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Injured Swans headed for happy ending

The two Trumpeteer Swans who survived wounds from a December 13 shooting near Lockney are doing well at their new home in Spirit Lake, Iowa.

Linda Henshaw, the president of the Orphaned and Injured Wildlife Institute in Spirit Lake reported to the newspaper that the swans are doing even better than expected.

"The fractures in the wings have healed and it looks like they'll fly again," said Henshaw.

"The adult male was limping when he came. It was believed the limping came from a pellet in his knee joint. The limp was getting worse and we decided to do surgery. Instead of a pellet they found a large bone chip. The surgery was successful and he is walking perfectly now. The swans will soon be ready to move into a larger fenced area."

Henshaw says the adult male will probably be released soon,

and there appears to be a happy ending to the swans story.

"The swans nesting site has been found in Sleepy Eyed, Minnesota," said Henshaw. "We are hoping to release the adult male soon at the site. Hopefully the female will return to the site and be surprised to find her mate."

The nesting site is approximately 80 miles north of Grover Lake, Iowa. The adult male, and an adult female, had been released in 2000 after being hatched and raised at the Iowa Trumpeteer Swan Restoration Project, a captive breeding program.

The adult pair and their 4 cygnets eventually found their way to Lockney where they were shot in a pond near the Lockney water treatment plant, December 13.

Two immature birds were killed at the scene. One immature bird was injured but managed to fly away. The adult female trumpeteer was never found. An injured male and two injured im-

mature birds were taken to the South Plains Rehabilitation Treatment Center in Lubbock. One of the cygnets had to be destroyed because of the extent of his injuries. The two remaining birds, the adult male, and one cygnet, were returned to Iowa for long term care and housing.

Four individuals confessed to the crime, December 22, and were charged with 5 counts each of Hunting a State and Federally protected non-game migratory waterfowl. They were fined \$500 per person, per bird, plus restitution and court costs—for a total of \$17,000.

"We were all very grateful for the work Texans did to take care of these birds and find the people responsible," said Henshaw. "They (the swans) are very special and we appreciated the work that went into taking care of them. We were also excited that the people responsible were caught. It is pretty rare in these type of cases for the lawbreakers



Liz Jaben of Omaha and Dave Hoffman of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Trumpeteer Swan Restoration Program delivering the swans, H99 and his cygnet, to Orphaned and Injured Wildlife in Spirit Lake, Iowa.

to actually get caught."

The Trumpeteer swans mate for life, and the cygnets will not leave until they have found their

own mate.

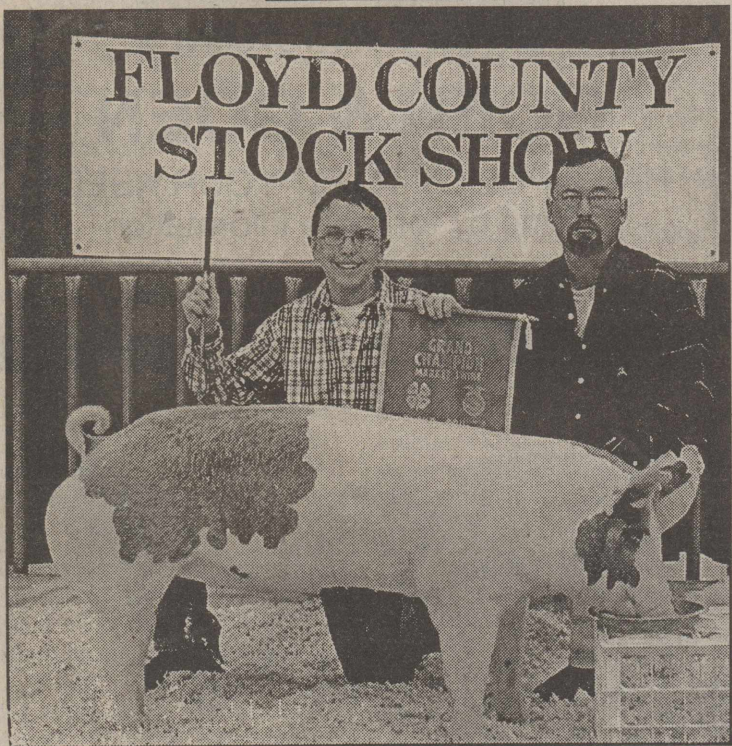
Henshaw said if the female does not return to the nesting site in Sleepy Eyed the male will

probably stay in the area until he finds another mate. "It may take a couple of years, but we are hopeful he will mate again."

Valentine Deadline

The deadline to submit a photograph for the Valentine Brag Pages is February 5. The cost for a small picture in a heart frame is \$15.00. The cost of a larger heart frame is \$20.00. Any photo with 4 or more people will have to be put inside a larger heart frame.

Correction



BRADY RAGLAND
GRAND CHAMPION BARROW

PBA to host Cotton Conference

The 2004 Caprock Cotton Conference will be held Wednesday, January 28, at the Plains Baptist Assembly, 7 miles south of Floydada on Hwy. 62.

According to Floyd County Extension Agent J.D. Ragland, "We normally have around 200 producers attending this conference each year." Commercial booths will be set up at the entrance of the conference hall.

The Conference registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday morning. The first speaker, Entomologist Dr. Jim Leser, Texas Cooperative Extension of Lubbock will speak at 8:30 a.m. on "Cotton Insect Update." Steve Verett of Plains Cotton Growers will give a Cotton Growers Update at 9:45 a.m. and Southwestern Regional Manager Leah Reed of Cotton Board of Lubbock will give a Cotton Board Update.

Manager Patrick Burson of Southern High Plains Caprock Zone will give a Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program Update at 10:15 a.m. and Randy Boman of Texas Agricultural Extension Service of Lubbock will give a

Cotton Production Technology Update at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon.

CEA-Ag Steve Young of Crosby County and EA-IPM Steve Davis of Crosby and Floyd County will be speaking at 1:00 p.m. Agronomist Dr. Calvin Trostle of Texas Cooperative Extension Service of Lubbock will be speaking on Replant Options and Alternative Crops at 1:30 p.m.

Texas Tech Professor Dan Krieg, Plant and Soil Science, will speak on Cotton and Water Relationships at 2:40 p.m. and Economist-Management Dr. Jackie Smith of Texas Cooperative Extension of Lubbock will give a Cotton Market Update-Hedging and Counter Cyclical Payments at 3:30 p.m.

Ragland said, "We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for the meeting. We request that you contact the Floyd County Extension Office at (806)983-4912 as soon as possible to advise us of auxiliary or service needed."

Complaints brought to City

By Darwin Robinson

During the Public Hearing of the Floydada City Council meeting Monday, January 19, several citizens appeared in the council chambers to complain about the actions of some of the Floydada policemen.

John Herrera was the spokesman for the group of citizens. Herrera asked the council, "What is the City's policy about City police officers driving at excessive speeds throughout the residential areas?"

"Awhile back a young male was crossing the street and barely made it across before a police officer zoomed down the street. I understand there may be an emergency, but what is their (police officer's) speed limit when they have an emergency inside the City limits and residential area?" Herrera asked.

Floydada Police Chief Darrell Gooch, who was present at the meeting for another matter, answered, "Our policy is 10 mph above the posted speed limit. That is general across the state. 99 percent of the time we do not use our red and blues (flashing lights) because that usually brings the kids into the streets where the cops are going. Or it gets a long tail along behind you with people wanting to see what's going on."

Gooch continued, "The only exception to that is the extreme emergency case where an officer needs assistance, or something like that. Then we back off the 10 mph above the posted speed limit to a 15 mph above the posted limit."

"In a residential area they are supposed to use extreme caution, but if there is a domestic, or fight, or something like that going on, I am sure the posted speed limit is exceeded somewhat. In a residential area an officer can do 40 mph and be within the policy. To be honest, I have never clocked an officer doing 40 mph in a residential zone. My radar stays on and I check my officers like anyone else," Gooch added.

Gooch confessed that his officers do get up to 45 mph on Houston Street responding to accident and emergency calls.

Councilman Cornelius said, "I have seen them go by on the highway and it looked like they were going faster than 45 mph. I have a problem with working on the highway and I think I have seen some of the City policemen speeding. I can't believe that there is nothing to be gained by going from the north side of town to the south side of town and save five seconds by going 55 mph rather than 45 mph. I haven't seen that in a residential area

though."

Herrera responded, "We have seen it and we have been getting several people complaining about it. We car pool and we go all over town picking up the guys for work at around 4 a.m. They are zooming by us, maybe thinking we are gang bangers, or what. We are just going to work and we do it every day. There have been instances where we have almost run into them. They are going fast and not stopping at stop signs."

"We work at Plainview and City patrol cars will go by us at the highway department and go all the way to Muncy. It seems they are trying to see how fast they can go. They have done that on several occasions and there were no accidents up there," explained Herrera.

Herrera continued, "They also sometimes have female riders with them. Do you have a rider program, or what?"

Gooch responded, "They are usually spouses. That is all that we allow. We have allowed this for the last 20 years that I have been here. I can stop it, if that is what you want. There are stipulations to that. We can go get them to go get a coke and then take them back home. I allow the guys to ride with their spouses for 30 or 45 minutes on their shifts and then they have to take them

home."

Councilmember Ruben Barrientos asked, "What is the reason for that?"

Gooch added, "Instead of going home and changing clothes and vehicles just to go eat lunch, we just go home and pick them up and go out to eat."

