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## Floydada going for new ladder truck

Demo model could save nearly \$200,000

KAY ELLINGTON | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floyd County has supported progress in recent years, including new school facilities in both Lockney and Floydada, but with state-of-the-art modern buildings come challenges from public safety equipment that is a generation old.

Last week, Floydada Fire Chief Chad Guthrie appeared before the city council with a proposal to replace the 1981 fire truck with Floyd County's first ladder truck.

Guthrie explained the need for a new truck, "The Floydada and Lockney schools have new buildings that are too tall for our truck. We need a ladder truck. There are also buildings downtown that are too tall for our truck."

He added, "It would also reduce the risk that we currently put our firemen through by having them climb on top of houses and buildings that are on fire, not knowing what might be burning beneath them. It's much better to put a ladder up there than a person."

Guthrie said the ladder truck would also be an asset in fighting cotton gin fires.

The cost of the proposed truck manufactured by Toyne Fire Apparatus of Breda, Iowa—which is not new, but is a demo model—is \$804,000. If it were new, the cost would exceed \$1 million.

The fire chief noted that the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department is going to have to make a change with its current fire truck. "It's so old that parts are hard to come by," he said.

The Floydada Volunteer Fire Department is served by 22 volunteers, and Guthrie has had a couple of stints as chief, most recently for more than two years, and he was assistant chief for more than a decade.

To actually purchase the new fire truck will take some addi-



tional due diligence on behalf of the City of Floydada. "We have two options," said city manager Darrell Gooch, "regular budgeting or a Certification of Obligation bond." The city council will hear a presentation on Certification of Obligation procedures at the July city council meeting from Vince Vialle, a bond consultant for municipalities.

Neither of the two options that the city has available to them to purchase the new fire truck would require a tax increase.

Mayor Bobby Gilliland pointed out an additional advantage of the new fire truck. "I really think it would be beneficial for the city and the citizens. It's such a good piece of equipment that insurance rates will go down. What we're working with now is a 1981 truck

and a 1995 truck, and they just got the '81 truck running again, and they can't find parts for it."

IMPROVING PUBLIC SAFETY The City of Floydada and the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department are seeking to upgrade to a new ladder truck. The proposed fire truck would replace a 1981 model. | COURTESY PHOTO

The fire truck that Floydada is considering is coming to Texas. It will be at the State Firefighters and Fire Marshall's Association Conference, June 25-27 at the Overton Hotel in Lubbock.

## Floydada anticipates return of Dixie Dog June 26



ZORA WOODY (center), her husband, Eber Blakey (right) and Jaiden Blakey (left) are looking forward to a soft opening of Floydada's Dixie Dog restaurant on Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27. | LIZ ADAMS PHOTO

LIZ ADAMS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floydada native Zora Woody worked at the Dixie Dog when she was a teenager. The drive-thru bell has 1959 carved in it, and the community has been enjoying the food there since she can remember. Her sisters and mother worked there, too, and it became a family dream to own the well-known local landmark after the business shut down last March. When the opportunity presented itself, Woody was eager to begin the process of re-opening the restaurant.

"I enjoy cooking," said Woody, explaining that her grandmother had also been a cook for a local restaurant.

Woody and her husband, Eber Blakey are looking forward to a soft opening on Friday, June 26 and Saturday, June 27 with a limited menu of burgers and "Dixie dogs" prior to the grand opening with the full menu the following Monday. Hand-breaded chicken strips and chicken sandwiches, French fries, onion rings, and Texas sweet tea will be available.

"I'll be the smiling face," Blakey said.

Woody's son, Jaiden Blakey will also be involved in the family's new business venture. Plans are being laid to use his welding skills to add outdoor seating. Picnic tables and a patio are being considered. He has also offered to help with delivery orders when he can.

The Dixie Dog will be looking for help with the lunch and supper rush.

Regular hours will be Monday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., though Woody expects to stay open later for football games and special events throughout the year.

"We want to bring back something that everybody loves. The younger generation may not remember this place. I want to bring it back for them, so they have a fun place to hang out and a great family-oriented place to eat," said Woody.



LOCKNEY'S ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY Bike Parade will take place on Main Street on Saturday, July 4. | COURTESY PHOTO

## Lockney set for annual 4th of July Bike Parade

STAFF REPORTS

Lockney will once again be having the annual 4th of July Bike Parade on Saturday, July 3, downtown on Lockney's Main Street.

The parade will assemble at the Main Street Church of Christ parking lot and travel down Main Street, around the Nursing Home, and back to the church parking lot where participants will enjoy popcorn and lemonade.

Decorated bikes, wagons, scooters, strollers, golf carts, 4-wheelers are welcome. Decorate them up if you would like to. We request no pickups, cars, motorcycles or floats.

Line-up will be in the parking lot at 9:45 a.m. and the parade will start at 10 a.m.

Everyone come out and enjoy this Lockney tradition!

### UPCOMING

**CITY OF LOCKNEY COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP WEEK** is scheduled for June 21-26 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Dropoff point is 600 block of South Main Street. For questions, contact City Hall at (806) 652-2355.

**ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FLOYDADA** (309 S. Wall) will hold a "drive-thru only" enchilada plate fundraiser Friday, June 24 from 11 a.m. until sold out. \$10 a plate; includes three enchiladas, rice, beans, and drink. Call in order (806) 543-0913 or (806) 319-2192.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN LOCKNEY** will hold their Vac-

ation Bible School, "Country Junction," on Saturday, July 10 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. More info will be available soon.

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tickets are available for sale. Contact Reuben Ramon, (806) 777-8147 or Mary Molinar, (806) 283-6972. Tickets are \$5 each of 5 for \$20. There will be a car show and live entertainment.

**COUNTRY CHRISTMAS BALL IN JULY** will be held on Saturday, July 17 at the Unity Center in Muncy with the meal starting at 6 p.m. Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All-Star Band will provide the music. Festivities included will be auctions, drawings, vendors and a complimentary coffee bar.

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## BACK STAGE

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## Paparazzi

My son tried sushi for the first time. He learned to play a song on the guitar. He got taller.

Without a second thought, I snapped a picture of this moment or that one so that I could share it with relatives who don't live nearby. As I scroll through social media, I regularly view photos and videos of my friends and their families, too.

But I've paused before hitting send lately because it struck me that he's not a baby anymore. Maybe he should have a say in what the online world knows about him. Maybe he won't want his future boss or colleagues to know the precise date of his first date.

Several friends have recently put out the alert that they have found photos they shared with their friends elsewhere online, and in some cases, the photos were used to create fake social media accounts. I had heard of that happening to doctors and college professors, but I wasn't too concerned that kids would be targeted for that sort of thing. Instead, I learned that children can be vulnerable to having images of them stolen and altered for inappropriate use. I've tried to balance the benefits of quick communication with the risks to our privacy.

Then I read that by the time kids are five years old, as many as 1,000 to 1,500 images of them are probably already online. Even though I might think I'm careful in deciding whom to befriend through different types of accounts and interactions, that picture or video I post could easily be shared far and wide without my approval or my kid's—and with unpredictable consequences.

My son decided it was okay for me to mention him in this instance because he wants parents to be more considerate. Here are some tips I came across to reduce the risk of unwittingly putting them in serious and immediate danger or humiliating them as they get older.

- Be a protector, as well as a proud parent. Consider that parents and grandparents must naturally make the call about whom to share information with about kids, with or without social media—but remember that deleting a post is no assurance that it is actually gone. We may not have grown up with cell phones and laptops, so we may not be accustomed to the legal ramifications of sharing photos in today's world. Whether or not kids are old

enough to choose for themselves, their feelings and consent should matter. They may not be thrilled to find out they were already YouTube stars before they could talk. Your choices about that may even have an impact on their future employment. With just a few clues, a dishonest person can apply for credit in your child's name, so don't overshare in general.

- Keep intimate things off the internet. Any level of overexposure, such as nudity, should be an obvious no-no. However, pics of toddler potty training and bath time are examples of innocent things that can easily be exploited. At any age, it is unlikely that posting details about disciplining your child will build trust. Be a model to your kids so they will understand how to be respectful and safe.

- Use some common sense. Be careful not to advertise your exact location or exact times when you are away from home. If you post about a place your kids go often, predators could seek them out there. First-day-of-school photos should not reveal the name of the school, even if many of your friends and neighbors know where it is and have students there, too. Be aware that school mascots and sports teams on profile pictures can reveal information to strangers without any requirement to be your "friend." Wait until you've returned home to post vacation photos.

- Check your privacy settings. You may have set them when you opened a new account, but the terms may change, and it is good to keep an eye on them at least once or twice a year. Even then, restricting access in order to shield kids does not eliminate potential harm. We are just beginning to recognize the extent to which our gadgets can collect and spread information we thought was private.

- It may no longer be possible to avoid an online presence. Our children live with technology from birth in ways we never did, and they also have advantages and connections we didn't have. I still feel fortunate that I didn't have to worry about my profile (or what was posted on my mom's!) when I was younger. Now we have to do our best to usher the next generation safely into adulthood ready to navigate the possibilities of web and the world with confidence.

### CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

## Heat wave prompts conservation call

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AUSTIN—The Electric Reliability Council of Texas urged Texans to cut back on power usage last week when an unusually large number of power plants shut down for unexpected repairs as temperatures soared. ERCOT officials announced Friday that Texans could resume normal levels of electricity use, however.

