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2016 Floyd County Stock Show held

By Charles Keaton
 The Hesperian-Beacon

MUNCY – Floyd County youth showed off their finest animals in the annual Floyd County Stock Show held in the Unity Center on Jan. 7-9. Joel Lanier of Seminole served as the goat and sheep judge and John Senter of Colorado City judged the swine, heifers and steers. The goat and lamb show was held on Thursday, Jan. 7 and the rest of the show was on Saturday, Jan. 9 followed by the buyers' meal and sale.

The 2016 Sweepstakes Scholarship recipient was Kirby Nixon. Other seniors receiving a scholarship were Reagan Hughes, Steven Setliff, Rita Martinez, Scott Lass, Karis Carstensen, Anissa Guerrero and Jared Orr.

In the Goat show, Scott Lass showed the Grand Champion and won the Senior Showmanship award. Michelle Guerrero showed the Reserve Grand Champion and Tasha Schlueter won Junior Showmanship.

In the Lamb show, Lass showed the Grand and Reserve Grand Champions and won the Senior Showmanship award. Sydney Chessir won the Junior Showmanship.

In the Gilt show, Tabetha Bigam showed the Grand Champion and Rita Martinez showed the Reserve

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ALEX GLASS
 GRAND CHAMPION DAIRY HEIFER
 SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP – DAIRY HEIFER



SCOTT LASS
 GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER



KIRBY NIXON
 GRAND CHAMPION STEER



SCOTT LASS
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SCOTT LASS
 GRAND CHAMPION SHEEP



TABETHA BIGAM
 GRAND CHAMPION GILT



MARCUS ROBERTS-LLOYD
 GRAND CHAMPION BARROW

Reagor-Dykes Auto Group buys Floydada dealership



Courtesy photo

Jordan Vestal - E-Commerce Director, Ryan Reagor - E-Commerce Director, Bart Reagor - RDAG owner, Stephen Fyffe - Oden Chevrolet Owner, Rick Dykes - RDAG Owner, Brian Bruce - Reagor Dykes Chevrolet GSM, and Ryan Pecina - Sales Professional

By Kay Ellington
 The Hesperian-Beacon

On beautiful, sunny Friday afternoon in Floydada, one era ended, and another began—all at the same time. The Reagor-Dykes Auto Group purchased Oden Chevrolet.

Amid balloons and Reagor-Dykes' black and red flags

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Courtesy photo

The Oden Chevrolet dealership in Floydada has been purchased by Reagor Dykes effective immediately. Shown here are Bart Reagor - RDAG owner, Stephen Fyffe - Oden Chevrolet Owner, Rick Dykes - RDAG Owner

Producers Co-op closing in on new showroom, Jan. 31 target opening date

By Kay Ellington
 The Hesperian-Beacon

According to General Manager Seth Stephens, Producers Co-Op decided to delay the opening of its new tire showroom until 2016 to take advantage of discounts from manufacturers available in the new year. They had previously planned to open before the end of 2015.

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Courtesy photo

A sampling of the tire inventory available at Producers Co-Op. According to General Manager Seth Stephens, Producers is shooting to have a grand opening of their new tire showroom January 31.

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 fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

CAPROCK CROP PRODUCTION CONFERENCE

The Caprock Crop Production Conference is scheduled for Friday, January 22, 2016 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center located 6 miles west on Hwy 70 from Floydada and 4 miles east on Hwy 70 from Lockney. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. The cost of the conference is \$35.00 (we will be accepting pre-registration until January 21). The cost will be \$45 at the door. Registration information can be received through the Floyd or Crosby County Extension offices.

TEXAS HIGH PLAINS GRAIN ELEVATOR WORKSHOP

The Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop will be held Jan. 22 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 9000 W. Interstate 40 in Amarillo, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialist. The meeting is set for 8:15 a.m.-4:15 p.m. in Amarillo. Registration is \$50 at the door and checks should be made payable to Tri-State Chapter of GEAPS. For more info, see the article in this week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon.

HIGH PLAINS IRRIGATION CONFERENCE

The annual High Plains Irrigation Conference will be Feb. 4 in the North

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Correction

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Something different to do! Beat the Winter doldrums



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The three gentlemen shown showing off their collections are Richard Ward (left) of Dougherty, former Floyd County Judge Choise Smith (middle), and Pastor Bill Manney (right) of Matador.

By Marlene Potts
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Come Rain, Shine, or Snow, the 2016 West Texas Knapp-In, Artifact Show and Rock Sale at the Roaring Springs Community Center on January 29-30 will give us a chance to get off the couch and out of the house to meet old and new friends. We will have an opportunity to see some interesting demonstrations on knapping, survival training, and experimental archeology. Saturday's Brunch, Lunch, and Sweets will feature Jameson's Fabulous Gumbo by Motley County's own, Jason Jameson.

