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Floyd County Stock Show set for Jan. 7-10

By Teresa Bigham
 The Hesperian-Beacon

MUNCY – Floyd County Stock Show events begin on Jan. 7 and end with mandatory cleanup at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center. Floydada Buyers Club is accepting donations for the purchase of animals. Lockney Buyers Club is selling raffle tickets for the purchase of animals. Lockney Buyers Club raffle drawing will be held at the stock show on Saturday, Jan. 9. You do not have to be present to win.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, masks are required and social distancing is required.

Below is the schedule and rules for the upcoming show.

Schedule of Events:

Thursday, January 7, 2021

- 10 a.m. Barn opens.
- 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Heifers and steers weigh-in.
- 5 p.m. Dairy heifers, heifers, steers show followed by the rabbit show.

Friday, January 8, 2021

- 9 a.m. Barn opens.
- 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. Swine, goats, lambs weigh-in and in-place.

Saturday, January 9, 2021

No animals may leave the barn without superintendent's approval.

- 8 a.m. Gilt show.
Barrow show.
- 12 p.m. Lunch break.
Goat show.
Lamb show.
- Approx. 4 p.m. Set up premium sale and scholarship entertainment.
- Approx. 5 p.m. Buyer's meal.
- Approx. 6 p.m. Premium sale.

Load all animals upon conclusion of premium sale.

Sunday, January 10, 2021

- 2 p.m. MANDATORY cleanup at Unity Center.

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Floyd County Junior Stock Show Scholarship Program.

The Floyd County Stock Show Scholarship program was initiated in 2002. The purpose of the scholarship program is to reward the years of hard work by the Floyd County High School Senior Exhibitors who have shown at the county stock show three years. Through this program, the board of directors hope to help further the exhibitors' higher education at a college, university or trade school.

The individual scholarships awarded initially were in the amount of \$500. Now, due to the support of the Floyd County community, these scholarships have increased over the years to \$750 in 2010 and to \$1000 in 2011.



Wyatt Bigham concentrates on his barrow during the Floyd County Stock Show in 2020. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

Scholarship Recipients for last 2 years:

2019 Bryce Reese, Andrew Vega, Cutter Smith, Allison Orr, Monty Stambaugh.

2020 Ruth Ramirez, Andrew Saurez, Jose Lira, Kaylee McInvale.

Sweepstakes Scholarship Recipients for last 2 years.

2019 Cutter Smith; 2020 Jose Lira

RULES

Swine Division

- I. Swine refers to Barrows and Open Gilts ONLY.
- II. The minimum weight for swine will be 90 lbs. and exceptions left to the discretion of the swine See STOCK SHOW, Page 6

Floydada CISD students successfully complete first semester under collegiate status

By Yelena Serrato
 The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—Although the learning circumstances of this school year were quite different, FCISD students still managed to take advantage of the opportunity to earn college credits at no cost.

According to Floydada school officials, 144 students ninth-twelfth grade enrolled in dual credit courses through South Plains College. A total of 128 students successfully completed their courses and earned college credit, offering an 89% overall pass-rate. This completed FCISD's first year as a collegiate school district.

Floydada CISD Superintendent Dr. Gilbert Trevino stated that 27 of the 41 enrolled ninth graders passed their college courses for a 66% success rate. All 31 10th graders enrolled passed their courses for an astonishing 100% success rate. Of the 35 enrolled 11th grade students, 33 passed

their college courses resulting in a 94% passing rate. As for 12th grade, 37 of 37 students passed their college courses for another 100% overall rating. A grade of A-D is considered passing.

Like many success stories, FCISD did face a few challenges this semester according to Dr. Trevino. "The greatest challenge was finding ways to offer academic support to ninth and 10th graders. College courses require students to be self-sufficient, self-disciplined and to manage their time wisely. This is especially difficult for ninth graders where they had to balance becoming a "high school" student as well as becoming a "college" student with everything else that many of our students are involved in (i.e. extra-curricular activities)."

FCISD hopes to make a few accommodations in the coming school year to ensure a successful outcome for students. "The biggest change will be to offer more on-campus academic support to all of our

students. We will be much more proactive in ensuring students are successful. The courses they take now will go with them if they enroll in college after high school, so we want to ensure their GPA is held to a high standard and they leave our school system prepared for life beyond high school," said Dr. Trevino.

Dr. Trevino also plans to partner with more universities in the future outside of South Plains College. "We have already begun having discussions with West Texas A&M University to offer a baccalaureate degree pathway to our students beyond high school. In this model, students would not have to leave our community upon graduating from high school and could take courses here in Floydada that would ultimately result in earning a 4-year degree. We also already partner with Texas Tech University through the Tech Teach program where students are fast-tracked toward a bachelor's degree and teaching

certificate. Once we get to the point where a Floydada Collegiate High School student earns an associate degree, they could enter the Tech Teach program and earn their bachelor's degree and teaching certificate in one year. We could potentially have 19 or 20-year-old students become teachers for us," said Dr. Trevino excitedly.

The learning outcomes for FCHS students who choose to enroll in dual credit courses are many. However, Dr. Trevino believes the best learning outcome for students who have elected to take college courses through FCISD is the content they learn in those courses.

"However, I believe the most beneficial thing to come from our program is that many of our students are now college students. There are many benefits that come from becoming a college student while in high school. Students learn to manage their time well and learn a lot more responsi-

bility. In addition, they can save thousands of dollars by taking college courses while in our high school. This is a game changer for students, parents and our community. For those of us who had to pay for our own college education, we know the true value of what we are able to offer our students by be-

coming a collegiate district and allowing them to take free college courses," he said.

The opportunities that are being created within our community are ones to take full advantage of because the most rewarding thing in life is learning; life never stops teaching us new things.

Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to banderson@lknwsgroup.com or fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

FLOYD COUNTY STOCK SHOW

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COVID-19 vaccine expected to arrive at Payne Pharmacy

Yelena Serrato The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — Payne Pharmacy in Floydada will receive the COVID-19 vaccine this month, according to Denise Payne, owner of Payne Pharmacy.

“However, the exact date is not known at this time,” she said.

Payne stated the Texas Department of Health and Human Services will notify her when the vaccine is scheduled to arrive. According to Payne,

HHS will also dictate who receives the vaccine first, as they are currently prioritizing more at-risk individuals.

More information will be released as it is received from Payne Pharmacy.

Opinion: A long year



HUNTER Throckmorton

It's been a long year. I don't think anyone can argue otherwise. It's true that it's been tougher for some, but as a nation we've been hit hard. We've been hit hard before, though. Every generation has had their challenge, and sometimes more than one. And every generation so far has more or less risen to the challenge. This year has been exceptional, though. The pandemic, a contentious election season, and all with no good stress outlets for the common citizen

like sports or bars or movies.

Our leaders and media, both news and social, have been in constant turmoil. Of course, they've done this for years, but 2020 seemed to be particularly bad. It's hard to turn on a news station or scroll through Facebook without seeing neighbor attacking neighbor, and even families deciding not to talk anymore over ideological differences.

But do we really have that many differences? Are our wants and needs as citizens so different that the threat of civil war looms in the air?

I've traveled a lot across the US and lived in small towns and gigantic cities. I also count my friends group as very diverse, ranging from Nepalese immigrants to East Texas “good ol’ boys.” Through my travels and friends, I've discovered that our wants and needs are not as different as our elected officials would have us believe. We all want the opportunity to make a living how we see fit, we want the safety to raise a family, and we want the freedom to do what we think is best in our lives. Sure, there are fringes at the left and right, but the bulk of people want the things listed.

Being an American is in the heart. It doesn't matter what color you are, where you are from, or even what language you speak. It matters that you work hard, you help where you can, and you don't let anyone push you and your neighbors around. America was meant to be the best of the world.

However, lately it doesn't seem that way. Everywhere you turn is negativity and someone wanting just a little more control over the common man. Personally, I think we've been sold a bill of goods the last few decades by people whose jobs depend on chaos and discord. The sales pitch is always “give us just a little more power and we will guarantee your safety from whatever.” But the irony is, most of the danger in your life comes from the very entities and people selling that so-called “safety.” Which brings us to our conclusion...

As noted before, most people don't want to take the rights of others. They only want to guarantee their own rights. Those in power have clued in on this and preach that if you don't do what they say, then the other side will get one over on you. Neighbors helping each other and getting along means the politicians and talking heads could be out of work, or have their station lessened — and they certainly don't want that.

So the next time you hear this trope, stop and think. Think of your neighbors, even those who live a different lifestyle, and think of what they actually want out of life. I doubt you will conclude that they mean you any harm. We decide every day what kind of country we will live in. We decide with our actions and how we treat others. Twenty-twenty was a long year, but it taught me the value of my friends and neighbors, not the value of the government. The only way we move forward is together. Don't let politicians and the media take that from you. As Benjamin Franklin put it, “We must all hang together, or most assuredly, we will all hang separately.”

Floyd County COVID-19 report

As of Wednesday, Dec. 30, Floyd County officials have reported 248 total cases (+3) with 224 cases (+10) reported as recovered. Floyd County has 6 active cases (-10) and has had 17 deaths (+2).