ERCOT came under fire after widespread outages during the winter storm in mid-February, resulting in the CEO being forced out and much of the board replaced. Saturday marked the official first day of summer.

**BORDER WALL CONSTRUCTION PLAN UNVEILED.** Gov. Gregg Abbott last week announced several key facets of his plan for the state to build a wall on its border with Mexico. Abbott and other state leaders signed a letter during a press conference, allowing the transfer of \$250 million to begin construction and to hire a program manager and contractors. The program manager will hire contractors and subcontractors needed to build the wall and will identify available state land, as well as private land whose owners are willing to volunteer space for the wall.

Meanwhile, Land Commissioner George P. Bush announced approximately 591,595 acres of state-owned land will receive emergency authorization to be used to build part of the wall. Texas and Mexico share 1,254 miles of common border, according to the Texas Department of Transportation.

The governor is also seeking donations for building a wall via [www.borderwall.gov](http://www.borderwall.gov). State lawmakers allocated \$1 billion for border security in the recently passed budget, but Democratic officials have pointed out most of that money goes to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

**ABBOTT APPOINTS COBOS TO PUC.** Abbott last week appoint-

ed Lori Cobos to the PUC. She fills a term scheduled to expire on Sept. 1, although she could be reappointed. Senate confirmation is not required since the Legislature is not in session. The PUC will have a full complement of commissioners for the first time since February.

"I am proud to appoint Lori Cobos to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, and I know that she will draw upon her wealth of experience and knowledge to faithfully serve the people of Texas," Abbott said.

Cobos has served in several senior-level posts at the PUC and ERCOT, including as chief executive and public counsel for the Office of Public Utility Counsel. As a commissioner, she will draw a salary of \$201,000 annually.

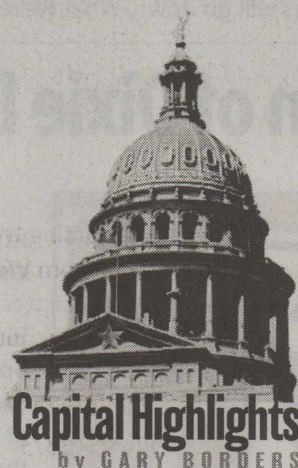
**FOREST SERVICE FIREFIGHTERS SENT TO AID OTHER STATES.** Texas A&M Forest Service has sent 25 firefighters, including two engine crews, to wildfires in Colorado, Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico and Florida.

"Texas state resources are supporting wildfire suppression efforts in multiple roles, including firefighters, engine support, prevention team members, aviation operations and support roles," TFS said in a press release. The release said TFS remains dedicated to protecting the state's natural resources from wildfire while assisting other states, a common practice.

Across Texas, the potential for wildfires remains low due to the copious amounts of rain this spring. For current conditions, visit the Texas Potential Outlook site: <https://tinyurl.com/j3h84srd7>

**VACCINE RATE CONTINUES TO SLOW.** The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 has hit 11.4 million, about 39% of the state's population, according to Texas Department of State Health Services.

Across the United States, 45% of the population is fully



vaccinated. Texas ranks in the lower tier of states in percentage of population that is fully vaccinated. However, the number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas dropped considerably from the previous week, with 8,414 reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University, along with 186 deaths. Hospitalizations dropped slightly, with 1,564 lab confirmed COVID-19 patients in Texas hospitals, according to DSHS.

**STAAR TESTS SHOW DROP IN MATH RESULTS.** Results from the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness, which measures students' knowledge of several subjects, shows a sharp drop in math scores, the Texas Standard reported last week. The new scores came after a school year unlike no other, with many students taking classes online at home because of the pandemic.

Only 42% of high school students who took the primary high school math test were considered to be "at grade level," down from 66% last year. This year's STAAR results don't include all students, since some did not return to school in-person to take the exam.

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## 2021 Community Calendar

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**FOOD BANKS—FLOYDADA**—Spirit of Sharing (SOS), 925 Crockett St., Floydada, Mon. and Thurs., 2–4:30 p.m. (806) 983-5874.  
**LOCKNEY**—Lockney Salvation Army, 108 S. Main, Lockney. (806) 652-2448. PLEASE CALL FOR HOURS DUE TO COVID-19.

**LOCKNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY**, 124 S. Main, Lockney, Mon.–Thurs., 1–5 p.m. and Fri. 9 a.m.–1 p.m. (806) 652-3561.

**FLOYD COUNTY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**, 111 S. Wall St., Floydada, 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m. (806) 983-4922.

**FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**, 925 W. Crockett St., Floydada, serves lunch 11:15 a.m.–1 p.m. each Wednesday and Thursday. Please call 983-2032 for delivery before 10:30 a.m.

**LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**, 118 W. College St., Lockney, serves lunch Mon.–Fri. 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Dine-in, delivery in Lockney area only, and curbside pickup. (806) 652-2745.

**FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM**, 105 E. Missouri St., Floydada, is open weekday afternoons from 1 to 5 p.m. and by appointment. (806) 983-2415.

**FLOYDADA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & AGRICULTURE**, 105 S. 5th St., Floydada, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. (806) 983-3434.

**COMMUNITY CHANGES AND CLOSURES** City of Floydada office is drive-up only due to Covid-19.

### PUBLIC AND CIVIC MEETINGS COMING UP

**FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT** Monday, July 12, 8 a.m., County Courthouse, 100 Main St., Floydada.

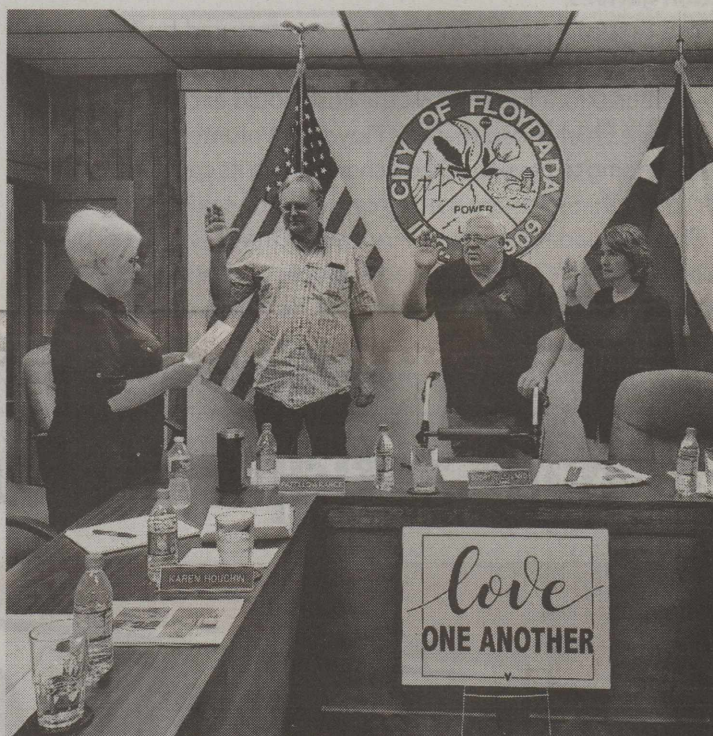
**LOCKNEY CITY COUNCIL** Tuesday, July 20, 7 a.m., City Hall, 218 E. Locust St., Lockney.

**FLOYDADA CITY COUNCIL** Tuesday, July 20, 6 p.m., City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada.

**FLOYDADA CISD** Tuesday, July 29, 7 p.m. - FCISD School Administration offices, 226 W. California St., Floydada.

**FLOYDADA LIONS AND ROTARY CLUBS** are currently meeting together Tuesdays, 12 noon, First United Methodist Church, Floydada.

**LOCKNEY ROTARY CLUB** Fridays, 12 noon, Lockney Senior Citizens Center.



THE CITY OF FLOYDADA HAS SWORN IN two re-elected councilmembers, Dana Crossland and Steve Lloyd and city mayor, Bobby Gilliland. Each took an Oath of Office during the regular City Council meeting held on Tuesday, June 15. They were sworn in by City Secretary Patti Lowrance. | KAREN HOUCHIN PHOTO

## FCISD split on school board appointment

STAFF REPORTS

In the special meeting of the Floydada Collegiate ISD board held Wednesday, June 16, the members met to consider three candidates to fill a current board vacancy. Time was taken to discuss the matter in closed session, though the decision has been postponed due to a split vote. Though two of the candidates were nominated, members voted in equal numbers for each. The appointment may be determined in the regular board meeting in August.

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CORRECTION In last week's feature on Lockney Longhorns baseball team, we inadvertently left a headline in place from the previous week. We regret the error and are re-running the feature with the correct headline this week.

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# Camp Cooker pizza-sandwiches a creative way to make dinner outdoors

Naturally, I love to cook in the outdoors, so camp cooking is exciting to me. Planning, and precooking when necessary, makes mealtime that much more enjoyable. It always takes me back to my Girl Scout days in Blanco Canyon. And food seems to tastes better prepared outside, particularly after a long day of hiking and fishing.

When it's just my husband and me, we keep it pretty simple. But if extended family or friends were to come, we like to experiment with Dutch oven cooking.

This last camping trip was just the two of us, but I found a cool tool I've always wanted to try. I heard about it years ago but never purchased one. The one I have is called a camp cooker. It's an inexpensive cast-iron device on the end of a long double handle that opens up. They come in a single or double version. The one pictured is designed to cook two meals or treats at once, to speed things up. The cast iron is "pre-seasoned" and ready to use.

