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## Ace & volunteers renovate Floydada's Little League Park

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada Little League Baseball Park, east of the high school, received a complete renovation Wednesday, June 20, thanks to a group of local volunteers and the help of Ace Hardware's "Helpful Hardware Man" Lou Manfredini and his crew, and a \$5,000 grant donation from the national headquarters of Ace Hardware.

Floydada Little League was selected as one of five winners nationwide in Ace Hardware's third annual "Field For The Future" charitable program.

According to Ace Hardware's spokesperson, Jason Sparks, of Chicago, Ace Hardware is the official hardware supplier of Little League Baseball and Softball, and the "Fields For The Future" program celebrates this partnership.

Manfredini and his "Lou Crew" of league and community volunteers worked over 8 hours

Wednesday digging up the baselines, repairing and painting the bleachers, backstops and outfield fences, plus much more.

Michael Thomas, president of the Floydada Little League, board member Bill Glass, and Laura Farris, president of Floydada Ace Hardware, were all involved in the renovations and the entire project.

Local volunteers included Floydada school students, Charlie Beedy, Stephen Emert, Randa Shurbet, Kenya Pesina, Christine Rodriguez, Crystal Alvarez, Douglas Williams, Daniel Saldona, Magdiel Alvarado, Mackenzie Schwertner, Mary Warren, Tucker Ross, Raymond Everett, Brook Sansom, Keyla Pesina, Blake Greer, Landon Lackey, Landry Morren, TK Farris, Seth Nielson, sponsors Tommy Rambo, Glenn Thompson, Jan Willson, along with FHS Principal Wayne Morren.

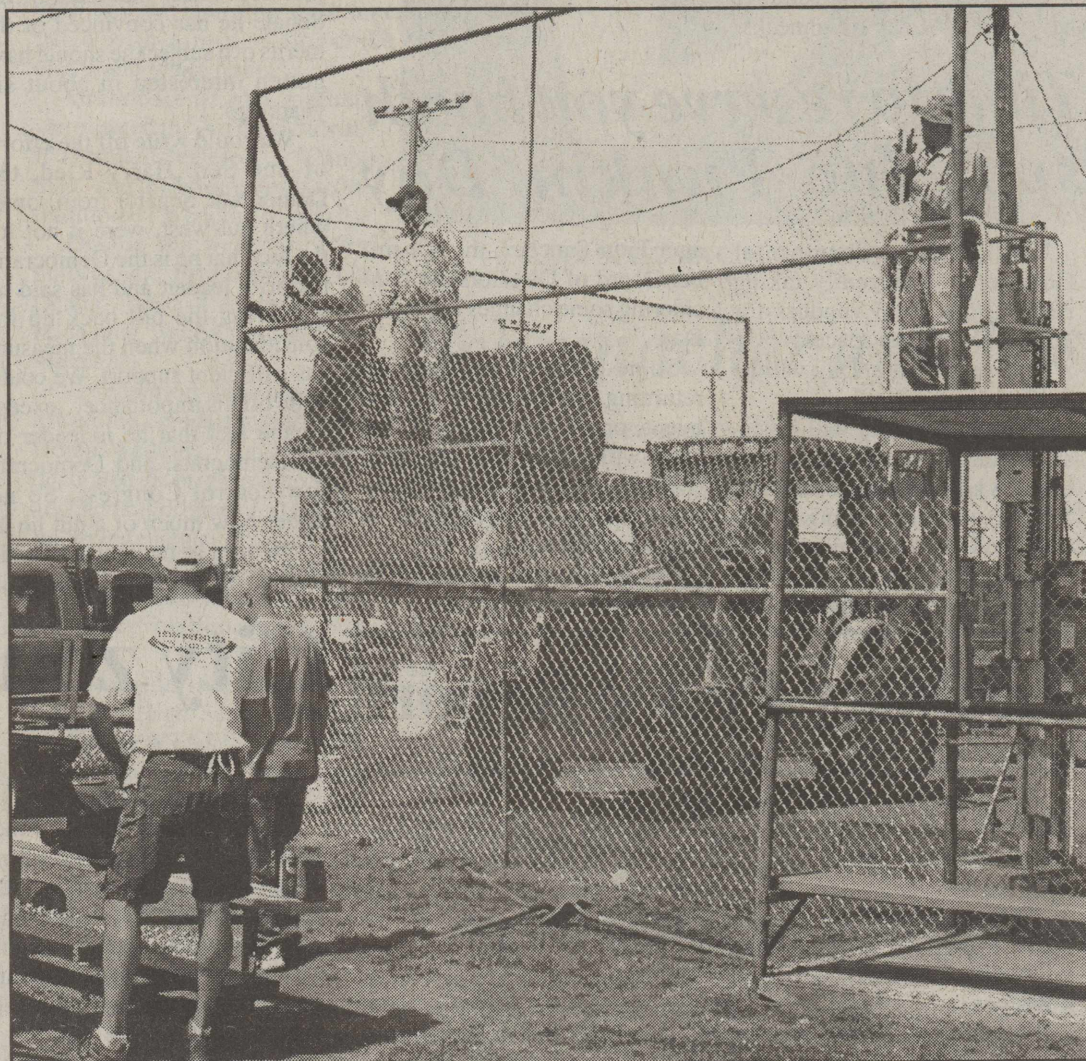
Other volunteers were Juan DeOchoa and Charlie Cabella from Lawson Farm Supply. Volunteers from the City of Floydada were Gary Fuller, Jack Alaniz, Roel Cisneros, Eddie Sanchez and Gerald DeLeon.

Volunteer O.B. Smith, from Pct. 1 of the County, was doing the tilling, while Sammy Segura worked on the backstops. Other volunteers were Angie and Karlee Weems, and Erbey Molinar of Molinar Roofing was installing new bleacher roofs.

"Amado Morales brought kids from PAC on Thursday and unloaded 40 loads of dirt," Farris told the Hesperian-Beacon.

"There was no way we could have ever got this much done without all these volunteers," Farris said.

Manfredini added, "We try to plant the seed of an idea, then the \$5,000 grant will go a lot farther with other volunteers who donate time and labor."



VOLUNTEERS HELPING ON THE RENOVATIONS AT THE LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL PARK LAST WEEK-Ace Hardware received a \$5,000 grant for "Fields For The Future" project. (see related story)  
Staff Photo

## Two killed in Floyd County vehicle accident

Two people, including a 14 year old Plainview girl, died, and another person was injured, Friday night, June 22, when a semi-truck slammed into their car in northern Floyd County near Providence.

Malachi Foneseca, 24, of Olton was pronounced dead at the scene. His 14 year old cousin, Ashley Herrera of Plainview was pronounced dead at Covenant Hospital in Plainview, according to Texas Department of Public Safety officials.

Herrera's father, 34 year old Eugene Herrera of Plainview, was taken to Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock and he was in good condition, according to hospital officials.