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(Cases #1 through #207 have been recorded as recovered or deceased.)

The 501: Water heater for insomniacs



HANABA MUNN WELCH

If insomnia strikes, look online to learn how to make an electric water heater, whether you need one or not.

Yes, there are YouTubes for DIY water heaters — just like for everything else. I watched one but didn't turn up the volume, not wanting to wake my non-insomniac husband. I ended up thinking there's much to be said for third-world knowhow.

Yes again, I simply assumed as I watched the video that it was created in a country where people have to know how to make do and regularly do so. That's my definition of a third-world country. Which one? Who knows? All I could see was the skin color of the craftsman — golden tan.

Parts required:

A circa-two-foot two-by-two or a similar piece of

wood, a couple of nails, some coiled nichrome wire, some insulated copper wiring, a bucket of water. The nichrome wire in the video looked like an old screen door spring. I know it was nichrome because it looked like the stuff one of my high school classmates used in her nifty science project. (Yes, Barbara, I'm referring to that calorie-measuring device.)

It was a sad-looking piece of wood, broken on one end. Why spend money on the wood when you've still got to buy the nichrome? The insulated wire looked like it had been scrounged from somewhere. It was all blue.

When your wires are all the same color, you don't have to worry about which colors signify ground, neutral and positive. Or, if you're the worrying kind, it's time to worry.

Tip: If you have electrical tape in various colors, it comes in handy for coding wires correctly, just in case you want to fulfill your need for some semblance of orderliness.

Need? It's my theory that deep in our psyches we

all would like to be up to code. When I worked at the mental hospital, two different patients had the delusion that they were safety officers. Karl Jung wrote about shared hallucinations. Maybe delusions

too. As I recall, he came up with a theory as to why drunk humans universally see elephants. (Some pink, some not.) Shared delusions, shared hallucinations. It's all quite fascinating.

Back to the handy water heater.

The most impressive item in the YouTube was the tool used for everything — a pair of pliers that doubled as a hammer for those two nails. Poor guy probably doesn't have a hammer, and I'm guessing he found those hefty pliers lying in the road when he was riding his bicycle.

Why would I think that? Ask anyone who rides a bicycle, and they'll tell you the best tools fall off work trucks. Ask me.

Some of the snobbier sorts who commented on the water heater video told him to get a hammer, not to mention a nicer piece of wood.

Closing observation:

Such mockers lack self-esteem. Criticizing the water heater guy boosts their egos. Unfazed, he's no doubt moved on to his next make-do project.

I do hope he finds a hammer.

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Weather Summary

Seven Day Forecast: Wednesday Partly Cloudy 53/27, Thursday Sunny 57/32, Friday Mostly Cloudy 55/28, Saturday Cloudy 53/29, Sunday Mostly Cloudy 51/24, Monday Sunny 56/31, Tuesday Sunny 55/28. Local UV Index: 0-2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+. Weather Trivia: What is the best tornado detector? Weather History: Jan. 6, 1989 - A blizzard ripped through south central and southeastern Idaho. Sun/Moon Chart This Week: Last 1/6, New 1/13. Last Week's Almanac & Growing Degree Days table included.



SOCIETY

Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering holds virtual events

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon



ALPINE - Tickets are now on sale for the Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering's virtual event to be held Jan. 22-31.

The Gathering is streaming an 81-minute film, *Keeping the Tradition Alive*, featuring poetry, musical performances, and interviews with poet Joel Nelson and musicians Dale Burson, R.W. Hampton, Randy Huston, and Rod Taylor. Commissioned by the Gathering and filmed in the fall of 2020 on location in Alpine and on ranches in Texas and New Mexico, it is a thoughtful, informed, and humorous introduction to Alpine, the Gathering, and the poetry and music created by working cattlemen and women.

Tickets are \$20 for a single ticket, \$5 for each additional ticket and Bronze Members, and free to Silver Members and above. A ticket provides access for any number of viewers on one screen. Ticketholders can watch online as many times as desired, using any internet-connected device. Purchasers can enter an email address to send a ticket to a gift recipient. Tickets are available online at LoneStarCowboyPoetry.com/tickets.

Between songs and poems, the participants talk about topics near to their hearts: horse training, becoming cowboys, horse wrecks, finding water, and living a life outdoors. Eschewing glitz and stage performances, the film is intimate and compelling, with gorgeous footage of

Texas and New Mexico vistas near the participating sites.

About the Gathering:

The Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering was formed in 2019 to continue the tradition of cowboy poetry in Alpine, Texas, and held its inaugural Gathering Feb. 21-22, 2020. It is a non-profit organization promoting narratives of the cowboy life told in poetry, song, stories, and art by those who have lived it. In September 2020, the Gathering announced it would postpone its next in-person Gathering to Feb. 18-19, 2022 and would develop a series of virtual cowboy poetry events to showcase cowboy poets and musicians and the beautiful Alpine area for an online audience. In October and November 2020, the Gathering raised \$29,386 through a donor match challenge to fund the production of subsequent online cowboy poetry events after these three showings of *Keeping the Tradition Alive*.

Membership in the Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering starts at \$5 per month or \$50 per year (Bronze level). Members at that level can purchase their ticket for \$5. Higher-level memberships (\$10 per month or \$100 per year, and up) include a complimentary ticket to every virtual event the Gathering offers during their year of membership. Members are the core supporters of the Gathering, sustaining it for the future.

About the performers:

Joel Nelson, one of the best-known cowboy poets, has made his living, either directly or indirectly, with horses and cattle on outfits such as the King Ranch, 06 Ranch and Parker Ranch since college graduation. He began writing while serving with the 101st Airborne

Division in Vietnam and has been a serious writer and reciter of traditional and free-verse poetry for twenty-five years. In 2000 his album *The Breaker in the Pen* earned a Grammy nomination in the Spoken Word category. Joel and his wife Sylvia work side by side managing the Anchor Ranch near Alpine where they raise Corriente and Angus cattle.

Dale Burson, an award-winning singer, songwriter, and multi-instrumentalist, plays guitar, fiddle, mandolin, and banjo. A fourth-generation rancher, he runs cow-calf and yearling operations near Channing, Texas. He is a featured performer at cowboy gatherings and concerts throughout the United States and was awarded the Wrangler Award from the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum for "A Life More Than This" as Outstanding Original Western Composition. Dale has recorded with his son and daughter, Ross and Brittany, releasing the albums *The Burson Family Ranch* and *Dancing with Daddy*. He released *The Heart* in 2015 and has a new album coming out soon.

R.W. Hampton worked as a cowboy on ranches in New Mexico, Texas, Nevada, Oregon, and Wyoming before launching a full-time music career as a singer/songwriter in 1988. Since then, he has released 14 albums including *Ridin' the Dreamland Range*, which received "Album of the Year" honors by the Academy of Western Artists in 1997. He was named "Outstanding Vocalist, Male" by the Western Music Association in 2010, and has been awarded "Male Vocalist of the Year" three times by the Academy of Western Artists. He has appeared in thirteen movies, including *Wild Horses*, *The Tracker*, *The Gambler*

III, and a documentary of the American cowboy; and wrote a one-man stage play, *The Last Cowboy*, with his brother Jeff and playwright Dave Marquis in 1993. He currently lives on his ranch near Cimarron, New Mexico.

Randy Huston writes and sings about the modern-day lifestyle of the cowboy. He is a fourth-generation livestock producer, and partners with his father on their ranch in Rociada, New Mexico. He started breaking horses for wages at the age of 14 and spent many years in rodeo arenas through high school and college. Randy was voted one of the top five male entertainers in 2007 by the Academy of Western Artists and was 2010 Academy of Western Artists male vocalist of the year. His albums include *Keepin' the New West Wild*, *There's A Hole in Daddy's Rope*, and *Cowboys and Girls* (with daughter Hannah Huston). This album won the 2015 award for "Outstanding Traditional Western Album" presented



Randy Huston, Rod Taylor, and Dale Burson enjoying the bunkhouse front porch during filming. (Courtesy photo)

by the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum.

Rod Taylor left Philmont Ranch in New Mexico in 2017 after 34 years as a cowboy and then head of cattle operations. He has also been playing music for more than 30 years, both as a solo artist and with regional bands, including The Rounders and The Riflers.

His albums include *Riding Down the Canyon*, *A Philmont Collection*, *Here, There or Anywhere*, and six albums with The Riflers. He has performed at many cowboy music and poetry gatherings around the country, and has acted in commercials, films, television shows, music videos, and documentaries. Rod lives in Cimarron, New Mexico.

Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham

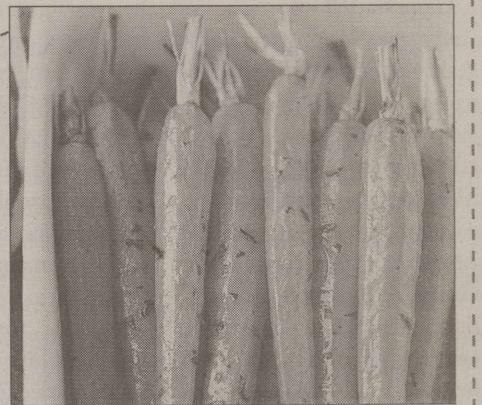
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This week's recipe is honey roasted carrots.