The equipment is similar to a panini press. It sandwiches together two slices of bread—or in this case, four—and the fillings of your choice. A friend of mine told me their favorite was to create a "pizza-style" sandwich over the campfire.

Apparently pie dough, pizza dough, and phyllo dough are easy to use in the press as well. So of course, I thought of flour tortillas. It all takes some time and experimenting to find what you like, and how much time to cook. The intensity of fire and coals will determine how long to cook, as well.

The key points are to butter the sides of the bread, tortilla or dough that will come into contact with the cast iron, and to trim any portion that overhangs when it is closed. I will also note to use really soft, fresh bread, and do not overfill.

Other than pizza-sandwiches, some of our ideas for using the press consist of ham and cheese; fruit, such as sliced peaches sprinkled with a little cinnamon and sugar on bread, phyllo or pie dough; and breakfast sandwiches, complete with cooked eggs, bacon, Canadian bacon, or breakfast sausage patties, and a little cheese.

The manufacturer's booklet has a few other concepts, like an assortment of meat pies, and using leftover casseroles as a filling. They recommend using fully cooked meat in your fillings. And I like the tip they have for dessert-type creations; they suggest sprinkling the buttered side of the bread or dough with sugar to form a crispy, sweet coating.

Enjoy some fresh air, either camping, or right in your own backyard. And enjoy food made fresh!



**CAMP COOKING** The pre-seasoned Camp Cooker is handy for making a variety of main-dish, breakfast or dessert dishes over open fire or coals. | ANGELINA LARUE PHOTO

## Camp Cooker Pizza-Sandwiches

Each sandwich will require:

- 2 slices soft, fresh bread
- 2 pats softened butter
- 1/3 cup grated mozzarella cheese
- 2 tablespoons tomato sauce
- 1 teaspoon pesto (or dry Italian seasoning)
- 6 to 8 slices pepperoni
- Butter one side of each piece of bread.

Place half the cheese on the unbuttered side of one slice of bread. Add tomato sauce, pesto or Italian seasoning, pepperoni, and remaining cheese.

Top with the other slice of bread, buttered side up. Place sandwich into the camp cooker and close lid tightly, locking the handle. Trim off any excess bread.

Place camp cooker over prepared coals, or low flame. It's acceptable to place directly onto coals, but if there is any flame, or the coals are too hot, use a grate to place the cast iron onto, just above the flame or red coals.

Cook the sandwich for 2 to 3 minutes on each side, or as much as 4 to 6 minutes depending on the heat.

## Camp Cooker Breakfast Sandwiches

Use the same method as preparing the pizza sandwiches but with your favorite breakfast items between the bread, tortilla, or English muffin. As pictured:

- Flour tortillas
- Scrambled eggs, precooked, but whole raw eggs may be used if you puncture the yolks
- Cooked bacon
- Cooked hash browns
- Salt and pepper
- Grated cheddar cheese
- After cooking, top with salsa, if desired.

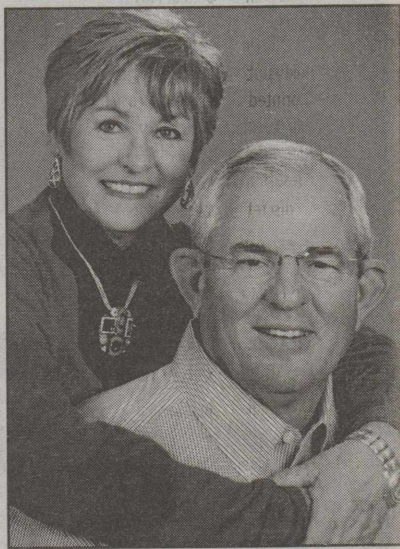
# Ellisons to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary with reception

## STAFF REPORTS

Terry and Zelda Ellison happily invite their friends to join them in celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 26, 2021 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Garden Room of Lockney's First Baptist Church.

Terry Ellison and Zelda Donaldson were married June 26, 1971, in the Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church of Farwell, Texas. Their first home was in Dimmit, Texas, where they both taught in the school system. In 1985 they moved to Lockney, where Terry served as junior high principal and Zelda taught English and business classes until their retirement in 2004.

The anniversary reception will be hosted by the couple's daughter and son-in-law, Tiffany and Daniel Gutierrez of Abilene. The Ellisons are also blessed with four grandchildren, Kallin Sipe, Madi Sipe, Ella Gutierrez and Nixon Gutierrez.



MR. AND MRS. TERRY ELLISON



## FLOYDADA CHAMBER BUSINESS OF THE MONTH

# Probasco Flying Service named Floyd chamber Business of the Month

## STAFF REPORTS

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce has announced Probasco Flying Services as their June Business of the Month. Chamber Manager Kortney DeBock said, "These guys have been working hard, the last few

weeks especially, to assist farmers with their aerial needs." She added, "This is a hard-working crew, and we are glad to have servicing our Floyd County area." Congratulations to Probasco Flying Service.

# HEALTHCARE CLOSE TO YOU



## Meet McKenzie Milbern, APRN/FNP

McKenzie (Kemp) Milbern has returned to her Lockney roots this spring as Family Nurse Practitioner with the Cogdell Clinic—one of three healthcare providers helping same-day appointment patients with acute medical issues. A graduate of Lockney High School, she earned her bachelor's in nursing from Texas Tech, then went on to complete a Master of Science in Nursing from West Texas A&M. She brings four years' experience as an RN in the emergency center at University Medical Center, and also performed many of her clinical training hours at the Cogdell Clinic in Briscoe County.

For an appointment at the Lockney Clinic with McKenzie or any of our other six dedicated providers, please call us at 806-652-3373.



## NOTE OF THANKS

ALL OF THE WATSON AND SHIPLEY FAMILY MEMBERS would like to thank all of the many people that have helped in many ways with caring, food, clothes, repairs, consoling and may other ways over the years and recently for the memorial service of our Sharon Shipley.

We would also like to thank Rance Young for the wonderful memorial service.

A special thank you to Gary and Emma Pate, Donna Pernell, Alyne Evans, Vicki and Merle Terrell, Leisa Shobe, Ann Evans, Leigh Smith, Carolyn Marble and the Hospices nurses.

## Lockney Senior Center News

DONNA WEBB/ AIMEE JACKSON | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

The Center will be closed Friday, July 2 and Monday, July 5 for the holiday. We will make sure our regular homebound seniors still receive a meal on these days.

Beginning in July, the Center will operate on a three-day schedule of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Our seniors who depend on meal service every day will still receive 5 meals a week. The three-day schedule is just for summer operating hours.

The center is also available for rentals for your dances, reunions, baby showers. Please keep us in mind. Call the center to reserve.

The Friday morning breakfast serving time has changed to 8 a.m. during the summer. It is buffet style and is still \$5 per plate. Breakfast is either dine-in or carry-out only.

The Center would like to invite our game players to come join us every Thursday night from 6 to 8 p.m. You can join in on dominoes (all kinds are played) or a variety of card games, or even work on a puzzle and enjoy conversations and companionship! Drinks are provided at no charge, and there's always a hot pot of coffee.

Also, chef salads can be ordered from the Center any day of the week.

The Center will be serving lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by dine-in, curbside pickup, or delivery in Lockney only. Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

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

### LOCKNEY SR MENU

June 28– July 2

**Monday**  
Roast beef hero sandwich with Provolone cheese

### Tuesday

Beef stew over white rice

### Wednesday

Smothered bean and cheese burritos w/ chili and cheese

### Thursday

Deluxe salad, dessert

### Friday

CLOSED - HOLIDAY  
(Menu subject to change without notice)

## Lockney continues 'Clean Up Week' thru June 26

The City of Lockney will have a community-wide clean up June 21-26 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The drop-off point for junk/trash will be at the 600 block of South Main Street (the site of the old Webster's gas station). Tires will be

accepted. Disabled or elderly can call city hall for pickup of trash/junk.

This clean-up is only for City of Lockney residents.

The following items are not accepted: Car parts, bricks or concrete, hazardous materials or items not accepted at

the landfill.

Take advantage of this opportunity the city will be enforcing property ordinances and issuing citations after this week's clean-up.

For questions, please call City Hall at (806) 652-2355.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

LU ANN COLLINS | SPECIAL TO THE HESPERIAN-BEACON

Floydada Senior Citizens Center will be open each Wednesday and Thursday. We offer dine-in, carry-out or delivery. On Wednesdays we will be selling meals to go for \$5.00. Meals on Thursdays are \$7.00. For delivery, please call (806) 983-2032 before 10:30 a.m.

Lunch will be served from 11:15 a.m. through 1 p.m. There is no added fee for delivery.

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. Every donation or memorial is greatly appreciated and helps the Center stay open.

### MENU

**Wednesday, June 23** – Frito pie  
**Thursday – June 24** – Meatloaf  
**Wednesday – June 30** – Chicken strips  
**July 1** – Salisbury steak

(Menu subject to change without notice)

## COWPOKES

By Ace Reid



"We'd best stay hard on this ol' biddy now, or we'll lose her for sure when we get to thick brush!"