Knappers will be in place Friday from 1-5 p.m. Then a Friday evening get-together at 5:30 will honor Ivan Immel, the special gentleman knapper from Shallowater who passed away since the last Knapp-In. On display will be examples of his skill in creating points and an at-atl, a means to propel some of the points he made. A campfire will be the perfect place to share stories of Immel and other legendary knappers.

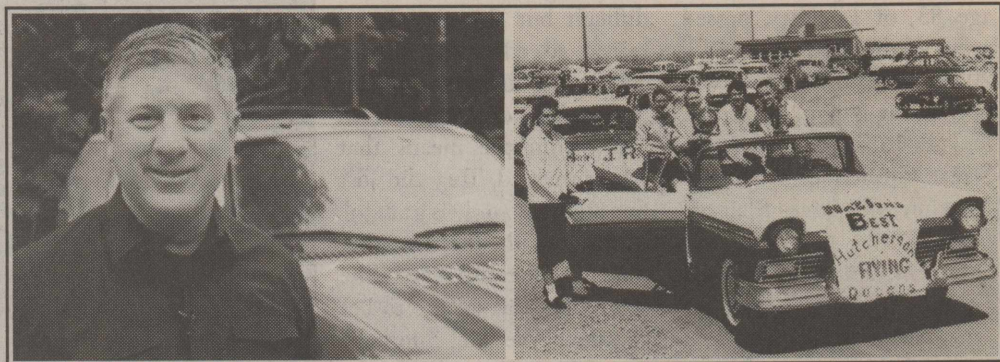
On Saturday for the 4th year running we welcome back Curtis Smith of Fort Worth and Vyril Keeter of the Cherokee Nation to teach us the fundamentals and fine points of creating lithic tools out of many types of chert. Each with the heart of a teacher and the patience of Job, these two knappers are eager to share their knowledge and expertise. They offer many types of material suitable for

different levels of knapping. This is a rare opportunity to get free hands-on training and advice.

Survival Strategist, Luis Montes of Tulsa, has been invited back by request to offer tips useful to hunters, hikers, farmers, ranchers, and survivalists. Luis will share information on how the hikers who died in the Caprock breaks near Quitaque could have increased their chances for surviving the freak Blue Norther that caught them unprepared. Trained in the U.S. Military, Montes has a list of items we should all carry to be prepared for any disaster, car wreck, fire, or snow storm.

Ranger Jacob Collins, who works at the Alibates Flint Quarry National Monument, will offer insights on the Native American aspect of Knapping. As an experimental archeologist and a member of the Cherokee Nation, Collins creates his own lithic tools to use in hunting and preparing his kills for the grill or earth oven. Also a warrior for the U.S. Military, Collins received his degree in archeology after serving his country in the Mid-East conflict.

The Roaring Springs Community Center includes a covered area with stage, outside patios, inside meeting room with kitchen, and hook-ups for RV's. All knappers are welcome to come and learn or share their knowledge with others. Artifact collectors are welcome, as well as for a \$20 fee. For more information call Robert Hall 903-261-1044 or Marisue Potts 806 348-7135.



Courtesy photo

Texas Country Reporter and Bob Phillips will be in Plainview the first week of February to film a story about the legendary Flying Queens, women's basketball team of Wayland Baptist University.

Texas Country Reporter to film in Plainview at Flying Queens' Feb. 6; admission free for that game

By Wayland Baptist Athletics Department

Bob Phillips and the popular television show "Texas Country Reporter" are producing a program about the storied history of the Wayland Baptist Flying Queens, and they'll be in Plainview for filming soon.

Phillips and his production crew will be in Plainview on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5 and 6, to gather information about the Flying Queens, the winningest women's basketball team in the country. Footage will be shot during the Flying Queens game against John Brown University, which starts at 1 p.m. Feb. 6, in Hutcherson Center.

In order to attract as many fans as possible to the game, Wayland is inviting the entire area to be guests at the Flying Queens game as well as the Pioneers game, which follows at 3 p.m. No admission will be charged that day to attend either game.

"We'd like to have as many people here as possible. It would be great if we had a full house," Wayland Director of Athletics Rick Cooper said. "We want Wayland, Plainview,

and the entire area to be well-represented."

Several former members of the Flying Queens will be in attendance. The Wayland Pep Band will perform at the games, and area basketball teams have been invited to attend as Wayland's special guests.