This recipe for honey roasted carrots is whole carrots, bathed in honey and seasonings, then roasted over high heat until tender and caramelized. A super easy yet elegant side dish!

Who does not always have a bag of carrots in the fridge? They are inexpensive, last for weeks and kids will always eat them! Whether they are glazed, roasted or sauteed carrots are always a big hit. These roasted carrots take just minutes to put together but are fancy enough to serve for company.

For this recipe, you will need carrots, olive oil, honey, salt and pepper. In this recipe you will want to buy bunches of small carrots with the tops on,



they look so much more elegant and are sweeter than larger carrots. If you cannot find small carrots, it is totally fine to use larger carrots that have been cut into sticks, it will still be delicious. Line up the carrots on a baking sheet and toss them with seasonings before they take a trip through the oven. Add a sprinkle of parsley, then serve and enjoy.

Honey roasted carrots

Ingredients:

1-pound small carrots peeled and trimmed
2- Tablespoons olive oil
2- Tablespoons honey
Salt and pepper to taste
Cooking spray
(Optional garnish) chopped parsley

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Line a sheet

pan with foil and coat with cooking spray.

2. Place the carrots in a single layer on the baking pan.

3. In a small bowl, mix the olive oil, honey, salt and pepper. Pour the honey mixture over the carrots and toss to coat.

4. Place in the oven and bake for 25-35 minutes or until carrots are tender and browned. Roasting time may vary depending on the size of the carrots.

5. Remove from the oven and serve immediately, sprinkled with parsley if desired.

Floydada Senior Citizens news

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Floydada Senior Citizens Center will be each Wednesday and Thursday during the month of January and first week of February.

You may either dine-in or have the meal delivered. We will serve lunch from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. For members, the cost is \$6 per plate. For non-members the cost is \$7.

For delivery, please call 806-98-2032.

Membership fee is \$25 per year per person.

The Center's mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235 and the phone number is 806-983-2032.

Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials.

MENU

Thursday, Jan. 7

Hamburgers and chili dogs

Wednesday, Jan. 13

Tacos

Lockney Senior Citizens news

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Yearly membership dues are due as of January 1.

There will be a Turkey and Dressing Fundraiser on Sunday, Jan. 17. We will serve from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. You may also get this meal delivered.

Every Friday morning during the month of January you can get a biscuit, sausage and gravy breakfast. Will serve from 7 - 9 a.m.

The Center serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by curbside pickup, drive-through or delivery. Anyone wanting lunch can call the Center by 9:30 a.m. daily.

Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

The Center's staff appreciates everyone and said they can't wait to see everyone again.

For questions, contact the center at 806-652-2745. Stay safe.

MENU

Jan. 11 - Jan. 15

Monday - Stuffed baked potato (BBQ & cheese) veggie sticks & Ranch, Rice Krispie treat

Tuesday - Burger basket, fries, side salad, brownie

Wednesday - Baked potato soup, side salad w/Ranch, cake

Thursday - Chef salad, banana pudding

Friday - Mexican lasagna, rice, beans, salad, cookie

(Menu subject to change without notice)

South Plains Genealogical Society to hold virtual meetings

By Diane Bunting

Board Member

LUBBOCK - Are you interested in your family history? Whether a beginner or you have been researching for several years, please join us. We are meeting virtually. We all had to learn how to do this and we will teach you from the comfort of your home. Contact us today at spgsnews@gmail.com.

On Saturday, Jan. 9th, Kel-

vin Myers, a Texan and professional forensic genealogist, will present "Using the Territorial Papers". He will teach us how to use the 28-volume set of Territorial Papers located in the Genealogical Section of the Mahon Library.

The Territorial Papers are important territorial documents found in Washington, D.C. These documents were selected from the archives of the Departments of State, Treasury, War, Interior, and Post Office,

from the Senate Library, the Library of Congress, and the General Accounting Office.

Also, mark your calendars for the Caprock Genealogy Conference on Saturday, April 17. This conference will also be virtual. Our speaker will be Billie Stone Fogarty, Professional Genealogist and Genealogical Instructor. If you are interested in attending this conference, send an email to spgsnews@gmail.com and we will get the proper information to you.

THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979

THE LOCKNEY LEDGER NEWSPAPER

The Lockney Beacon wasn't the first newspaper published in Lockney despite the fact it is 50 years old. "The Lockney Ledger" came out with its first edition telling of the affairs of this then young and growing West Texas community almost exactly 4 years previous to the first edition of The Beacon. As far as The Beacon editor an determine "The Ledger" was the first newspaper published in Lockney.

The first edition of "The Ledger" was published on April 21, 1896, with Jno. C. Hendrix as editor and Romulus Jones as assistant. Mr. Jones, a brother of Mrs. George Meriwether of Lockney and now living at Kerrville, Texas, was kind enough to loan the Beacon editor a copy of this first

edition recently.

Mr. Hendrix was a lawyer and only stayed long enough to get the newspaper started, stepping out soon thereafter leaving it in the hands of Mr. Jones. Mr. Jones was the son of J. B. Jones, an early day photographer of Lockney, and he had just finished his school work at Lockney Christian College, comparable to high school work now. He had about four or five years experience in the printing business, having started as a "devil" in the office of the "Lubbock Leader", Lubbock's first newspaper, started by Bob Rogers about July, 1891.

Mr. Jones continued to publish "The Ledger" until the fall of 1900 when he sold it to Mrs. Dot Hall, formerly Miss Dot Shafer, whose father, J. M. Shafer, published the Hale County Herald at Plainview.

"The Ledger" was a four page, six column all hand-set weekly, published on Thursdays. The equipment

for printing the newspaper was kindly furnished, without charge, by a board which had been given possession of it when a newspaper published at Mayshaw, "The Mayshaw Zephyr", suspended publication. The town of Mayshaw was located southeast of Lockney and north and a little east of Floydada and existed only a few years.

The printing plan used by the early publishers consisted of an old George Washington hand press and an assortment of 10 point body type, some display type, type cases and stands and a few other pieces of equipment. After a few months trying experience of pulling the lever that made the impression on the old "G. Washington," an opportunity presented itself for the purchase of a second-hand 14x22 Universal job press and a pretty good supply of type and other equipment. Mr. Jones made a deal for the "new equipment" and

turned the old equipment back to the group who had possession of it originally. He is of the opinion that this group either sold or leased the equipment to the founder of The Beacon, Frank N. Oliver.

After the better equipment was secured for "The Ledger" plant, a small religious paper, "The Bible Student," edited by Prof. G.H.P. Showalter discontinued this publication and purchased the "Firm Foundation," a religious paper published at Austin and is still connected with it.

The first issue of "The Ledger," is a well printed, well-edited newspaper although quite different from the modern weekly newspaper. In an article titled "Salutatory" the editors of "The Ledger" say that they seek the upbuilding of the community, Floyd County, and themselves in the publishing of the newspaper. They promise to deal with facts, not to mislead anyone and

to keep the people informed on public issues. They state that they will be independent in politics and desire to give value received both for money received for advertising and subscriptions.

Another article comments on the date of the first publication as being also the 62nd anniversary of the Battle of San Jacinto in which "700 patriots under the command of one of histories' most noted men, General Sam Houston, won the greatest battle recorded in the history of the "Lone Star State."

An "Educational Column" is written by G.H.P. Showalter, in which he discussed a summer normal to be held at Plainview and also the Lockney Christian College, at which the session will close June 10. He

tells of the Young Men's Debating Club and ends with an article urging young people to think seriously on life.

On the editorial page a directory of various state and county officials is given including C.A. Culberson, governor; A. B. Duncan, county judge; J. B. Bartley, county attorney; R. T. Miller, county clerk; E. C. Henry, Sheriff; J. D. Starks, commissioner, Precinct No. 1; W. C. Nichols, commissioner, precinct No. 3; S. B. Chadwick, commissioner, precinct No. 4.

The editor has a long article telling of the only time the United States has declared war, that against England in 1812 and hinting that this country may again have to take such a course,

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Obituaries

Walter Eugene (Gene) Bloys

Walter Eugene (Gene) Bloys, age 89, of Floydada passed away Sunday, December 20, 2020 in Shallowater, Texas.

A graveside service for family was held Wednesday, December 30, 2020 at the Floydada Cemetery.

Visitation was held from 9 - 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

Gene Bloys was born June 29, 1931 to S. D. Bloys and Dorothy Green Bloys in Plainview Texas.

He was an award-winning farmer, inventor, self-taught engineer and private pilot. He spoke fluent Spanish, a language he learned from men who helped him with his farm work.

Gene started work at a very young age. When he was nine years old, he was selling newspapers in downtown Plainview when his grandfather, G. E. Green, founder of Green Machinery, spotted him and gave him a job as machinist helper. Gene worked for Green Machinery for the next ten years before leaving to farm in Floyd County when he was 19. He would eventually serve as a member of the board of directors for Green Machinery.