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THE FABULOUS SANDBILLIES are Stephen Reynolds, Gary Dunlap, Kermit Wooley and Jeremy Beck. "Our motto is if you can't dance to it, we don't play it," said lead singer and rhythm guitarist Reynolds. LIZ ADAMAS PHOTOS

# Fabulous Sandbillies to play free dance at Spur's Big Dog BBQ June 26

LIZ ADAMAS | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Spur welcomes the classic country sound of the Fabulous Sandbillies for a performance following the Big Dog BBQ Cook-off on Saturday night, June 26. The Texas foursome will kick off their show at 8 p.m. at Swenson Park. Admission is free for all ages, with reserved tickets available through the Spur Area Chamber of Commerce (spurchamber@gmail.com or on Facebook).

Familiar favorites by George Strait, George Jones, and Alan Jackson define the band's style.

"It's mainly older country dancing music. Our motto is if you can't dance to it, we don't play it," said lead singer and rhythm guitarist Stephen Reynolds.

The cover band was initially called Wooley & The Sandbillies due to the band's country flavor.

"It was a joke, just about being a country person or hillbilly," bass player Kermit Wooley explained. The name was suggested by original member and professional bluegrass musician Jake Jenkins, who passed away in Dickens County in 2011 in a tragic crash with his parents while piloting his 1946 Stinson single-engine plane.

Jenkins was an accomplished pilot and a starring banjo player with the Karl Shiflett and Big Country Show, touring in the late 1990s until he joined the Lubbock fire department in order to be closer

to his family. Jenkins also played in band called Hickory Hill before forming the Sandbillies with lead guitarist Gary Dunlap, a retired ag teacher in Paducah, and bassist Wooley, who was a retired ag teacher in Spur.

They first performed together for a Lions Club talent show in Paducah. Jenkins imagined the band wearing overalls with red ties—though the others didn't share that vision.

Reynolds manages USDA offices in Spur and Jayton, though he was the serving in the same role in Paducah when he became involved with the band. Dunlap invited Reynolds over to hear him play in 2007. When Wooley heard him in a jam session the following day, Reynolds joked that they two made him audition twice before making him an official member of the band.

The trio worked together for about three years before the addition of drummer and background vocalist Jeremy Beck in 2010.

"He was the perfect fit," said Reynolds, who explained that the group added "Fabulous" to their name after Beck came onboard. Reynolds described Beck's harmonies as one of the best qualities he brings to the group.

"I would take the guitar or the banjo up there to the school, and Jeremy always loved the old music, so I knew he would fit right in. He knew every word to every song,"

Dunlap said of his former student, Beck.

"He's been drumming on furniture and everything else since he was born," said Beck's mother, Connie Beck, who added that he was recruited into the school band in seventh grade because he was so talented.

The four current members have now been playing dances, weddings, and other events together for eleven years. A wedding at Ransom Canyon, Valentine's dances in Paducah, and Homecoming in Spur have featured performances by the band. They've played for the Elks Lodge in Childress and for the rodeo in Benjamin. Every August, they perform for Paducah teachers just before the beginning of the new school year. This was the very first gig the original Sandbillies played after their introduction to the public—a tradition that has continued for nearly twenty years now.

"We like to stay fairly local," said Reynolds, though the Sandbillies have played for the national Future Farmers of American convention in Canyon, performed alongside Trent Willman at the Motley County 4-H fundraiser, and even opened for Shenandoah in Lubbock for an FFA fundraiser. Their covers of Bob Dylan's "Wagon Wheel," Brooks & Dunn's "Neon Moon," and Merle Haggard's "The Fightin' Side of Me," are likely to draw audiences throughout the summer in Texas.



## How creative is your license?

Creative license. That's what you make for yourself when you need proof of a fake age, like 21. Good luck with the lamination.

The creative side of me would like to make one. A little success and I'd want to up my game to passports.

Yes, there's that other kind of creative license too – the kind I actually need. It's what I pull out of my pocket to write this weekly column. I'd be restricted without it.

If you openly guess at the truth or break a rule of grammar, creative license is very handy – especially if you still live under the rules taught you by your dead or alive high school English teacher. Maybe that should be "dead-or-alive." Either way, RIP Charlene Alexander. You were the best.

Against strictest rules, I started this essay with a sentence fragment. Creative license.

Editors last week let me get by with the four-hyphen term "fellow-non-pot-user" because I'd immediately said parenthetically that I didn't know if all the hyphens were necessary – non-secret code for saying I was using creative license.

Sure enough, my superfluity of hyphens probably included two too many.

Fellow non pot user.

I wanted to see what the term would look like with no hyphens at all. A little bare, I'd say, if anything can be a "little" bare. My computer prefers "fellow non-pot user." Hmmm. Sounds like a fellow user of "non-pot." "Fellow pot nonuser" would be another option—probably correct but too clunky.

We're getting into the weeds now. If you're not following what I'm saying, don't

blame yourself. I'm not either.

Voilà! A rule of thumb for writers. If you can't understand what you're writing, chances are your reader won't either. Unless, of course, you're a poet. Then all bets are off.

Back to creative license. In the real world, the license applies to more than writing. It's the card we play when we're forced to get creative – like when we use vice grips to replace broken handles and knobs. Seems like my friend Roger installed three pairs in the cab of his old Chevy truck – two for door handles and one for something else. Maybe the gearshift?

Vise grips are such a common solution they almost cannot be called creative. (If you're worried that "vise grips" is not a generic designation, I checked. As long as you don't use a hyphen, it's an acceptable term for locking pliers. Ah hyphens.)

In closing, let me simply share my own not-inspired-by-Pinterest latest use of creative license:

The cow skull was nicely sun-bleached and looked good hanging on the wall, all teeth intact. But something was missing. You guessed it. Horns.

What to do?

Bear with me while I toot my own, although I really shouldn't be sharing this idea before I apply for a patent. Here it is anyway: You just paint the horns on the wall.

In my mind's eye I see a few readers who are glad they didn't already quit reading. The ones with incomplete skulls.

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#### JOB DESCRIPTION

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#### SUMMARY

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- Instruct welding technology courses as outlined in prescribed curriculum including academic lecture and hands-on lab skills.
- Remain concerned with any/all matters involving teaching.
- Demonstrate and practice proficient knowledge and skills concerning professional tactics, strategies, and techniques.
- Prepare lecture, lesson plans and syllabi for assigned classes, meet and conduct assigned instruction in classes and labs as specified in the class schedule, maintain official class, grade rolls and grade reports, report drops to registrar, and personally prepare and proctor tests that adequately measure student learning outcomes.
- Prepare and deliver effective lecture presentations to students in welding technology academic exercises.
- Prepare and deliver effective lab presentations in welding technology skill exercises.
- Stimulate and motivate class discussions encouraging positive student goal achievement.
- Counsel and advise students requiring assistance outside scheduled classes, communicate to students at beginning of semester grading procedures and overall coursework expectations, grade performance consistently and equitably for all students.
- Keep students informed of academic performance, progress and potential academic issues affecting student's success, tutor students who require special attention, work with student services when needed concerning student welfare.
- Be familiar with administrative policies, philosophies, objectives, and goals involving program and institution.
- Maintain updated professional teaching methods in assigned disciplines.

#### ESPRIT DE CORPS

Commitment to and positive actions for fostering good relationships and esprit de corps among students, coworkers, departments, other units in the college, and those faculty associates outside the college.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

#### EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE

Bachelor's degree preferred, Associate degree in welding related discipline required plus five years of professional experience in welding field.

#### LANGUAGE SKILLS

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Position requires efficient writing, business correspondence, procedure manuals, and effective presentation of information and response to questions from students, industry representatives, and general public.

#### MATHEMATICAL SKILLS

Position requires ability to calculate figures and amounts consistent with program budget, classroom lecture preparation and instruction.

#### REASONING ABILITY

Position requires ability to solve practical problems consisting of multiple variables and interpret various instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.

#### CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS

It is preferred for applicant to possess industry recognized certification; memberships of associated trade associations are beneficial as well.

#### PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to reach with hands and arms and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to use hands to finger, handle, or feel. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 10 pounds, frequently lift and/or move up to 25 pounds, and occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, and peripheral vision.

#### WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work environment characteristics described are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

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311± ac 201± cultivated, 86± pasture w/rural water, tank and well water IN CONTRACT

#### FLOYD COUNTY

160±ac 15miles north of Floydada, open grassland, some CRP

#### NOLAN COUNTY

2,082± ac rolling hills, 6 water wells, high fence  
320.181±ac 40± ac of cultivation, 70±ac CRP, remainder native pasture

#### SCURRY COUNTY

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105±ac outstanding hunting, Little Rough Creek running through property IN CONTRACT

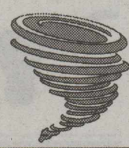
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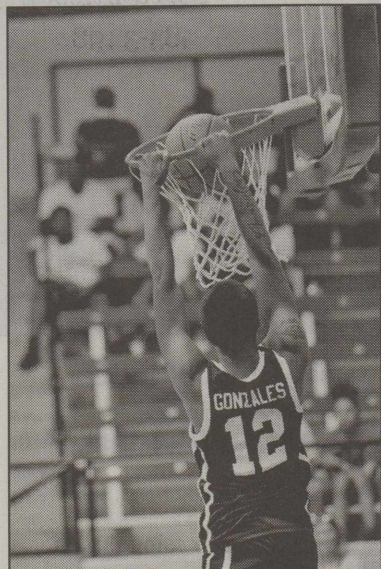