Fonseca was driving a 2000 Ford Mustang westbound on FM 788 when the truck crashed into the car. DPS officials said they received a call about the wreck at 7 p.m.

The semi, which was headed eastbound on FM 788, attempted to make a left turn onto FM 2301, when the driver failed to yield the right-of-way to the Mustang, DPS officials said.

## One escapes PAC briefly

By Judy Macha

One male juvenile escaped PAC custody briefly Thursday, June 21, 2007.

According to Lockney Chief of Police Jerry Edwards, the juvenile requested permission to go to the rest room while at Mangold Memorial Hospital for a medical visit. He then made his escape from the hospital.

He headed west from Lockney and asked a citizen for directions to a "back road" leading to Plainview. The citizen directed him to FM 378/ FM 788, then became suspicious of the young man and called the Lockney PD.

Chief Edwards said, "The juvenile was not from this area and I guess he got turned around, because PAC took him back into custody approximately two miles east of Lockney."



ACE HARDWARE "FIELD FOR THE FUTURE" LITTLE LEAGUE RENOVATIONS-Laura Farris, president of ACE Hardware of Floydada is shown with ACE Hardware's "Helpful Hardware Man" Lou Manfredini, representative of ACE Hardware's headquarters in Chicago, during renovations of the Little League Baseball Park last Wednesday.  
Staff Photo

## Friends raising funds for paving and A/C

By Nick Long

The Floyd County Friends (FCF) announced this week the intentions of asphalt paved parking for the front of the Unity Center and central air conditioning/heating of the 8,000 square foot City Bank Room.

"The project will be approximately \$135,000", according to Board President Martin Stoerner of Providence.

"I have good news and bad news to report. The good news is we are off to a great start with the capital campaign already at \$102,000 (76% of goal) due to grants and designated donations. The bad news is that we still need between \$33,000 and have only until September 1st to get it raised. Any size of donation will be helpful and appreciated", Stoerner said. "We assure you, we have a plan to be successful in this much needed upgrade."

The campaign received a big boost in May when the James and Eva Mayer Foundation from Plainview awarded the FCF a Challenge Grant in the amount of \$50,000. The Mayer Foundation is the organization that gave FCF \$100,000 in 1998 that led to the eventual construction in 1999 of the Unity Center. The largest portion of the Unity Center (20,000 square feet) is named Mayer Arena.

"The Mayer Foundation has given us until November 1st to start construction or have signed contracts to receive the \$50,000. The window is small, but its an opening that we can not ignore," said Nick Long, grant writer of this project and FCF Charter President.

The FCF has \$32,000 designated for parking/air conditioning from an anonymous donation, then received a pair of \$10,000 donations this past week from each the Thomas Kinder and Martha W. Farris Charitable Foundation, and City Bank for a total of \$20,000.

Mrs. Farris is very much in support of the paved parking due to increased safety and convenience for senior citizens. The Farris Family and First National Bank of Floydada were very instrumental in the beginning and completion of the Floyd County Library that was holding its capital campaign in the late 1990's the same time that Unity Center was being planned.

City Bank, which has financial institutions in both Floydada and Lockney, has a special interest in the Unity Center since the 8,000 square foot room (small building) that is going to receive the central air conditioning/heat is named the City Bank room.  
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## FSA asking for help in search

Floyd County FSA is asking area farmers to help in the search of Peggy Merimon. Merimon has been missing since August 9, 2006.

Merimon and Kay Harrelson were abducted after leaving work at the Lubbock State School. The body of Harrelson was discovered a couple of weeks later, but there has been no sign of Merimon despite extensive searches by family and volunteers.

After an encounter with Merimon's husband, Gearl Merimon, Bailey County producer Billy Tiller devised a plan to enlist the help of area farmers.

The plan calls for farmers to search the land they know best--their own. Then after checking the area the producer should contact the FSA office and mark the area searched on the County's plat book.

"Lamb County has already taken part in the program," said Tiller. "I contacted Mike McDonald, CED of Floyd County FSA, and he has agreed to help. I'm trying to get all the counties within a 70 mile radius (15,000 square miles) to participate."

"This is the area that Gearl and his family has to search and Gearl still spends everyday of his life in the search."

Tiller believes the search will be easy for farmers who already know their land well.

"If the farmer will mark the plat book when he goes in to cer-

tify his acreage that will be a tremendous help. Also, if the farmer has already certified I'm asking them to go back into their FSA office and mark the County's plat book."

Tiller said he very seldom gets taken into someone else's plight, but he will never forget the 2 days he spent with Gearl and how diligently he searches every place that he stops.

"It made me realize how quickly tragedy can change a man's priorities. Gearl's priorities today include a decent burial for his wife's remains, and the identification and punishment of her abductor."

Tiller first came across Gearl in May of 2007.

"I was in my office reviewing bills when I was radioed that someone was messing around an abandoned house where my two-way radio is located.

"I rushed out and drove the half-mile to see who was trespassing."

"It was a cool 50 degrees and drizzling rain on this day and I arrived to see a well used four wheeler covered in mud."

"I laid on the horn for about 10 seconds until a man in a hooded sweat shirt, who was wet to the bone appeared around the corner of the old house."

Tiller said after he finished chewing the man (Gearl) out for trespassing, Gearl was finally able to "get a word in and told me his name was Gearl and he was searching for his wife, Peggy."



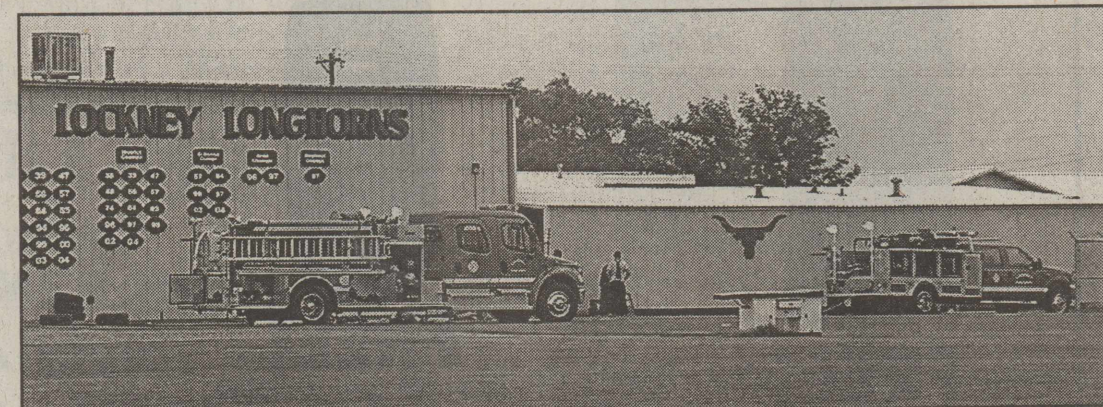
PEGGY MERIMON

"I never dreamed they would be searching so far from Lubbock, but Gearl told me investigators said the person of interest in this case had time to drive approximately 70 miles from Lubbock and dispose of a body. That is an area of 15,000 square miles. This seemed to me not like the proverbial needle in a haystack, but like a needle in 15,000 haystacks."