Gene farmed until retiring at age 70. While he was farming, he invented and marketed a switch to convert two standard 12-volt batteries to a 24-volt system that was used nationwide to start heavy equipment and irrigation mo-

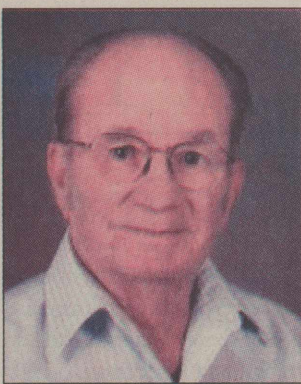
tors that operated on 24-volt starter systems.

Other inventions he built for himself and neighboring farmers included, a tractor mounted "cotton tramper", post puncher for driving metal fence post and dozens of other inventions designed to meet the needs of his friends and neighbors. As a self-taught engineer, he designed and built most of the equipment for Horizon Manufacturing in Lubbock that allowed the manufacturing firm to grow to be the largest of its kind in the world. A short list of equipment Gene built for Horizon included, a gang saw that cut a sheet of plywood into 32 pieces, fabric splitter, rail assembler and upholstering machines. Horizon Manufacturing was founded by his son, David Bloys.

Gene met the love of his life, Elna Sanderson, when he was fourteen years old at a movie theatre in Plainview, Texas. Two years later they got married. He built a home by hand in Plainview with the help of his father. Gene and Elna would later sell the home to raise money for a down payment on a portion of the farm where Elna was raised. At the time of his passing, Gene and Elna had been married 73 years.

Bloys was a prolific reader, consuming 20 - 30 historical novels a month. In his younger years he enjoyed hunting and fishing. More than anything else he cherished his grandchildren and great-grandchildren and cherished each minute he was able to spend with them.

Gene was preceded in



WALTER EUGENE (GENE) BLOYS

death by his mother and father; his son, Kenneth James Bloys; his brother, Bill Bloys; two sisters, Wanda Welch and Shirlene Crowder; a cousin and lifelong friend, Bill Horton; a nephew, Jerry Mickey and an uncle, James Bloys and his wife, Vera.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Elna Bloys; son, David Bloys and his wife, Mary Street of Shallowater; niece, Betty Mickey of Rock Port, Texas and sister-in-law, Mary Bloys of Plainview, Texas; his grandchildren, Shane Bloys and wife, Mellissa of Rockwall, Texas, Joshua Bloys and wife, Victoria of Abernathy, Laura Bird and husband, Jason of Coppell, Texas, Kathy Range and husband, Jim of Fairfield, California and Shannon Herzog of Colorado, and Penny Rainey and husband, Bobby of Shallowater; his great-grandchildren, Katelyn Bloys, Caleb Bloys, Hudson Bird, Ian Bloys and Elizabeth Bloys, Bryan Rainey, Novalee Rainey, and Daniel Rainey, and numerous nieces and nephews whom he loved.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to the Shiners' Hospital or Saint Jude Children's Hospital.

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

Carolyn Harris Whittington James

Carolyn Harris Whittington James, age 77, passed away Monday, November 16, 2020 in Fort Worth, Texas.

Due to COVID-19, a celebration of life will be delayed until sometime in 2021.

Carolyn, a loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, teacher and friend was born August 8, 1943 in Lubbock, Texas.

She grew up in Lockney, Texas and received her undergraduate degree in commercial art from Southern Methodist University. She later received her Masters of Education from Texas Tech University.

She began her career as a commercial artist and ended it as a teacher for over 30 years. Her career included seeing her commercial designs pop up on television and movie screens across the country as well as painting President

Nixon and presenting to him. She was inspired by education, the students she taught and received many accolades as an outstanding educator throughout her career.

Carolyn's life was characterized by her faith in God and her love and devotion to her many friends and family. Carolyn or "Grammy" loved being a grandmother to her five grandchildren as well as helping people.

She had a great sense of humor, the best laugh and was always smiling. She was generous, kind and took great pride in spoiling her kids and grandkids, especially with her impromptu gifts and wonderful cooking. Her selfless and positive attitude was an inspiration to everyone around her. She was very loved and all who knew her will dearly miss her.

Carolyn was preceded in



CAROLYN HARRIS WHITTINGTON JAMES

death by her parents, Clark and Lucille Harris and husband, Troy Wayne James.

She is survived by her children, Ron Whittington and wife, Dierdre of Flower Mound, Texas and Rainey Smith and husband, Travis of Fort Worth; sister, Joan of Albuquerque, New Mexico; along with five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews and many friends.

Cookie Moreno

Cookie Moreno, age 46, of Floydada passed away Monday, November 30, 2020 in Lubbock.

In her final hours, her husband and son were in attendance.

A graveside services and memorial were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, December 30, 2020.

The funeral arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Cookie was born March 21, 1974 in Frankfurt, Germany to Roberto C. Gonzalez, Sr. and Orfalinda (Mendoza) Gonzalez.

After graduating from Floydada High School in

1993, she met the love of her life Rogelio Moreno, Jr. They were married October 22, 1994 in Floydada. They were married for 26 years.

She was a homemaker, a member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

She also enjoyed fishing, listening to music; but her most enjoyable moments were spending time with their son, Michael.

She is preceded in death by her son, Locadio Moreno and her brother, Michael Gonzalez.

Cookie is survived by her husband, Rogelio Moreno, Jr., and her son, Michael Moreno of Floydada; her parents, Roberto and Orfalinda Gonzalez of Slaton; her sister, Alicia



COOKIE MORENO

Hernandez of Amarillo; her two brothers, Robert Gonzalez, Jr. and his wife, Mona of Hebronville and Augustine Gonzalez and his wife, Deborah of Slaton; and several nephews and nieces.

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

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Always

Jesus said, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." - Matthew 28:20 (NRSV)

I was driving our church shuttle bus, taking some of our members on a trip to Houston. When we travel, we have a backup SUV following us in case of a bus problem or a passenger emergency. As usual we made a stop at a restaurant along the way.

As we were leaving, I wanted to be sure the SUV was behind us. However, I couldn't see it in my side-view mirrors, and the bus had no rearview mirror. I thought maybe the driver had not started yet or had gone on ahead of me. I circled around the restaurant twice looking for the SUV, but it was nowhere to be seen.

Finally, I called the driver and asked, "Where are you?" He answered, "I'm right behind you, and I'm wondering why we keep circling the restaurant!" He was right there with me all the time!

Even though I cannot see God, I trust God's promises. My trust is strengthened by remembering the many times I've seen God's grace at work in my life. Sometimes God's presence is apparent only in looking back on my life, so I find it helpful to remember the ways God has helped me in the past. Even though it is sometimes difficult to feel God's presence, God promises to be with us always. —Bob Peterson (Texas, USA)

TODAY'S PRAYER

Ever-present God, thank you for your promise always to be with us. During hard times, help us to remember your faithfulness to us. Amen.

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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel
Service Every Sunday
Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ
West College & Third
Lockney
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ
Bob DuPont, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Floydada
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship
Ashley Adams, Minister of Music
Ludustia Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Lockney
Joseph Tillery, Pastor
Ron Kuykendall - Worship Leader
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
Floydada
Gary Boles, Pastor
Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
Lockney
Pastor E. C. Ice, III
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.

Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 8 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Main Street Church of Christ
Lockney
James Blair, Minister
Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Floydada
Rev. Timothy Askey
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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church
Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
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Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church
310 Mississippi, Floydada

Rev David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible - 10 a.m.
Morning Praise - 11 a.m.
Evening Praise 5 - p.m.
Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 B Main, Lockney
Sunday Services - 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista
Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
Discipleship - 5 p.m.
Wed. Service - 7 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista
Floydada
Rev. Toby Gonzales
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Evening - 7 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church
Priest - Sylvester Dsouza
Sat - 4:30 p.m. Evening Mass
Sun - 9 a.m. Mass
Mon - 9:30 a.m. Mass
Thurs. - 5:30 Evening Mass

South Plains Baptist Church
Dan Beaty, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God
701 W. Missouri
Joe M. Hernandez
983-5286 (Church)
Sunday School
English - 9:45 a.m.
Spanish - 11 a.m.
Worship
Spanish - 9:30 a.m.
English - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada

Rev. Renato Cruz
Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell
983-5878
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

Templo Bautista Salem
Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Bun Prayer Service - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Meeting - 7 p.m.

Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God
Washington And 1st St.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5 p.m.
Wed Service - 7 p.m.