Herrera brought up tailgating by the City officers on certain vehicles. Gooch explained tailgating is necessary to read license plates: Gooch said, "Just stay calm and the officer will more than likely go on around you."

Herrera also complained that City police cars had been seen "drag racing on the highway".

Gooch explained, "When we are called to help somewhere else, such as Lockney, we head out at high speed toward Lockney. The call may be cancelled about Muncy, so both patrol cars turn around at Muncy and head back to Floydada. That might look like racing. I have done that several times."

Councilmember Clar Schacht said to Herrera, "We need you to call the City Hall the day these things happen-not three or four weeks later. We can check them out and see who was on shift at that hour."

Herrera thanked the council for their time.

Lockney community leader dies

Funeral services for Kenneth R. Wofford, 85, of Lockney were held Wednesday, January 21, 2004 at the West College and Third Church of Christ in Lockney. Frank Duckworth officiated, and Steve McLean assisted. Burial was in the Lockney Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

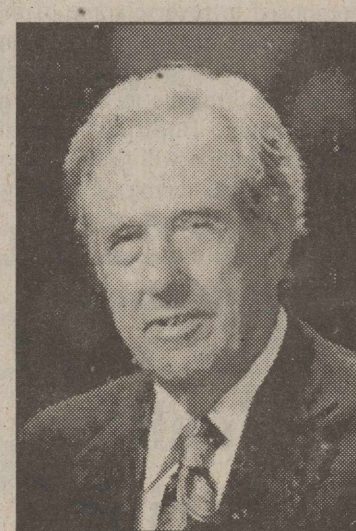
He departed this life on January 19, 2004, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born on August 15, 1918 in Lockney to the late O.D. and Lula Belle Wofford. A lifelong resident of Lockney, he married Retha Belt on July 4, 1937,

in Lockney. He attended Texas Tech and was a hull inspector for battleships in the shipyard in Orange, during WWII. He enjoyed farming and raising cattle. He was a former Mayor and City Councilman of Lockney, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Lockney Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year and Floyd County Pioneer Association Man of the Year. He served as the School Board President, on the Board of Directors of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. and on the Consumers' Board of Directors. He was a Deacon and Elder of West College and Third Church of Christ in Lockney.

Survivors include his wife; one son, James Ray Wofford and wife Janie of Carrollton; two daughters, Jean Curtsinger and husband Jim of Lubbock, Jann Ball and husband Tommy of Worland, WY; one brother, Ralph D. Wofford of Anchorage, Alaska; one sister, Ethelene Myrick of Plainview; nine grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Mission Fund of the West College and Third Church of Christ, P.O. Box 217, Lockney, TX 79241 or a charity of choice.



KENNETH WOFFORD

AREA RAINFALL TOTAL January 23-25, 2004

Cedar Hill.....	2.9"	Floydada.....	3.5"	Darty Gin	2.5"	Providence Fm.Sup.....	2.3"
Lockney	2.5"	Barwise Gin.....	2"	McCoy Gin.....	2.5"	Harmony.....	1.95"
Muncy Elev.....	2.45"	Blanco Gin area....	3.5"	South Plains.....	2"	LoneStar.....	2"
Floydada Airport east.	3.6"					Sandhill Elev.....	2.75"

By The Way



By Alice Gilroy

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I know some of you may be tired of swan stories, but I had to run one more update.

The people who are taking care of the swans called the paper and they were so excited about the progress of the Trumpeteer Swans that they wanted to share it with everyone.

Plus--it was a slow week and I needed the picture and story!

Lockney's Junior Class Prom Committee is putting out a call for old carpet that will be used in decorations. If you've got some old carpet you want to throw away, please call Carol Kelley. She will even send some strong boys to pick it up.

The committee also needs the name of a supplier that would handle large decorative feathers. Anybody have a suggestion?

ISSUE UPDATE

with Mac Thornberry

Challenges and Achievements:

There is Much More Our Country Can Do

As we enter another election year, our airwaves and mailboxes are already flooded with ideas about how to change America. Political campaigns often focus on what's wrong, or at least on what ought to be done better in the opinion of the candidates. That's to be expected. But if we are to truly take stock of the "state of the union," we need to remember our strengths, as well as to acknowledge our challenges for the coming year.

A lot is going right in America. We have passed through a perilous year without a major terrorist attack here at home and have made up for some, but not all, of the neglect of our homeland security. Our magnificent men and women of the military have liberated the Iraqi people from one of the cruelest regimes of modern times, and the world, including the United States, is safer as a result. Our economy is picking up steam with a broad recovery that should be sustainable. Life expectancy is the longest it's ever been, and new medicines and procedures continue to improve our quality of life as well. Our national blessings continue to multiply for those who are willing to see them.

Yet, we do face many challenges in the year ahead, challenges that will not remain idle during a campaign year. Among the issues on Congress' plate this year are:

The War on Terrorism: In fighting this war, we have done a lot in the past year. Many of the enemy are behind bars or are otherwise unable to launch their ruthless attacks. But terrorists continue to plot against us every day. We cannot let up in hunting them down and thwarting their evil schemes. And if we can show progress toward a stable, secure, self-governing Iraq, we will have struck a major blow against those seeking new recruits for the terrorist training camps.

Homeland Security: At home, the Department of Homeland Security has not yet come together as one, integrated Department, and it still struggles to overcome the bureaucratic, cultural resistance to change. We are just beginning to think about how to measure success in trying to make the country safer and to prevent the unthinkable from happening. We have much work to do.

The Budget: Each year, one of the most important things Congress does is to make decisions on the budget - how much money the federal government will demand in taxes and then how that money will be spent. The combination of a slow economy, the war on terrorism, and a lack of fiscal discipline caused large deficits to reappear. While things are looking better, we will not be able to return to a budget surplus this year. But we ought to at least put the country on the path toward a balanced budget, which requires limiting the growth of spending and, above all, a strong, growing economy.

Implementation of the Medicare Prescription Drug Bill: Last year, Congress and the President approved the most significant change to Medicare in its 38 year history, making available prescription drug coverage. As that bill begins to be implemented, Congress will have to keep a close watch to ensure that the hopes of strengthening Medicare for everyone are achieved.

Highway Bill: Every five years or so, Congress must pass a bill that allocates how the money in the highway trust fund is to be spent. With every gallon of gasoline you buy, you pay 16.4 cents into the federal trust fund, which is then returned to the states to build and repair highways and for other transportation related projects. A major goal for this year is to ensure that Texas gets back at least 90 - 95 cents for every dollar we send in taxes. Today, we get back only about 88 cents for every dollar of fuel taxes paid by Texans.

Immigration: The President has outlined a major proposal to change the status of workers who have entered the country illegally. It will be very controversial in Congress and around the country, and I have real concerns with what has been suggested. But, with illegal immigration continuing to be a problem and with delays of months or even years for those trying to follow the rules and enter the country legally, immigration will be a major issue on the country's agenda for some time.

Energy: The House gave final approval last year to a comprehensive energy bill, which is not all that I would like, but does take real positive steps toward more energy security for the country. Hopefully, the Senate will break the log-jam that has prevented a final vote on the measure.

Judges: There have been several controversial court decisions over the past year, dealing with everything from the Pledge of Allegiance to the definition of "marriage." Constitutional amendments have been proposed to reverse some of these decisions, and frustration with delays in getting a Senate vote on a number of the President's judicial nominees will make judges a key issue for the year.

We are fortunate to live in a great country, which can always be made better. Hopefully, even in a political year, Congress and the Administration will find ways to make progress on some of the major challenges facing us, thinking not only of next November, but of the next generation, as well.

A view from



The Lamplighter

By: Ken Towery

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Whatever happened to Phil Gramm?

He's no longer in the news, which some will find comforting, others distressing.

Personally, we liked Phil Gramm. In terms of intestinal fortitude, he was somewhat unique. He stood his ground in a political sense. His obstinance, or his political principle, depending on one's interpretation, caused him to get stripped of his committee assignments while a Democratic member of the House of Representatives representing the Congressional District centered around College Station. Rather than accept his humiliation in the manner of a whipped dog, he resigned his seat, announced he was going to run again as a Republican, and despite all the Democrats could throw at him, won. He then went on to the Senate, following in the footsteps of Senator John Tower. And he stayed until deciding to quit.

Everybody has their own notion of why Gramm left the Senate. There's the official version, the Gramm version, and then

there are others. Quite frankly we don't think the official version, that he had just gotten burned out and it was time to move on, holds much water. Theoretically, Gramm would now have been at the peak of his power, with a President of his own party, committee chairmanships waiting for him to choose. It is unnatural for a politician to bow out when things are coming up roses, and Gramm was a politician in the truest and best sense of the word. Something else had to be the determining factor.

There are those who think, or say, the deciding factor was Wendy Gramm's (Phil's wife) position as a member of the Audit Committee on the Enron Corporation's Board of Directors. We seriously doubt it. Not discounting for a moment the political implications of any aftermath in that kind of situation, we think the answer for the Senator's departure lies elsewhere.

Phil Gramm was a conservative when it came to budgetary matters. That's what got him in trouble with Democrats in the first place. That's what caused

him to switch parties. That's what led him to co-author the Gramm-Rudman budgetary bill. That's what caused him to continually rail against deficit spending. He thought, strangely enough, that by opposing wasteful government spending he was being a "compassionate conservative." After all, that wasted money had to come from somewhere, from somebody who was working and paying taxes.