Tiller said he was struck with admiration that Gearl would continue a daily task such as this 10 months after his wife's abduction. Tiller was even more amazed when he found out that Gearl is legally blind and does not have a driver's license.

"Gearl is completely blind in one eye and has only fair vision out of the other. He can see well enough to search and get around on a four wheeler."

"Gearl's brother, Kim, brings him to a search area before he goes to work and then picks him  
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LONGHORN FIELD HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE--A passerby noticed smoke coming from the Lockney Longhorn Field House Tuesday morning at approximately 6:20 a.m. The Fire Department responded to the call and extinguished the blaze inside the metal buildings. According to School Superintendent Phil Cotham the State Fire Marshall will investigate the fire, but it appears that it was not intentional at first glance. "The doors were locked and it did not appear anyone had gotten inside the building," said Cotham. According to Cotham, all the contents in the building (except for the weight room) are unusable. "The equipment is damaged beyond repair by heat or smoke," said Cotham. "The junior high football helmets were hanging on hooks and the helmets melted off the face masks. We have good insurance coverage. I'm glad no one was hurt. Things can be replaced."

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# Lass and Logan exchange vows



**MRS. ZANE LOGAN**  
Nee Cammy Marie Lass

Cammy Marie Lass and Zane Michael Logan were united in marriage during a candlelight ceremony 8:00 p.m. May 28, 2007, at the Country Home Wedding in Canyon, Texas. Don Chesshir, grandfather of the groom, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Marceen Lass of Lockney. She is the granddaughter of Jack and Sandy Lass of South Plains, Dallas and Haroldine Schear of Alexander, Iowa and Lyle and Linda Craighton of LaGrange, Texas.

The groom is the son of Bobby and Tammie Shuping of

Hale Center and David and Barbara Logan of Canyon. He is the grandson of Don Chesshir and the late Sue Chesshir of Floydada, Connie Shuping of Hale Center and Ernie and Ladelle Watson of Lubbock.

The bride, escorted on the arm of her father, wore an elegant white strapless A-line gown with silver beading and Australian crystals on the bodice and the bottom of the skirt. The back of the dress was a pleated split back with silver beads and crystals. For her hair, she chose a curly updo with an elbow length white veil with tear drop crystals and

scattered beading. The tiara was also made from Australian crystals.

The flowers she carried were arranged in a clutch bouquet of blue hydrangeas, yellow mini calla lilies, hot pink and orange roses and white butterfly lilies.

Following tradition, the bride held her bouquet with a handkerchief from her maternal grandmother as something old; something new was a pair of diamond earrings given to her by her future husband; something borrowed was a diamond ring from her mother; and something blue was the ribbon in her garter.

Serving as maid of honor was Lacy Lass of Athens, Texas, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Tana Smith of Lockney, Hannah Browning of San Diego, California, Misty Adams, Tiffany Chmielewski and Jennifer Guttridge of Canyon, all friends of the bride.

The bride's attendants wore royal blue strapless tea length satin gowns and carried clutch bouquets of yellow mini calla lilies, and hot pink and orange roses.

Flower girl was Taryn Golden of Brownfield, cousin of the groom and ring bearer was Scott Lass of Lockney, brother of the bride.

Ushers were Billy Schear of Denver, Colorado, Nolan Craighton of Hampton, Iowa, both cousins of the bride, Michael Shuping of Hale Center, stepbrother of the groom, Rusty Keaton of Lubbock, Dillon Chesshir and Tyler Chesshir of Floydada, all cousins of the groom.

Serving at the guest book were Kami Keaton of Lubbock, cousin of the groom and Charity Logan of Canyon, stepsister of the groom.

Reception attendants were Kristi Logan of Floydada, sister-in-law of the groom and Charissa Golden of Brownfield, cousin of

the groom.

Serving as best man was Zack Logan of Floydada, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Cory Golden of Brownfield, cousin of

the groom; Cody Lass of San Marcos and Monte Lass of Manhattan, Kansas, brothers of the bride; and Jon Davis and Carlos Silva of Canyon, friends of the groom.

The gazebo where the ceremony took place was decorated with several hanging baskets filled with a mix of flowers, plants and white lights.

Grandparents and mothers were seated to "Air on G String." Bridesmaids entered to "Canon in D" and the bride entered to the traditional "Wedding March."

During the lighting of the unity candle, Erin Turner of Hale Center, friend of the groom and bride sang "When You Say Nothing At All."

A reception and dance followed the ceremony at Country Home Wedding. The barn was decorated in bright white lights and several brightly colored floral arrangements.

The couple left the reception in a horse drawn carriage for a romantic drive through the countryside.

The bride is a graduate of Lockney High School and is a student at WTA&M in Canyon. She is employed as floral manager at United Supermarket in Canyon.

The groom is a graduate of Hale Center High School and WTA&M. He is employed as a Loss Prevention Manager at Sears in Amarillo.

Following a honeymoon to Oahu, Hawaii, the couple will make their home in Canyon.

A Hawaiian themed rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Cole Community Center in Canyon.

The couple was honored with a bridal shower on May 5 in the home of Denise Smith.



LACI SCHUMACHER AND GREG KISH

## Schumacher and Kish

Gaylan and Lisa Schumacher announce the engagement of their daughter, Laci to Greg Kishimoto of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

The bride-elect is a 2003 graduate of Lockney High School and received an Associate degree in Communications from South Plains College in 2005. She will receive a Bachelor degree in Advertising from Texas Tech University in December.

The prospective groom is a 1995 graduate of Erindale High School in Toronto. He played football at the University of Toronto where he received a Bachelor degree in 2000. He received a Law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law in 2003 and a Master degree in Business Administration in 2004 from Texas Tech University Rawls College of Business. He is a founder of Kish and Manktelow Law Firm in Richardson.

The couple will be married September 7, 2007 at the South Fork Ranch in Richardson.

## Cogdell Clinic hosts blood drive

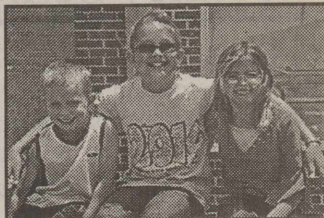
On Friday, June 29th from 1:30pm to 4:30pm Cogdell Clinic will host a blood drive for Elvia Cisneros. The drive will be at the Cogdell Clinic in the mobile coach. At the present time, United Blood Services needs all types of blood. Donors must be 17 years of age, 110 pounds, and in good health. Donors must have a picture ID and a list of any medications that they are currently taking.

During the summer months, United Blood Services will be giving a trip to Las Vegas for 2 for 3 nights and 4 days plus air fare during June, July, and August. All donors who donate blood during those months will have an opportunity to win this trip. One trip will be given away each month!

