that chance.

At any rate, the battle is now finally joined in Washington over the issue of illegal aliens. A few Congressmen and Senators have fought the good fight, and have kept the issue alive even as others sat on folded hands. Now, with this country flooded with illegals, Bush and his dwindling band of supporters have finally decided to act. The truth (from our standpoint) is that the President has finally come up with a decent plan. We would have all been better off if he had mentioned it years ago, or even better, if he had used the power of the Presidency to browbeat reluctant Senators into submission while he still had some chips to spend.

Support Your Chamber Banquets
Floydada: April 10
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- L**oyalty to the "Letter" of the Law
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Pd. Pol. ad by Angie Gonzales Campaign Treasurer

Sherman's teach "Right to Carry"

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shoot better with a semi-automatic handgun with a slimmer grip. A stronger and larger hand can handle a revolver or a large grip semi-automatic with more ease.

Tommy believes it is easier to teach a woman when they are in a 'female only' atmosphere. "Women seem to learn and progress much faster when they are in a 'Women's Only beginners class and they will be much more likely to ask questions and ask for help."

That was the case with recent students, Leigh Dawdy Cranmer and her mother-in-law, Linda Cranmer.

"I really enjoyed the course," said Leigh. "I was a little intimi-

dated at first--especially with the semi-automatic. But, the more I found out about it the less intimidated I was. Now I like it more than the revolver."

When asked about the motivating factors behind their reasons for taking the course, Leigh said, "Both of our husbands encouraged it. We have guns around the house and they wanted us to know how to use them."

"I also thought I should know how to protect myself."

When not teaching firearm training, June teaches World Geography at Plainview High School and Tommy runs his aerial spraying service. He is helped out by the couple's son and chief pilot, Rolf.

Married 29 years, Tommy is proud of his wife's accomplishments with firearms and happy she shares his love of the sport.

"At her most recent CHL Instructors renewal at the DPS Academy, June shot a perfect score with a semi-automatic," said Tommy. "She also shot 249 out of a possible score of 250 with a revolver."

Unfortunately there is no data available regarding the number of crimes prevented or the number of lives saved when a concealed handgun is used in self-defense. However in the states

with the right-to-carry laws the news is that the worst fears never materialized.

A July 12, 2003 Kansas City Star news story stated national surveys show police support concealed handgun laws by a 3-1 majority. Many former opponents have "crossed-over" since the law went into effect.

As quoted in the Kansas City Star story, "Glenn White, president of the Dallas Police Association, said, "I lobbied against the law in 1993 and 1995 because I thought it would lead to wholesale armed conflict. That hasn't happened...I think it's worked out well, and that says good things about the citizens who have permits. I'm a convert."

Palo Duro Oil and Gas Update

By Tom Musser

FLOYD COUNTY: Apollo Energy Operating Company, LP Miller Lease Well #1 is being put on pump this week to continue testing.

Bankers Petroleum (US) Inc. has applied for their next drilling permit; the Stansell Lease Well #1 located 500 feet from the

north line and 600 feet from the east line of Section 26, Abstract-1450, Block G, ACH&B Survey, 2 1/2 miles west of Floydada.

BRISCOE & MOTLEY: The Vintage Petroleum Inc. leases are currently inactive. Occidental Petroleum Corporation acquired Vintage Petroleum Inc., effective January 30, 2006, but Vintage Petroleum Inc. remains the "Operator of Record" of the leases in the Palo Duro Basin. The M.J. Hamilton lease Well #1 and the R.I. Montgomery Lease Well #1 in Briscoe County are listed by

the Railroad Commission of Texas as temporarily abandoned. The Ollie Birnie Lease Well #2 in Motley County is listed by the Railroad Commission of Texas as "Oz". Not eligible for an allowable. The D.M. Cogdell Jr. Estate Lease Well #1001 is shut in. The Echols "2" Lease Well #1 is currently shut-in with pumpjack, tanks, and other equipment removed from location. There is no current information on the status of the M. Bursleson Ranch "60" Lease Well #1.

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RE-ELECT LENNIE GILROY

Floyd County Commissioner Pct. 2

Thank You

Preston Belt for your endorsement.

Preston Belt also ran for County Commissioner in this race and made the following endorsement:

"I feel that Lennie Gilroy is the best candidate in the runoff. Lennie has always kept the business of Floyd County first. He is conservative and level headed. He will continue to keep our taxes low and keep our county services here in the county. Lennie is the best man for the job!"

(Preston you ran a positive campaign and I appreciate that.)

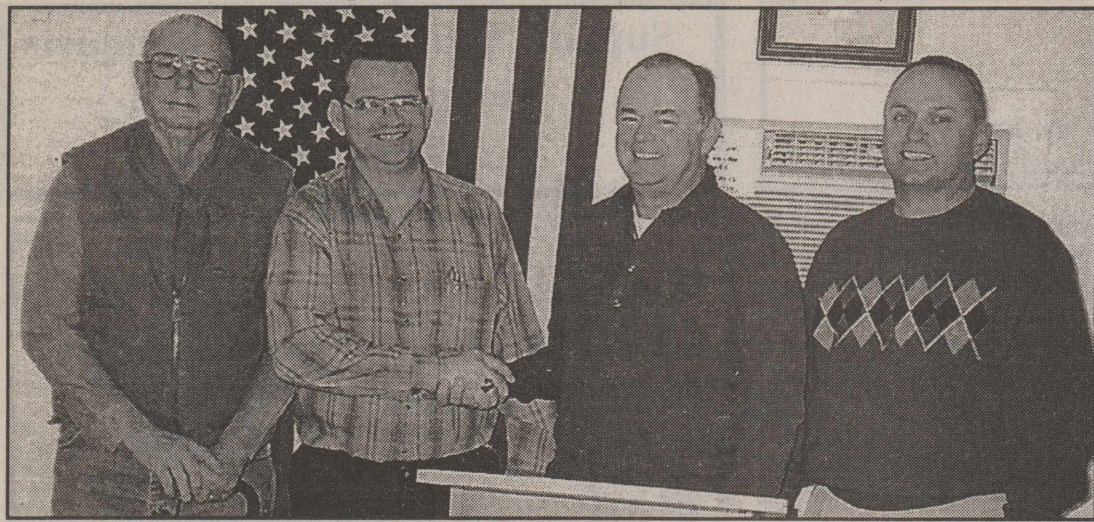
Thank You

Mayor Roger Stapp
Past Mayor - J.D. Copeland
Past Mayor - Gary Marr

for your support with the following statement:

"Commissioner Lennie Gilroy has worked hard for the citizens of Lockney and Floyd County. He has played an important role in helping us secure grants for our city and helped save tax payers hundreds of thousands of dollars. We appreciate his hard work and dedication to the citizens of Lockney and Floyd County".

Paid political ad. paid for by Lennie Gilroy - P.O. Box 535 - Lockney, TX. 79241



ROTARY WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS--Lockney Rotary welcomed new members Jim Doucette, Phil Cotham, and Buck Ford. Shown here (l-r): Buck Ford, Pres. Neely Landrum, Jim Doucette and Phil Cotham. Courtesy Photo

County to buy trees for Courthouse lawn

Commissioners extend Burn Ban

By Darwin Robinson

The Floyd County Commissioners met Monday morning, April 3rd, in Special Session, and voted unanimously to extend the county's burn ban as requested by Executive Order from Governor Perry.

Commissioner Jon Jones asked about the possibility of giving certain farmers a special permit to burn in their own burn pits. Judge Bill Hardin responded, "If we had a (county) fire, then we would not be eligible for disaster funds, nor reimbursement funds, from the state."

Commissioner Lennie Gilroy added, "We don't have a choice

in this, in order to keep our county funding in a disaster."

In other matters, the court gave Judge Hardin the authority to purchase five or six large Red Oak trees to be planted on the courthouse lawn. \$2500 of grant money, recently received by the county, will be used for this purchase. "We may replace one, or two, Elm trees when we plant these oaks," said Hardin.

The court voted unanimously to purchase four planter boxes for their participation in the Floydada EDC Beautification Program. They will be placed strategically around the courthouse square, according to Judge

Hardin.

The commissioners approved a resolution supporting competitive renewable wind energy zones in the Texas Panhandle.

"This basically is giving permission to them to run transmission lines through our county from wind farms," said Hardin.

Two farm contracts were approved by the court. They were: Pct. 2, 13 miles north of Lockney to level ground and open ditches for soil conservation, by Steve McPherson; and Pct. 4, 3 different farm sites southwest of Dougherty to fill in waterways, by Rob Everett.

This Week in Texas History

Apr. 5 - 11, 2006

by Bartee Haile

A VIOLENT END TO A VIOLENT LIFE

The surprising thing about the Apr. 7, 1902 death of Barney Riggs was not the violent nature of his demise but that the West Texas gunfighter managed to live so long.

There is no telling how many notches Riggs had on his six-gun before moving to Arizona in the early 1880's. Not that he was a professional killer, just an amateur with a fast draw and a bad temper.

The fact that Riggs invariably seemed to have "reasonable doubt" on his side kept him out of jail until Sep. 29, 1886. That was the day he shot a friend in the head for fooling around with his unfaithful wife.

This time there was no doubt as to Riggs' guilt, and the judge saw no reason for leniency. He started serving a life sentence for murder on New Year's Eve 1886 in the infamous Territorial Prison at Yuma.

Ten months later, Riggs was stretching his legs in the prison yard when five inmates, all Mexican, made a live-or-die bid for freedom. A convict named Puebla buried a blade in the shoulder of Superintendent Thomas Gate while two accomplices were busy being shot down, one by a guard in a watchtower and the other by the secretary of the prison board.

Attracted by the bloodcurdling screams and the familiar sound of gunfire, Riggs jumped in the middle of mad melee. He grabbed a pistol from a mortally wounded Mexican, rammed the barrel into the chest of the superintendent's assailant and pulled the trigger. The convict staggered back, and the fearless rescuer finished him with a second shot.

Stepping over the dead bodies of the five would-be escapees, the convicted killer from Texas helped his chief keeper to the prison infirmary.

Riggs was the talk of the territory. A Tucson newspaper praised his heroism in a glowing report that took pains to point out that no one was "more brave and

took more desperate chances than Barney Riggs" to prevent the escape and further loss of life.

In record time, Riggs was rewarded with a full pardon. For the rest of his days, his favorite wisecrack was, "I had to kill a man to get into Yuma and killed another to get out."

Riggs returned to West Texas with his young son but not his adulterous wife. She left town the minute she heard her foul-tempered husband was a free man.