But Phil Gramm was also politically wise enough to know that the new President Bush's promises could not be kept without engaging in massive amounts of deficit spending. He knew too that many of the new President's positions (i.e. immigration, education, et al.) ran counter to traditional conservative positions that Gramm had always championed. Had Gramm stayed in the Senate, and had he become Chairman of Some Important Committee, he would have been expected to toe the new line. It is highly doubtful that Gramm would have performed this chore in a satisfactory manner. To have the senior senator from Texas at

odds with a President from his own party, and his own state, would have caused problems throughout this state's political ranks. (It must be remembered, these decisions had to be made before New York's twin towers were brought down.)

So Gramm left the Senate, and, last we heard, had signed on with some big international financial outfit, probably making much more money than he ever made as a U.S. Senator, well paid as those guys are now. No doubt, he hit the ground running. He knows the subject, and because he knows the subject, he also knows the problems. We always thought of Gramm as being much more of a nationalist, rather than an internationalist, in terms of financial orientation, but international financiers hold much more sway in terms of national politics. In a very real sense, we doubt Gramm's influence will wane all that much simply because of his change in jobs.

Still, we miss his presence in the Senate. John Cornyn is no Phil Gramm.

Courtroom Activities

In County Court, January 15, 2004:

Charges of Theft of \$20 or more but less than \$500 was filed against:

Justin Graves, of Lockney; Frankie Graves, of Lockney; Melissa Sue Fogle, of Crandall, Texas; Linda Ratliff, of Floydada; Margie Cuevas, of Floydada; and Bonifacio Cuevas, of Floydada.

Charges of Theft of More than \$20, but Less Than \$500 were filed against:

Luis Flores, of Lockney; Phillip Christian, of Lubbock; and Becky Rodriguez, of Lockney.

Also on January 15:
Jose Iran Cuba, 22, of Floydada, was charged with Burglary;

Claude Lee Chandler, 33, of Vernon, was charged with Possession of Marijuana or More Than 2 oz., but Less Than 4 oz.; Van Barkley Dardis III, 24, of Vernon, was charged with Possession of Marijuana or More Than 2 oz., but Less Than 4 oz.

January 16, Eric Luna, 24, of Floydada, was charged with Making a False Alarm or Report.

January 19, Jose Iran Cuba, 22, of Floydada, was charged with Theft of Property of More Than \$50 but Less Than \$500.

Gary Calvin Davis, 40, of Hayworth, OK., was charged with DWI.

January 20, Eric Luna, 23, of Floydada, was charged with Assault/Family Violence.

Valentine Deadline

The deadline to submit a photograph of your child, grandchild, or another favorite person, is February 5. The special edition will be printed February 12.

The pictures will be placed inside a heart frame in a special section of the Valentine's edition.

The cost for a small picture in a heart frame is \$15.00. The cost of a larger heart frame is \$20.00.

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Even small ads get read!

To our customers:

We wish to advise you that effective immediately, you will be asked to speak up when talking to Kyle (His hearing aide has been ordered).

His speech is sometimes slurred due to his new dentures so Please do not laugh at him. You will also notice that he has a new chair with better padding to help ease those achy joints.

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Commissioners Court passes joint agreements

By Darwin Robinson

The Floyd County Commissioners met Monday, January 12, 2004 and unanimously approved several county-wide and regional-wide agreements concerning PAC, drug testing, an Emergency Management proclamation and the Regional Councils of Government.

One of the agreements approved by the court, and recommended by the Emergency Management Coordinator Preston Belt, was an inter-jurisdictional Emergency Management Joint Proclamation and Program for all of Floyd County. In this agreement the mayors of Floydada and Lockney, and the County Judge, have the authority to appoint the EM Coordinator and they have

the responsibility to organize volunteers to implement the emergency program.

A joint county-wide proclamation was approved by the commissioners' court. The proclamation includes the mitigation, preparedness, maintenance of the EM program, response and recovery phases of any emergencies or potential hazards throughout the county.

A mutual aid agreement with the Regional Councils of Governments was approved by the commissioners. This agreement involves cooperating with all cities and counties in this South Plains region.

A required annual renewal agreement with Allied Compliance Services for the purpose of

drug testing, at the rate of \$250 per test, was approved by the commissioners.

Another agreement was passed by the court. It involved a residential contract and agreement with Jones County concerning students at PAC.

Upon the recommendation of Floyd County Judge William D. Hardin, an agreement with Lubbock County Dispute Resolution Center was "passed over" by a unanimous vote and it was not approved. Judge Hardin explained, "A fee of \$10 would have to be added to civil cases filed in the county, with the exception of delinquent taxes. The fees would have to be collected and accounted for and it would

probably only involve property disputes in divorce cases."

The court approved transfers of \$7,000 into each precinct's work fund from the Road and Bridge Fund. This transfer totaled \$28,000.

Four farm contracts were approved. Two were in Precinct No. 2. One was filling in a wash area for soil conservation, one mile west of Lockney by Brian Teeple. The other one was filling in a low area for soil conservation, two miles south of Lockney by Aaron Wilson.

The other two farm contracts approved were: Precinct No. 3, cleaning out a stock tank, 2 1/2 miles NE of Cedar Hill by J.A. Welch. The other one was in Precinct No. 4, burying an old pivot

pad, 3 miles south of Dougherty by Jim Crawford.

Floyd County Agents Melissa Long and J.D. Ragland gave reports to the commissioners. Long said, "We had a good county stock show this year. Our concession stand did good and we had a lot of donations. We have several kids that are applying for scholarships this year from \$1,500 to \$15,000."

Ragland reported to the court, "We had a good stock show this year, even though all entries were down some. We had 173 swine entries, 22 heifers, 19 steers, 22 lambs, 18 goats and 9 rabbits for a total of 259 entries. All of our kids made the sale this year with the exception of the goats and rabbits. It was a good sale Monday night."

"We are looking forward to the 2004 Caprock Cotton Conference coming up on January 28th at the Plains Baptist Assembly camp grounds. The conference is sponsored by Crosby County and Floyd County. We usually have around 200 producers attend," Ragland concluded.

Floyd County Treasurer Elva Martinez gave the December, 2003 financial report to the commissioners. The December report showed a Beginning Balance of \$825,168.58, Receipts of \$175,819.28 and Transfers In and Out of \$153,476.49. The Disbursed Funds were \$166,105.92 leaving an Ending Balance of \$834,881.94.

Floydada Council approves fencing part of landfill

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada City Council met Monday, January 19, and unanimously approved the construction of a wire fence around part of the city landfill.

Kim Hinsley of Floydada addressed the council and explained the need for a fence around northside, eastside and the southside of the Floydada landfill and the holding sewer water lakes. The Hinsley Brothers Farm leases the land around the landfill and they are concerned about their cattle entering the sewer water lakes.

City Manager Gary Brown favored the construction of the fence "for the purpose of keeping the livestock out of the sewer lakes." The City's labor and materials' expense will be \$3,046.50, while the Hinsley Brothers will pay their share amounting to \$1,021.50. "This 3,594 feet of fence with six corners will have concrete anchors and metal gates," Hinsley said.

In other matters, the council approved a renewal contract with A & J Howco Services for grant management. Brown said, "This contract is a must in order to

complete our grant projects."

Floydada Police Chief Darrell Gooch gave an update on the possibility of constructing a holding area for City prisoners. Gooch said, "Walter Davis has given us an estimate of \$24,290 to build a 30 foot by 50 foot metal building, which would house three cells and computer space. We can possibly add another 30 feet to that for training classrooms with our seizure money."

After more discussion, no action was taken by the council until more information could be brought possibly at the next

meeting giving the total dollar amount for everything needed.

Floydada resident Sylvia Kapehart was appointed by the council to serve as a resident member for one year on the Floydada Housing Authority Board.

The council approved 5 to 1 a revision to the City's RV Pavilion Lease Agreement. The revision was for extending the closing time for parties and dances

at the pavilion to 12:00 midnight, instead of the present 11:00 p.m. deadline, and the requirement of a cashier's check, or cash, to be paid up-front for the lease con-

tract. Councilmember Eric Cornelius voted against the motion.

City Manager Brown reported to the council about a pending agreement with the City of Lubbock, signed by Lubbock Mayor Marc McDougal, for the purpose of resolving the dispute concerning the West Texas Municipal Power Agency. "All parties involved will sign this by next Tuesday and WTMPA will work more efficiently," Brown said.

In another matter, concerning the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority, "We must decide soon if the infrastructure (of concrete pipelines) between the towns involved is worth the cost of keeping them open, or not. If we shut down the treatment plant at the lake, it would save the City of Floydada around \$5,300 per month."

"The lake is losing water each month. In November, 2003, the Mackenzie Lake dropped 12 inches and in December, 2003 it dropped another 16 inches," said

Brown. Councilmember Cornelius suggested no action to be taken on the matter now, "because within a year they may be shut down anyway." After more discussion, no action was taken by the council.

Concerning the request by Atmos Energy to raise its rates to cities throughout the South Plains region, Brown explained that their effective deadline had been extended to February 1st. "We know our rates will go up, but we don't know how much yet."

FISD Trustees extend superintendent's contract

By Darwin Robinson

The Floydada Independent School District board met Thursday, January 15, and extended Superintendent Jerry Vaughn's contract through the 2004-2005 school year.

In other matters, the board unanimously approved a Shared Services Arrangement with the Lubbock Independent School District-Regional Day School Program for the Deaf (RDSPD). Superintendent Vaughn told the board, "They do a good job and provide a great service with our Special Ed and FFA. We bus three students, with a driver, each day to the Lubbock deaf facility. To do this ourselves here, we would have to hire a teacher for the deaf."