All donors will be given a free

cholesterol reading, also. All donors who would like to make an appointment for the drive on Friday, can call Maybelle Monreal at 806-983-2875. All donors will receive their choice of a Las Vegas T-shirt, cap, lunch bag, etc. A \$25 gift card to Wal-Mart will be given a way as a door prize.

## Guess Who's Nifty 50? Grandpa!



Love  
**Tanille, Tabetha and Rowdy**

### THIS WEEK'S

#### LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS

A representative will be at the Lockney Senior Citizens building at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, July 5th with applications for phones for the hearing impaired.

### Food Manager Certification Training Offered July 13 & 16

Hale County Extension Office - Cost \$89  
Registration deadline - July 2

For more information call the  
Floyd County Extension office at 983-4912

### Hospice Hands of West Texas May Employee of the Month

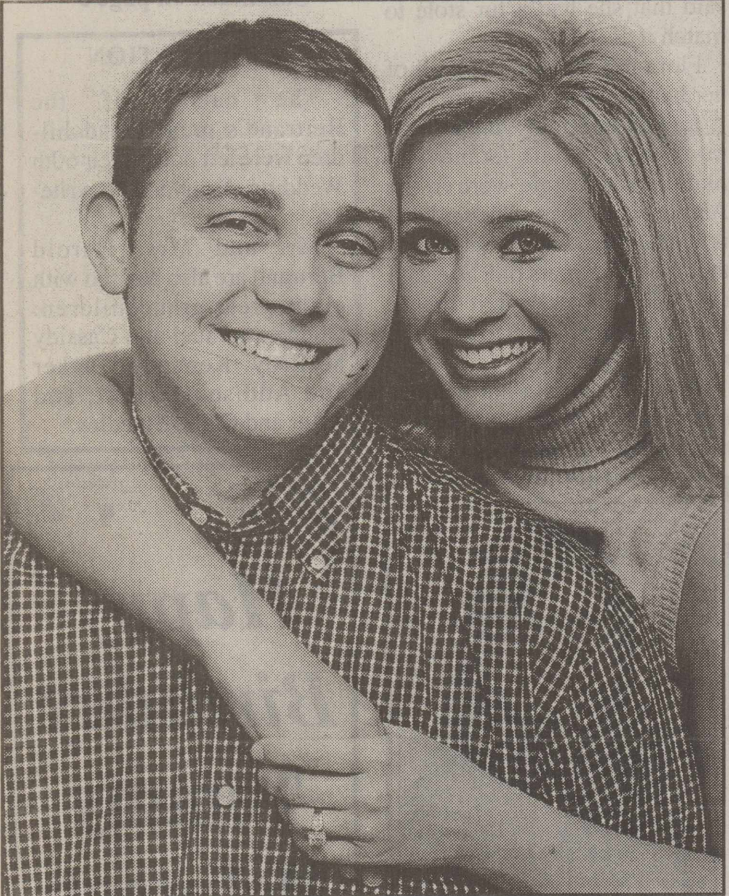


#### Norma Zamora CNA

**Home Health Aide, Medical Assistant**  
Norma is the proud mother of 4 children Krystal, Luis, Gabriel & Amanda. She has a beautiful granddaughter, Neveah as well.

She attends Sacred Heart Church and enjoys spending time with family and reading. "Since working with Hospice Hands I have found it to be very rewarding."

**Way to go Norma & thanks for all your hard work!**  
Hospice Hands has been proudly serving the surrounding area since 1997! If we can ever be of assistance to you and your family please contact us at (806) 652-3000 or Toll Free 888-795-1212



TYLER DUNIVEN AND BRITTANY BARKER

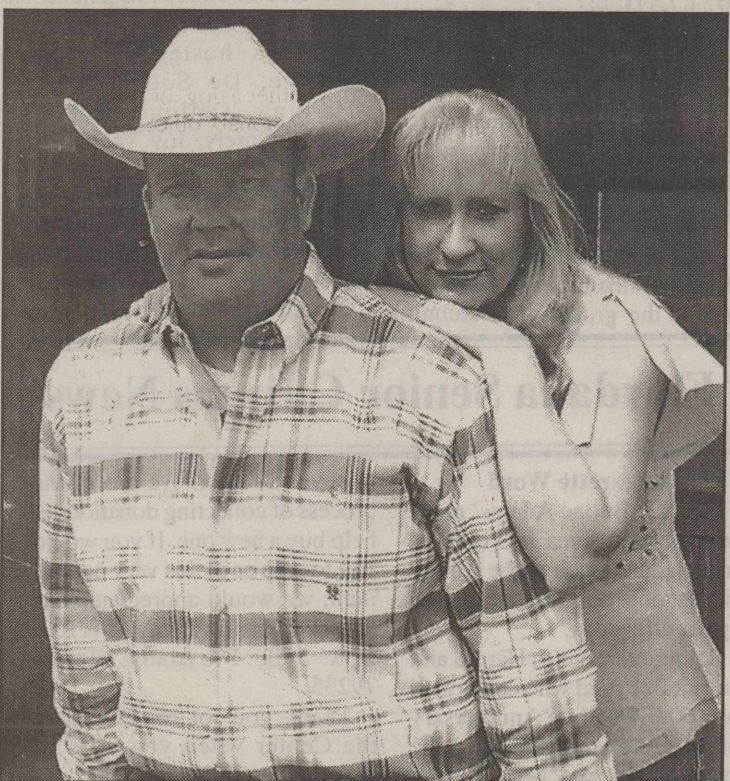
## Barker and Duniven

Brent and LouAnn Barker of Keller are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brittany Noel, to Mr. Tyler Thomas Duniven, son of Tommy and Diane Duniven of Wylie.

The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Midland High School and a 2006 graduate of the Texas Tech University School of Nursing. She is a registered nurse in surgery currently employed by Harris Methodist HEB in Bedford. She is the granddaughter of Olin Watson and the late LenaMae Watson, formerly of Floydada and Barry and Algene Barker of Lockney.

The prospective groom attended Coronado High School in Lubbock and is a 2002 graduate of Edmond North High School in Edmond, Oklahoma. He attended South Plains College and Oklahoma State University. He is employed by Southern Fastening Systems in Fort Worth. He is the grandson of Martha and Jack Callaway of Denton and Dorothy Duniven and the late Bobby Gene Duniven of Wellington.

The couple plan an August 4, 2007 wedding at First United Methodist Church in Lubbock.



CHAD GUTHRIE AND SHANA STAMBAUGH

## Stambaugh and Guthrie

Shana Stambaugh and Chad Guthrie of Floydada wish to announce their engagement and approaching wedding on September 8, 2007.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Irvin and Lynda Seymour of Floydada and granddaughter of Gladys Brannon formerly of Floydada.

The prospective groom is the son of Larry and Rhonda Guthrie and grandson of LeRoy and Loretta Burns all of Floydada.