After four lean years in the private sector, Riggs landed a job on the public payroll. Andy Royal, the corrupt and hated sheriff of Pecos County, always had a badge for anybody who was handy with a gun.

The ex-convict had been a deputy for a year or so, when his boss was voted out of office in November 1894. While working at his desk late one night a couple of weeks after the election, the lame-duck sheriff was given a shotgun send-off by an unknown assassin.

The word on the dirt streets of Fort Stockton was that Deputy Riggs was next, but he succeeded in dodging that particular bullet. However, try as he may, he could not avoid getting caught up in a classic West Texas feud.

Reeves County Sheriff G.A. "Bud" Frazer and "Deacon" Jim Miller, the Old West's original killer-for-hire, already had two shootouts under their gun belts by the time Riggs relocated to Pecos. Neutrality made the most sense, but their marriages to each other's sisters compelled him to side with the lawman in the private war.

Riggs' brother-in-law was no match, of course, for a killing machine like Miller. Frazer was playing cards in a Toyah saloon in September 1896, when "Deacon Jim" ended the feud with a fatal one-two punch from a double-barreled shotgun.

Once again Riggs was on a hit list with a single name -- his. He knew it was only a matter of time until Miller or his surrogates came gunning for him.

Riggs did not have long to wait. Three weeks after Bud

Frazer's murder, John Denson and Bill Earhart showed up in Pecos. The pair spent the day hunting their prey and the courage to take him on but found neither.

The next morning, Denson and Earhart burst into the watering hole where Riggs was tending bar for a buddy. Earhart got off the first round but merely grazed Riggs, who returned fire in a heartbeat hitting him right between the eyes.

With the odds suddenly even, Denson turned and ran. Riggs missed him on this way out the door, followed him into the street, calmly drew a bead on the shrinking target and put a bullet in the back of his head.

Following his acquittal in the double homicide, Riggs stayed out of serious trouble for several years. Then in 1901 his wife divorced him and was awarded a cash settlement of \$2,000 payable to her son-in-law Buck Chadborn.

On Apr. 7, 1902, Barney Riggs' temper got the best of him one last time. He confronted Chadborn and, according to three different witnesses, either (a) threatened to strike him with a walking cane, (b) reached in his back pocket for "a handkerchief or something" or (c) cursed the youth less than half his age.

No one claimed the over-the-hill gunfighter was armed. But Chadborn shot him dead anyway, and a jury agreed it was an open-and-shut case of self-defense.

Bartee Haile's new web site is up and running! Come on by www.twith.com for a visit!

Avian Flu: Fact vs. Hype

By: Congressman Henry Bonilla

Reports of avian influenza have spread across the globe, fanning the fears of many and causing headline-hungry media outlets to use terms such as 'pandemic.'

There have been claims that the disease is expected to strike the United States by the close of 2006. But what is the truth and what is simply hyperbole? As Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, I am closely following the research and predictions with regards to the avian flu. My colleagues and I are working to prevent the spread of this virus in order to protect our citizens and our poultry industry.

Any discussion of the issue should begin by making the clear distinction between avian influenza and a pandemic form of human influenza. Avian influenza, including the H5N1 strain currently found in other parts of the world, is a disease that primarily affects birds, and is extremely difficult for humans to contract. Pandemic flu, still hypothetical at this time, would require the mutation of a virus into a strain highly communicable from humans-to-humans. In this column, I am discussing the animal disease.

The most important fact to remember is that there have been no reports of the H5N1 strain of avian influenza having been transmitted human-to-human. For the avian flu virus to infect a human there must be prolonged exposure to the virus carrier. In other words, a situation where chickens are living under the same roof as humans is the basic recipe for human contraction of the avian flu virus.

Texas is one of the premier agriculture and ranching states in the country. The Lone Star State is no stranger to coping with dis-

eases that threaten both crops and animals. In 2004, there was an outbreak of a different, but highly pathogenic, strain of bird flu. While this strain was not a risk to humans, it was very contagious amongst chickens. This outbreak was successfully contained through a combined technique of quarantining and humanely destroying infected birds. This approach to a potential catastrophe effectively mitigated the threat from the virus.

There are also several preventative measures that you can take to avert the spread of the avian influenza virus as well as many other diseases. Common sense is your best weapon. First, you should always make sure that your poultry is fully cooked before eating it. Cooking meat such as poultry kills most bacteria and viruses, including the Avian Influenza H5N1 virus strain. It is worth noting that, even though it is technically possible for this virus to be found in the meat of chicken and other birds, there have been no recorded cases of humans contracting the virus from its consumption. Secondly, you should never handle dead birds. Be sure to wash your hands thoroughly after handling any animal and always wear a mask to prevent infected particles from being inhaled or ingested into your body. Finally, bird droppings are the most common method of transmission of the avian flu to humans. Research proves that almost all recorded cases of the avian influenza result from humans living in very close proximity to fowl. Common sense precautions can help ensure the safety of you and your loved ones.

So what is the federal government doing to track avian influenza and prevent it from affecting our nation's poultry industry? The United States Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with

other government agencies, has been tracking the migration of birds from Asia to Alaska. The concern is that in Alaska, birds from Asia will come into contact with birds that have migrated north from the United States and Canada. These birds would then return south, bringing the avian flu virus to North America.

Our nation's poultry farmers and industry experts continue to keep a watchful eye on this issue. The federal government is working with state and local governments to prevent an outbreak of the avian flu in our national poultry populations. Our commercial poultry is raised entirely indoors to ensure they are not exposed to outdoor birds. These birds are tested on a regular basis to make certain that they have not been contaminated by any form of the Avian Influenza viruses. Most importantly, it should be noted that the vast majority of the U.S. commercial chicken companies are testing every single flock of chickens for dangerous strains of avian influenza before the flocks go to processing. If a flock were to test positive, meat from those birds would not enter the marketplace.

If H5N1 were to enter our nation's commercial operations, the same techniques that were successful in 2004 will be implemented. The United States employs the highest standards of disease prevention in the world. Thanks to the diligent work of our agricultural and food safety agencies, our nation's food supply will remain safe. We are so lucky to live in a country with the resources to monitor and prevent the spread of dangerous diseases. With the combined efforts of our poultry industry and government agencies, the food on your dinner plate will continue to be the safest, and tastiest, in the world. Go ahead, ring that dinner bell.

Dell and Wes-Tex partner

Dell Inc. and Gifts In Kind International, the world leader in product philanthropy, today announced a new donation program providing refurbished Dell All-In-One printers to eligible nonprofits throughout the United States and Canada. Through its network of 450 Gifts In Kind programs, Gifts In Kind International will partner with Wes-Tex RC&D to distribute the printers as they become available from Dell.

Dora Ross, Floyd County Director of Wes-Tex Resource Conservation and Development states, "We are excited to be able to bring this donation to our West Texas rural communities. Local schools and non-profits do not generally have access to programs such as these.

The donation will provide assistance to educational programs for children from Kindergarten to the 12th grade, adult literacy efforts, job training, programs for the physically disabled and financially disadvantaged as well as other vital community services. The eligibility require-

ment for nonprofits is a current 501(c)(3) status or the equivalent status in Canada. Programs administered on Indian Reservations and in Title I schools are also eligible.

The printers available are Dell Photo All-In-One model number 924. These printers have capabilities to print, scan and photocopy. They are compatible with Windows XP or 2000. A PictBridge port is accessible on the front of the unit.

"This program will place technology with organizations that may not otherwise be able to afford it, in turn bringing the benefits of technology to more people. Dell is excited to be able to provide our printers to Gifts in Kind", said Gregory Davis,

Dell's Vice President of Sales and Marketing, Imaging and Printing Group.

Gifts for Growth, a program of Wes-Tex RC&D will be administering the distribution to qualified non-profit organizations and schools.

To obtain more information, eligible nonprofits and schools can contact: Cynthia Poole, coordinator for Wes-Tex RC&D at Cynthia.poole@tx.usda.gov, or (806)266-5067

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Pathfinder recognizes Tylee Jo Williams

Tylee Jo Williams, Lockney, has been recognized nationally by the American Angus Association for having 1 registered Angus cow included in the Association's 2006 Pathfinder Report.

Only 2,187 of the more than 34,000 American Angus Association members are represented in this year's report, according to John Crouch, executive vice president of the Association with headquarters in Saint Joseph,

Missouri.

The Pathfinder Program identifies superior Angus cows based upon recorded performance traits that are economically important to efficient beef production. These traits include early and regular calving and heavy weaning weights, reports Bill Bowman, Association director of performance programs. More than 1,495,360 eligible dams were examined to determine Pathfinder status.

An Invitation

Floydada.....ever the Pioneer
is the theme for the 2006 Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet. The banquet will be held April 10th, 2006 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. Tickets are \$12.50 and may be purchased from any Chamber director or at the Chamber office 114 W. Virginia St., Floydada.

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RELAY FOR LIFE COMING SOON-All teams, committees, members and everyone interested are invited to meet Thursday, April 13th, 6:30 p.m., for a Pot Luck meal at the First National Bank of Floydada. The relay will be held June 16th, 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.. The money raised is for cancer research and it honors all cancer survivors. Shown are: (l-r) Katie Cook, Sherre Green, Janee' Harrison and Yara Poole.
Staff Photo

Museum News

By Carolyn Hardy

Nancy Marble, Virginia Taylor, and Don and Carolyn Hardy, represented Floyd County at the Travel Guide launch for the Texas Plains Trail Region Friday, March 31, in Lubbock.

The event was held at the Wind Power Museum. Entertainment was by Kenny Maines and his son. Speakers included Dr. Eileen Johnson with Texas Tech, Rep. Delwin Jones, and Janie Hedrick and Larry Oaks with the Texas Historical Commission.

The event was well attended by the Southern one-half of the region. A simultaneous celebration was held in Amarillo for the Northern one-half. There have been 450,000 Travel Guides printed. They are available at the Texas Travel Centers. The Travel Guide is also available at the Museum.

The inclusion of the Museum and Floyd County in the Travel Guide is the result of years of labor on the part of several local residents. The Coronado artifacts from the Jimmy Owens Site, the Mary Lou Bollman History and Genealogy Center, and the Museum as a whole, were taken into consideration when the Texas Historical Commission made its decision as to which sites would be included.

Saturday afternoon, April 1, the West Texas Historical Assoc. toured the Museum as part of the agenda for the 83rd annual meeting held in Lubbock. Dr. Donald Blakeslee, from the University at Wichita, Kansas, was the featured speaker at the banquet held Friday night at the United Spirit Arena.