A major part of the "Texas Country Reporter" program on the Flying Queens will be an interview with former coach Harley Redin, an inaugural member of the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame and a current nominee for the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

They also will interview Redin's wife, Wil-da, a longtime Wayland supporter who was married to the late Claude Hutcherson who sponsored the Flying Queens in their early years, along with current coach Alesha Robertson-Ellis, a Plainview native and former basketball standout at Texas Tech.

An air date for the program has not been announced, although it's expected sometime in the spring. The program can be seen in Plainview at 9 a.m. Sundays on KCBD-TV Channel 11.

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

T.B. Mitchell Family

Travis B. and Ethel (Mosley) Mitchell married in Runnels County, (Winters) Texas in 1912 where they fanned in the Pumphrey Community. In 1919 they moved to Floyd County and settled on a farm with their two sons; Chester and R. C., in the Pleasant Valley Community south

of Lockney. Two more sons, Edwin Rhea and Luther Glen, were born here.

All four sons attended the Pleasant Valley School and later finished high school at Lockney and then attended college.

The family were members of the First Baptist Church as well as Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star. The Mitchells were active in civic and community affairs.

During their younger years, the four Mitchell Boyd were active in sports, particularly Golden Gloves Competition. After college at Oklahoma State, Chester was employed as county agriculture agent for several years before beginning farming at Lockney. During this time he was active in Soil and Water Conservation and produced registered shorthorn cattle and Duroc swine. After finishing Texas Tech, R. C. taught vocational agriculture before beginning to farm, in 1946. Here he has been active in the production of shorthorn cattle and Chester White Swine.

He has also been engaged in hybrid grain sorghum seed production. Rhea and Glen were also engaged in their farming activities up until

their untimely death in 1963

In 1951 all four sons along with their father were initiated into the Masonic Shrine Lodge in Amarillo and their mother was named Panhandle Mother of the year by the Amarillo globe News Newspaper.

Chester was married to Alice Miller in Oklahoma and they had three children-Shirley, Warren, and Neal. Warren is now farming his mother's land since Chester's death.

R. C. married Ruth Haney at Crosbyton and they have one son David.

Rhea married Bern Hampton of Plainview and they had two children, Wesley and Sandra.

Glen married Arlene Turner of Lockney and they had two children, Larry and Nancy.

In 1946 T. B. and Ethel retired from farming and moved to Lockney, where they lived until death took T. B. in 1970 and Ethel in 1977. The two youngest sons were killed in a plane crash in 1953, and the oldest son Chester died in 1977. R. C. still farms in the Pleasant Valley Community and is engaged in the seed business he started in 1956.

The South Plains Hobby Club yearly meeting

By Mary M. Carter
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

The South Plains Hobby Club met Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the South Plains Baptist Church in South Plains, Texas. The time was 2:00 P.M.

Our president, Virginia Taylor, started the meeting with prayer.

Our business consisted of elections of officers which are: President Virginia Taylor, Vice President Janis Julian, Treasurer Peggy Roberts, and Recorder Mary M. Carter. The Telephone Committee is Lou Burleson and Mary M. Carter. The Year Book Committee is Denise Doucette with the help of Ja-

nis Julian and Neta Marble. Also, announcements were made and the thank you notes to the Hobby Club were read.

Virginia opened the discussion of ideas for the Hobby Club programs for 2016. There was a good input from many members.

All ideas were written down and discussed. We made our choices of the programs for the year with month and times noted for the Year Book committee. We then volunteered as hostesses for each month. Our February 10, 2016 meeting will be at the Main Street Pizza at 11:30 A. M. for lunch which is a Wednesday. The program will be about the "Salvation Army". Our quest

speaker is Trina Wilson whose family has been with them for many years. The director, Alicia Luna, of the Lockney Salvation Army will be there. Also the treasurer, Denise Doucette, will be present. Questions will be welcome. Hostesses are Ethelyn Vernon and Mary M. Carter. Our hostesses for our planning meeting were Helen Teeple and Sue Daniels. We were served a nice lunch.

Those in attendance were Denise Doucette, Edith Muncy, Janis Julian, Peggy Roberts, Lou Burleson, Margie Young, Sue Daniels, Carolyn Marble, Brenda Walls, Ethelyn Vernon, Helen Teeple, Virginia Taylor, and Mary M. Carter.

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Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

I believe in the forgiveness of sin and the redemption of ignorance. — Adlai E. Stevenson Jr.