### Look Who's New!

#### MOSS

Tom and Anna Leta Moss are thrilled to announce the arrival of a son, William Jay Moss. Will was born in Nashville, Tennessee at 2:20 p.m. on June 8, 2007, on his parent's 5th Wedding Anniversary.

Will weighed 7 pounds 14

ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Will was also welcomed by his big brother Matthew.

Grandparents are Clara Bradshaw of Floydada and Carl Moss of Nashville, Tennessee. Will's proud uncle is J. Royce Bradshaw of Floydada.

## Cogdell Clinic

Floydada

### NEW SUMMER HOURS

#### Dr. Ahmad

Effective  
Monday, July 2, 2007

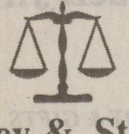
Thru  
Friday, August 31, 2007

Monday - Thursday  
8:00-12:00 1:00-6:00

Friday  
8:00-12:00

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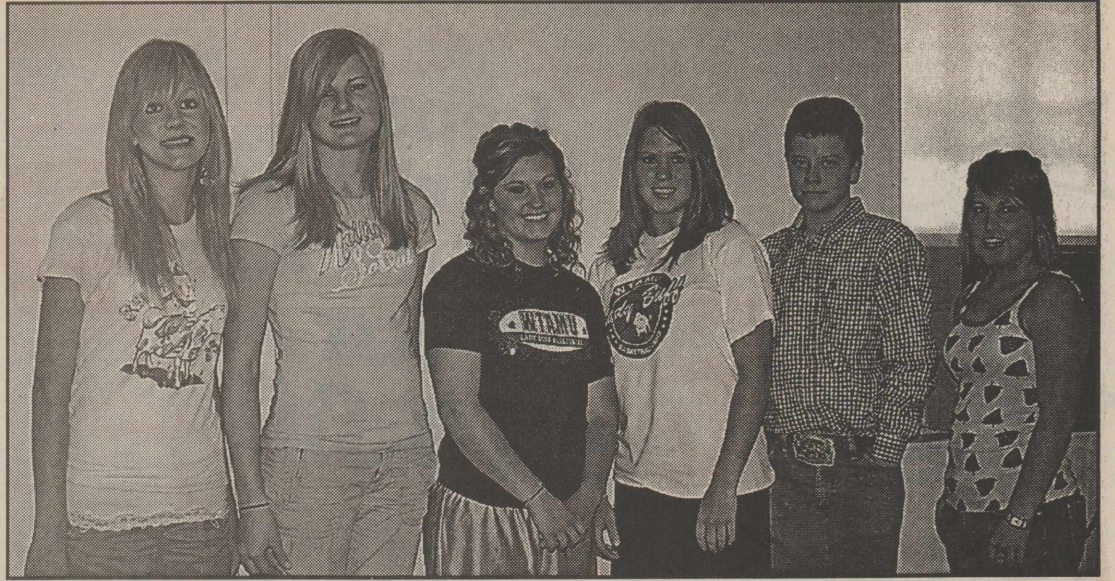




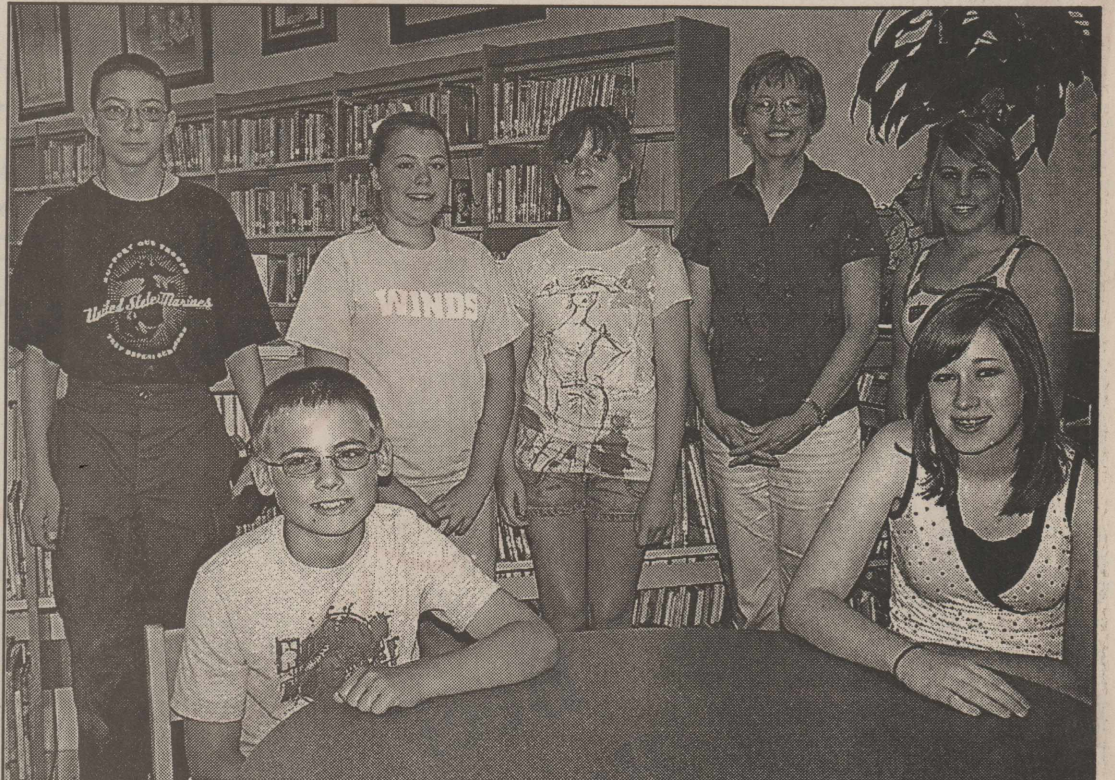




**1964 TEXAS STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM**--Beth Kropp, of Lockney, was reading in The Hesperian-Beacon recently about the Floyd County Livestock Judging Team winning 2nd at State. The team consisted of Brazos Williams, Brady Ragland, Segayle Foster, and Sene Foster. The team's coach and Extension Agent J.D. Ragland made the comment that the last time the team had won State was in the 60's and in the 80's. It set Beth to remembering the team that had won State in 1964. The team included her son Bob and she thought it would be nice to share the picture of these "kids" who aren't kids anymore. The 1964 team, shown here, were: (l-r) Coach Darrell Smith, Ricky Kellison, Neil Mitchell, Bob Kropp, and Larry Golden. Beth said Darrell Smith was the assistant County Agent and now resides in Uvalde. Larry Golden and Ricky Kellison both reside in Lockney. Neil Mitchell lives in Waco. Bob Kropp resides in Perry, Oklahoma and teaches Animal Science in Oklahoma State University. Beth said the team went on to win a first at Nationals in Chicago.