Templo Nueva Vida
Rev. Herman Martinez
Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School - 10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

Trinity Assembly
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Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors

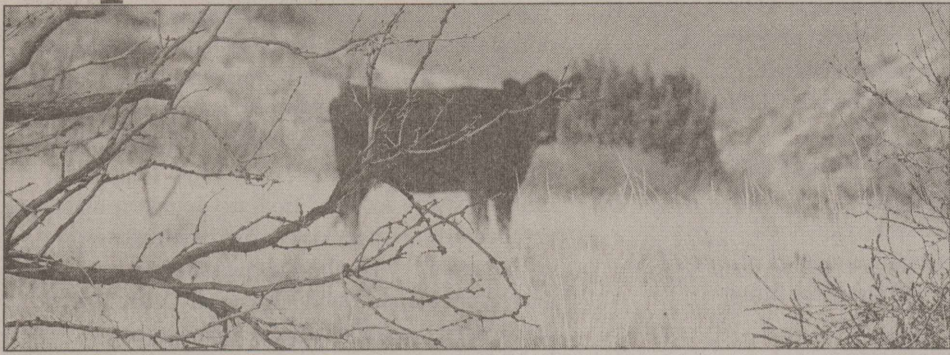
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church
Providence Community On Fm 2301
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Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
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Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

AGRICULTURE

Online pasture improvement seminar set



The Far West Texas Pasture Improvement seminar will be virtual for 2021. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Kay Ledbetter)

By Susan Himes
Texas A&M AgriLife

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be presenting "Far West Texas Pasture Improvement: A Virtual Seminar" on Jan. 27 from 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Participants may register online; the cost is \$15. The virtual event will offer two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units — one integrated pest management and one general. Once registered, participants

will receive the link to join as well as other relevant course information.

"The AgriLife Extension agents of Far West Texas are proud to be able to present this seminar for our stakeholders," said Zach Schaefer, AgriLife Extension agent for Culberson County. "Although it is geared toward our area of Texas, this seminar is open to all and is a great way to start the year getting CEUs and learning about important pasture management topics."

The topics and speakers are:

- Management of Brush and Other Herbaceous Plants — Carrie Seiler, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service district conservationist, Marfa.

- General Range and Pasture Herbicide Update for 2021 — Robert Lyons, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension range specialist, Uvalde.

For further information or questions, please contact the AgriLife Extension offices of Culberson, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves or Ward counties.

Editorial: A hard-fought year

By Hughes Abell
President of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association

The past year has seemingly brought endless challenges, both for the cattle industry and the entire nation. The coronavirus, social unrest and political divisiveness have dominated news headlines for most of the year. For cattle producers, coronavirus-related supply chain disruptions and market volatility have added to the hardships.

With so many problems to overcome throughout the past year, most are eager to put 2020 behind us and move on. Still, there were tremendous achievements made, and even the storm clouds had silver linings that we should not overlook.

The year began with a flurry of international trade triumphs. A bilateral trade agreement with Japan took effect, a phase-one agreement was reached with China and the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement was ratified—all before the end of January. Today, cattle producers are benefiting from all three deals with lower tariffs on U.S. beef going to Japan, significantly more beef exports to China thanks to reduced non-tariff barriers, and continued tariff-free access to Mexico and Canada.

January also brought an end to the 2015 Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule, one of the biggest threats facing ranchers and landowners. After years of fighting the Obama-era landgrab, the Environmental Protection Agency and Army Corp of Engineers finalized a new version that is narrower in scope and allows property owners to maintain more control over their property. A welcome reprieve after five years of legal battles and uncertainty.

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association played an important role in advocating for these historic achievements but soon shifted focus along with the rest of the nation as the COVID-19 pandemic took hold in March.

Association leaders and staff worked tirelessly to ensure restrictions would not

curtail cattle production, and that producers would benefit from any governmental assistance. As a result, cattle producers were designated as essential workers and received access to a variety of assistance tools.

Still, supply chain problems and uncertainty wreaked havoc on cattle prices. Consumers also found empty store shelves thanks to the disruptions and panic buying that occurred in the pandemic's early days.

Again, our industry and association met the challenge head-on, frequently communicating with news media to reassure nervous consumers while reminding them of just how essential cattle producers are to their daily life. I hope that renewed focus on protecting rural America and those of us who toil to feed our nation will continue.

Within the cattle industry, the market reaction to the pandemic highlighted long-standing issues with speculation and a lack of price discovery. Fortunately, the spotlight on these issues also presented an opportunity to fix them.

In collaboration with the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and other industry groups, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange by May was already working on changes in the cattle futures market to address concerns with speculation. By the end of July, the association and other cow-calf affiliates had succeeded in passing compromise policy at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to begin addressing the decline in negotiated trade and subsequent lack of price discovery. There is still a long road ahead and much work to be done on improving price discovery, but we can thank the

coronavirus crisis for creating the necessary momentum. We should also be thankful for a quicker recovery than initially predicted.

A tumultuous election also gripped the nation for much of the year. Fortunately, it is now mostly in the rearview mirror. Aside from the presidential election, the status quo largely prevailed.

Republicans are poised to maintain control over the U.S. Senate, and Democrats will easily keep the U.S. House of Representatives. When combined with the makeup of the U.S. Supreme Court, ranchers should be in a good position to retain achievements from the past four years, like the repeal of WOTUS. Texas will also keep the status quo with Republicans still in control of both the House and Senate.

Overall, the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association will remain well-positioned to work with state and federal lawmakers on both sides of the aisle. Given the divisiveness of the election and political landscape, this may be one of the biggest highlights to come from 2020.

Stress in Agriculture

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Mutual enjoyment and closeness are among the benefits when parents, grown children and grandchildren farm or ranch side by side.

When two and three generations work closely on a farm or ranch, tensions over a person's need for privacy may result. Allowing grown children space to learn to function as independent adults is imperative. The importance of defining individual boundaries, traditions, activities and priorities, must be maintained.

Researchers have found that farm/ranch families with open communication, shared decision making and long-range planning for normal family changes handle stress better than those with closed communication, authoritarian decision-making and day-to-day planning. Family members may need to improve their skills in reaching a consensus. There are some time-tested methods of handling problems that may arise.

Begin problem solving by gathering the family and establishing a positive atmosphere, free from interruptions. Help family members iden-

tify the specific problem at hand and determine who can or should help in resolving it. For example, one person's behavior may be a problem to someone else because it is interfering in some tangible way with another person completing a task.

Next, identify what each person involved in the problem really wants. As a group, brainstorm all possible solutions. Decide who will do what, when and how. Make sure each person is clear about his or her part of the agreement.

Then, put your plan into action on a trial basis, say for a month. Finally, meet again after a month to figure out what worked and what did not. It may be necessary to try another solution or adjust your current efforts.

Of course, minimizing problems is best. But achieving such harmony will take some effort. Your family may find success by following these guidelines.

- Avoid "What if..." fantasies and "if it wasn't for..." regrets. Think about what's happening now and focus on solutions.
- Ask for what you want directly: "What I'd like from you is..." Re-

member, the other person is free to say yes or no. Foster respect and consideration for each other.

- Recognize and appreciate individuals for their contributions. If you feel you are not getting enough attention or support, ask for it and explain what you need.

- Check what another person really wants from you. This is a good way to get expectations out in the open.

- Check whether the other person heard you accurately. "Would you please tell me what you heard me say?"

- Make your own traditions. Schedule an annual family get-together at a nearby lake or go camping together. Get everyone involved. Organize an activity that all can enjoy so that in the end, everybody feels good.

The togetherness of a multiple generation farm/ranch operation can be a source of stress as well as satisfaction. By allowing people time and space to be themselves and to do some things their way, each generation can establish its own independence while maintaining close family ties.

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STOCK SHOW

From Page 1

- superintendent.
- III. Swine weights must be submitted as recorded at the show barn on the official scales supervised by the swine superintendent. Weight cards are due by 4:30 p.m. Friday prior to the show.
 - IV. No weigh back will be required.
 - V. Swine classes will be broken by the weight submitted at time of weigh-in. There will be no more than 15 head per class. Classifications are left to the discretion of the swine superintendent.
 - VI. There must be at least THREE LIKE ANIMALS to constitute a breed.
 - VII. Mineral oil, baby oil, and powder will not be permitted on swine.
 - VIII. Gilts must have ear notches and breed identification on their state validation forms by December 1st of the year prior to the show.
 - IX. Gilts and Barrows will show separately and shall be treated as individual divisions.

Swine Classes

1. Black OPB: Spot, Poland, Berkshire, Hereford
2. White OPB: Chester, Landrace
3. Duroc
4. Hampshire
5. Yorkshire
6. Cross Bred

Steer Division

Animals exhibited may be fed in any manner suitable to the individual exhibitor. All steers must be halter broke to show and show in the arena to be eligible for premium sale.

- II. Steer Classifications:
 1. Blacks
 2. Non-Blacks
 3. British
 4. Hereford
 5. American
- III. Steer exhibitors will blow and show for fitting purposes.
- IV. Steers must be state validated by July 1st of the prior year to the show.
- V. Absolutely no paint will be allowed.

Dairy Heifer Division

- I. All Dairy Heifers must have registration papers or an AOB count validation by November 1st of the year prior to the show. Animals must be papered or validated in the exhibitor's name. Identifying tattoos may be checked against registrations and papers at the discretion of the cattle superintendent.
- II. Dairy Heifer Breed divisions are the discretion of the cattle superintendent. Dairy Heifers must be owned by November 1st of the year prior to the show.
- III. Dairy Heifers must have been born after September 1st of the second year prior to the show.
- IV. Dairy Heifers must be blood tested or be calf-hood

vaccinated if over twelve months of age.