# Floydada Whirlwinds



## Gonzales represents FCHS in first-ever 806 HSSC All-Star game



YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON

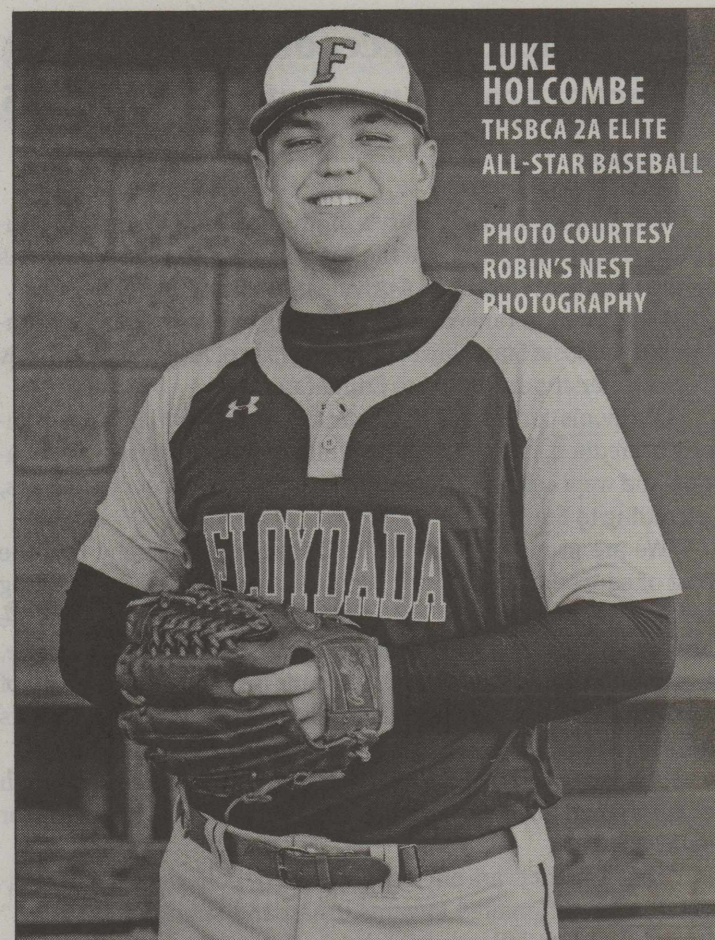
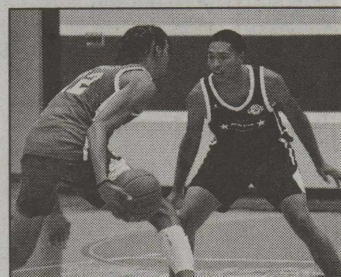
Quincy Gonzales, a 2021 Floydada Collegiate High School graduate, played in the first-ever 806 High School Sports Connection All-Star game on Sunday, June 20 at Lubbock Cooper High School.

The game was organized by 806 High School Sports Connection's Jason Pearson, who gathered some of the best talent in the 806 to compete this summer.

The MVP's of girls and boys teams also each received a \$500 scholarship presented by former Red Raider and NBA player Zhaire Smith.

Congratulations to Quincy Gonzales on receiving the opportunity to be a part of history for the 806.

**GONZALES SHINES IN 806 ALL-STAR GAME**  
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ALL-STAR BASEBALL

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## Holcombe named to THSBCA 2A Elite All-Star Team

STAFF REPORTS

Luke Holcombe, a Floydada Collegiate High School graduate, was named to the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association (THSBCA) 2A Elite All-Star Team, as a first baseman.

Holcombe played first base for the Whirlwinds this last season. He led the team with 10 homeruns, 46 RBI's and had a .351 batting average. He led all baseball players in this area with his homeruns.

Holcombe will be attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon this fall on a track and field scholarship. He plans on studying pre-med.

## Trevino named to 2A TGCA All-State Team

YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON

Rising Floydada Collegiate High School senior Erin Trevino earned a spot on the 2A Texas Girls Coaches Association All-State Softball Team.

Trevino is the first ever softball all-state selection for Floydada Collegiate High School.

Erin ended this 2021 spring season with a winning record of 25-2. The junior had an impressive 2021 season with pitching 146 innings, allowing only 105 hits, 52 runs, and 37 earned runs, striking out 222 batters and walking only 34. The finished the season with a 1.777 ERA and had 1-No-Hitter, and 11 Shutouts. On offense she had a .525 batting average, 30 RBI's, 42 total hits, and 18 extra base hits. She also garnered 2-3A All-District honors as a pitcher.

Trevino played on the Floydada Lady Winds softball team that was ranked No. 3 in the state Class 2A softball rankings. They were the 2-3A District Champions, 2A Bi-District Champs, 2A Area Champs before falling in the Regional Quarterfinal playoff round. Their only two losses came in the third round of the playoffs against Forsan.

## CONGRATS WHIRLWINDS

### Floydada CHS 2021 Band Camp Dates

**Friday, July 9–Time TBA**  
**Leadership Camp (For student leaders only)**  
**Time TBA**

**Monday, July 26–Friday, July 30**  
**(Incoming 8th graders and Sectionals) – Time TBA**

**Monday, Aug. 2–Friday, Aug. 6**  
**(Music) – Time TBA**

**Monday, Aug. 9–Friday, Aug. 13**  
**(Marching) – Time TBA**

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#### FLOYDADA ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food Program. Meals will be provided to all children ages 1-18 without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the site and times as follows:

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11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Monday - Thursday  
June 1 thru June 30, 2021  
July 6 thru July 22, 2021

#### MENU

**June 28– June 30**

**Monday**

Hot dog, baked chips, baby carrots, apple, milk

**Tuesday**

Corn dog, baked beans, celery sticks, apple, milk

**Wednesday**

Chicken sandwich, oven fries, apple, milk

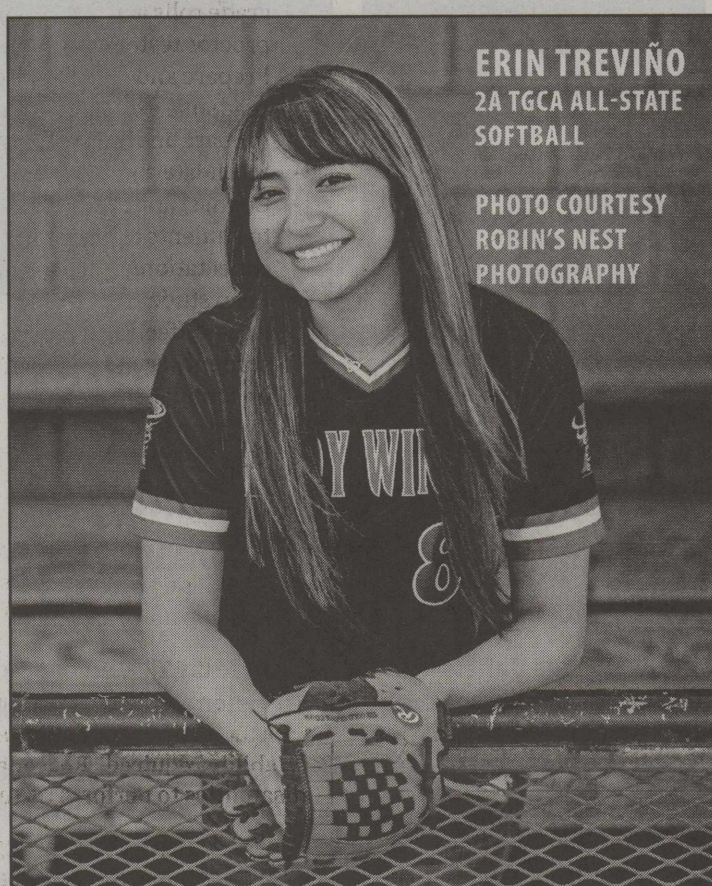
**Thursday**

NO MEAL SERVED; Meals resume Tuesday, July 6

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## Floydada students recognized on Angelo State University spring 2021 Dean's List

STAFF REPORTS

Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, has announced students achieving the Dean's List designation for the 2021 spring 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 scale.

Floydada students recognized were Xochie Padilla and Miguel Suarez.



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## WT's Educational Leadership doctoral program among most affordable in US

### STAFF REPORTS

West Texas A&M University's online doctoral program in educational leadership is one of the Top 10 most affordable programs in the nation, according to a private rankings website.

WT's program ranked No. 7 on the list, ahead of such institutions as Valdosta State University, University of Arkansas and Texas Tech University, according to EduRef.net.

All schools considered in the rankings are regionally or nationally accredited, offer at least one fully online doctorate in education and were collected from official accrediting agency websites, according to EduRef.

"We are proud to be recognized for our philosophy that the cost of education should not become a barrier for those wishing to improve their careers," said Dr. Eddie Henderson, dean of the College of Education and Social Sciences. "Our program's unique, two-pronged focus equips school leaders with a wide variety of tools for success, not only for themselves but also for their districts or institutions."

President Walter V. Wendler said the greatest potential strength of WT's educational leadership doctoral program is its benefit for small schools.

"These districts are often overlooked by colleges and universities that are orientated towards urban and suburban districts," Wendler said. "While many of the challenges that exist in various school districts are similarly based on student populations, several significant issues for small and large districts are different."

WT's Ed.D. program launched in Fall 2018 with two tracks — one preparing leaders for rural schools, another preparing leaders for higher education and educational organizations.