The board renewed the contract of Robison Johnston & Patton CPAs of Lubbock to be FISD auditors for 2004-2005.

FISD Business Manager Sharon Rainwater gave the board an update on FISD's tax collections. Rainwater reported \$1,507,021.34 taxes had been collected, which is 71.85 percent of the tax base of \$2,093,435.17. This is compared to last year's collection at this same time of 69.15 percent.

The Students of the Month, the Educator of the Month and Support Staff of the Month were

recognized during the meeting. The Students of the Month were: Roxann Chavarria, Kindergarten; A.B. Duncan Elementary; Tyanne Battey, Grade 4, R.C. Andrews Elementary; Justin White, Grade 7, FJHS; and Timothy Vargas, Grade 9, FHS.

The Educator of the Month was Penny Taylor, Grade 5, R.C. Andrews Elementary and the Support Staff of the Month was Kathy Mulder, Library, A.B. Duncan Elementary.

In the Superintendent's report to the board, Vaughn said, "Our total enrollment as of last Friday (1-9-04) was 1,045. This compares to last year's enrollment of 1,051. We took a drop in November, but its not that bad."

Concerning the FISD budget, Vaughn said, "We are in good shape right now. As of Decem-

ber 31, 2003, we were at 33 percent of our school year and we had extended 31.8 percent of our budget. Our budget projection shows that we should finish in the black."

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I always read the Lamplighter and find it interesting. In the January 8, 2004 column, Ken called the Jews and Muslims the spiritual descendants of Abraham.

According to my studies of the New Testament, they are the physical descendants of Abraham.

All Christians, whether ethnic Jews, Muslims or "all nations" are the spiritual descendants of Abraham.

Maybe the question should be asked, "Did God choose Abraham because of his faith or because of his race?"

Respectfully,
Sterling K. Cummings

The Mountain Top

There's nothing quite like a mountain top,
To make you feel complete.
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To give your soul a drink.

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Perched high in an eagle's nest.
But it's down in the valley,
Where we have to pass the test.
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Edward Marks
2003

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Miss Mathis is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Deanie Henderson of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Mathis of Lockney, and the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Johnnie Kellison of Lockney. She is a 1997 graduate of Lockney High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in 2001 with a Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences Education. She is employed by the Lubbock Independent School District.

Scott is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Lewis of Piedmont, Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Wilson of Moran, Kansas and the great-grandson of Mrs. Cora Briggs of Moran, Kansas. He is a 1996 graduate of Abernathy High School and graduated from Navarro Junior College in 1998 with an Associate's in Applied Science, and from Texas Tech University in 2001 with a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Agriculture. He is employed by B.E. Implement in Brownfield.

The couple will be married on Saturday, June 5, 2004 at the West College and Third Church of Christ in Lockney.

Lockney Senior Citizen News and Menu

By Vera Jo Bybee

Christmas day Clara McCain fell and really hurt her hip bad. She is not to put any weight on that hip for two months. She is at home recuperating.

Truett McCarty is in the Mangold Memorial Hospital at this time with a touch of pneumonia and weak with stress over the illness of his wife Lavern who is in the rehab center in Lubbock. She is doing rehab because of all the trauma she received from her right leg that was broke twice. Her address is Lubbock Health Care Center, 4120 22 Place, Room 8B, Lubbock, 79410. Please go visit her or send a card of encouragement.

Joe Keeter is having complications from his ankle surgery. I know he will get well soon cause he is just too busy to stay down long.

My sister Oddie Probasco is doing really well at her home now in Lubbock after nine months of being in the hospital in 2003 and still has just a little wound under the care of her Doctor. Oddie would like to thank everyone who had her on their prayer list last year for like she says "Prayers" really work.

Carolyn Hardy reminded me of another Lady Raider connection to Lockney.

Brook Baughman is the great granddaughter to the late Willis and Bernice Reynolds. Granddaughter to Janie and Bo Baughman and daughter of Scott Baughman all of Granbury.

This past week Lockney is saddened by three deaths of dear ones in this community.

First was our friend from Senior Citizens "Reba Ragle". Our thoughts and prayers are with Reba's family and friends.

Then a dear sweet one year old baby boy Rylee Hayes son of Cody and Amy Hayes. Grandson

of Cleatus and Betty Hayes and Bill and Ann Anderson.

And now Kenneth Wofford. Words cannot say how much Kenneth will be missed in our community. His visits to the Bank, D&J Gin and Consumers and other places. He took care of Lockney for several years as it's Mayor. To his wife Retha and his children and the rest of his family we send our condolences.

Last year I wrote several articles about Lockney's movie theatre. I have a little bit more to tell you about it. It is really about the Seale Drive In. Mr. Seale sold it to Pete Rodriguez of Plainview.

Gordon Hambricht of Floydada ran the projector for Mr. Rodriguez for several years and in 1970 Gordon and Darlynn Hambricht bought it from Mr. Rodriguez. Darlynn told me that she and Gordon and their three children operated the Drive In Theatre until they sold it to Mr. Elam in 1976. Mr. Elam later sold this property to individuals desiring to establish homes on this site. Another interesting fact is that the Hambrichts have in their possession the original popcorn machine that Mr. Seale installed in the concession stand. Thank you Darlynn for sending me all this data. This is the end of the Theatre project. Let me know if you would like another project researched. My phone number is 652-2357 or email me at vjbybee@webtv.net.

Also I would appreciate you sending or calling me any news you might like to put in the Floyd County paper.

Menu for Jan 26-30
Monday: Beef Enchiladas
Tuesday: Pork Chops
Wed: Chicken Fried Steak
Thurs: Chicken Casserole
Friday: Bar B Q Brisket
Families are like fudge----- mostly sweet with a few nuts

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word

The Center is open Monday through Friday. Lunch starts at 11:30 a.m. Come and have a hot meal and visit your friends.

Geraldine Callaway had eye surgery last week. She is doing well.

Gene Lawson had eye surgery Tuesday, January 20.

Bill and Margie Womack were in town last weekend on business. They moved several months ago.

Bessie Glover will celebrate her 102nd birthday January 29 at the Floydada Rehab Center.

Visitors at the Center Monday at noon January 19th were Bill Owens and his daughter Linda Minor, both live at Lake Belton.

Our sympathy to the family of Ernestine Gilly. Her funeral will be Thursday, January 29 in Amarillo.

Our sympathy to the family of LaVada Garrett. Her funeral was Wednesday, January 21 here in

Floydada at the First Baptist Church.

Our sympathy to the family of Eula Mae Smith.

Our sympathy to the family of Edna Patton.

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

In memory of **Virginia Pearson** - Darrell and Nancy Mayo; Dinks and Beth Eckert, III; Noe and Patricia Ramos; Brad Collison; and Debbie Mahieu.

In memory of **Fred Marble** - Letha Lightfoot; E.M. "Son" Jackson; Judy Beedy; Lynn and Joe Dunn; and Tom and Jerry Pearson.

In memory of **Ernestine Gilly** - Imogene Fortenberry; Glenna Orman; Geraldine Callaway; Diana Glover; Tom and Edwina Emert; John and Geneva Cockrell.

In memory of **LaVada Garrett** - Diana Glover

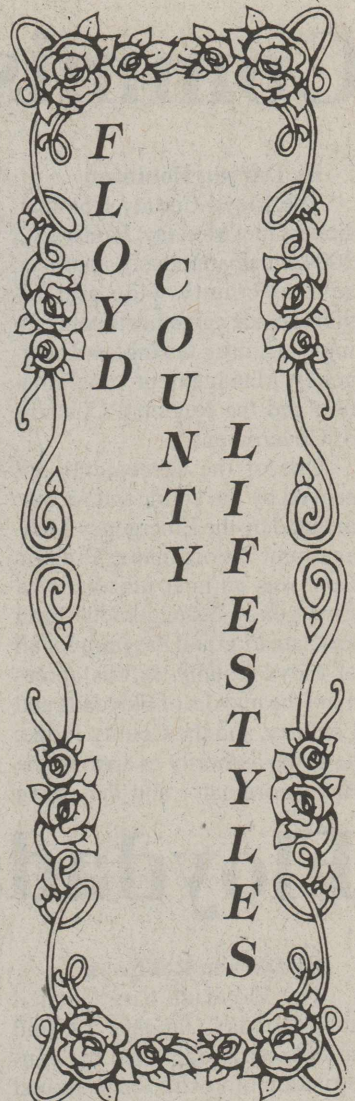
In memory of **Pat Rucker** - Diana Glover, John and Geneva Cockrell.

In memory of **Edna Patton** - John and Geneva Cockrell, and Estelle Warren.

Thought for the week - Thank You God for the rain You have sent our way.

Menu

January 26 - January 30
Monday - Chicken fried steak, white gravy, corn, peas and carrots, hot roll, bananas
Tuesday - Beef and peppers, rice, Chinese or mixed vegetables, wheat roll, gelatin
Wednesday - Stuffed baked potato, BBQ beef, broccoli and cheese, pears, hot roll, peanut butter cookie
Thursday - Ham sandwich, tater tots, broccoli and cheese, lettuce and tomato, carrot cake
Friday - Beef enchiladas, corn, turnip greens, coleslaw, cornbread, pineapple



Revival Slated

The City Park Church of Christ in Floydada has scheduled a Gospel Meeting for January 25-28. They have chosen Mr. Tim Ayers of Austin as guest preacher.