Heifer Division

- I. All heifers must have registration papers or an AOB count validation by November 1st of the year prior to the show. Animals must be papered or validated in the exhibitor's name. Identifying tattoos may be checked against registrations and papers at the discretion of the cattle superintendent.
- II. Registered classes will be broken by age. AOB classes will be broken by height. Breed divisions are at the discretion of the cattle superintendent.
- III. Heifers must be owned by November 1st of the year prior to the show.
- IV. Heifers must have been born after September 1st of the second year prior to the show.
- V. Heifers must be blood tested or be calf-hood vaccinated if over twelve months of age.
- VI. Heifer exhibitors will blow and show for fitting purposes.
- VII. Absolutely no paint will be allowed.

Goat Division

- I. All wethers must be state validated and does must be county validated by November 1st.
- II. Wether or meat goats may be shown.
- III. All goats must be slick shorn within 3/8th of an inch above the knee and hock, with the exception of the switch.
- IV. No painting, powdering, or dyeing of goats will be permitted.
- V. Goats must be de-horned or tipped. No de-horning or tipping will be permitted on the show grounds.
- VI. Showing style is left at the discretion of the exhibitor.
- VII. Exhibitors must submit weight cards to the lamb and goat superintendent by 4:30 p.m. on the Friday prior to the show.

Lamb Division

- I. Ewe and wether lambs may be shown. Rams, stag lambs, and ewe lambs showing signs of pregnancy will not be permitted to show.
- VIII. Weight cards must be submitted to the goat-lamb superintendent by 4:30 p.m. on the Friday prior to the show. The superintendent will have the authority to class the lamb division, according to timely submitted weight cards, and to re-weigh first and second place class winners. Weigh backs are subject to a 5 lb. over/under tolerance.
- IX. All lambs must be shorn within 7 days of the show.
- X. Lambs breeds will be divided into classes according to weight. Where possible, classes will consist of not less than 6 and no more than 12.
- XI. All lambs must be state and or county validated by November 1st.
- XII. No paint, dye, or any form of artificial coloring shall be permitted. Un-ethically fitted lambs will be barred from the show at request of the superintendent and the discretion of the Executive Committee of the stock show board.
- XIII. Classifications and class divisions or additions at the discretion of Superintendent.

Lamb Classes

1. Fine wool: Rambouillet, Merino, or cross of the two.
2. Fine wool crossbred: Typically, first cross of a Suffolk, Hampshire, Corridals, Dorset or Columbia with either a Rambouillet or Merino.
3. Southdown: Purebred Southdown.
4. Medium wool.

General Rules

- II. The Floyd County Junior Stock Show, its officials, or any persons involved in or with the show, in any capacity, will in NO case be responsible for the death, loss, injury or damage that may occur to any animal, person or equipment at any time or place. Entry affirms agreement.
- III. Entries may be accepted from any regularly and timely enrolled 4-H member boy or girl before the show, or FFA and FFA members under the supervision of the current Floyd County Extension Agent, Lockney, or Floydada Vocational Agriculture Instructor. Exhibitors must be enrolled in public school within Floyd County. Exceptions must be approved by the Executive Committee of the stock show board.
- IV. All animals must be in show condition to remain on premises and may be disqualified at the discretion of the superintendent and the approval of the Executive Committee.
- V. All animals, to be eligible to show, must be on feed in Floyd County, at the primary residence of, or on land owned by the exhibitor's family. All animals are subject to the state rules of validation, procedures and times. Exceptions must be approved by the Executive Committee of the stock show board.
- VI. There will be any ENTRY FEE of \$20 per HEAD assessed for participation in the Floyd County Stock Show. There will be a DEADLINE of DECEMBER 1st for submission of entry information and fees to the appropriate advisor. There will be no refunds on entry fees.
- VII. The show barn, located in the Muncy Community at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center Building, will be open on the Thursday and/or Friday prior to show day to receive animal's entries. All animals must be in the barn Thursday and/or Friday, unless approved by the superintendent. Weigh-in of animals will occur from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the Friday prior to the show.
- VIII. Exhibitor, parent, or advisor must be present at time of weigh-in and submission of weight cards to the superintendent.
- IX. All animals will be shown according to timely submitted weigh cards. All determinations of weight judge or superintendent are final.
- X. Floyd County Junior Stock Show officials, exhibitors and guests will follow the standing rule of the Floyd County Friends Unity Center at all times. PINE SHAVINGS ONLY may be used as bedding. The premises are to be kept clean, all trash and bedding to be removed at the conclusion of the show and sale. All animals must be securely penned or tied. No animal is allowed free access to roam the show ring or open areas of the barn. Animals will be re-penned once and See STOCK SHOW, Page 10

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SCHOOL NEWS

Cook receives Academic All-State honors

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - On Dec. 16, The THSCA Academic All-State Coach Association recognized Lockney High school student, Kalebh Cook.

The THSCA Academic All-State acknowledges high school athletes who excel in GPA, class rank, and ACT/SAT scores.

He is the son of Chad and Katie Cook of Lockney.

LHS senior, Kalebh Cook (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



Delafuente named to Angelo State University Dean's List

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SAN ANGELO - Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, is pleased to announce that Patricio Miguel Delafuente of Floydada, has been named to the Dean's List for the 2020 Fall semester.

To be eligible for the ASU Dean's List, full-time undergraduate students must maintain a 3.25 or better grade point average on a 4.0

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"Best Colleges" in the nation since 2010, and we are also a College of Distinction. We were also recognized as a Top 10 Gold Award for ranking in the top 10 of the 76 institutions in the Large Public University category that were awarded the "Military Friendly School" designation for 2019-20. We have ranked as a Military Friendly by Victory Media (VIQTO-RY) School for 11 consecutive years.

Whirlwind Pride Spotlight

By Barbara Anderson
The Hesperian-Beacon

Natalie Hernandez, an eighth grader at Floydada Junior High School, is the daughter of Jimmy Cervantes.

She has been in band four years, one in high school, two years in junior high and one in elementary.

"I like being in band because I like playing the Whirlwind Fight Song," said Hernandez.

Hernandez said she is looking forward to being really good at band.



Natalie Hernandez

Longhorn Pride Spotlight



By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

Brinley Lefevre, an 8th grader at Lockney Jr. High has been playing basketball for nine years. "I really like how we play as a team," she said.

Her favorite subject in school is math because she loves numbers. When she graduates from high school her plans are to continue her education and become an accountant.

Lefevre also enjoys taking part in stock shows, where she shows dairy heifers and swine.

"If I could give younger girls who are interested in playing basketball one piece of advice, I'd tell them to keep at it and to push yourself to the limit," Lefevre said.

She is the daughter of Billy and Kristy Lefevre of Lockney.



Brinley Lefevre

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

Jan. 11 - Jan. 15

Monday

Breakfast - Mini cinnamon waffles, fruit juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Chicken nuggets, roll, Grande beef & cheese fajitas, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Banana muffin, fruit juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Seasoned chicken parmesan, roll, breaded chicken patty sandwich, seasoned curly fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Chicken breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Pepperoni pizza, grilled ham & cheese sandwich, seasoned curly fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Maple breakfast on a stick, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch - Chicken spaghetti Marinara, breadstick, crispy tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh fruit, fruit juice, milk
Lunch - Cheese enchiladas, turkey & cheese sub, refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Jan. 11 - Jan. 15

Monday

Breakfast - Pancakes & sausage or cereal & toast, juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Breaded drumstick or hotdog, sweet potato fries, corn, grapes, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Breakfast burrito & hash browns or PBJ, juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Frito pie, cucumbers, beans, salsa, oranges, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, biscuits, gravy, bacon, or muffin & yogurt, juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Ravioli or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, broccoli, roll, fruit cup, cookies, milk

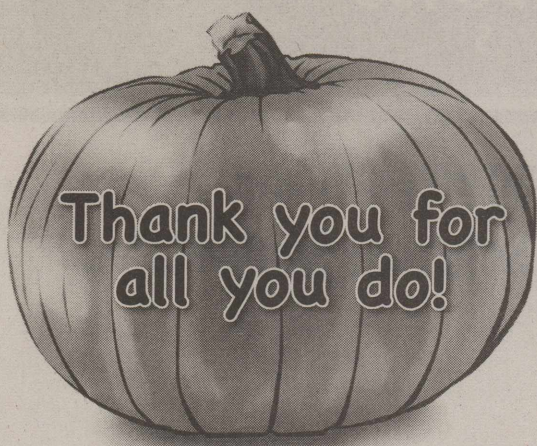
Thursday

Breakfast - Sausage kolache or PBJ, juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Pizza, steak fries, carrots, snowball salad, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Breakfast sandwich or cereal & toast, juice, fruit, milk
Lunch - Chicken parmesan or BBQ sliders, green beans, salad, pineapple, cookie, milk

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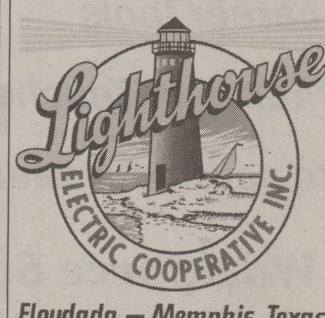
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Be prepared for winter weather

By DPS

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) wants to remind Texans to make preparations now for potentially hazardous weather still to come this season. “Weather in Texas can be hazardous and unpredictable,” said

DPS Director Steven McCraw. “It’s important to be prepared for winter weather and take steps now to ensure you’re ready for whatever comes your way — be it snow, ice, sleet or freezing temperatures.” When it comes to winter weather, ensuring your vehicle is properly maintained is vitally important.