Currently, 67 students are enrolled in the program. Applications for the next cohort are due Oct. 1 for classes beginning in January 2022. The first Ed.D. degrees are expected to be awarded during the December commencement ceremony.

WT's doctoral program is a key underpinning of the University's long-term plan, "WT 125: From the Panhandle to the World."

### NOTICE • LOCKNEY ISD

#### LOCKNEY ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Lockney ISD will be participating in the Summer Food Service Program for the summer of 2021. The site for summer meals will be at the following location: Lockney Elementary School Cafeteria, 310 SW 8th Street, Lockney, TX 79241.

Meals will be served from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday beginning June 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2021. We ask that everyone continue to practice social distancing while in cafeteria.

Lockney ISD does not discriminate on the basis of Race, Religion, Color, National Origin, Gender, or Disability in the course of the meal service. Meals are available for children ages 1-18 years of age.

We would also like to remind you that summer meals are available across the State of Texas. Meal sites can be found by calling or texting 211 from your phone. You do not have to live at any set location to participate.

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#### MENU

June 28 – June 30

#### MONDAY

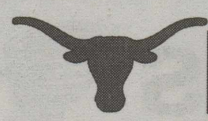
Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, green beans, salad, grapes, milk

#### TUESDAY

Ham & cheese sandwich, chips, carrots, corn, fruit, milk

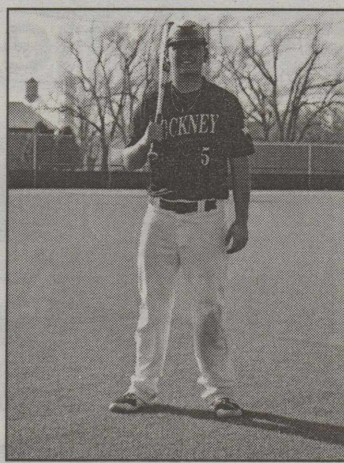
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Hamburger/cheeseburger, celery, carrots, fruit, cookie, milk

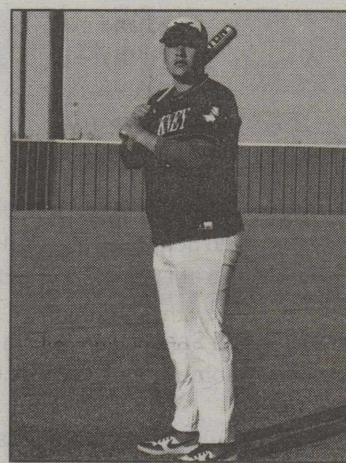


# Lockney Longhorns

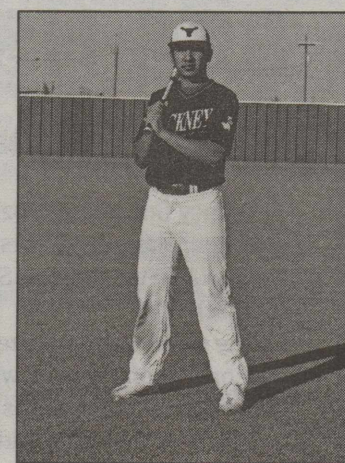
## Lockney baseball All-District named



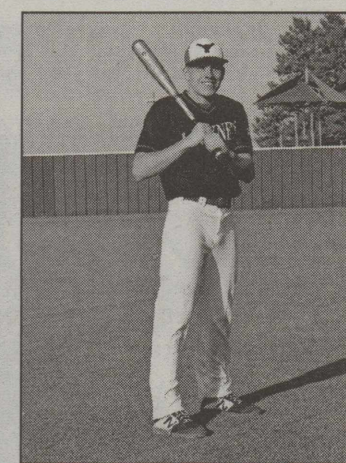
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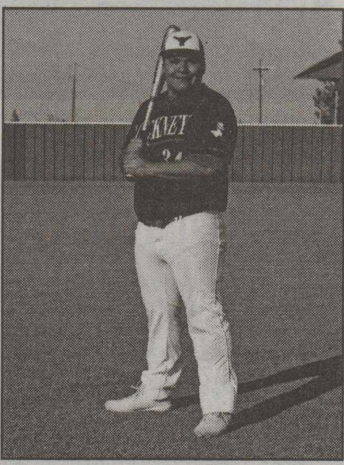
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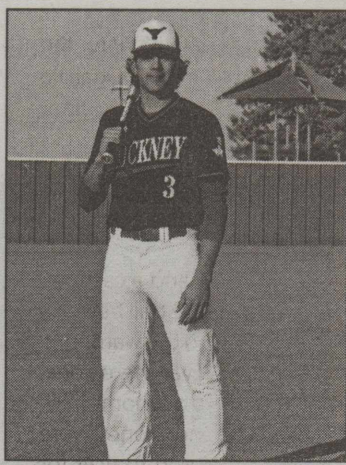
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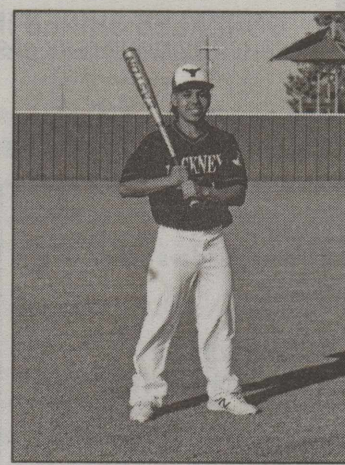
**AUSTIN RODRIGUEZ, JUNIOR**  
1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT,  
UTILITY



**JOSH JIMENEZ, JUNIOR**  
1ST TEAM ALL-DISTRICT,  
THIRD BASE



**NATHAN CENICEROS, JUNIOR**  
2ND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT, OUTFIELD



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SECOND BASE

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## Lockney students recognized on Angelo State University spring 2021 Dean's List

### STAFF REPORTS

Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, has announced students achieving the Dean's List designation for the 2021 spring 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 scale.

Lockney students recognized were Kaitlyn Gaither and Alyssa Gutierrez.

### IMPORTANT DATES LONGHORN ATHLETICS

June 14-17	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
June 17	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
June 21-24	SSS	6:30	Football Field
June 24	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
June 28-1	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 1	7 on 7	6:00	Floydada
July 5-9	OFF-Great Family Vacation Time		
July 12-15	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 21-23	SSS	6:00-8:30	Football Field
July 26-30	Leadership Counsel Led Workouts	TBA	Football Field
Aug 2	First Day of Fall Practice	TBA	Football Field

### FLOYD COUNTY 4-H ACTIVITY CALENDAR

#### STAFF REPORTS

#### JUNE 2021

24: Record Books Due for County  
24: Star Award Applications and I Dare You Award Applications Due  
28 & 29: Star Award Interviews

#### JULY

5: Office Closed for 4th of July

## Belt earns degree from Abilene Christian University

### STAFF REPORTS

Elizabeth Belt of Lockney graduated recently with a Bachelor of Science in elementary education from Abilene Christian University.

Belt was among more than 1,200 students who received degrees at May Commencement in a combined ceremony for December 2020 and May 2021 graduates.

Abilene Christian is the highest-ranking university in Texas in a 2021 U.S. News & World Report assessment of institutions highly regarded for their commitment to student success. Nationally, ACU achieved Top 10 status in three and Top 50 in another of eight high-impact categories among 1,500 universities evaluated for the annual "America's Best Colleges" edition. No other Texas university was named in the top 10 of any category. Learn more at acu.edu.

# Lockney School News

7-8: Day Camp at Unity Center (save the date--more info to come)

9: Record Books due for District

14: District Record Book Judging

15: District 2 Duds to Dazzle Contest

19-23: State 4-H Horse Show

26: Healthy Texas Youth Ambassador Short Course

\*UC = Unity Center, CEO = County Extension Office

Cara McKee started Monday, June 21 as our new Office Manager for the AgriLife Extension. Be on the lookout for emails and phone calls from her going forward!



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Stewarding Our Aquifer Field Day set

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Amid another intensive irrigation season under way this summer, a Stewarding Our Aquifer Field Day will be presented by Ogallala Commons (www.ogallalacommons.org) on Wednesday, June 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Kress, in Swisher County.

The event will provide another opportunity to learn about management practices that can reduce or stabilize groundwater depletion levels in the region, as well as assist in the transition from irrigated agriculture to rain-fed agriculture.

"As evidence is emerging that decades-long patterns of aquifer depletion are being slowed and even reversed in parts of High Plains Water District territory, it is critical for our water conservation efforts that educational tours be held to explore the management practices that are taking place in these localities—which include improving soil health, using cover crops, pasture-based agriculture, and greatly limiting or even discontinuing irrigation. It is through such efforts that we can assure a water future for the High Plains," explains Darryl Birkenfeld, Executive Director of Ogallala Commons.

A featured speaker for the event will be Barry Evans, a Kress cotton and grain farmer and minimum till practitioner for many years who irrigates only about 15 percent of his acreage and counts on rain-fed agriculture on the rest.

Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. at the meeting room at Jeff's Restaurant (500 US Highway 87) with registration and refreshments. After introductions at 9 a.m., a presentation on the principles and practices of building soil health will be given by Dr. Katie Lewis, soil scientists from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Lubbock. Immediately afterward, an overview of the work of the Texas Alliance for Water Conservation, an organization that has worked for years toward better irrigation management, will be offered by TAWC's project director, Rick Kellison, of Lockney.

Following a break, Barry Evans will give a 20-minute summary of his approach to successful dryland farming, before the group departs at 11 a.m. for a site visit to some of Mr. Evans' fields located near Kress.