Mr. Ayers is an experienced gospel preacher and Bible teacher. He is a graduate of The University of Texas (Austin); received his Bible education from The Southwest School of Bible Studies of Austin. He is now on the faculty of that Bible school teaching courses in both old and New Testaments.

The City Park church invites all their friends and neighbors to hear Tim preach at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Lunch will be shared at noon Sunday and refreshments will follow each evening assembling. Ken Free, local minister, says, "Please accept this as your personal invitation. You will be our honored guest."



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AT FLOYDADA REHAB AND CARE CENTER WERE: (back, l-r) Ebert Parvin, Freddy Zinck, Bessie Glover, and Talmadge Linch; (front, l-r) Florene Cobb, Jo V. Bingham. Not pictured is Pearnie Leatherman.

Belt and Wilson appointed to board

By Judy Macha

In a regular meeting January 8, the Lockney City Council unanimously approved Preston Belt and Aaron Wilson to represent Lockney on the Mackenzie Municipality Water Authority Board of Directors. They will replace retiring board members Robert McDonald and Kenneth Tate. Belt and Wilson will be sworn in on January 20, 2004.

It was noted that Paul Lyle had retired after some forty years as City Attorney for Lockney. Lanny Voss, from the same law firm as Lyle introduced himself to the Council as Lyle's replacement.

Mr. Voss had filled in for Lyle twice in the previous year at Council meetings.

"I am not Paul Lyle. I am not even a good imitation of Paul Lyle," Voss stated. "What we offer is continuity even as things change. All organizations experience change. I am here to try to fill this roll and to preserve the relationship we've had."

Other routine items such as approving the minutes from the prior meeting, and the payment of bills submitted to the City, were voted on and passed unanimously.



Thanks For The Rain!

The family of Virginia Pearson wants to thank each and everyone that took care, visited and had her in your prayers. Dr. Ahmad, his staff and Floydada Care Center and staff, thank you for the kindness and love you all showed to her. Your cards, food, flowers and friendship is appreciated in our time of sorrow. May God bless each and everyone.

Tom and Jerry Pearson & families

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Dimple is very hard working and dependable. She takes her responsibilities seriously and shows great concern for her patients and customers. She goes out of her way to assure that they receive the care they need. Dimple has a lot of perseverance and determination and tries her best to make her department as successful as possible.

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Floydada High School Honor Roll

"A" Honor Roll, third six-weeks, for Floydada High School includes the following.

Twelfth grade: Melissa Ann Dunlap and Sylvia Mancilla
Eleventh grade: Meghan Lynn Graham, Rachel Leigh Griffin, Kristan Janette Lackey, and Luke Steve Miller

Tenth grade: Reagan Jaree Heflin, Jarrett David Kirk, Hector Martinez, Ruben Ortis, and Tania Itzel Pesina

Ninth grade: Cameron Blaine Battey, Alma Crystal Hernandez, Tate Philip Jones, Morgan Nicole Marble, and Keyla Atziri Pesina

"A-B" Honor Roll, third six-weeks, for Floydada High School includes the following.

Twelfth grade: Joshua Ned Bradley, Jeffrey Chance Crossland, Lindsey Lee Nutt, Hayley Lorrain Pierce, Denise Karol Rainwater, Valentina Luisa Reyes, Juan Roberto Rodriguez, and Rebecca Dawn Warren
Eleventh grade: April Mara Arevalo, Tyson Ross Heflin,

Daniel Lee Houchin, Matthew Gregory Luna, Brian Christopher Odom, and Spencer Clar Schacht
Tenth grade: Jesalyn Dianne Bradley, Christopher John Briones, Timothy Jerome Collins, Kendra D'Layne Covington, Vanessa DelToro, Justin Bradley Duran, Roland Mando Enriquez, Jana Marie Everett, Estrella Celeste Foster, Frank James Ibarra, Lindsey Dee Leatherman, Cynthia Marie Martinez, Jon Jacob Reddy, Maria Noel Reeves, Christopher Moses Reyes, Kimberlie Nicole Van Cleve, and Jeffri M'Lyn Vaughn

Ninth grade: Mathew Lee Barrientos, Taylor Mark Beedy, Britnee Kay Brotherton, Katie Beth Crossland, Kalli Gene Ferguson, Raymond Gutierrez, Anthony Chase Hammonds, Rusty Mack Hopper, Kayla Shaye Kelley, Tana Jo Lloyd, Kelsey Jo Ross, Juliann Runnels, Justin Eric Vargas, and Michelle Ann Yannis

Wayland University releases Dean's List

Included on the honor roll lists for the fall of 2003 at Wayland Baptist University were:

Dean's List: Lockney residents Noelia Balderas, Jolee Fletcher and Shanna Jackson; and Floydada residents Donna Webb and Joshua Caballero.
 President's List: Angela

Aleman and Salina Elliott of Floydada; and Lacy Phillips and Valentina Salazar of Lockney.

The Dean's List is made up of students who maintained a grade-point average of 3.5-3.9 for the semester. The President's List is reserved for those students who completed the semester with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

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 And 'tho sometimes to his neighbors, his tales became a joke,
 All his buddies listened, for they knew whereof he spoke.
 But we'll hear his tales no longer, for old Bob has passed away,
 And the world's a little poorer, for a soldier died today.
 No he won't be mourned by many, just his family and friends,
 For he lived an ordinary very quiet sort of life.
 He held a job and raised a family, quietly going on his way;
 And the world won't note his passing; 'tho a soldier died today,
 When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state,
 While thousands note their passing and proclaim that they were great.
 Papers tell of their life stories from the time that they were young.
 But the passing of a soldier goes unnoticed, and unsung.
 Is the greatest contribution to the welfare of our land
 Or some jerk who breaks his promise and cons his fellow man?
 Is it the ordinary fellow who in time of war and strife
 Goes off to save his Country and offers up his life?
 The politician's stipend and the style in which he lives
 Are sometimes disproportionate to the services he gives,
 While the ordinary soldier, who offered up his all,
 Is paid off with a medal, and perhaps a pension small
 It's so easy to forget them, for it was so long ago
 That our Bob's, Jim's and Johnny's went to battle but we know
 It was not the politicians, with their compromise and ploys
 Who won for us the freedom that our country now enjoys.
 Should you find yourself in danger with your enemies at hand,
 Would you really want a politician to fight with you at your stand?
 Or would you want a soldier who has sworn to defend
 His home, his kin, and his country, and will fight to the very end
 He was just a common soldier and his ranks are growing thin
 But his presence should remind us, we may need him again.
 For when countries are in conflict, then we find the soldier's part,
 Is to clean up all the troubles that the politicians start!
 If we cannot do him honor while he's here to hear the praise,
 Then at least let's give him homage at the ending of his days.
 Perhaps just a simple headline in the paper that might say:
 OUR COUNTRY IS IN MOURNING, FOR A SOLDIER DIED TODAY.

Author Unknown

Pinewood Derby held

By Curtis Emert
 The Floydada Scouts held their 20th Annual Pinewood Derby Saturday, January 17, 2004, at the Massie Activity Center.

Check in started at 9:00 a.m. and consisted of paying an entry fee and having your car weighed in.

Regular derby cars can weigh no more than 5 ounces. The Outlaw division can weigh no more than 10 ounces.

We had 20 cars registered, 13 in the Cub division, 3 Webelos and 4 Outlaws. The races started about 9:30 a.m. and the pace was fast and furious. We had a few tie races. When that happens, we have a coin toss to decide which track each boy gets, to break the tie.

The results of the races were as follows:

Cub Division: Jake Graham, 1st; Landry Morren, 2nd; Janson Graham, 3rd.

Webelos Division: Jay Potts, 1st; Rance Quisenberry, 2nd; Tyson Turner, 3rd.

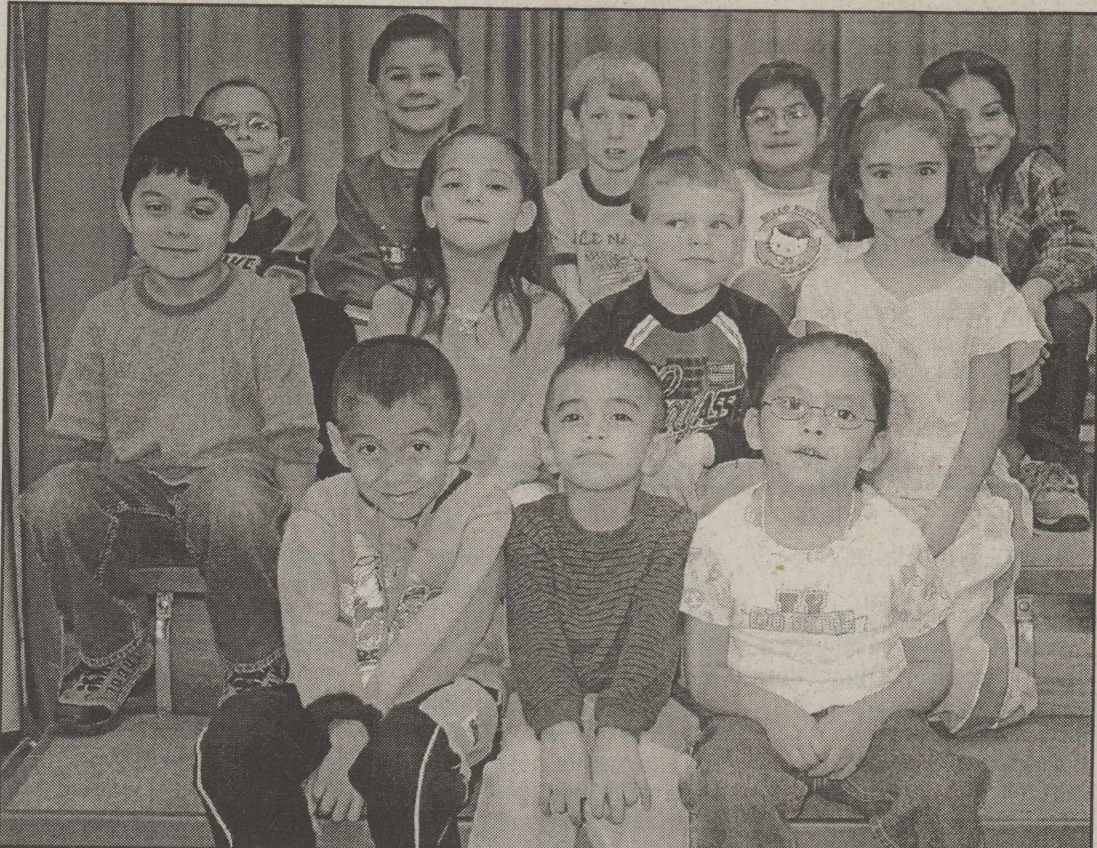
Outlaw Division: J.C. Chappell, 1st; John Duus, 2nd; Mark McGowen, 3rd.