Check the battery, windshield wipers, tire pressure, tire tread and fluid levels, as well as ensure door and trunk locks are lubricated to prevent freezing. Drivers are encouraged to keep the following emergency supplies in their vehicles: Blanket or sleeping bag;

Extra clothes, gloves and a hat; Cell phone, radio, flashlight, extra batteries and phone charging cord; First aid kit and pocket knife; High-calorie, non-perishable food and bottled water; A bag of sand or cat litter to provide traction for tires;

Windshield scraper, tool kit, booster cables, tow rope and a shovel; and Jumper cables. In addition, DPS offers the following tips to stay safe during winter weather: Monitor local weather broadcasts and check the latest weather conditions from the National Weather Service.

power lines. If a stop light is out, treat the intersection as a four-way stop. Insulate outside faucets and pipes near outer walls. Make sure furnaces, heaters, fireplaces and wood stoves are clean, well-ventilated and in good working condition. Keep space heaters at least three feet away from walls and combustible materials, including furniture and bedding, and don’t operate these machines when you’re asleep. Also ensure the space heater cannot tip over.

Use an all-hazards weather radio for up-to-date warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information. Be aware that ice accumulates on bridges and overpasses before drivers will see it on roads and highways, so approach them more slowly in winter weather. Sign up for calls or texts from your local emergency notification system. Make sure you have inclement weather contact numbers for school and work. Avoid traveling when sleet, freezing rain or snow is predicted, and monitor road conditions by visiting Drive Texas or calling (800) 452-9292. If you must drive in inclement weather, allow extra time to reach your destination. On icy roads, drive slowly and increase the distance between your vehicle and others, as you may need increased room to stop your vehicle. Do not use cruise control. Ensure your vehicle is properly maintained, and the gas tank is full. Watch for downed trees and

To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never operate a generator or other fuel-powered device inside a home, garage or other enclosed space. The odorless, colorless gas is deadly and is produced any time a fossil fuel is burned. Sources include motor vehicle engines, generators and fuel-burning appliances or heating systems. Consider installing a carbon monoxide detector in your home. Check on friends and family members whose health or age may put them at greater risk with hazardous weather. Make arrangements for proper shelter and an emergency supply of food and water for your pets and livestock. Stock up on firewood and supplies, including canned goods, bottled water and medication. If you will be away from home for a long period of time, set your thermostat to 55 degrees or higher and open cabinets under all sinks.

JOINT NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF FLOYD §

BY VIRTUE OF ORDERS OF SALE DATED the 30th day of December, 2020, and issued pursuant to judgment decrees of the District Court of Floyd County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter numbered and styled causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on the 30th day of December, 2020, seized, levied upon, and will on the 2nd day of February, 2021, at the Floyd County Courthouse, 100 S. Main, Floydada, Texas, at 10:00 a.m. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, as provided for by the TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

All of the following properties being located in Floyd County, Texas and each property being more particularly described on an instrument recorded in the Volume and Page reference (V/P) or document number of the Deed Records, Floyd County, Texas. The approximate property addresses reflected herein are the addresses on the tax records and may or may not be completely accurate.

PROP #	CAUSE #	STYLE	PROP DESCRIPTION, ADDRESS, ACCT #
1	5786TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Alejandro Hernandez et al	Lot 13, Block 1, Steen Place Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 37, Page 533, Official Public Records), Account #R000002266
2	5807TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Lozell Graham Keeter et al	the North 1/2 of Lots 14, 15 and 16, Block 1, Brunson Addition, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 254, Page 319, Deed Records), Account #R000002931
3	5867TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Pauline Cooper et al	the West 1/2 of Lot 15 and all of Lot 16, Block 92, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 37, Page 619, Deed Records), Account #R000001058
4	5936TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Manuel B. Vallejo et al	the North 1/2 of Lots 9, 10 and 11, Block 17, Bartley Heights Addition, City of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 79, Page 246, Official Public Records), Account #R000001804
5	5939TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Lorenza Kearney et al	Lot 1, Block 54, Original Townsite of the Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 166, Page 462, Deed Records), Account #R000000614
6	5930TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Ofilia Arellano et al	Lots 15 and 16, Block 102, Original Town of Floydada, Floyd County, Texas (Volume 226, Page 253, Deed Records), Account #R000001170
7	5943TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Anselmo G. Ramirez, Sr. et al	a 6.927 acre tract, more or less, out of the South part of Survey #3, Block T, B.S. & F. Cert. No. 1273, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 11, Page 640, Official Public Records), Account #R000004252/R000004251
8	5949TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Amber LeAnn Nuncio	all of Lots 5-10, Block 2, Brewster 3 Addition, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 91, Page 526, Official Public Records), Account #R000002903
9	5954TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Ray Jimenez, Jr. et al	Lot 19, Block C, N.B. Davis Survey #9, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 97, Page 679, Official Public Records), Account #R000005704
10	5954TS	Floyd County Appraisal District v Ray Jimenez, Jr. et al	part of Lots 4 to 10, inclusive, Block 1, Brewster Addition #3, City of Lockney, Floyd County, Texas (Vol. 43, Page 394, Deed Records), Account #R000002899

This sale will be conducted to satisfy the judgment(s) for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interests due on the properties described herein, and for all costs of court and sale.

I do hereby verify that true and correct copies of the foregoing Joint Notice of Sale have been delivered by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and by regular mail, to each of the Defendants named in each of the numbered and styled causes.

DATED the 30th day of December, 2020, at Floydada, Texas

PAUL RAISSEZ
Sheriff, Floyd County, Texas

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MUSEUM From Page 3

in May and to send delegates to the county convention meeting at Lockney on May 28. In the same vein a resolution is given signed by Mr. Beall and J.J. Rogers, secretary, in which the men “endorse the action of the reorganization committee at St. Louis, and are opposed to fusion in any form.” The resolution further states that the men are opposed to the present administration, that a change is necessary,

and that they favor a co-operative railroad in the state. A long article in this issue describes Floyd County’s many virtues, telling of its location, altitude, etc. In the latter part of the article he describes Lockney as “The principal town of the county, located northwest of the center of the county, a thriving little village of 200 population.” It also says, “Floyd City is the other town in the county, it being the county site, located about 12 miles southeast of Lockney and is a very nice little town filled with energetic businessmen.



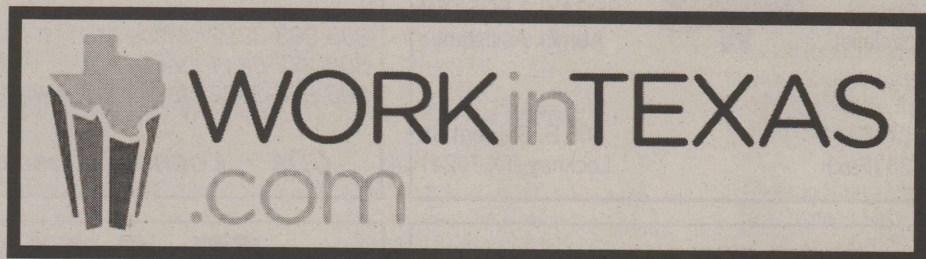
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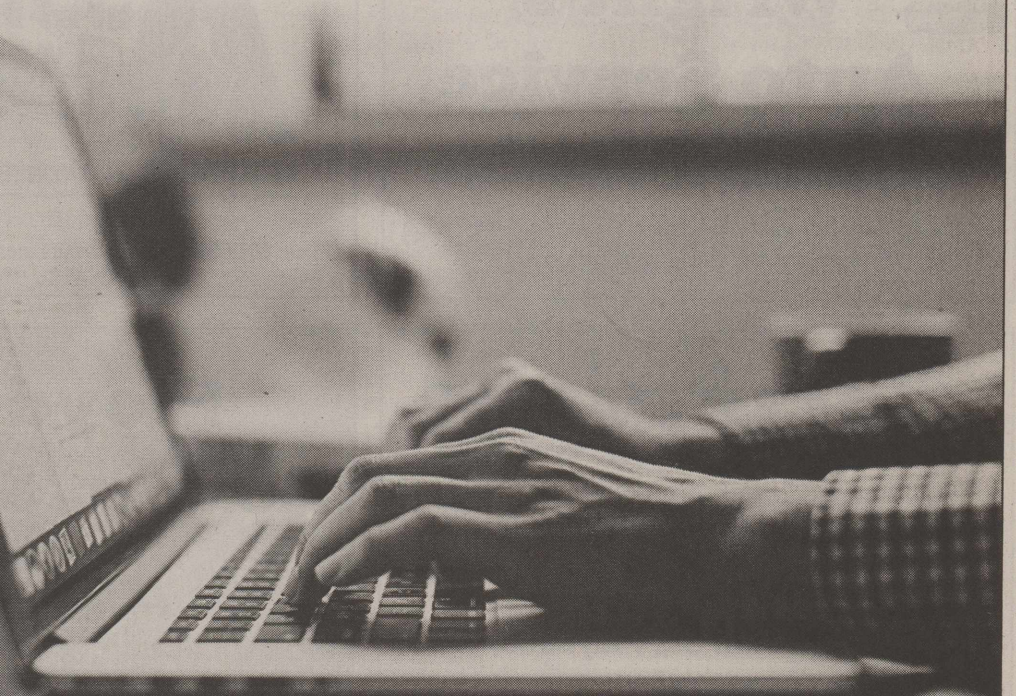
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OBITUARIES

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Sylvia Vela

Sylvia Vela, age 65, of Floydada was called home Thursday, December 24, 2020 by our Lord and Savior.