**4-H COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS**--Floyd County 4-H Council met to elect officers and attend an officer training on June 19 at the Floyd County Extension Office. Officers for the 2007-2008 year include left to right District Delegate, Evan Johnson; Reporter, Kortney Williams; President, Sene Foster; Secretary, Segayle Foster; District Delegate, Brazos Williams and Vice President, Jill Bramlet. Courtesy Photo



**SUMMER READING PROGRAM**--Floyd County 4-H'ers are getting tips on leading the Summer Reading Program at the Floyd County Library from Librarian Sandra Crawford. The Summer Reading Programs will take place July 11, 18 and 25th from 10:00 - 10:45 for youth ages 4 - 12. Members will receive Dairy Queen coupons for every 5 hours of reading. Call the Floyd County Library at 983-4922 to sign up. Shown here are: (back, l-r) J.C. Chappell, Taylor Orr, Merritt Johnson, Librarian Sandra Crawford, and Jill Bramlet; (front, l-r) Jake Bramlet and Bailey Davenport. Courtesy Photo

**Texas A&M University Crop and Ag Report Local Conditions**

**COLLEGE STATION** - In a word, "wet" describes most of Texas. And while the moisture is beneficial to most crops - except wheat and other crops awaiting harvest - it also has produced abundant weeds, according to Texas Cooperative Extension officials.

For some, that means checking ponds which may have dried up in recent years to determine what plants are growing and whether they need to be managed, according to Dr. Mike Masser, Extension pond management specialist.

"Management of most aquatic plant species depends on properly identifying the desirable or nuisance plant," Masser says. "Aquatic plants are generally one of four groups for management purposes: algae, floating plants, submerged plants, and emergent plants."

On the Web site, <http://aquaplants.tamu.edu>, Masser helps people decide whether to simply control various pond plants for beneficial reasons or to eliminate them to help the pond's health.

The site offers a variety of photos, as well as links to control methods for nuisance plants.

Extension officials offered these reports about conditions throughout Texas:

**PANHANDLE:** Temperatures were about average but then dropped to about 5-10 degrees F below normal. Some light, isolated rain fell. Soil moisture is mostly adequate. Corn is mostly good, while cotton is mostly fair. Recent weather has not been favorable for cotton growth, and trips have been a problem. Peanuts are fair to good. Sorghum is about 75 percent planted, and stands are mostly fair to good. Soybeans are fair to good. A mostly good wheat crop is about 15 percent harvested. Armyworm-damaged wheat kernels have been reported in loads delivered to elevators. Range conditions are mostly good. Cattle are in excellent condition even though horn flies continue to be a problem.

**SOUTH PLAINS:** Rainfall tapered off and allowed saturated fields to dry up. Cotton is in fair to good condition, from newly emerged to the six-leaf stage. Cotton seedling disease is hampering development in many fields. Wheat harvest began. Corn and sorghum are in good condition. Peanuts are in fair to good condition. Pastures and ranges are in good to excellent condition. Cattle are in good to excellent

condition. **ROLLING PLAINS:** Wheat harvest is almost over, but high humidity and afternoon showers are causing delays. Yields have been above average. Cotton planting is nearly complete and fields are doing well, except for some weed problems. Pastures are in great shape with plentiful grazing and hay. Cattle are in good condition.

**NORTH:** Soil moisture ranges from adequate to surplus. Corn is in good condition and 75 percent silked. Soybeans are in fair condition. Sorghum and cotton are in good condition. Winter wheat is in fair condition, but only up to 30 percent harvested because of rain. Damaging rain and high winds have caused wheat and oat losses. Oats harvesting continues. Rice is in good condition. Hay baling slowed because of the rains. Vegetable crops are suffering from excess moisture. The range and pastures are in good condition. Cattle are looking great.

**EAST:** Horn flies continue to be a problem for cattle. Watermelon crop is good. Hay producers are harvesting high tonnage with good quality. Some hay producers are having problems getting cut forage dry enough to bale. A good crop of blueberries is being harvested. Peaches are also producing well. Grasshoppers are a problem in some pastures.

**FAR WEST:** Soil moisture ranges from very short to surplus, and crops and pastures are in very poor to excellent condition. Cotton is in very poor to excellent condition. Sorghum is in good to excellent condition. Winter wheat is in very poor to good condition. Rainfall reports for this week range from 0.2 inch to 6.5 inches. Fall-planted onions have been harvested, with spring-transplanted onions beginning to bulb. Some ranchers are considering purchasing more livestock. Melons should be harvested around July 4.

**WEST CENTRAL:** Scattered showers fell in many areas. Soil moisture is very good. Wheat harvest is under way with

above-average yields. Cotton planting is in full swing with good moisture conditions. Many hay fields are being cut and baled as fields dry out. Some summer forage crops are being planted. Range and pastures continue good growth. Livestock remain in good to excellent body condition. The pecan crop is excellent.

**CENTRAL:** Rains have made pastures and hay fields look good. Livestock and wildlife are in good condition. The wheat yield has declined due to rainfall and moist conditions. Cotton had a rough start but has made some recovery.

**SOUTHEAST:** Nothing reported.

**SOUTHWEST:** Excellent rainfall in May and June has made the region green. Corn, sorghum, cotton, peanuts, watermelons and cantaloupes are making good progress. Corn and sorghum have some fungal leaf spots. Ranchers now have a relatively abundant supply of weeds, but the better quality grasses have not fully recovered after the 23-month drought. Wheat, oats, processing beets, green beans and squash harvesting continues.

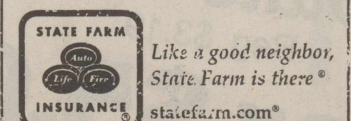
**COASTAL BEND:** Spotty showers fell, but otherwise the region was hot and dry. Row crops look good to excellent for harvest. Grain sorghum is maturing rapidly with hot days. Some cotton is blooming, and pest pressure remains low. Weed control continues in some pastures. Lots of hay is being cut and baled. Cattle remain in good condition.

**SOUTH:** Soil moisture is generally adequate. Mid- and western parts of the region report corn as 100 percent silked. The cotton crop has progressed very well under ideal cotton-growing conditions. Most fields of early-planted dryland sorghum are good to fair. The grain sorghum and cotton yield outlooks are outstanding. Livestock are still in good condition, and native range and pastures are in excellent condition.