I would like to thank our race judges, Brett Turner, Randy Quisenberry, Kyle Stewart, and Joe Barrientos; our race starters, Wayne Morren and Scott Graham; and our race officials, Bob Gilliland and Jerry Chappell.

I would also like to thank everyone who attended and made our Derby a success. The District Derby will be held in Ralls on Saturday, January 31, 2004 at the gym. Sign up starts at 9:00 a.m. See you there!



BOY SCOUT EAGLE PROJECT-Derrick Griggs of Floydada has built a permanent flag retirement pit at the Floydada Cemetery for his Eagle project. Derrick and scouts have performed two retirements. Helping Derrick were scouts Brian Odom, Jay McGaugh, Teddy Summers, B.J. Chappell, J.C. Chappell, Tyson Turner, and Jay Potts. Parents helping were Jimmy and June McGaugh, Jerry and Darla Chappell, and Kenny Griggs. Courtesy Photo



A.B. DUNCAN VOYAGER TEAM LEADERS: (Back, l-r): Andrew Martinez, Ethan Boyd, Logan Allen, Maria Pancardo, Alexandra Almaguer; (Middle, l-r): Joshua Gonzales, Destiny Thomas, Jordan Moore, Shiana Wilson; (Front, l-r): Jacob Degollado, Christian Coronado, Angela Suarez. Not Pictured: Joshua Barrientos, Kaleb Snell. Courtesy PhotoP

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Floydada School Menu

January 26-January 30
Monday:
Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Pizza, green salad, corn, fruit, milk
Tuesday:
Breakfast - Biscuits, sausage; juice, milk
Lunch - Taco salad/meat & cheese w/tomato & lettuce, pinto beans, jello, milk
Wednesday:
Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, toast/jelly, cereal, juice
Lunch - Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot roll, pudding, milk
Thursday:
Breakfast - Pancakes, syrup, juice, milk
Lunch - Corn dogs, fries, carrots, cookie, milk
Friday:
Breakfast - Cereal, graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch - Hamburger, fries, salad, cobbler, milk

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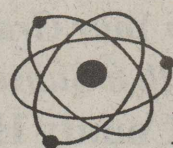
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 Thanks again for EVERYTHING!

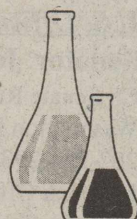
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Classes will be held at the library, parents are responsible for dropping off and picking up the student. Classes are 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.
 Contact Beverly at 983-2542 to sign up.

Longhorns win big defensive district game against the Abernathy Antelopes

By Coach Edwards

All it took was being able to knock down a few shots and play some tenacious defense for the Lockney Longhorns to secure their District 5-2A opener against the Abernathy Antelopes 51-38.

Lockney(16-5)(1-0) held Abernathy to single digit scores throughout the first three quarters to take a 19 point advantage into the fourth quarter. The Antelopes put together a small run late in the game, but the Longhorns nailed seven of nine free throws to keep their advantage.

"Our defense played awesome all night long," Coach Bubba Edwards exclaimed. "We were able to hold all of their leading scorers under ten points which opened up more opportunities for

us offensively."

Lockney's third quarter was the period where they ran away from the Antelopes outscoring them 17-8. Kirk Wilson's two, three point buckets took out the air from the Antelopes.

Wilson lead the team with 16 points. Rance Schumacher added 10 points followed by Jeran Butler with eight points.

Mark Ford chipped in seven points while Trevor Morris put in four points. Dahlen McCarter, Cagan Cummings and Taylor Becker added two points each.

Earlier in the week, the Longhorns came from behind outlasting the Lions from New Deal 50-42.

Lockney trailed all of the game until about six minutes into

the fourth quarter. Reid Carthel's two offensive rebounds and a huge three point shot helped spark the Longhorns in the fourth quarter outscoring New Deal 18-6. The 'Horns defense rose to the occasion and made 10 of 19 free throws in the last period to secure the victory.

Mark Ford lead all scorers with 14 points followed by Jeran Butler with 12 points. Kirk Wilson added nine points while Rance Schumacher chipped in seven points. Reid Carthel put three points, and Cagan Cummings and Taylor Becker added two more. Dahlen McCarter finished with one point.

The Longhorns will continue district play at home on Friday night against the Friona Chiefs starting at 8:00 p.m.



LOCKNEY LITTLE LONGHORNS---(Back, l to r) Isaiah Gonzales, Abby Garza, Joe Alvarez, Tracy Williams, Candy Rea, (Middle, l to r) Kelsie Stennett, Ky Teeter, Andrew Palomin, Rayann Race, Delores Luna, Gabby Peralez, Kennedy Hallmark, (Front, l to r) LeeAnn Prather, Eli Guerra, Elizabeth Salas, Rachel Sammann, Carlos Rodriguez, Alma Mendez.

LISD extends contract of Superintendent Lusk

Lockney ISD Trustees voted unanimously to extend the contract of Superintendent Raymond Lusk during their regular board meeting, January 15.

Trustees also heard a report on the decreasing enrollment numbers in the High School.

Principal James Poole told the board enrollment at LHS now stood at 188.

The enrollment brought up questions of where Lockney stood in the upcoming realignment discussions.

"I keep hearing different numbers," said Poole. "I believe we are either going to be a very high 1A or a low 2A. That's all I know now."

Coach Joe Robertson said the realignment meeting will be February 2nd.

Enrollment at LJHS was up by two students to 152, and Lockney Elementary was now at 298 students after the enrollment of 7 new students.

"Our ADA at the end of the first semester was 615.7," said Lusk. "We estimated 642."

Secondary Counselor Patsy Ulmer spoke to the board about her activities as a counselor. She briefed the board on curriculum

requirements for minimum, recommended, and distinguished graduation, and on scholarships offered.

The board was also briefed on the progress of interviews of high school principal prospects. As of January 15, four people had been interviewed and 3 more interviews were planned.

The financial report as of January 15 showed a balance of \$3,633,707.

The board approved paying checks totaling \$34,895.92.

LISD has collected 72.84% of taxes due (\$928,106.08), compared to last years 75.47% collected.

Because of the retirement of School Attorney Paul Lyle, the board must find another firm to represent the district. The board was presented with a proposal from Underwood Attorneys in Amarillo, but tabled a vote at this time.

Coach Robertson told the board he had been approached by some parents to start up the golf program again. Robertson said he did not have a coach for that program, but he wanted to let the board know there was some interest.

Lockney JV Boys Basketball Report

The Lockney Junior Varsity squad lost a close contest in their district opener to the Abernathy Antelopes 28-25.

The Longhorns fell behind 15-6 after the first half, but managed to claw their way back into the game and take the lead in the fourth quarter. But, Abernathy outlasted Lockney late in the game to hold on to the victory.

The Longhorns(5-5)(0-1) were lead by Tyler Kidd with eight points followed by Brance Wilson with seven points. J.W. McPherson added five points while Brandon Hall pitched in four points. D.J. Rosales added a point for the Longhorns.

Earlier in the week, Lockney battled with the New Deal Lions,

but lost a heartbreaker in overtime 40-26. The game was tied 26-26 at the end of regulation and then the Lions exploded with a 14-0 run in the overtime period.

J.W. McPherson and Tyler Kidd lead the team with seven points each followed by Brance Wilson with six points. Brandon Hall and Blaine Hall chipped in two points a piece while Brandon Gilroy and D.J. Rosales each chipped one point.

The Longhorns will play host to Friona on Friday and then will travel to Idalou to play in an Invitational tournament on Saturday. The Lockney Junior Varsity squad is the defending champion of the tournament.

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Lockney Boy Scouts host recruitment drive Friday

The Lockney Boy Scouts will be hosting a "recruitment drive" Friday, January 23, at the Lockney Youth Center beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The Scouts will set up a campsite and demonstrate a few of the activities they participate in, such as: repelling, cooking, and back-

packing. The Scouts may also perform a flag retirement service.