A special thank-you to Beth Eckert and Rachael Castillo for helping furnish refreshments. Members of the Board of Directors and staff assisting were: J.W. and Dolores Cannon; Don and Wilma Gowens; Henry and Olive Hinton; Joe and Virginia Taylor; Billy Don and Sherry Colston; Don and Nancy Marble; Carolyn Cunningham, Janet Milam, Joyce Williams, Frank Potts, and Don and Carolyn Hardy. These people helped prepare for the tour, furnished and helped serve refreshments and

acted as hosts during the tour.

The people on the tour were from all over Texas, a couple were from Denver, and a lady was from Illinois. Each person expressed his or her appreciation for the Museum's hospitality.

Many compliments were received on the displays, organization, and the wide variety of subjects relating to Floyd County history. Several said they would be coming back to spend more time. Few people realize the number of people the Museum brings into Floyd County.

Special visitors Friday and Saturday were Dennis and Marjion Brown, from Roundup, Montana. They first visited the Museum a year or so ago. They spent several days in Floydada staying at the Floydada RV Park, attending the Methodist Church and visiting the Museum. They promised they would be back next year if not before.

Ed and Pat Musser, from Canyon, visited the Museum on Friday, March 24. Ed and Pat head up the "Rope Maker" volunteers during the Pioneer Reunion in May, and Punkin Day in October. Pat is also working on genealogy and has spent time using the materials in the Museum's History Center.

The Buffalo Grass Chapter of the DAR met at the Museum on March 28. Nancy Marble, assisted by her daughter, Donette Marble, from Midland, presented a program on the Placing of a Revolutionary Soldier's Grave marker in Vermont. Hostesses were Janis Julian and Noma Lou Rainer.

The States represented by visitors to the Museum during the last two weeks are: Indiana, Kansas, Wisconsin, Oregon, Montana, Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, and Texas. There are local residents who check on the staff and volunteers almost daily. They offer to run errands and this is really appreciated.

The Museum is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year. Plans are being made for the Museum's Open House on May 26. The Open House will be a celebration

of the anniversary and also the beginning of the Pioneer Reunion. The Museum will be open May 27 with the Wildflower Show in the East room and rope making demonstrations all during the day.

Recent memorials received by the Museum were made in memory of: Bill Hicks, Cole Dubois, Johnny "Rusty" Tinnin, and Dr. David Flanary. Also, a donation was made in honor of Guy Ginn.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

Recently Jerry and Winnie Galloway gave the Center a beautiful dining table and four chairs. Thank-you.

March 29th several people came to the Center to play Amtrak and Bridge. If you are interested in playing games, "42", "84", Bridge, etc., please call the Center at 983-2032 and give the director, Joanne Smith, your name.

If you like to put puzzles together, come to the Center and work on the one that is set up on our new table.

March 28th, Nell McClung and Geraldine Callaway drove to Snyder to visit Nell's mother and wife, R.C. and Amy Patton.

Please mark your calendar for April 27. At 11:00 a.m. a person who works for the State of Texas will be at the Center to tell us about special telephone equipment that can be added to a telephone so you can hear better. No costs involved. No age required. It's for anyone with a hearing problem. Call the Director to let her know you will be there.

April 3rd we had some visitors at lunch time. Daniel Heil, of Conroe; Trudi and Craig Gilly, of Cedar Hill, and Jennifer Yeary.

Our sympathy to: John Moss on the loss of a sister, Judy Moss Hawkins; to the family of Dorothy Carthel; and to the family of LaFaun Warren. Thank-you for remembering

By Vera Jo Bybee

I am late tonight writing this news article cause I spent the day at the District Tennis meet in Plainview watching my grandson, J.W. Mcpherson and others play tennis. Jay drew a bye the first match and then he played three matches. He won the first match over a Tulia boy.

He then played a Rainwater boy from Floydada and lost. He played another Floydada boy, Trey Helms and won that one. In the meantime the Rainwater boy won First in District over a Friona boy.

They can only play three matches in one day, so J.W. will play the Friona boy for second place in District Wednesday. If Jay wins over the Friona boy he will win second and get to go Regionals. Otherwise, he will win Third.

Marjorie Holcomb is recuperating at home from major surgery she had in Lubbock at Lake Side Covenant. She said she was doing real well.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Brock family on the passing of Byron's brother, Harold of Kerville, Sunday, April 2, 2006. Graveside services will be Friday, April 6 at the Godley Cemetery. Harold and Marie and

children, Richard and Carol are former residents of Lockney.

Our sympathy is with the Belt family on the passing of Gene Belt Monday, April 3. His services were Wednesday, April 5, at the West College and Third Street in Lockney. He was buried in the Lockney Cemetery.

This weeks' Senior Citizen Profile is on Dahlia and G.L. Hight.

Dahlia Gossett was born April 30, 1940 in Brownfield to Sam and Jewel Howard Gossett. Dahlia graduated from Brownfield High School in 1958. She then went to Draughan's Business College in Lubbock. She attended Lubbock's Asbury Methodist Church's college department and there she met G.L. Hight. They were married on January 7, 1961.

G.L. was born on July 13, 1940 in Junction to Leslie and Pauline Brady Hight. He attended school in Junction then the family moved to Tucumcari, New Mexico where he graduated from high school in 1958. He then attended New Mexico A&M at Las Cruces. He moved to Lubbock where his sister lived and met Dahlia Gossett.

After they were married in 1961 they lived in Lubbock

where he worked for Lubbock South Plains Electric Cooperative for eight years.

In 1970, G.L. and Dahlia moved to Idalou to start farming. In 1978 they moved to Floyd County in the Irick Community where G.L. is still farming. Dahlia has taught in Lockney Junior High and has driven the school bus during this time. They are busy, busy people and are faithful members of the First United Methodist Church in Lockney.

They are the parents of two children, Penny of Lubbock and their son, Keith of Spearman. They are also the proud grandparents of three granddaughters.

Thank you G.L. and Dahlia for being this week's Senior Citizens.

Menu

April 10 - April 14

Monday-BBQ brisket
Tuesday-Salisbury steak
Wednesday-Chicken fried steak
Thursday-Pineapple baked chicken
Friday-Beef enchiladas

The nice part of living in a small town - when you don't know what you're doing, someone else always does.

FUMC holds Last Supper drama on Palm Sunday

By Martha Farris

Floydada's First United Methodist Church will present the drama of the Last Supper at both services this Sunday, April 9th, in preparation for Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

Connie Bertrand, director, said, "Leonardo Da Vinci was able to show the world his interpretation of what "The Last Supper" was like. We want to give it meaning by allowing the twelve disciples to speak in monologues. We hope to draw the congregation into a deeper understanding of what happened that night, the deep emotions that the disciples must have experienced."

The drama will be presented at both the 8:30 a.m. and the 10:50 a.m. services. The congregation will partake of communion at the Last Supper table afterwards. The children will also bring in the palms that day according to our tradition. Don't miss this significant event.

Another meaningful pre-Easter event will be the series of brown bag luncheons in the Fellowship Hall of the church, Monday thru Friday, April 10-14. The New Life series will feature a different devotional speaker each day during the 12:10 - 12:50 noon event.

"We are reminded through Christ's resurrection that we can receive new life," said Rev. Les Hall, pastor. "We hope there will be many of our community that will take advantage of these days to prepare with us for that eventful day."

Speakers for each day include Jerry Battey, Nick Long, Jim Covington, Lee Battey and Pat Bradley. "Hear these speakers share how Christ has given them new life," concluded the pastor.

Friday, April 7 is the last day of early voting

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SCHOOL

COLLEGE NEWS

Guerrero graduates Art Institute of Dallas

Leticia Renee Guerrero, daughter of Rene and Silvia Guerrero of Lockney, graduated from the Art Institute of Dallas with an Associates of Applied Science degree in Culinary Arts. She is a member of the American Chefs Association specializing in baking and pastries. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tomas Rendon and Mrs. Adalina Guerrero and the late Ruben Guerrero of Lockney. Her great-grandmother is Mrs. Vicki Rendon of Lockney.

Lady Horns win Post Caprock Relays

By Coach Kathy Young
The Ladyhorns traveled to Post on April 1 and won first with 176 points. Eight teams participated and the top four were: Lockney 176; Post and Tahoka, 144; and Floydada, 53. The Ladyhorns have one more Meet on April 7 at Idalou before their district Meet on April 13. "I am very proud of these girls work ethics," said Coach Young. "Their hard work is paying off. We have some great senior leadership."
RELAY RESULTS
3200 M Run--Kimberly Jimenez, 2nd, 14:38.44
400 M Relay--1st, 51:25, Krista Rasco, Brittany Mathis, Amber Dorman, and Jaime Butler.

Lady Horns win Hale Center Relays

By Coach Kathy Young
The Ladyhorns traveled to Hale Center March 25 and won the meet with 132 points. Fourteen teams participated and the top four teams were: Lockney, 132 pts.; Memphis, 72 pts.; Bushland, 66; and Abernathy, 62. "I am very proud of these girls," said Coach Young.
HALE CENTER RELAYS
3200 M Run--Margarita Valles, 1st, 13:24.50
400 M Relay--1st, 52:17; Krista Rasco, Brittany Mathis, Amber Dorman, and Jaime Butler.
100 M Hurdles--Amber Dorman, 1st, 16.93; Heather Brock, 3rd, 17.96; Krista Rasco, 4th, 18.06.
800 M Relay-- 4th, 1:55.66; Krista Rasco, Emily Mercado, Heather Brock, and Brittany Mathis.
400 M Dash--Jaime Butler, 1st, 66.53; Melissa DeLuna, 5th, 70.93.
300 M Hurdles--Amber Dorman, 1st, 52.59.
100 M Dash--Brittany Mathis, 3rd, 13.26.
1600 M Relay--3rd, 4:48.68; Emily Mercado, Margarita Valles, Melissa DeLuna, and Jaime Butler.
Shot Put--Leah Ford, 6th, 30'2 1/2".

VOTE! VOTE!