At 12:15 p.m., the group will return to the meeting room at Jeff's Restaurant for a "Steak Day" lunch (served on Wednesdays at the restaurant). At 12:45, the event will conclude with remarks by ag journalist Jim Steiert of Hereford to conclude the tour at 1 p.m.

Registration for the event is \$20 per person (which includes the cost of lunch and snacks). To RSVP for the event (thereby ensuring a reliable meal count) please contact Darryl Birkenfeld, Executive Director, Ogallala Commons (darryl@ogallalacommons.org or by phone at 806-945-2255). Registration can be paid at the door on June 30.

The Field Day is sponsored by Ogallala Commons and its partners: High Plains Water District, and the Dixon Water Foundation.

Game Warden Field Notes

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) law enforcement reports dated June 14, 2021.

**HE'S A RESCUE** Texas Game Wardens and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Agents inspected some antique resale stores. These locations had alligator skulls, black bear mounts, waterfowl mounts, raptor mounts and migratory bird mounts for sale. During the inspection of one store, an individual entered with a pet possum. In order to possess, sell, or purchase a fur-bearer, a person must have a valid Fur-bearing Propagation Permit. The possum was confiscated and relocated to a licensed rehabber. Citations were issued and cases are pending.

**DUDE, WHERE'S MY CAR?** A Bexar County game warden was patrolling Calaveras Creek by boat because the banks are closed to the public when they saw a person trespassing then hide in the mesquite brush. The warden called for backup and two additional wardens and a K-9 officer arrived to assist. After an exhaustive search, they were still trying to locate the subject. One of the wardens continued navigating their vessel father north into the creek when they spotted someone walking on the other side. The subject was stopped and told he was trespassing. He said he didn't have any fish or fishing gear and was walking back to the roadway where his van was parked. The subject said his friend brought him to the property but had already left and was waiting at the van. The warden exited the vessel and walked along the subject's path where they found an ice

chest with six tilapia, one black bass and a cast net. The man said he left the ice chest on the trail because he got scared. The K-9 handler radioed the warden to let them know the other suspect and van were gone. The man said, "How am I supposed to get home?" He told the warden his phone, wallet and money were in the van and his friend was supposed to wait for him and take him home. The warden arrested the man for criminal trespass, had him board the vessel and transported him to the Bexar County Jail. Case pending with the District Attorney's office.

**GIG 'EM** A Uvalde County game warden found an unaccompanied vehicle at a Nueces River crossing. Believing the occupants got into another vehicle and drove down the river, the warden drove to a hill overlooking the river a couple of miles away. There they saw four individuals walking down the river, three with gigs and spears and one with a fishing pole. The warden saw two of the individuals with snorkeling gear dive into the river with the gigs. Another person in the group waved to the divers, who proceeded to dive and emerged with a catfish at the end of a gig. The warden drove down to the group and discovered a fishing pole but no other fishing, gigging or snorkeling equipment. After searching the area, the warden found the gigs and spears, which had been thrown in the water and concealed. The gigged catfish were nowhere to be seen. The warden interviewed the four individually and found none of them had a fishing license. After talking with each subject, one finally admitted to gigging a catfish and leaving it at their last fishing spot some distance away. The catfish was retrieved and seized along with three gigs and spears. Multiple citations were issued with civil restitution.

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Heifers 200-300 140-160 140 130-156 130-152  
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Bred Cows Young 1100-1500 1300-1875  
Pairs Young 65-75 50-80  
Packer Cows Fat 62-66  
Boners 67-75  
Thin 50-65 45-60  
Packer Bulls 92-107.5 80-105  
High Yield 100-109  
Low Yield 80-100  
this report brought to you by Emily Teegardin, Attorney  
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**PY HOUR** A Coryell County game warden and Falls County game warden were patrolling the Lake Waco area of McLennan County when they noticed a vehicle pulled over to the side of the road. When the wardens attempted to pass the vehicle, a truck cut them off, driving down the wrong side of the road. The vehicle pulled back over to the side of the road and waved the wardens to drive by. During the traffic stop, the wardens noticed the driver was unable to turn down the music on his radio. When asked what he was doing, the driver said, "I was just trying to..." The driver then picked up his beer and handed it to the wardens. The driver's speech was slurred, and he was unable to keep his balance as he exited the vehicle. After the Standard Field Sobriety Test was administered, the driver was transported to the McLennan County Jail and was booked into jail for a DWI. A blood specimen was obtained. The case is pending.

**AND THAT'S THE BOAT-TOM LINE** Three Bell County game wardens were patrolling Lake Belton checking crappie, white bass and tournament fishermen when they came across a vessel hull identification number that did not conform to the U.S. Coast Guard standards. The wardens ran the TX number and the vessel was flagged for a mandatory boat inspection. The man operating the vessel had purchased the boat several days ago from another person who didn't put the vessel in their name and failed to provide a title to the boat. The wardens contacted the current registered owner who said the boat had been stolen from Belton in 2009. A police report was never made. The vessel was seized and citations were issued to the subject who sold the vessel.

**HIS NAME IS MUDD (BUGS)** A Jefferson County game warden followed up on information from a social media post where a subject was selling live crawfish. When the warden contacted the seller, he claimed to own a catering

company that sold live crawfish to local restaurants and individuals. The sale of live crawfish for commercial and personal use would require a Texas Wholesale Fish Dealer License. The man claimed over the phone that he was properly licensed in Texas and Louisiana. After requesting an in-person meeting with the subject, the warden discovered that the subject did not possess any type of commercial license and his vehicle was not properly marked to transport aquatic products.

**DON'T BE SHELLFISH** Two Jefferson County game wardens were patrolling the ship channel near Port Arthur when they saw a commercial truck about to be loaded with a pallet of shrimp at one of the local wholesale shrimp processing facilities. They stopped to inspect the vehicle and discovered it already had a cargo of 15 crates of fresh blue crab on board. The driver was acting very suspicious and claimed to have bought the crabs legally in Louisiana and transported them into Texas, which requires a Texas Wholesale Fish Dealer License. The driver could not produce a wholesale license or an aquatic product transportation invoice, or other documentation for where the crabs had originated. Wardens for the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries were contacted to assist with the investigation. They interviewed the dealer in Louisiana where the driver claimed the crabs had originated and discovered that the driver was being deceptive. Texas game wardens seized all 15 crates of crabs and sold them to the highest bidder as required by law. The driver was issued citations and given warnings.

**OH-FISH-IALLY IN TROUBLE** Galveston County game wardens received a call about two individuals who were catching sheepshead fish with a net and keeping over their bag limit. The wardens saw two over-flowing coolers with fish. When the wardens asked how they caught all the fish, they said, "with the net". When inspecting the coolers, the wardens found two hidden bags also containing fish. The two individuals were in possession of 47 sheepshead (27 undersized), three speckled sea trout and one 28" red drum. Multiple citations were issued to each individual. Cases are pending.

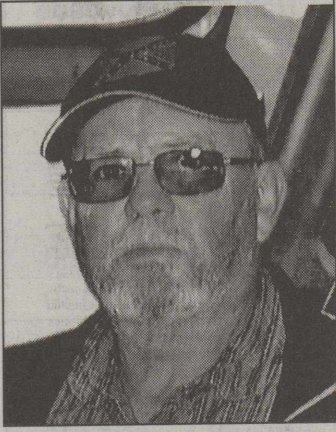
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OBITUARIES

**John Michael (Mike) Collins, 1952–2021**



John Michael (Mike) Collins, age 68, passed to the next life Thursday, June 17, 2021.

A graveside service was held at 10 a.m., Monday, June 21, 2021 at the Floyd County Memorial Park. Eric Earhart officiated.

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

Mike was born in Canyon, Texas, on November 6, 1952 to John (Johnnie) Charles Collins and Marjorie Ann Grimes Collins.

From a young age, Mike exhibited an interest for mechanical items. By age 12, he had overhauled his first tractor at the family business, Collins Implement. This was the beginning of a lifelong love of motors and fast cars. At the time of his death, he was restoring a 1970 Plymouth Roadrunner, the same model he had owned in college.

Mike was a 1971 graduate of Floydada High School and a 1975 graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He and Lu Ann Lovell were married in Floydada on August 14, 1976. Their first home was in Woodward, Oklahoma, where he was employed by Otis Engineering. After the sudden death of his father, Mike returned briefly to the family business. Later, he opened his own business, Collins Appliance.

He moved his family to Monahans, Texas, in 1987, and returned to college at UT Permian Basin in Odessa, earning a degree in computer science. His first programming job was with Campus America in Roswell, New Mexico.

In 1993, Mike and Lu Ann returned to Texas, where he began a 20-year career at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center as a programmer and later a systems analyst. Mike had the gift of problem-solving/troubleshooting.

He retired in 2013 and continued travelling with Lu Ann on the Gold Wing. Their longest trip was over 7,000 miles. Many trips were shared with their Saskatchewan, Canada, friends Kevin and Connie Thomas.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents.

Those left to cherish Mike's memory are his wife, Lu Ann; his two sons, John Steele Collins of Lubbock and James Lindsay Collins of Floydada; one informally adopted son, Christopher Neal (Anna) of Palestine, Texas; a sister, Cathy Kubacak of Lubbock; and three nephews, Anthony, Jason and Matthew Kubacak.