Not ignorance, but ignorance of ignorance, is the death of knowledge. — Alfred North Whitehead

To be conscious that you are ignorant is a great step to knowledge. — Benjamin Disraeli

I have never met a man so ignorant that I couldn't learn something from him. — Galileo Galilei

It is impossible to make people understand their ignorance; for it requires knowledge to perceive it and therefore he that can perceive it hath it not. — Jeremy Taylor

Nothing is so good for an ignorant man as silence; and if he was sensible of this he would not be ignorant. — Saadi

The greater the ignorance the greater the dogmatism. — Sir William Osler

The only good is knowledge and the only evil is ignorance. — Socrates

AGRICULTURE

Caprock Crop Production Conference to be held Jan. 22

By Caitlin Jackson
Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

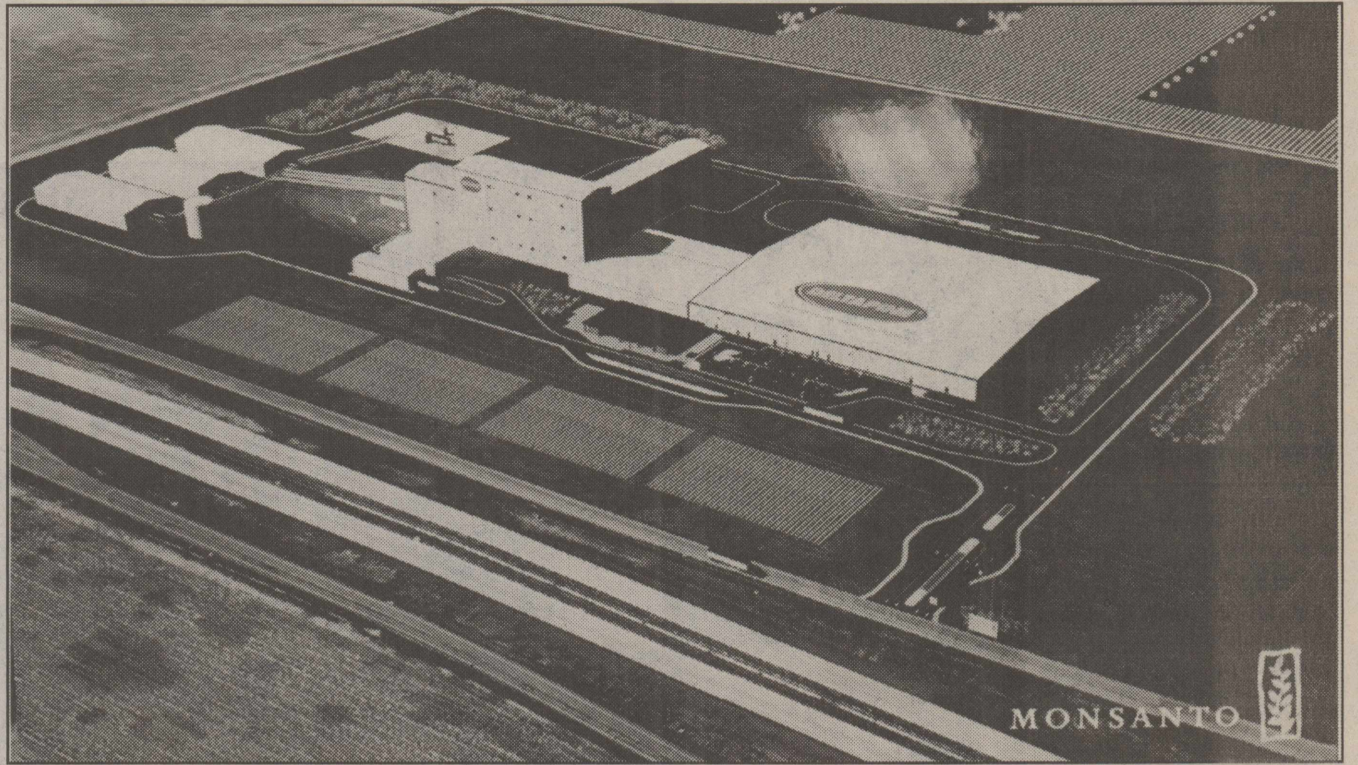
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The 9 Continuing Education Units available by attending the conference will include 3 General, 3 IPM, 2 Laws & Regulation and 1 Drift Minimization. We are also approved for 11 Certified Crop Advisor

credits for those interested and will include 2 Soil & Water Management, 1 Pest Management, 5 Crop Management, 1 Professional Development and 2 Nutrient Management.

The program is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. Speakers will be: Ted McCollum, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Peter Dotray, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Jason Woodward, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; John Robinson, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Steven Boston, TX Department of Agriculture; Tiffany Lashmet, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Seth Byrd, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Pat Porter, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Jacob Reed, BASF; and Jason Coleman, High Plains Underground Water District. The conference will conclude at 5:20 pm with evaluations and CEU certificates.