LHS students place in Spring UIL Meet

The following are the results from the Spring UIL Meet for the Lockney High School students who participated:
Calculator Applications: First Place-Rion Auffer; Sixth Place-Tyson Carthel
Current Issues: Second Place-John O'Connell
Computer Applications: First Place-Rion Auffer, Second Place-Brandon Wilson, Sixth Place-Tyson Carthel
Current Issues: Second Place-John O'Connell
Computer Applications: First Place-Ty Young
Computer Science: Second Place-Bryan Cooper
Editorial Writing: First Place-Lauren Stewart
News Writing: Third Place-April Lopez, Fourth Place-Lauren Stewart
Persuasive Speaking: Second Place-Rebekah Thornton
Poetry Interpretation: Fifth Place-Kayla Thomas
Prose Interpretation: First Place-Wendy Moralez, Fourth Place-Joanie Reece
Ready Writing: Third Place-Bryan Cooper, Sixth Place-Lauren Stewart
Science: Fourth Place-Brance Wilson
Feature Writing: First Place-Lauren Stewart, Second Place-Karen Hernandez, Fourth Place-Erin Mangold
Headline Writing: Second Place-Lauren Stewart, Third Place-Landon Cotham
Informative Speaking: Sixth Place-Kami Keaton
Lincoln Douglas Debate: First Place-Alexis Hall
Literary Criticism: Third Place-Desiree DeLeon
Mathematics: Second Place-Brance Wilson, Third Place-Rion Auffer
Number Sense: First Place-Rion Auffer, Third Place-Caleb Schumacher, Fourth Place-Brendi Moralez, Sixth Place-Matthew Prather
Teams
Calculator Applications: First Place-Rion Auffer, Brandon Wilson, Tyson Carthel and Estella Rodriguez
Current Issues: Second Place-John O'Connell, Tanner Morris, Tyler Ellison and Bryan Cooper
Journalism: First Place-Ashley McCulloch, Bryan Cooper, Lauren Stewart, Landon Cotham, April Lopez, Erin Mangold, Kami Keaton, Emily Mercado
Literary Criticism: Second Place-Desiree DeLeon, Kory Smith, Timothy Padilla
Mathematics: Second Place-Rion Auffer, Matthew Prather, Brance Wilson, Zach Montandon
Number Sense: First Place-Rion Auffer, Brendi Moralez, Caleb Schumacher, Matthew Prather
One Act Play: Honorable Mention All Star Cast-Alexis Hall and Joanie Reece

The Lockney High School Library is continuing their "Tabs for Kids" collection of aluminum tabs. The tabs go to the Ronald McDonald House to help kids with cancer and their families. The public as well as the students are encouraged to collect the tabs. Last year the Library collected 17 gallons of tabs!

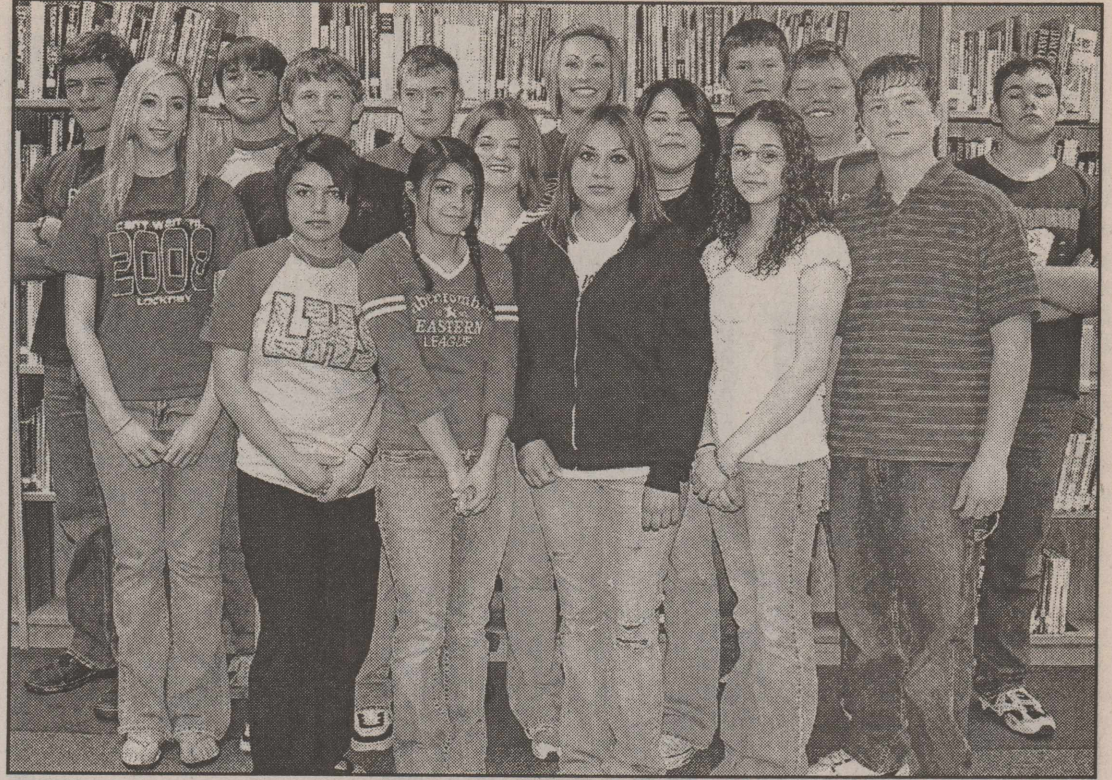
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LOCKNEY HIGH SCHOOL UIL SPRING MEET CONTESTANTS qualifying for the Regional UIL meet. To qualify, each student must earn a First - Third Place, either as an individual or as part of a team. (back row, l-r) Tyson Carthel- Team 1, First Place, Calculator Applications; Landon Cotham- Third Place Headline Writing, Team 1, First Place, Journalism; Ty Young-First Place, Computer Applications; Rebekah Thornton-Second Place, Persuasive Speaking; Caleb Schumacher- Second Place, Number Sense, Team 1, First Place, Number Sense; John O'Connell-Second Place, Current Issues, Team 1, Second Place, Current Issues; (middle, l-r) Lauren Stewart-First Place, Editorial Writing, First Place, Feature Writing, Second Place, Headline Writing, Team 1, First Place, Journalism; Bryan Cooper-Second Place, Computer Science, Third Place, Ready Writing, Team 1, Second Place, Current Issues, Team 1, First Place, Journalism; Alexis Hall-First Place, Lincoln Douglas Debate; April Lopez-Third Place, News Writing, Team 1, First Place, Journalism; Brandon Wilson-Team 1, First Place, Calculator Applications, Team 1, Second Place, Mathematics, Second Place, Calculator Applications; (front row, l-r) Brendi Moralez-First Place, Prose Interpretation; Desiree DeLeon-Third Place, Literary Criticism, Team 1, Second Place, Literary Criticism; Brendi Moralez-Team 1, First Place, Number Sense; Estella Rodriguez-Team 1, First Place, Calculator Applications; Matthew Prather-Team 1, Second Place, Mathematics, Team 1, First Place, Number Sense. (Not pictured: Rion Auffer-First Place, Calculator Applications, Third Place, Mathematics, First Place, Number Sense, Team 1, First Place, Calculator Applications, Team 1, Second Place, Mathematics, Team 1, First Place, Number Sense; Karen Hernandez-Second Place, Feature Writing, Team 1, First Place, Journalism.)
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Lockney Longhorns beat Dimmitt, 8-3

The Lockney Longhorns beat the Dimmitt Bobcats, in Dimmitt, March 31. After 7 innings the score was Lockney, 8 and Dimmitt 3. Lockney had 6 hits, 6 errors, and left 6 on base. Dimmitt had 4 hits, 7 errors, and left 9 on base. Tyler Kidd pitched 7 innings. He struck out 19 batters, walked 3, had 3 runs with 0 earned runs, and 4 hits. Kidd also went 1 for 3 at bat, scored 2 runs, and had 1 RBI. Catcher Dahlen McCarter was 0 for 1 at bat. Shortstop Wes Davis was 0 for 4 at bat, and had 1 run. Davis also stole a base.

First baseman Ky Reagan was 1 for 4 at bat, scored 1 run, and had 1 RBI. Third baseman J. Coleman was 0 for 4 at bat. Designated hitter Matt Prather was 1 for 4 at bat, had 1 run, and stole a base. Right fielder Adrian Luna was 1 for 4 at bat, 0 hits, and 2 RBI's. Second baseman Angel Cruz was 1 for 4 at bat, and had 1 run. Center fielder Jon Sherman was 1 for 1 at bat, had 2 runs, and stole 3 bases.

SCORE BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
LOCKNEY-	1	0	2	4	2	1	2	8	6	7
DIMMITT-	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	4	7

Lockney Longhorns beat Olton Mustangs

The Lockney Longhorns beat the Olton Mustangs, in Olton, March 28. After 5 innings the score was Lockney, 10 and Olton 0. Lockney had 12 hits, 1 errors, left 7 on base, and had one double play. Olton had 4 hits, 5 errors, and left 4 on base. Wes Davis pitched 5 innings. He struck out 7 batters, walked 0, had 0 runs with 0 earned runs, and 4 hits. Davis also went 2 for 4 at bat and scored 2 runs. Shortstop Dahlen McCarter was 3 for 4 at bat, with 22 runs, and 1 RBI. Third baseman Tyler Kidd was 1 for 4 at bat with no hits. Catcher Ky Reagan was 2 for 4 at bat and scored 1 run. Third baseman J. Coleman was 1 for 2 at bat, with 1 run and 1 RBI, and one stolen base.

Designated hitter Matt Prather was 1 for 2 at bat, no runs, and 1 RBI. Right fielder Adrian Luna was 1 for 3 at bat, 1 hit, and 2 RBI's. Second baseman Angel Cruz was 0 for 3 at bat. Center fielder Jon Sherman was 1 for 3 at bat and had 2 runs. He also stole two bases.