The family has designated memorial contributions in Mike's memory to the Floydada Senior Citizens.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Archie Eugene Jones, Deceased, were issued on May 20, 2021, under Docket No. 6152, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to Adam E. Jones.

Claims may be presented in care of the Independent Administrator for the estate, addressed as follows:

Estate of Archie Eugene Jones, Deceased  
c/o Adam E. Jones, Independent Administrator  
1603 Willard Avenue, Canadian, Texas 79014

All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated: June 1, 2021.

*[Signature]*  
Adam E. Jones

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Glenda Gayle Jones, Deceased, were issued on May 20, 2021, under Docket No. 6151, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to Adam E. Jones.

Claims may be presented in care of the Independent Administrator for the estate, addressed as follows:

Estate of Glenda Gayle Jones, Deceased  
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All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated: June 1, 2021.

*[Signature]*  
Adam E. Jones

APPLICATION TO TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Late Hours Permit by Huggins & Milstead, LLC, DBA The Old Maroon Saloon, to be located at 615 US Hwy 70, Lockney, Floyd, TX 79241. Officers of the LLC are James Daniel Huggins and Charles Blake Milstead.

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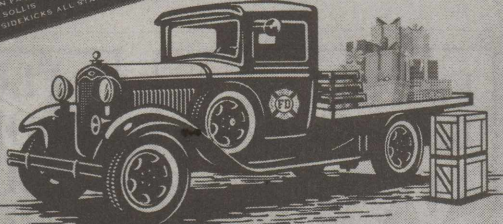
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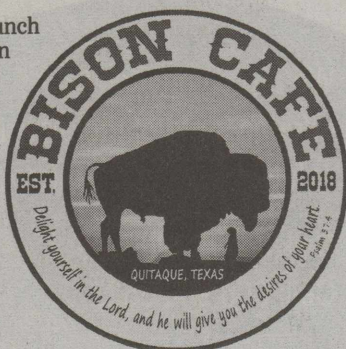
Thursday, June 24: Salisbury steak with grilled onions and mushrooms, two sides, dessert and a drink. \$12.99

Friday, June 25, Served for Lunch & Dinner: Fried fish with hush-puppies, sides, dessert and a drink. \$10.99  
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### City of Lockney JOB OPPORTUNITY SANITATION DEPARTMENT

#### Description

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**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:** Under the supervision of the Public Works Director, this full-time position must operate a sanitation truck safely and efficiently, perform basic equipment maintenance and repair procedures. Keep truck clean and greased and in operating condition. Driver is also responsible for learning and completing the routes in a manner that allows them to assist in the Public Works Dept. This position requires work outdoors and occasional extreme heat and cold. This position must be able to carry a minimum of 100 pounds. This position is included in the department after hours and weekend stand-by rotation. This position is considered essential and attendance is mandatory in the event of a storm or natural disaster.

**Pay and Benefits:** DOQ plus certification. Paid health insurance after probationary period.

Contact the City of Lockney for an application form. Completed applications can be turned in at the City of Lockney at City Hall 218 East Locust Street, Lockney TX. For more information, contact City of Lockney at (806)652-2355. Open until filled.

#### Requirements

Qualifications and Requirements: Applicant must pass a drug screening test and is subject to a physical examination and background check. High School Diploma or equivalent is required. Valid Texas Motor Vehicle Operators Class "C" and a minimum class "B" CDL is required. Must have extensive knowledge of truck operation and equipment safety and the ability to multi-task.

## HELP WANTED • CITY OF LOCKNEY

### City of Lockney JOB OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

#### Description

The City of Lockney is seeking a motivated and responsible person to fill a Public Works Department position. The Public Works Department is key in maintaining the City's infrastructure (including streets, roads and parks) and utility operations.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:** Under the supervision of the Public Works Director, this full-time position performs, assists in, and is responsible for, the installation, maintenance, and repair of the water distribution and wastewater collection systems. This position requires effective working relationships with supervisor, coworkers and the public. This position operates equipment such as pumps, air compressors, backhoes, loaders, dump trucks, mowers, sprayers, welders, cutting torches and other such equipment used in repair and maintenance of infrastructure and water and wastewater related equipment. This position must be able to carry a minimum of 100 pounds. This position requires work outdoors and in occasional extreme heat and cold. Other duties may be assigned. This position is included in the department after hours and weekend stand-by rotation. This position is considered essential and attendance is mandatory in the event of a storm or disaster.

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### AUCTION

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### EVENT

**Wylie - Bluegrass** on Ballard, Sat. June 26. Music 1-9 p.m.; Arts & Crafts 10 a.m.-9 p.m. ([WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov)); Classic Car Show 4-9 p.m. (pre-register for car show at [DiscoverWylie.com](http://DiscoverWylie.com)). Event will be held in Historic Downtown Wylie on Ballard Avenue. More information at [DiscoverWylie.com](http://DiscoverWylie.com).

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
Sunday School...10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wednesday—7 p.m.

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**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.

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**Carr's Chapel**

Service Every Sunday  
Morning Worship—9 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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**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.

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**City Park Church of Christ**

Floydada  
Bob DuPont, Minister  
Sunday Bible Study—9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study—7 p.m.

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**First Baptist Church**

Floydada  
Mark Snowden, Pastor  
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship  
Ashley Adams, Minister of Music  
Ludustria 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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**First United Methodist Church**

Lockney  
Rev. Ted Wilson, Interim Pastor  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service—10:30 a.m.

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**Grant Chapel**

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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.

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**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.

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**Mt. Zion Baptist Church**

Floydada  
401 N 12th St. 983-5805  
Rev. Timothy Askey  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship—6 p.m.  
Wednesday Study—6 p.m.

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**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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**Primera Iglesia Bautista**

Floyda  
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.

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**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.

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**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

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**South Plains Baptist Church**

Dan Beaty, Pastor  
Sunday School—10 a.m.  
Morning Worship—11 a.m.

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**Templo Getsemani Assembly of God**

701 W. Missouri, 983-5286 (Church)  
Joe M. Hernandez  
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.

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**St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church**

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

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**Templo Emanuel**

607 W. Lee Street, Floydada  
Pastor Rachel Castillo  
Sunday School Classes: Adult Spanish  
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Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.

**Templo Bautista Salem**

Lockney  
Rev. Mosese Blanco  
Sun 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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**Trinity Assembly**

500 W. Houston, 983-5499  
Karl & Justin Brown, Pastors  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening—6 p.m.

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**Trinity Lutheran Church**

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293-3009  
Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister  
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service—11 a.m.

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**West Side Church of Christ**

Floydada  
983-2672 or 470-0950  
Sunday Worship—10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening—2 p.m.



SPOTLIGHT ON **FBC FLOYDADA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

# Floydada FBC holds VBS

YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON

The First Baptist Church of Floydada held their summer Vacation Bible School June 14-16 from 2-5 p.m. for those who just completed 1st through 5th grades.

This year's theme was science based and Jesus focused and titled Basic Elements VBS. Participants launched rockets, made snow, slime, bracelets, edible molecules, learned new songs, read scriptures, and had



## Flomot welcomes hometowners back for Community Homecoming July 3

STAFF REPORTS

The Flomot Community Homecoming will be held Saturday, July 3, 2021 at the Flomot Community Center. Plans are well under way to make this one-day event enjoyable for residents, former residents, visitors and families.

Registration will start at 11 a.m., leaving lots of time for visiting all afternoon. A concession stand will be available. A program and election of officers will be held at 5:30 p.m., followed by a barbecue catered by TriCounty Meals.

Music by the Bourbon Boys of Lubbock, to dance by or just to listen to, will start after the meal. "Everyone is invited even if you don't live in Flomot," said organizers. "Please let everyone know about homecoming. This is not just a school homecoming but a community homecoming. Looking forward to seeing everyone."

## Commissioners court cancels 312 agreement with APEX, sets interlocal agreement with Garza Co.

YELENA SERRATO | HESPERIAN-BEACON



On June 14, the Floyd County Commissioners Court met to discuss and approve a number of items during their regular meeting.

The court took approval action to move grant money received from the state in the amount of \$29,970 to the Sheriff's Office Equipment line item for relief equipment. The court also approved an interlocal agreement with Garza County concerning housing inmates. Through this agreement, the Floydada Sheriff's Office will be responsible for transporting inmates to and from each county. Furthermore, the court also gave the authority to the treasurer's office to reimburse money on boots for precinct employees.

The Commissioners Court as well made the decision to cancel the 312 Agreement with APEX on the Pumpkin Wind Farm, LLC. County Judge Marty Lucke stated in the meeting that, "There hasn't been any progress on the farm and they have cut off all contact with us," which has ultimately led the court to opt out of the agreement with APEX. The court also took the initiative to switch to Microsoft 360 business basic which will be used by all employees. Microsoft 360 business basic will provide access to apps like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, as well as better cloud storage, and trusted security.

The Commissioners Court also recognized the accreditation of the Floydada County Memorial Library which makes the library eligible for state grants. County Judge Marty Lucke expressed that the library has been accredited every year under librarian Mary Jane Cisneros.

The court took final action by approving the drainage project in precinct 1, a private road contract in precinct 2, and taking bids on a surplus dump truck in precinct 3.

The Floyd County Commissioners Court currently seats Tanner Smith PCT 1, Clint Bigham PCT 2, Nathan Johnson PCT 3, and David Martinez PCT 4.



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