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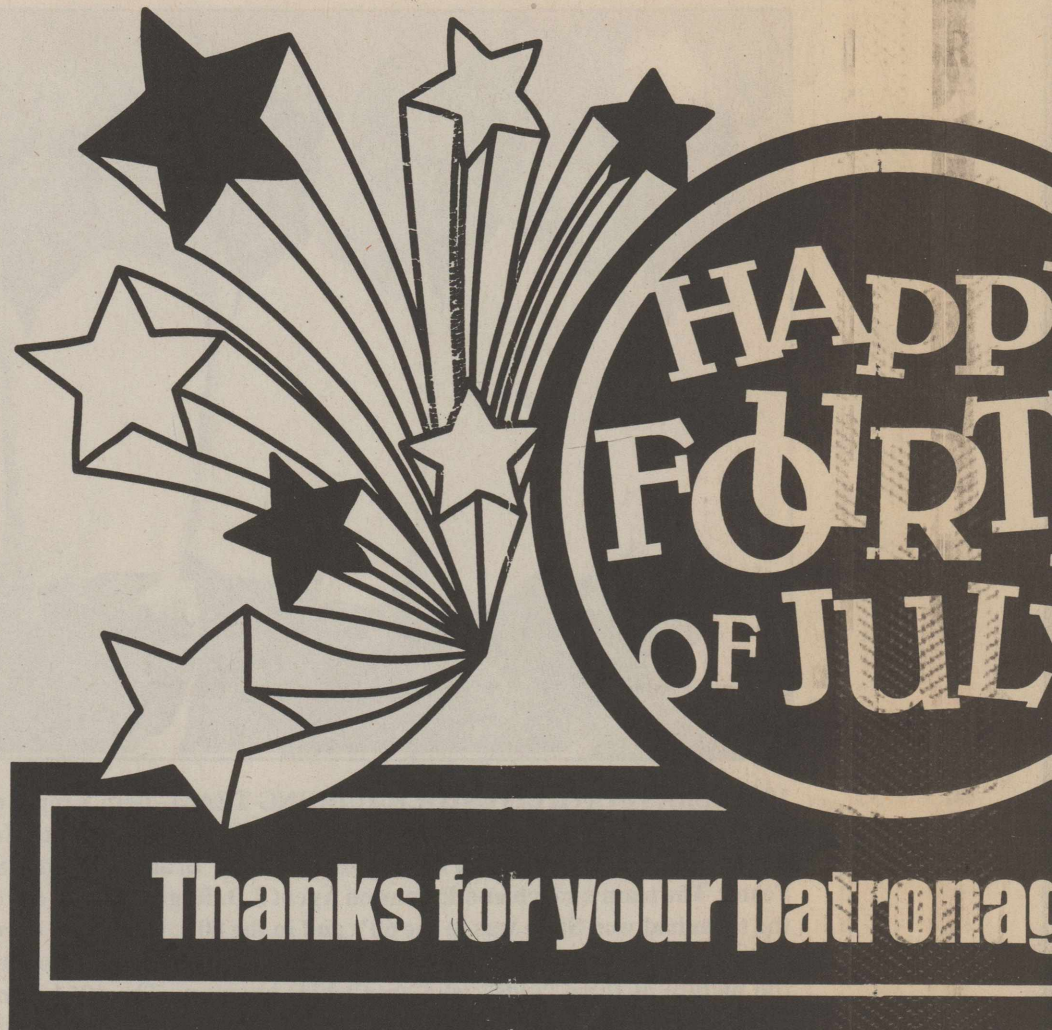
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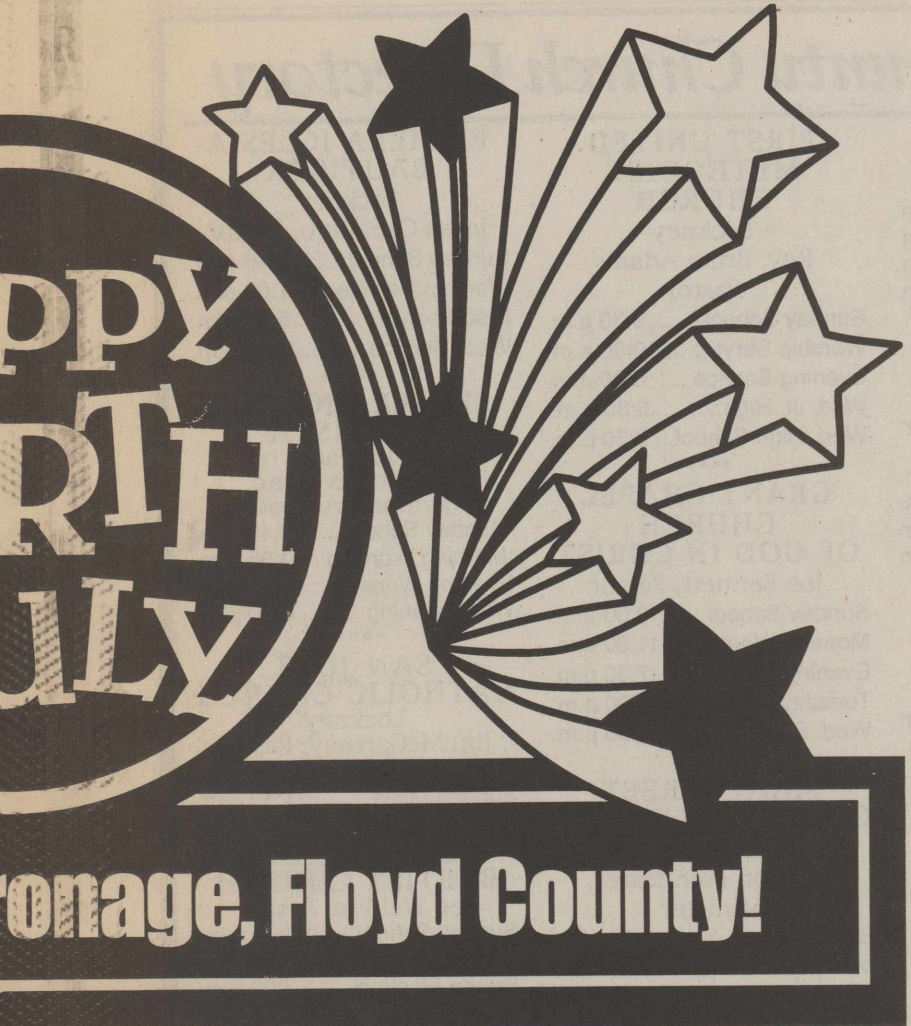
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Friday Wednesday, July 4th.

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# Youth bring musical talent to Old Settlers Reunions

**By Pat Langley** (of Slaton)

James and Margie Langley from San Diego, California made a special trip to be at Old Settlers Day and brought with them an heirloom fiddle that dates back to 1801, made in Germany by Giovan Maggini.

The fiddle had come across from England to Kentucky where the Langleys made their first home. When Benedict Thomas Langley the father of J.R. Langley moved to Texas he took his fiddle with him. James is the son of J.R. and Esther Langley of Floyd County. James was also born in Floyd County.

James went to Ennis, Texas to visit his 94 year old uncle A.D. (uncle Slick) Langley, (who is the youngest of Benedict Langley's family), where he became the proud owner of his granddad Langley's fiddle. Uncle Slick used to hide and play this old fiddle because his dad Benedict Langley had told him to not bother his fiddle. One day granddad caught uncle Slick playing the fiddle and told him, "Since you can play the fiddle that well you might as well have it."