SCORE BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
LOCKNEY-	3	0	0	6	1	10	12	1	0	1
OLTON-	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5		

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SHOWSTOPPER DANCERS (Back row, l-r) Mallory Graham of Floydada, Lindsay Stewart of Lockney, (Center, l-r) Alexis Rodriguez of Lockney, Kennadee Buchanan of Turkey, Haley Wheeler of Turkey, and (front) Ignacio Ascencion of Lockney will be competing in the National Dance Competition in San Antonio this July. Ms. Sherry Fogerson of Lubbock is their teacher. The Showstopper American Dance Competitions were in Lubbock on Sunday, March 19, 2006. The Showstoppers host over 100,000 talented dancers from nearly all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, France and many other countries. Ms. Fogerson's dancers were among hundreds of dancers to compete in Lubbock for honors to attend the National Dance Competition in San Antonio. To be invited to San Antonio, they had to win their category and receive a First Place Platinum and the Overall for their age division, which was 10 year olds. *Courtesy Photo*

4-H'ers exhibit at Houston Show

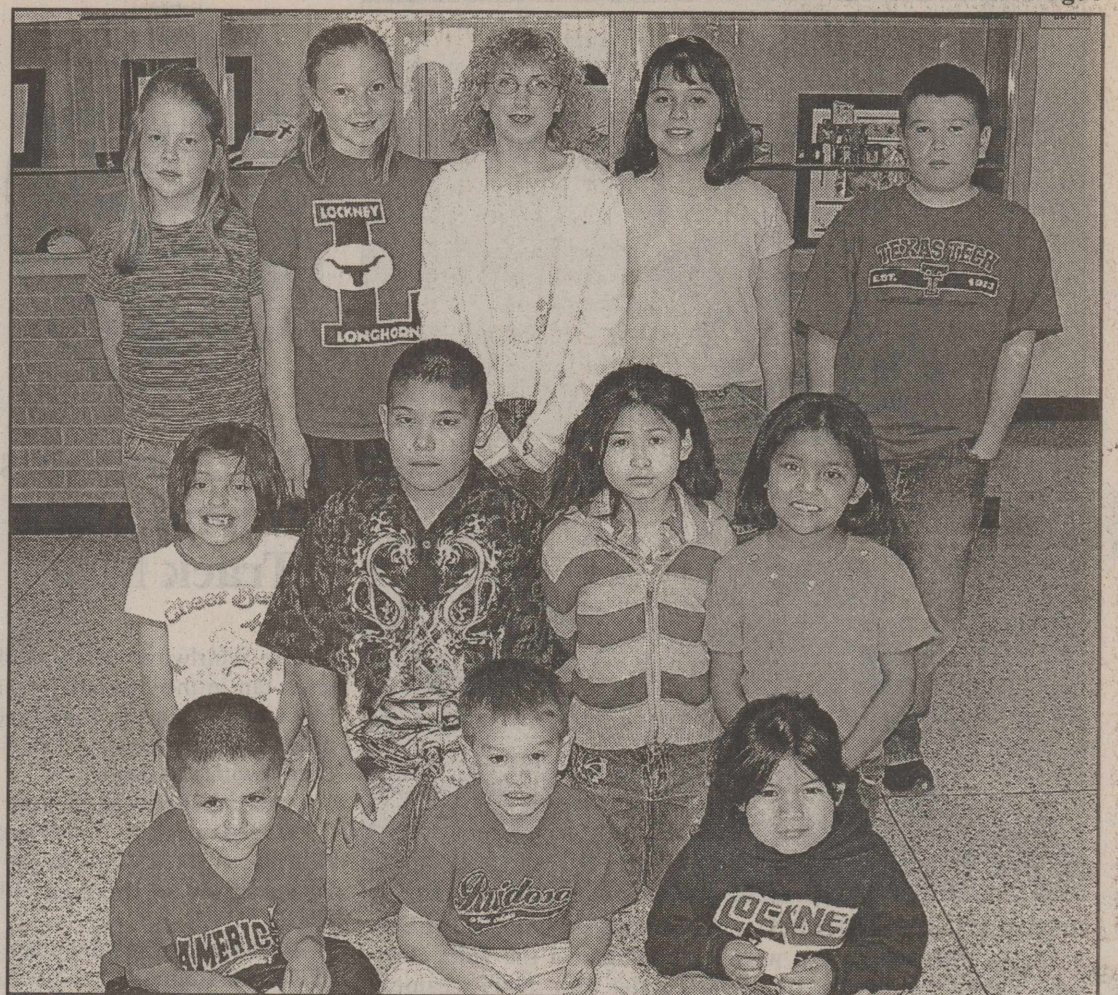
Sixteen Floyd County 4-H members exhibited livestock during the 2006 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo held March 7-19. The first week of Junior Livestock competition consisted of the Junior Lamb and Goat Show held on March 8 & 9.

4-H lamb exhibitors were Tyler Chesshir, Dillon Chesshir, Cheyann Powell Kortney Williams and Kolby Williams. Dillon Chesshir placed 18th with his Medium Weight Medium Wool lamb. Kortney and Kolby Williams also exhibited goats.

The Junior Market Barrow and Heifer Shows were held the following week, March 12-17. Results were: Kaylie Nutt 2nd Place Light Weight Hamp, Morgan Norrell 4th Place Medium Weight Hamp, and Kelsey Nutt 5th Place Light Weight Hamp. Other barrow exhibitors included Corbin Nutt, Jose Guerrero, Javier Guerrero, Madolyn McCormick and McCrae McCormick. Additionally that same week Junior Heifer exhibitors were SyAnn Foster 1st and Champion Heifer Calf; Senee Foster 1st Place and Reserve Champion Heifer Calf and Segayle Foster 13th Place.

Finishing up the show was the Junior Breeding Gilt Show held March 18 & 19. McCrae McCormick placed 5th with his Yorkshire Gilt and Madolyn McCormick exhibited her Duroc Gilt.

Congratulations to all Floyd County 4-H Livestock Show exhibitors at not only Houston but at all 2006 Major Stock Shows.



LOCKNEY'S LITTLE LONGHORNS for the week of 4-3-06, (back row, l-r) Anne Dolloff, Ashley Roberts, Kelsie Stennett, Anna Hernandez, Rene Guerrero, (middle, l-r) Valerie Hernandez, John Palomin, Marisol Hernandez, Samantha Nunez, (front, l-r) Shawn Marquez, Gabriel Rodriguez, Isabel Jimenez. *Staff Photo*

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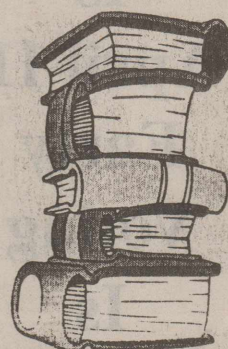
The 2005-2006 RC ANDREWS ACTIVATORS have purchased two new benches for the front of the school building. RC Andrews Activators participate in many fund raisers during the year and also assist around the building on a daily basis. This years Activators are: Taylor Orr, Anna Corona, Chelsey Garza, Stephanie Lerma, Abigail Vargas, Malorie Alaniz, Angelica Olvera, Michael Cisneros, Arnulfo Olvera, Cody, Alaniz, Anthony Ascencio, Diego Cervera, Jon-Paul Chavarria, Emily Hall, Leann Lloyd, Carly Carthel, Cassie Irlas, Wendy Garcia, Amelia Gonzales, Adrianna Sanchez, Dustin Nichols, RJ Gomez, Janson Graham, Sean Morales, Jordan Woody, Hunter Galvan, Kaden Lackey, Christina Muniz, Kayla Beth Morales, Miryam Sanchez, Lourie Ybarra, Christian Cabello, Kelsey Nutt, Shaunna Sessions, Isaac Hernandez, TK Farris, Aaron Saenz, Seth Nielson, Jessie Cervera, Chelsea Ibarra, Amy Gonzales, Ahwdry Pecina, Yesenia Delgado, Merritt Johnson, Miranda Holland, Jianna Davenport, Ventura Gonzales, Landry Morren, Adam Suarez, Dimas Marmalejo, Albert Luna, Rance Quisenberry and Jake Graham. *Courtesy Photo*



A.B.DUNCAN STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS OF THE WEEK. Students: Kierra Henderson (Pre-Kindergarten), Kimberly Rios (Kindergarten), Jorge Torres (Second Grade), Jonah Trevino (Pre-Kindergarten), Kailey Bueno (First Grade). Educators: Carrie Davis & Josie Torrez. *Courtesy Photo*

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Through The Halls



Floyd County 4-H Club News

Seven Floyd County 4-H members competed at the 2006 Clarendon Livestock Judging contest on Saturday, April 1.

The junior team received 2nd Place Overall High team in a field of 25 teams. Team members were: SyAnn Foster, Tylee Williams, McCrae McCormick and Kortney Williams. Individually Tylee placed 7th, McCrae was

11th and SyAnn placed 12th. Senior individuals were Tyler Chesshir and Elizabeth Bertrand. Tyler was 16th High Individual Overall out of a field of 65.

The teams will compete at the South Plains College Livestock Judging contest on Friday, April 7 and the District 4-H contest on Saturday, April 22 at Texas Tech.



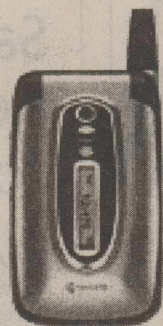
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- Tuesday**
 Breakfast-Scrambled egg or cereal, toast, juice, milk
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- Wednesday**
 Breakfast-Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk
 Lunch-Chili cheese baked potato or corn dog, salad, fruited gelatin, hot rolls, milk
- Thursday**
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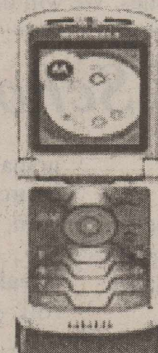


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WHIRLWIND PITCHER, Daniel Saldana, sophomore at FHS, is shown throwing in last week's game against the Tulia Hornets. Saldana pitched 4 1/2 innings. After four district games, the Whirlwinds stand at 2-2 in district play. Courtesy Photo

Whirlwind baseball team wins against the Friona Chieftains

By Shereshe Covington

The Whirlwind baseball team played host to the Friona Chieftains on March 28, 2006.

The Floydada Whirlwinds came out swinging. With every batter hitting, the Whirlwinds collected one double, two triples and a solo homerun to result in a thrilling victory that will give the 'Winds momentum going into Friday's match up with Tulia.

This was definitely the best outing offensively and defensively for the Whirlwind cagers. A double play by the Monreal brothers in the 3rd and three run-down plays boosted the defense's confidence.

Outstanding hitting by senior

Rudy Luna smacking a line drive homerun over the left field fence inspired a double by sophomore, Eladio Saldana and a triple by junior Ryan Monreal. But a hard hitting triple that brought in 3 RBI's by freshman Titus Miller sent the Whirlwinds ahead 9-3.

Lionel Garza, senior, started at the pitching position. He allowed 6 runs and had 3 strikeouts. Sophomore, Brandon Monreal relieved Garza in the 6th. He retired one batter and allowed 3 hits and 2 runs.

This victory went to show that the 'Winds are capable of if they combine a potent offensive attack with a solid defense and good pitching.

Whirlwinds lose against Tulia

By Shereshe Covington

Sophomore, Daniel Saldana got the call as starting pitcher to face the Tulia Hornets on Friday, March 31, 2006. He faced 13 batters, allowed 11 hits and had 3 strikeouts.