An open visitation was held from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Cremation arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Sylvia was born in Mathis, Texas on October 15, 1954 to Delfino Pesina and Elida Ponce. Sylvia's passions were reading, cooking and playing Loteria with friends and family.

She was blessed to have three sons with Jesse Vela, Jr. - Jesse (Monica) Vela, III, Rodrigo Vela, and Sergio (Mandy) Vela.

She was a caring sister and daughter. Many of her nieces and nephews described her as a second mother. She was always there to lend a helping hand.

She is survived by her mother, Elida Ponce; her sons, Jesse, Rod, and Sergio; grandkids, Sebastian, Haley, Rodrigo, Jr., Andrew, Alyssa, Gina, Noah, Zakk, Priscilla, and Jermy; great-grandkids, Zakk, Jr., Braylen and Kashton; her siblings, Mary (Jimmy) Cervantes, Elizabeth Juarez, Jovita Flores,



SYLVIA VELA

Daniel Pesina, Corina Pesina, and Christina Pesina.

Sylvia will be dearly missed. She was loved by all who she came across. We thank our Lord for sharing such a beautiful person with us for so many years.

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

Daniel Diaz

Daniel Diaz, age 56, passed away on Tuesday, December 29, 2020.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, January 2, 2021 at Templo Getsemani Assembly of

God in Floydada.

Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery.

Visitation was held all day on Friday, January 1, 2021 at Templo Getsemani Assembly of

God. Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

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

Phillip Dexter Holbert

Phillip Dexter Holbert, age 58, of Floydada passed away on Sunday, December 27, 2020.

A celebration of life was held on Saturday, January 2, 2021. An open graveside service was held at 4 p.m. at the Petersburg Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home.

He is survived by his

wife, Stephanie Holbert; daughter, Mandy Shucher and husband, Herb of Nashville, Tennessee; daughter, Kami Holbert of Floydada; daughter, Alexis Lipham and husband, Curtis of Anson; mother, Linda Holbert of Floydada; sister, Teresa Overstreet of Floydada; sister, Debra Peterka of Longview; his grandchildren, Morgan, Bella, AJ, Jerimy, and

Charlee; multiple nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Plainview Stars Special Olympics Team, attn: Jackie Ball, 913 Jefferson St. Plainview, TX 79072) or the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation (www.cpopf.org).

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

Ezekiel (Jr.) Brotherton

Ezekiel (Jr.) Brotherton, age 80, of Lockney passed away on Saturday, January 2, 2021 in Amarillo.

Funeral arrangements and services are pending with the Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Lockney. Online

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

Gary Carthel

Gary Carthel, age 83, of Floydada passed away on Sunday, January 3, 2021 in Lubbock.

Funeral arrangements and services are pending with the Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

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

UPCOMING

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accepting donations for the purchase of animals. The Lockney Buyers Club is selling raffle tickets for the purchase of animals. Lockney Buyers Club will hold a raffle drawing that will be held at the stock show on Saturday, Jan. 9. You do not have to be present to win. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, masks and social distancing are required.

LOCKNEY CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Lockney Cemetery Association will hold a meeting at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 21 at the Lockney Senior Citizen's Center. The purpose

of this meeting is to elect officers and transact any other business.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY BALL

Wendell and Dustee Sollis would like to encourage people to watch the local newspapers and the Facebook page of Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band, for a future event. Hopefully, there will be a "Christmas in July" ball and the Covid-19 threat will be over. If you have purchased tickets for the December 5 event, we can refund your money or hold it for the next ball. Please call Dustee Sollis at 806-983-

6228 for more info. Raffle tickets are still being sold for the beautiful quilt that was made by Cindy's Country Quilt Shoppe in Plainview. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 12 for \$100.00. The drawing for the quilt will be held at the next ball. Call Cindy's Quilt Shoppe at 806-296-5888 or Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 to purchase tickets.

BURN BAN FLOYD COUNTY

The Floyd County Commissioners' Court extended the burn ban in Floyd County until January 11, 2021.

New year, new resolutions

By Ryan Bowman

Happy New Year! The ball has dropped; 365 days, 365 new chances. All the cliches associated with ringing in a new year have made their appearance as we leave 2020 behind and take the first steps into a new year. Wait, all but one lingering expectation, the infamous New Year's Resolution. Though some are content just buying a new calendar, tradition insists we begin our next chapter with a resolution. A resolution beyond remembering to write the correct year. According to lifehack.org, the most common resolution is to get in shape. They report that over one-third of Americans kick off their new year with a goal to slim down, get healthy and overhaul their eating habits. Runners-up include improving focus, stressing less, kicking bad habits and making and saving more money.

Though individual reasons for establishing an appropriate resolution dif-

fer from person to person, research has shown that we are too hard on ourselves! In 2019 businessinsider.com reported that over 80% of people have failed their resolutions by February. As millions of Americans resolve to "be better" in some way, it is important to remember to be realistic. Verywellmind.com recommends ditching the ambiguity and focusing on a concrete, measurable goal. For instance, instead of vowing to just lose weight, commit to losing 10 pounds. Their experts suggest by setting your sights on something achievable, with an actual finish line, you improve your chances of not only seeing it through, but also being able to incorporate the changes into your daily life in such a way that they are more likely to stick around.

In addition to setting realistic and attainable goals for yourself, another key factor in the success of your resolutions is the "why" behind your goal. Psychiatrist Dr.

Michael Bennett told the New York Times that it is important to set a goal for the right reasons. "If you do it out of the sense of self-hate or remorse or a strong passion in that moment, it doesn't usually last long." He goes on to recommend "a process where you are thinking more about what is good for you!"

We have established that a goal must be measurable and must be achievable, but another key piece of the success puzzle is your timeline. In order for your goal to actually be realistic, there must be an appropriate timeline. For example, losing 10 pounds is achievable, losing 10 pounds in 10 minutes however, sets you up to fail by establishing an unrealistic expectation right out of the gate. Charles Duhigg, author of "The Power of Habit" suggests making small changes toward gradual progress. "If you are building a habit, you're planning for the next decade, not the next several months."

STOCK SHOW

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asked to leave upon further occurrence.

- XI. Only paid entries will be allowed to show.
- XII. Showmanship participation is limited to species and classifications in which the exhibitor has a valid entry. Showmanship divisions are as follows: Junior Division, 13 years of age and younger the day of the show; Senior Division, 14 years of age and older the day of the show.
- XIII. UIL rules will be followed. Compliance must be agreed upon by all involved school districts prior to arrival and exhibition of animals. Guidelines, dates, and eligibility must be known by the appropriate advisor prior to the arrival and exhibition of animals. Unsportsmanlike conduct, deception, fraud and or un-ethical practices by exhibitors, parents or advisors will not be tolerated. Penalties for such behavior will be at the discretion of the Executive Committee of the stock show board.
- XIV. The Floyd County Junior Stock Show Assn. will allow no more than a total of 31 cattle animals and a combination of 126 animals of other species, show eligible, a place in the premium sale. The percentage of swine, goats, Lambs and rabbits to be offered at the premium sale will be a direct function of the number of each represented on the day of the show. Animal of any show eligible species may be offered to offset cattle numbers less than 31. Cattle shortfall replacement will be determined in the same manner as above explained.
- XV. Each exhibitor will be allowed to draw sale premium on ONLY 2 ANIMALS of any combination of species. The EXCEPTION to this rule is an exhibitor with more than two Grand Champion animals. All Grand Champions will be offered for the premium sale. It shall be the responsibility of all exhibitors to walk through (Grands and Reserves) or represent their animal in the premium sale. Inability to do so must be approved by the Executive Committee. All animals that are offered at the premium sale will sale on a PER HEAD BASIS.
- XVI. All Grand and Reserve Grand animals must remain on the show grounds until the conclusion of the premium sale or released by the superintendent. No animals may leave the barn after the lunch break unless released by the superintendent.
- XVII. Each animal is required to be state and county validated. Validation may be done under a family name thereby making any sibling or stepsibling eligible to show any validated animal. Each exhibitor is subject to ALL above rules and a paid entry must exist for EACH INDIVIDUAL ANIMAL.
- XVIII. These are general rules. If there is a conflict between these and the division guidelines, the DIVISION RULE WILL HAVE AUTHORITY.



Avery McInvalde shows her heifer during the 2020 Floyd County Stock Show. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

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