From that day on uncle Slick played and treasured the old fiddle. Uncle Slick then learned to play the cello, guitar, fiddle, mandolin and piano.

The old fiddle was stored away for many years until one day uncle Slick took it out and to his surprise the old fiddle had a lot of weather damage. He put it back and decided that he would give the fiddle to the oldest liv-

ing grandson, which turned out to be James. Uncle Slick gave him the fiddle.

James brought the fiddle home and started to inquire about someone who could restore it. Since there is so much music talent in the Langley family, even here in West Texas, he knew they would know someone that could restore the fiddle.

John Julian of Lubbock was recommended to him. James called John Julian and visited with him and decided that he would be the one to restore the heirloom fiddle. After eight hard days of putting it back together John sent the fiddle back.

James decided he would bring the beautiful fiddle back to Texas to show his family. It was perfect timing since James had three of the family's young musicians playing at Old Settlers.

Friday evening he pulled into the R.V. Park with his brother Ralph and Pat Lee Langley from Slaton. Pat was also born and raised in Floydada. They had come to bring the youngest musician, their granddaughter Delissa Langley, to play the fiddle for Old Settlers Day. Delissa has played for the last three years at the Museum.

The fiddle was mentioned and brought out for display and the young master's hands began to try to play the old fiddle, but it sounded terrible. Delissa took out her tuner and soon she had the fiddle sounding like the great fiddle it once was. Delissa asked if she could play the fiddle at the Museum Saturday, where she

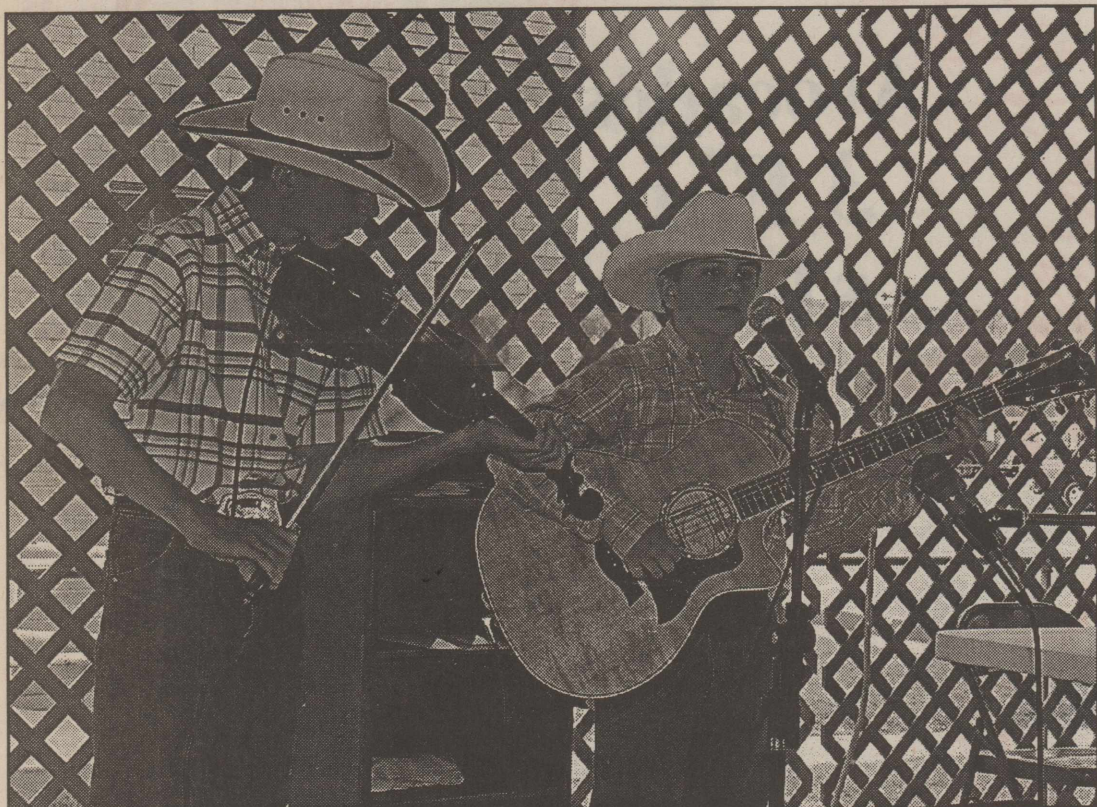


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plays each year. James told her she could.

Saturday, Delissa took out the heirloom fiddle and held it with pride as she took her bow and began to play the 206 year old fiddle, bringing its beautiful rich tones to life.

The other two young musicians were Jordan Hackett playing the fiddle and Jacob Hackett playing the guitar at the Court House Pavilion. They have also played for the last three years. They are the sons of Brent and Leslie Hackett of Plainview and the grandsons of James and Cecilia Langley Higdon of Lubbock and Raymond and Anne Self Hackett of Plainview. The two grandmothers are both home grown grandmothers from Floydada, too.



**OLD SETTLERS FAVORITES**--Returning to Floyd County's Old Settler's Reunion to entertain were: (l-r) Jordan Hackett and Jacob Hackett. They are the sons of Brent and Leslie Hackett, of Plainview. Staff Photo

## Floyd County Church Directory

<p><b>AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 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><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Lockney Rev. Brian Adams Pastor Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m. Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m. Evening Service .... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Jr. High .....5:30 p.m. Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b> Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship ..... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service ..... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p><b>BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-5278 Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship .... 6:00 p.m. Wednesday ..... 7:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> 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><b>PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA</b> Floydada Pastor Reverend Raymond Asebedo Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 10:55 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Evening ..... 6:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p><b>CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP</b> 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><b>MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 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><b>SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Lockney Jim McCartney, Pastor Wed. Communion .. 8:00 p.m. Sunday Mass ..... 11:30 a.m. *****</p>
<p><b>CARR'S CHAPEL</b> Service Every Sunday: Morning Worship .... 9:00 a.m. Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m. *****</p>	<p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> West College &amp; 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><b>SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p><b>CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 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><b>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 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><b>TEMPLO GETSEMANI ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> 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><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 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 ... 6:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing .... 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. *****</p>	<p><b>ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> Floydada Father Jose Relente 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><b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Lockney</b> 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><b>OUT REACH HARVEST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH</b> 310 E. Mississippi Floydada Rev. David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m. Morning Praise..11:00 a.m. Evening Praise ....5:00 p.m. Wed. Worship.... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Washington and 1st St. Rev. Eliseo Ovalle 983-6202 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service ..... 7:00 p.m. *****</p>
<p><b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Floydada Rev. Les Hall, Pastor Early Worship ....8:30 am. Sunday School..... 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship ...10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday).....5:00p.m. Youth (Wednesday)..7:30 p.m. *****</p>	<p><b>POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH</b> 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><b>TEMPLO NUESTRA VIDA</b> Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship ... 5:00 p.m. Tuesday ..... 7:30 p.m. Thursday Service ... 7:30 p.m. *****</p>
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