The Whirlwinds continued hitting the ball well in this 4th district game. Daniel Saldana, Taylor Beedy and Lionel Garzal all hit doubles, while Eladio Saldana and freshman Luis Ramos hit triples. Batters earned RBI's for the 'Winds were Taylor Beedy, Eladio Saldana with 1 apiece and Titus Miller had 2

RBI's.

Brandon Monreal came in to pitch for Daniel in the 5th. He faced 7 batters, allowed 5 hits and 2 runs. Lionel Garza completed the 5th and 6th innings respectively facing 8 batters, allowing 4 runs and 1 strikeout.

The 'Winds held off the Tulia Hornets for 5 innings, but a 2 run homer in the 5th and a solo homer in the 6th widened the cushion between them.

The 'Winds comeback rally fell short and they were overcome by just 1 run. The final score was 9-8 in favor of the Hornets.



Floydada runs at Dimmitt's Track Meet

The Whirlwind varsity track team ran in the Dimmitt Track Meet on March 25, 2006 and brought home the team championship with 122 points.

Track results are as follows:

3200 Meter Run - Tony Perez - 1st place - 10:54; Chris Reyes - 5th place; Raymond Everett - 4th place.

400 Meter relay - 3rd place - 45.5 (Isom Bolton, Payte Beedy, Blake Greer, Chris Briones)

800 Meter Run - Sammy Ramirez - 3rd place - 2:13

100 meter dash - Taylor Beedy - 12.18; Blake Greer - 12.4; Isom Bolton - 11.69

800 meter relay - 2nd place - 1:37.4 (Sammy Ramirez, Payte Beedy, Chris Briones, Aarrhon Flores)

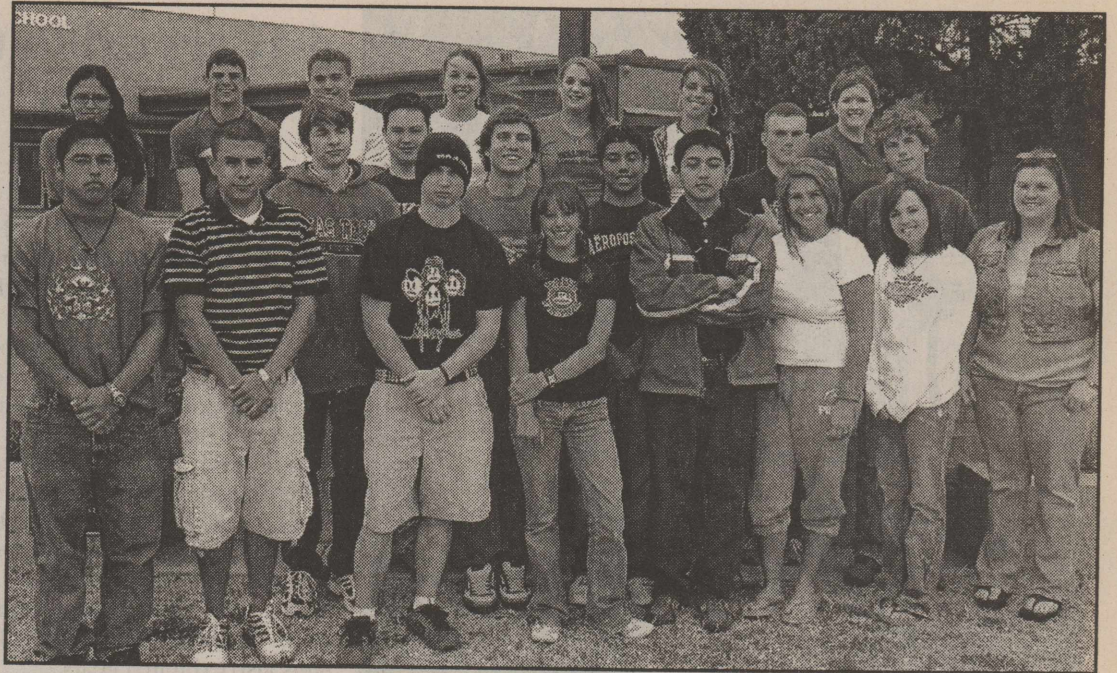
1600 meter run - Tony Perez - 1st place - 5:06; Raymond Everett - 4th place - 5:27; Chris Reyes - 5th place - 5:30.

1600 meter run - 3rd place - 3:44 (Sammy Ramirez, Blake Greer, Isom Bolton, Aarrhon Flores)

High Jump - Payte Beedy - 1st place - 6'2"; Aarrhon Flores - 4th - 5'10"

Shot Put - T.J. Collins - 3rd place - 45'6"; Jason Nutt - 5th place - 41'11.5"

Triple Jump - Aarrhon Flores - 2nd place - 41'4"



FLOYDADA HIGH SCHOOL 2006 REGIONAL QUALIFIERS

Floydada High School Academic students excel at District Meet

By Jeffri Vaughn

Floydada High School students made another great showing this year at the UIL Academic Meet, which was held at Friona High School on Monday, March 27 and Thursday, March 30. The writing contests were held earlier than the rest of the events to allow adequate grading time. Students have worked hard all year to compete at the District meet and advance to the next level. The Regional Meet will be held April 22 at Abilene Christian University and 22 students will be attending to represent Floydada High School.

Floydada won the meet by a 49.5 point margin and scored a total of 400.5 points, and a large trophy was awarded to the school for winning the meet.

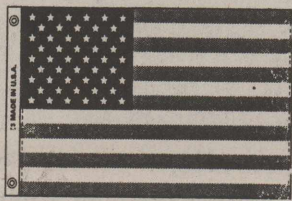
Emily Griffin placed 3rd and Jennifer Leatherman placed 6th in Prose. Reagan Heflin placed 3rd, Britnee Brotherton placed 4th, and Lindsey Leatherman placed 6th in Computer Applications. In Current Events, Marla Reeves placed 6th. The Calculator Applications team placed 2nd, and individual results were Blake Greer, 3rd place; Jennifer Rain-

water, 7th place; and Charlie Beedy and Brooke Sansom are also members on the team. In Persuasive Speaking, Katie Beth Crossland placed 1st and Mary Warren placed 3rd. Britnee Brotherton placed 1st, Elizabeth Bertrand placed 2nd, and Randa Shurbet placed 5th in Informative Speaking. Accounting won 1st place team, and received 1st through 4th place, respectively: Lance Terrell, Jeffri Vaughn, Taryn Rainwater, and Buck Foster are members of the team. The Science team won 1st place, led by Jarrett Kirk, 2005 State UIL participant, who was 1st place individual, Top Biology, Top Chemistry, and Top Physics; and Abel Cortinas was 2nd place individual, 2nd Biology and 2nd Chemistry. Other members on the Science team were Reagan Heflin and Sean Miller. Spelling won 2nd place team and individual medalists were Melinda Ramos, 1st, and Anthony Herrera, 4th; other team members were Kevin Smith and Valeria Diaz. Star Foster placed 4th in Literary Criticism. The Social Studies team, consisting of Camron Callahan, 1st place; Nick Bunch,

2nd place; Taylor Hilburn, 4th place; and Sean Miller, 5th place, won 1st place team. The Mathematics team placed 1st, as well. The team includes Jarrett Kirk, 1st place; Reagan Heflin, 3rd place; Tori Terrell, and Jeffri Vaughn.

The writing events took place on Monday at the First Baptist Church in Friona. In Ready Writing, Sean Miller placed 5th. In News Writing, Jeffri Vaughn placed 1st, Abran Enriquez placed 2nd, and Jesalyn Bradley placed 5th. In Feature Writing, Jeffri Vaughn placed 3rd, Lance Terrell, 3rd place, and Abran Enriquez, 4th place, competed in Editorial Writing. Abran Enriquez, 1st place, and Lance Terrell, 4th place, came up with some creative headlines in Headline Writing.

All of the students involved in UIL Academics made a great showing at the District Meet and many are still working hard to prepare for the Regional meet. Special congratulations to students placing in the top 3 and members of 1st place teams as they advance to the Regional UIL Academic Meet.



Run-Off Election Is April 11 Early Voting Is April 3-7



SIGN LANGUAGE TEAM--Saturday, April 1st, Gethsemani Assembly of God's Youth Ministry Sign Language Team competed in the Gulf Latin American District Fine Arts Festival which was held at the campus of Southwestern Assemblies of God University, in Waxahachie, TX. The team received a Superior Rating with Invitation to compete at the National Fine Arts Festival which will be held on August 7th-11th in Orlando, Florida. This was the team's first year competing in this event that has led them to continue on to the National level. Pictured are (L-R): Alyssa Gonzales, Leslie Alvarado, Yelitza Serrato, Adriana DeLaFuente, and Adriana DeLaCerde.

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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

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Texas Farm Bureau members pay visit to U.S. Capitol

Members of Texas' largest farm organization stood 180 strong during the final week of March as they paid visits to lawmakers to make a case for agricultural concerns in the Lone Star State.

"This was an incredible opportunity for us to take part in legislative process in one of our best grassroots efforts ever," said Boyd Jackson County Farm Bureau Vice President. "I believe our representatives in Congress have a much stronger idea of where we stand on certain issues, and I believe we also have some strong supporters behind us."

Texas Farm Bureau leaders from all over Texas joined together at the nation's capital from March 28-31 for the annual National Affairs Awards Program. Topping the legislative issues raised by TFB members was the need for disaster assistance all across Texas. In the wake of widespread drought, hurricane damages and some of the state's most severe wildfires ever, TFB members sought to expedite federal assistance programs for farmers and ranchers.

Another top concern for TFB members was the highly disputed House and Senate bills regarding

immigration reform. While border security and immigrant policy reforms are no doubt needed, Farm Bureau emphasized the need to establish viable work visa programs.

Members also advised congressional leaders of the need for Farm Bill reforms, but cautioned legislators to hold off on any sweeping changes until debates with the World Trade Organization are resolved. Expansions of program crops, revamping crop insurance policies and strengthening of agricultural energy usage sections will be top priorities, but only after WTO talks are done. Until then, TFB members agreed, Congress should extend the 2002 Farm Bill through its current 2007 timeframe.

"This was one of the largest groups we ever brought to Washington, D.C., and I believe that goes a long way in making our voice heard by those representing us," Texas Farm Bureau President Kenneth Dierschke said. "We can't thank them enough for sacrifices they made in their own families and operations. Their dedication does Texas farmers and ranchers proud."