Boys ages 11-18, and their parents are encouraged to come out to the Youth Center and share in some Boy Scout fun. The campsite will be set up until 9:00 p.m.

Lockney School Menu

January 26-January 30

Monday

Breakfast - Waffle or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch - Chicken fried steak or PBJ sandwich, mashed potatoes, green peas, pears, hot rolls, milk

Tuesday

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

Lunch - Nacho grande or corndog, pinto beans, tossed salad, applesauce, cornbread, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Donut or cereal,

toast, juice, milk
Lunch - Cheese pizza or burrito, tossed salad, baby carrots, orange halves, milk

Thursday

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

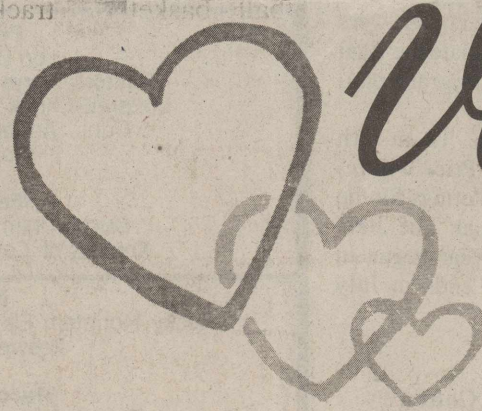
Lunch - Chicken noodle soup or grilled cheese, tossed salad, peaches, crackers, milk

Friday

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

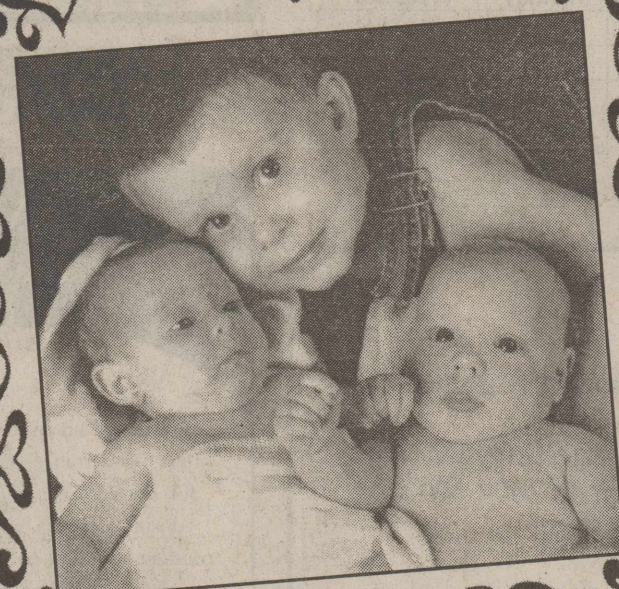
Lunch - Hamburger or ham and cheese, lettuce and tomato, fruited gelatin, milk

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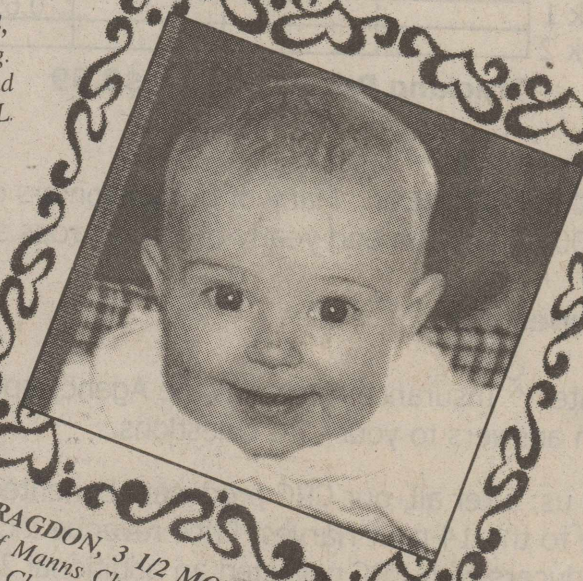
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Cotton  **News**

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By Shawn Wade
A report on Washington legislative activities from 19th District Representative Randy Neugebauer highlighted Plains Cotton Growers January 14 Board of Directors meeting. Neugebauer's report brought the PCG Board up to date on a number of key legislative topics that are at the top of Washington's "To-Do" list when Congress reconvenes this month. Among the unfinished items he noted as top priorities were the FY 2004 Omnibus Appropriations bill and the Energy bill. Neugebauer highlighted his top agriculture priorities for the coming year including his desire to develop a permanent disaster assistance program that could eliminate the need for ad hoc Disaster Assistance bills in the future. Neugebauer also reaffirmed his commitment to stay involved in the area of trade and continue to advocate the interests of cotton and other agriculture segments. He said the key to making sure that future trade agreements don't arbitrarily sacrifice U.S. agriculture, and the programs that support it, is for Congress and industry to remain actively involved with the U.S. Trade Representative's office. In other business the PCG

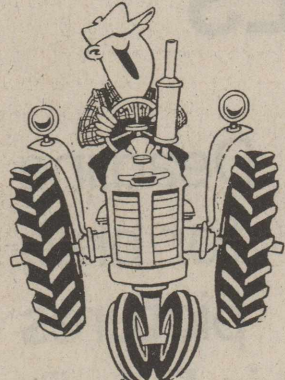
Board voted to support initiation of a pilot program designed to utilize current Farm Service Agency sources to combat fraud and abuse within the federal crop insurance program. The pilot program would require producers with crop insurance claims to obtain from the county FSA office a signed form documenting that the crop, prior to the loss, was farmed in a workmanlike manner before a final indemnity could be paid. The Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 called for a closer working relationship between the FSA and the Risk Management Agency in many areas including data collection and availability and program compliance. Jim Conkwright, Manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, updated the PCG Board on statewide water issues that threaten to impact agriculture. He also announced that HPUWCD personnel were in the process of doing district wide soil moisture and depth to water surveys. Conkwright highlighted several areas of concern and discussed a number of water related issues including rule of capture, water use and conservation, marketing and the role regional water districts would fulfill in the future.

PCG Board members also heard reports from the Cotton Board and the National Cotton Council and discussed State wide legislative issues that are expected to occupy PCG's attention in 2004. PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said that over the next year PCG would be heavily involved in several issues at the State level. He noted water, education funding and tax reform as the top issues that will be discussed in Austin and around the state in 2004 leading up to the next regular Texas Legislative Session in 2005. **2003-crop average price received by growers through November 2003** The following table shows the average price received each month by farmers and the associated weighted average price based on cumulative marketings through each month. The 12-month Weighted Average Price Received by growers will be used to calculate the final Counter-cyclical program payment rate. For cotton the 12-month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and marketings for the 2003 marketing year. The 2003 cotton marketing year began in August 2003 and ends in July 2004.

Average Price Received For 2003-crop Upland Cotton
(Weighted by Marketing)

	Marketings (000's of Running bales)		Prices (cents/Lb.)	
	Monthly	Cum.	Monthly	Weighted
August	420	420	46.30	46.30
September	769	1,189	55.70	52.38
October	1,783	2,972	68.00	61.75
November	1,912	4,884	63.40	62.40
December	na	na	63.10*	na

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service; * = preliminary




Cotton Market Weekly  A service provided by Plains Cotton Cooperative Association

Choppy, sideways trading of cotton futures on the New York Cotton Exchange characterized the week as industry observers awaited the emergence of a catalyst to move the market strongly in either direction. After initial losses on the day, cotton futures climbed higher Thursday as long-term fundamentals for cotton stayed strong. "The market exploded on very thin volume early with a lot of support at the bottom and top of the range," said a cotton trader. "It whipped from one end to the other despite the fact that there was no change to the market fundamentally, and no overseas business was confirmed," he added. According to some traders, USDA's weekly export sales report added some support to the market. The department reported net export sales of 135,100 bales in the week ended Jan. 8. The figure was 31 percent higher than the previous week but 12 percent lower than the four-week average. Primary buyers included Turkey, South Korea, and China. Export shipments of 293,600 bales for the same week were double the previous week and a 63 percent increase from the four-week average. China was by far the primary destination with shipments of 200,700 bales. Turkey and Mexico rounded out the

list of the top three destinations for U.S. cotton shipments as 17,400 and 13,200 bales were shipped to each country, respectively. "Export sales were steady while shipments are starting to rise," one analyst said. "This is exactly what needs to happen in order to meet USDA's export projections," he explained. Other analysts called the report uninteresting and said if Turkey and China had not stepped up their purchases, the weekly sales number would have been considered "poor." On Monday, USDA left its U.S. cotton export figure at 13.2 million bales compared to analysts' estimates that ranged from 12.0 to 14.2 million bales. "Sales still are less than what they need to be to reach USDA's number," a market observer said. "We need to see about 150,000 to 160,000 bales in sales for the next 29 weeks to get to the department's estimate." On the spot cotton scene, online sales by Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers in the five trading days ended Jan. 15 totaled 26,832 bales, significantly lower than the previous week's sales of 57,443 bales. Prices received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 64.17 to 65.86 cents per pound versus

the prior week's 65.35 to 66.71 cents per pound range. In other news, USDA's sixth and final estimate of 2003-04 U.S. cotton production based on objective yield surveys in major cotton producing states remained virtually unchanged at 8.2 million bales. U.S. plantings were adjusted downward to 13.4 million acres, and the area harvested also was lowered slightly from 12.11 million acres to 12.06 million which reflected abandonment of 13.6 percent. Overall yield set a record high at 725 pounds per acre, and every state in the Memphis Territory set a new record. USDA increased cotton production in the Texas/Oklahoma region by 70,000 bales with Texas accounting for 50,000 bales of the increase. Texas now is expected to produce a total of 4.3 million bales of cotton. Output on the Texas High Plains alone contributed 45,000 bales to the additional production as increases to harvested acreage and yield in the area brought the estimated output to 2.15 million bales. Although the Texas Rolling Plains witnessed a decrease in the area for harvest, a sizeable yield increase raised the region's total production estimate to 565,000 bales, 15,000 bales more than USDA's December estimate.