With an April 1 deadline looming, USDA announced earlier this week it was extending a January 18, 2006 outside storage waiver (notice BCD-117) that allows outside stored cotton pledged as collateral for Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) marketing assistance loans to remain loan eligible.

The extension will allow outside storage of loan cotton to continue until May 1 at approved cotton warehouse locations that remain in compliance with the requirements of the original waiver.

"Without the extension announced by Farm Service Agency officials this week, producers would have had to begin

redeeming 2005 CCC marketing assistance loans on cotton that was still in outside storage on April 1," explains PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett. "Now that we have the extension through May 1 in place the industry has a little breathing room and cotton warehouses and merchants can continue to concentrate on the primary task of shipping cotton."

Verett notes that maintaining a steady shipping pace will be the quickest and most effective way to create the warehouse space needed to store unshipped bales come May 1.

It is vital that everyone, especially producers that may think they are unaffected because their

cotton has been sold under terms of an equity contract, understand the importance of maintaining loan eligibility for every bale.

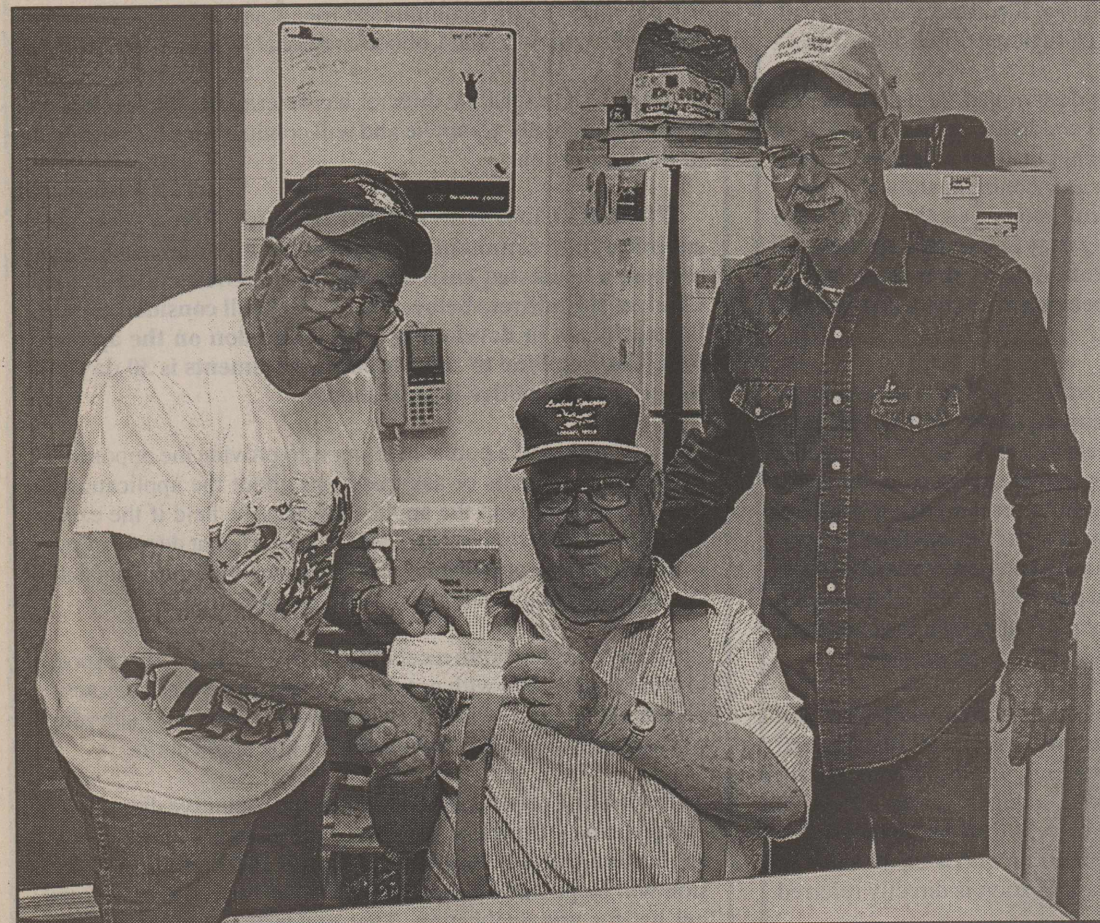
"Even though cotton may be sold on an equity basis, producers need to understand that they are not out of the picture," says Verett.

Under the terms of the new extension CCC will advance the maturity date of any cotton marketing assistance loan if the cotton securing the loan is stored outside as of May 1, 2006.

Since CCC marketing assistance loans are in the name of the producer, when the new May 1 deadline arrives it will be the producer that will be notified by FSA about the situation and given 15 days to redeem loan cotton at the

adjusted world price level. Failure to redeem the loan before the 15 day window expires means the loan would have to be repaid by the producer at principal plus interest.

"The magnitude of the 2005 crop has been a challenge for every segment of the High Plains cotton industry and we greatly appreciate the efforts of the USDA to work with us to maintain loan eligibility and allow us to focus on shipping cotton to our textile end users," concludes Verett. "We know we aren't totally out of the woods yet, but we will all be working together to ensure that come May 1 provisions have been made to keep every bale fully eligible for the CCC loan."



VETERANS PARK DONATION--Red Daniels (center) presents a donation to Ed Marks (left) and H.G. Graham (right) for the Veteran's Memorial Park in Lockney. Staff Photo

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Crossroads Gin & Others—Owner
Located: Littlefield, Texas—Selling: Module Trucks, Gin Equipment, Farm Equipment

Wednesday, April 19, 2006—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Eugene Hawkins & Muleshoe Area Farmers—Owner
Located: Muleshoe, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Friday, April 21, 2006—Sale Time: 9:30 a.m.
Arless Edwards Estate—Owner
Located: Hereford, Texas—Selling: Farm Equipment

Saturday, April 22, 2006—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Crowell Area Farmers—Owners
Located: Crowell, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Saturday, May 6, 2006—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Western Paving & Redi-Mix—Owners
Located: Amarillo, Texas—Selling: Construction Equipment

Wednesday, May 17, 2006—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Rhineland Cattle Company—Owner
Located: Knox City, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

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I love you Dad with all my heart.

Dedicated to my father, Ruben DeLeon, Sr., who left this world and went unto a better one on April 7, 2005.

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2006-2007 Pre-Registration for Headstart

April 10, 11 & 12 (All Day)
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- *Social Security Card
- *Updated shot record
- *Medicaid (current month)
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Public Notice

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Questions and bids can be submitted to the City of Matador, P.O. Box 367, Matador, Texas 79244; Phone 806-347-2255 or Fax 806-347-2062.

Public Notice

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. 32612

APPLICATION: Lockney Cooperative Gin has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 32612 which would authorize continued operation of the Cotton Gin located at 1000 West Locust, Lockney, Floyd County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants; organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide and particulate matter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 14, 2006. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock Regional office and the Floyd County Courthouse, 100 South Main Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING:

You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056 (o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety and zoning are outside of the Commissioner's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST: In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

INFORMATION: Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Lockney Cooperative Gin, P.O. Box 128, Lockney, Texas 79241 or by calling Mr. Kelley Green, P.E., Director of Technical Services, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at 512-476-8388.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT

PROPOSED AIR QUALITY PERMIT NO. 7 8433

APPLICATION: Don Marble dba Marble Bros Farm Gin, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 78433 which would authorize operation of the Cotton Gin located at 502 East Shurbet, Lockney, Floyd County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants; organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide and particulate matter including particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 22, 2006. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office and the Floyd County Courthouse, 100 South Main, Floydada, Texas 79235. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

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

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

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application may be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

If a hearing request is timely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application and a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with with the executor's decisions on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or is on a mailing list for this application.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING:

You may request a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 30 day period, no further opportunity for a hearing will be provided.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "(I/we) request a contested case hearing; (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or an association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seeks to protect, must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST: In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

INFORMATION: Written public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Don Marble dba Marble Bros Farm Gin, P.O. Box 68, South Plains, Texas 79258 or by calling Mr. Kelley Green, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association at 512-476-8388.

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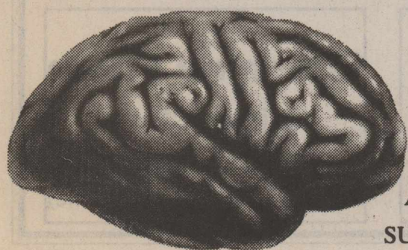
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GARAGE (MOVING) SALE--Saturday, 8:00 to 12:00 Noon. 319 S. 2nd (next to Leonard's). Women's clothes, books of all kinds, music books and magazines, cook books, crochet and knitting patterns, sewing patterns, zippers, belt buckles, letter monograms, tupperware, etc.

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Lockney HUGE CARPOT SALE--802 W. Willow, Lockney. Saturday, April 8th - 8:00 a.m. - ?? . Furniture, clothes, lots of miscellaneous.

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HELP WANTED

WYLIE MANUFACTURING in Petersburg wants welders and machine operators. Call Barbara at 667-3566.

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THE CITY OF FLOYDADA will take applications through 5:00 p.m. April 14, 2006, an opening in the Maintenance/Sanitation Department. Applications and a job description may be obtained at Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia St., Floydada, Texas 79235. The City of Floydada is an equal opportunity employer.

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Obituaries

GENE BELT

Gene Belt, 80, of Lockney, passed away on Monday, April 3, 2006 at his residence in Hale Center.

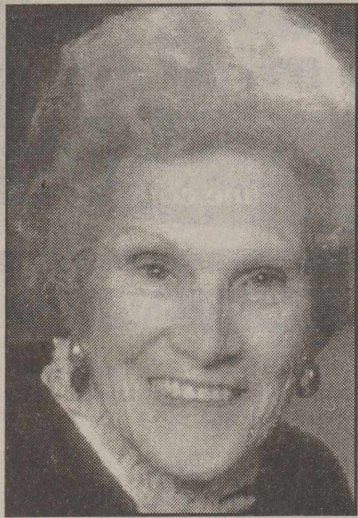
He was born April 21, 1925 in Lockney to the late John Franklin and Rose Belt. He married Claddia Marie Pyle on June 11, 1941 in New Mexico. She preceded him in death on November 22, 2001. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1942 until 1945 during WWII. He married Betty Hamilton on August 30, 2002 in Lockney. He moved to Hale Center from Lockney in 2004. He was a former pilot and enjoyed dancing with the Senior Citizen Dance Club of Plainview. He was a farmer, a member of the American Legion, and a member of the West College and Third Street Church of Christ in Lockney.

He was preceded in death by one son, Ronnie Belt on October 8, 1971.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Belt of Hale Center; a son Johnnie Belt of Lockney; one brother, J.R. Belt of Lockney; two sisters, Retha Wofford of Lockney; Dorothy Jarrett of Fredricksburg; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and relatives.

Funeral services were at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at the West College and Third Street Church of Christ in Lockney with Charles Cook, officiating and Jason Freed, assisting. Burial will be in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Lockney Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 708, Lockney, TX 79241.



DOROTHY CARTHEL

Dorothy (Byars) Carthel, 89, of Floydada passed away on March 29, 2006 at Mangold Memorial Hospital in Lockney.

Dorothy was born on May 15, 1916 in Farmersville, Texas to the late Fleet Smith and Belle (Laney) Byars. She moved to Floydada from Lockney in 1949. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Floydada for 57 years. Her family expressed, "Heaven is receiving a most loved and devoted woman who will be terribly missed by many family and friends. She has made our world a better place."

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, A.C. Carthel on April 6, 1997 and one daughter, Gloria Carthel Johnson.

She is survived by one son, Alden Carthel of Snyder; one daughter, Cindy Carthel of Plainview; two sisters, Estelle Carthel and Hortense Phillips; seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

The family greeted friends on Friday, March 31, 2006 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the funeral home in Floydada. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM Saturday, April 1, 2006 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada with Reverend Anthony Sisemore, officiating. Burial was held in the Floyd County Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada, TX.

Family suggests memorials may be made to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174 or the First Baptist Church Building Fund, 401 S Main, Floydada, TX 79235.

RAYMONDA. HAMILTON

Funeral services for Raymond A. Hamilton, 78, of Plainview were held Tuesday, April 4, 2006 at Bartley Memorial Chapel in Plainview. Ron Huckleby, Lay Minister from Plainview officiated. Interment was in Plainview Memorial Park, Plainview, under the direction of Bartley Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mr. Hamilton died Saturday, April 1, 2006 at the Plainview Health Care Center in Plainview.

He was born March 6, 1928 in Lee Creek, Arkansas. He married Jacqueline Jacobs December 24, 1947 in Van Buren, Arkansas.

He moved to Plainview in 1997 from Floyd County. He served in the US Navy during WWII. He served with the Plainview Police Department for 9 years and was Lockney Chief of Police for 5 years. He was also a deputy sheriff for Floyd County for several years. He loved to work in his woodworking shop and was always with his companion "Charlie". His dog who cared for him.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline of the home; two sons, Bill Hamilton of Woodward, Oklahoma and Larry Hamilton of Lubbock; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth Hamilton, and three sisters, Reba Lampro, Lena Marcum and Velva Hamilton.

ORVILLE L. HARRIS

Funeral services for Orville L. Harris, 83, of Canyon were held Tuesday, March 28, 2006 at the First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Clark Williams, pastor, officiated. Graveside services were Tuesday in Willow Cemetery in Haskell. Jerry Burke officiated. Arrangements were under the direction of Brooks Funeral Directors.

Mr. Harris died Saturday, March 25, 2006 in Amarillo.

He was born December 1, 1922 to James and Holland Harris in Haskell County. He married Doris U. Minick in Bryan on July 11, 1943. They previously resided in Lubbock and Floydada where he was an Ag teacher, before moving to Canyon in 2002. Mr. Harris retired as a vocational

agricultural teacher after 26 years of service and retired after 18 years of service from the Lubbock Appraisal Office.

He was preceded in death by his wife.

Survivors include a son, Troy Harris of Amarillo; three granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; a sister; and a brother.

The family suggests memorials be to Gideons International, 2200 S.W. Seventh Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79106.

ARMA LEE FUQUA SCOTT

Funeral services for Arma Lee Fuqua Scott, 95, of Oak Ridge and formerly of Amarillo, were held Monday, March 27, 2006 at Paramount Terrace Christian Church. Reverend Roy Wheeler officiated. Burial followed in Llano Cemetery, under the direction of Abilene Funeral Home, Abilene.

Mrs. Scott died Wednesday, March 22, 2006.

She was born March 3, 1911, in the Gentry's Mill community in Hamilton County to Mack and Hattie Fuqua. She was reared in Hamilton and Floydada and graduated from Floydada High School. After graduation, she moved to Plainview and enrolled in Business/Secretarial School, where she met and married Hubert B. Scott May 20, 1937. They had 51 wonderful years together. Arma Lee and Hubert Scott made their home in Amarillo until his death. Mrs. Scott was an active member of Paramount Terrace Christian Church during her years in Amarillo.

Survivors include a daughter, Debra Clarice Scott Wittenbach of Spring; two sister, Sharon Fowler of Davenport, Iowa and Eddie Scheibel of Mesquite; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Scott was preceded in death by her husband, Hubert B. Scott; a daughter, Shelia Kay Scott; four brothers, Floyd Fuqua, Van Fuqua, Truman Fuqua and Mack Fuqua; and three sisters, Amelia Ashton, grace Dunn and Dorothea Hunter.

Memorials may be made to the Odyssey Health Care, P.O. Box 103, Conroe, Texas 77301-2890.

VERGIE M. SLOUGH

Funeral services for Vergie McCandless Slough, 85, of Conroe were held April 1, 2006. She was buried in Forest Park Cemetery in The Woodlands.

Mrs. Slough died March 30, 2006 in Conroe.

She was born to Carl and Maude Russell on May 22, 1920 in Floyd County. She attended school in McAdoo. Married Clarence D. McCandless. She worked as a secretary at First Baptist Church in Lockney and as a nurse at W.J. Mangold. She was also a member of the Eastern Star in Lockney. She was a member of Woodland Hills Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 52 years, Clarence D. McCandless; and brother, Wayne Russell.

She is survived by her loving husband Darrel Gene Slough; daughters, Leita Casey and Sandra Lafferty, both of Conroe; sons, Glen McCandless of Stamford and Ron McCandless of Conroe; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Bonnie Rasher of Citrus Heights, California and Sylba Crouch of Wills Point; one brother, Rev. Henry Russell of Floydada; numerous nieces and nephews and loving friends of Lockney and Floydada.

THIS WEEK'S

EASTER SEASON PLANS FOR FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 9 - Palm Sunday drama - Communion - both services
April 10-14 - Holy Week New-Life Series luncheon-12:10-12:50 p.m.

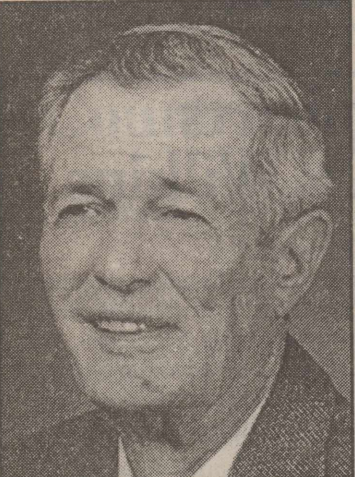
April 13 - Maundy Thursday Tinebrae Service of Candles - 7:00 p.m.

April 16 - Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m. Martin Warren Ranch. Combined Service 10:50 a.m.

ACS "RELAY FOR LIFE" ACS "Relay for Life" will be having a potluck dinner on Thursday, April 13th at 6:30 in the FNB Floydada Community Room. All team captains and committee members should be present. Anyone interested in helping with the Relay is invited.

Floyd County Church Directory

<p>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.</p>	<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Lockney Rev. Neely Landrum, 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.</p>	<p>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA Lockney Jesse Caballero, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.</p>
<p>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 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH Lockney Jim McCartney, Pastor Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.</p>
<p>CARR'S CHAPEL Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD 701 W. Missouri Rev. Ray Gonzales 983-5286 (church) 983-3047 (parsonage) Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH Floydada Father Jose Relente Deacon Ricky Vasquez Phone: 983-5878 Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m. Mon./Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m.</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Floydada Rev. Les Hall, Pastor Early Worship8:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday).....5:00p.m. Youth (Wednesday).....7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>American State Bank Member FDIC 217 W. California 983-3725</p>	<p>Goen & Goen Insurance 102 E. California 983-3524</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Barwise Gin Barwise Community 983-2737</p>	<p>Lockney Co-op Gin 652-2377</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>City Auto Buick, Pontiac, GMC 201 E. Missouri Floydada 983-3767</p>	<p>Lockney Ins. Agency 105 N. Main 652-3347</p>	<p>WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST Floydada 983-3548 Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.</p>
<p>Clark Pharmacy 320 N. Main - Lockney 652-3353</p>	<p>Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home 329 W. Calif. Floydada 983-2525 402 S. Main Lockney 652-2211</p>	<p>THIS PAGE IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS:</p>
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HAROLD L. BROCK

Harold L. Brock, 70, of Kerrville, Texas died on April 2, 2006 at a local care facility.

Mr. Brock was born March 8, 1936 in Godley, Texas to Melvin and Grace (Himmel) Brock. He married Leona Marie Dunlap at the First United Methodist Church in Crosbyton, Texas on December 18, 1953. He spent his life as a Farmer/Ranch Manager; farming in Lockney in Floyd County, and also partnering with his father, Melvin, and brother, Byron Brock. Together they built, owned, and operated a cattle feedlot and SPF hog operation; built six barns; and managed ranches in Mitchell and Kerr Counties. He was a member of the Cattleman's Association, the Farm Bureau, and the First United Methodist Church in Kerrville.

He is survived by his wife, Leona Marie Dunlap Brock of Kerrville; son, Richard Harold Brock of Dallas; daughter, Leona Carol Brock Norfleet of Dallas; one grandson; 3 granddaughters; and a brother, George Byron Brock of Lockney.

Graveside services will be held 11:00 a.m., Friday, April 7, 2006 at the Godley Cemetery on FR 2331 in Godley, Texas.

Memorials may be made to the Kerrville United Methodist Church or to Vistacare Hospice.

THIS WEEK'S

ST. MARY MAGDALEN EASTER WEEK

April 9th - Palm Sunday/ Domingo de Ramos. Blessing of Palms in the hall. Procession will start in the hall into the church.

April 13th - Holy Thursday. 6:30 - Washing of the Feet. Vigil will follow washing of the feet.

April 14th - 6:30 p.m. Reading of the Passion. Veneration of the Cross, Communion

April 16th - Easter Mass - 8:00 a.m. - Paducah, 9:45 a.m. - Matador - 11:30 a.m. - Floydada

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