FLOYD COUNTY FARM NEWS



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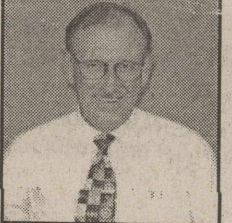
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Obituaries



LAVADA GARRETT

Funeral services for LaVada Hiblow Franklin Garrett, 82, of Floydada were held Wednesday, January 21, 2004 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada. Her son, Reverend Norman R. Garrett, officiated. Burial was in the Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mrs. Garrett ascended to the throne of God on January 16, 2004. Her service to the citizens of Floydada and the noble profession of teaching made an indelible mark that shall always be remembered.

She was born on September 16, 1921 in Waco to Willie and Odell Hiblow. She was the oldest of five sisters all of whom preceded her in death. Mrs. Garrett earned her undergraduate degree from Butler College and Huston-Tillotson College where she specialized in Education. She honored the profession of teaching for 42 years. She retired from Floydada ISD in 1987. Mrs. Garrett was a pioneer in the area of desegregation within many school districts in Texas. She served as a mentor, teacher and confidant for multiple generations of students and early career teachers of all backgrounds.

LaVada Garrett was a dedicated servant to the community and always enjoyed singing at area churches. She was also known to generously share a contagious laugh and offer a hearty smile and a wink to everyone she met.

Mrs. Garrett's history of community service was extensive with numerous civic, social, church and health based organizations. She was also a leader among her peers holding memberships in Texas State Teachers Association, National Education Association, Delta Kappa Gamma and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

She was twice widowed. She married Austin Garrett, Sr. on August 3, 1948 in White Face. He preceded her in death on May 11, 1979. Mrs. Garrett is survived by seven children, William F. Turner of Ft. Stockton; Austin Garrett, Jr. of Delray Beach, Florida; Clifton H. Garrett of Waco; Norman R. Garrett, Sr. of Lubbock; Douglas L. Garrett of Austin; BraVada Garrett-Akinsanya of Plymouth, Minnesota; and Elisa Washington of San Antonio; and Elisa Washington of San Antonio; thirteen grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a host of dear family and friends.



ERNESTINE GILLY

Funeral services for Ernestine Gilly, 82, of Amarillo, formerly of Floydada, will be Thursday, January 22, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Schooler-Gordon Bell Ave. Chapel, 5400 Bell in Amarillo, with Earl Blair and Jacob Urlick officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Gilly died Sunday, January 18, 2004.

She was born September 29, 1921 in the Cedar Hill community and lived in Floydada most of her life. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Floydada.

She was a sweet lady and will be missed by her family and many dear friends.

She is survived by two daughters, Janice Lackey and husband Rex, and Lisa Mitchell and husband Kevin, all of Amarillo; one son, Larry Noland and wife, Gail of Gainesville; one brother, Dennis Dillard of Lubbock; one sister, Betty Jo Wilks, of Carlsbad, New Mexico; one sister-in-law,

Grace Marie Dillard, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be made to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box, 950 Amarillo, Texas 79176 or Floydada Senior Citizens, Floydada, Texas 79235



RYLEE CAYDEN HAYES

A celebration of the life of Rylee Cayden Hayes, one year old infant son of Cody Lee and Amy Suzanne Anderson Hayes of Lockney, was held Tuesday, January 20, 2004 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. Reverend Harold Abney officiated and Chaplin Doyle Patterson assisted. Rylee was laid to rest at Babyland in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

God gave us our precious Rylee December 20, 2002. He was a light and joy to our family and touched the heart of every person he met. Rylee loved to share his toys and the family wishes to continue his love for fun by donating toys to enrich the lives of other children.

Awaiting him in Heaven were his great-grandfathers, J.G. Anderson of Spade and Albert Hayes of Lockney, and his great grandmother, Glenn Walser of Hereford.

He is survived by his loving parents; maternal grandparents, Bil and Ann Anderson of Lockney; paternal grandparents, Betty and Cleatis Hayes of Lockney; great-grandparents, Troy and Laverne Phillips of Brownfield; great-grandmother, Laura Anderson of Anton; great-grandmother, Mamie Hayes of Lockney; great-grandfather, Guy Walser of Hereford; four aunts; and three uncles.

A memorial fund has been established at American Bank of Commerce. Donations may be made at any Lubbock location.

EDNA MAE PATTON

Graveside services were held Wednesday, January 21, 2004 at Lakeview Cemetery in Floyd County for Edna Mae Patton, 87, of Floydada. Rev. Larry Perkins and Ernie Stane officiated. Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

She died on January 19, 2004. She was born on July 14, 1916 in Dill City, Oklahoma to Bill and Kittie Brooks Queen. She married C.O. Patton on October 1, 1939 in Matador. She was a life-long resident of Floydada, where she was a school cafeteria cook at Andrews Ward Elementary until she retired in 1977. She was a volunteer for Spirit of Sharing and Floydada Senior Citizens. She was a charter member of Calvary Baptist Church now Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, C.O. Patton in 1947; one son, W.C. Patton on July 25, 2002; one daughter, Terry Nell Patton in 1945; and three brothers.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, George and Donna Patton of Abernathy and Larry (LZ) and Marcia Patton of Clermont, Florida; one daughter-in-law, Nita Key and husband Dr. John C. Key of Lubbock; one sister, Evelyn Pierce of Dalhart; 14 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to Spirit of Sharing, 619 E. Houston, Floydada, Texas 79235; or to Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship, 505 N. 2nd, Floydada, Texas 79235.

REBA MARIE RAGLE

Funeral services for Reba Marie Ragle, 65, of Lockney were held Saturday, January 17, 2004 at the West College and Third Church of Christ. Frank Duckworth officiated and Steve McLean assisted. Burial was under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Lockney.

Miss Ragle died January 13, 2004 at her residence in Lockney.

She was born on March 3, 1938 to the late William Leroy Ragle and Gladys Ragle in Newcastle. She attended schools in Newcastle, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Lockney. She attended a LVN nursing course in an Amarillo hospital and worked in a nursing home in Claude. In 1968 she moved to Sherman where she worked in a nursing home, a laundry and worked 15 years for the Sherman Independent School District, retiring in 1990 on disability retirement. In September of 1990 she moved back to Lockney.

She was baptized at an early age into the Church of Christ in Lockney and lived a good Christian life.

Survivors include her mother, Gladys Ragle of Lubbock; one sister, Charlotte McCulloch of Lubbock; one niece; two nephews; a host of great nieces and great nephews; and a large number of cousins and many friends.

The family suggests memorials to the Lockney Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 82, Lockney, Tx 79241 or the West College and Third Church of Christ in Lockney.



EULA MAE SMITH

Services for Eula Mae Smith, 89, of Carthage were held Monday, January 19, 2004 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada. Dr. David Jones officiated. Burial was in Floydada Cemetery under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

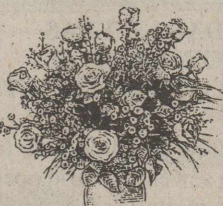
Mrs. Smith died Friday, January 16, 2004 at East Texas Medical Center in Carthage.

She was born on May 11, 1914 in Lela to the late John N. and Margaret Dora Gullion. She graduated from high school in Floydada where she was raised. She married John E. Smith on September 23, 1934. He preceded her in death on October 12, 1982. They lived in South Dakota where they had a cattle ranch. She had been a resident of Carthage for 13 years. She enjoyed her family, friends and sewing. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and Rehoboth United Methodist Church in Carthage.

She was also preceded in death by a son, R.W. Smith; a brother, John E. Gullion; and a sister, Annie Ruth Gullion.

Survivors include one son, John F. Smith of St. Louis, Missouri; one daughter-in-law, Vada Smith of Durant, Oklahoma; a sister-in-law, Polly Cardinal and husband Fred of Eubock; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Floydada Chapter 31 Order of Eastern Star, P.O. Box 9, Floydada, Texas 79235.



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

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

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

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

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

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
401 S. Main, Floydada
Anthony D. Sisemore,
Pastor
Bill Swinney,
Minister of Ed./Music
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study ... 7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Lockney
Dr. Glyndle Feagin
Interim Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Floydada
Dr. David Jones, Pastor
Rev. Ione Sedinger,
Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 10:50 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lockney
Rev. Neely Landrum,
Pastor
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service ... 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Praise/Worship 7:00 p.m.

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

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

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Ralph Jackson
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship .. 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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

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.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
Lockney
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Floydada
Father Arsenio Redulla
Deacon Ricky Vasquez
Phone: 983-5878
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.
Sunday (Spanish) .. 5:30 p.m.
Mon. Tues. Wed. Mass 6:30 p.m.
Saturday Mass 9:30 a.m.
Confession Sat. 10:00-11:00 a.m.

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

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

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

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

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Providence Community
on FM 2301 293-3009
Melvin Loseke, Minister
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service ... 11:00 a.m.

WEST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Floydada 983-3548
Sunday Worship ... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:00 p.m.

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