If you need assistance or have questions please contact the Crosby County Extension Office (675-2347) by January 11, 2016 to advise for auxiliary and/or services needed. Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information or veteran status.



Monsanto is investing \$140 million in a cottonseed processing operation in Lubbock. This rendering depicts the building which will be located off I-27 just north of the Lubbock Airport.

Monsanto announces \$140 million investment in centralizing DeltaPine Processing in Lubbock

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon by Monsanto, the Lubbock Economic Development Alliance

Monsanto announced an investment will be made of more than \$140 million in a new Monsanto building for DELTAPINE seed at a meeting held by the Lubbock Economic Development Alliance.

This building will process cotton seed for Deltapine, which is Monsanto's flagship brand. They will condense at their three other locations but they will consolidate to Lubbock. The company is still keeping the other locations open and operate as a distribution centers.

They will create 40 full time jobs and 15-20 part time jobs. The building will be located off I-27 just north of the Lubbock Airport.

Dave Penn, spokesperson for Monsanto when asked "why Lubbock?" Penn said, "Why not Lubbock?"

From The Lubbock Economic Development Alliance

The Lubbock Economic Development Alliance (LEDA) announced that Monsanto, one of the world's largest sustainable agriculture

companies, is expanding their Lubbock operations to include a new cotton seed processing facility. The company will invest \$140 million into building and equipping the new state-of-the-art facility, the largest capital investment project announced since LEDA's inception.

The new facility, located on 150 acres in North Lubbock along Interstate 27, will be established as Monsanto's primary U.S. hub for all cotton seed processing operations - to include cleaning, treating and bagging of its Deltapine brand cotton seed. Monsanto is set to break ground in March and anticipates being operational by summer 2017.

"Monsanto is proud to be part of the Lubbock community," Dave Penn, cotton manufacturing lead at Monsanto, said. "As we prepare to break ground on the new facility, this continued partnership with LEDA will help us bring better technology and greater efficiency to our cotton seed manufacturing opera-

tions, and we'll be able to pass that value to farmers across the Cotton Belt as they meet the daunting task of feeding and clothing our ever-growing world."

Monsanto is also creating 40 new full-time jobs and 15-25 new part-time jobs that will operate out of the facility. The full-time positions include managers and technicians with annual average salaries of \$55,000.

"Bringing people and processes together at the new, state-of-the-art facility in Lubbock will boost collaboration and efficiency within our manufacturing organization, and its geographic location in Lubbock, Texas, creates better alignment with the cotton industry and enable us to better serve customers across the Cotton Belt," Penn added.

Advanced technology at the new cotton seed processing hub in Lubbock will allow for enhanced data capture, and automating processes through computers, rather than manual operations, which will improve manufacturing effectiveness and the safety of Monsanto personnel.

"On behalf of the board and staff at LEDA and Market Lubbock, we would like to congratulate Monsanto on growing their presence in Lubbock," Tim Collins, chairman of the board for LEDA and Market Lubbock, said. "The impact of cotton on the Lubbock economy is vital, and this continues to establish Lubbock as one of the major cotton centers of the U.S. and the world."

Once fully operational, the total value added impact (change in

Lubbock County's Gross Regional Product) will be \$11.2 million annually.

Floydada Police Report

By the Floydada Police Department

Police arrested Nicholas Mejia of Balch Springs, Texas after he was stopped for speeding on January 16.

Mejia was wanted on an out-of-county warrant. Police responded to a call of a domestic assault and criminal mischief on the morning of January 3.

The girlfriend of a man living in the 800 Block of West Marivena is claiming she was assaulted the previous night. The male half told police he locked his girlfriend out of the house and told her to leave after she began to break several items inside the residence.

After the female was outside, she supposedly began to bang on the windows and honk the horn to her car. A short time later, she got her car stuck in the front yard of the residence due to the ice and snow on the ground. The male guessed she was trying to drive to his bedroom window to honk the horn some more. The bedroom window was broken out and the garage door was damaged from being kicked. Evidence from the scene is leading the police to believe the female's story is false. However, the investigation is still ongoing.

A hit and run was reported to police on January 12. The victim noticed some damage to a vehicle parked on his property, and he believes the damage was caused by someone sliding on the snow and ice from the recent blizzard and not reporting the accident.

Police are investigating a burglary that was reported on January 12 in the 300 Block of West Mississippi Street.

A shed was broken into sometime during the night of January 11 and several tools were taken. The victim was not able to identify the specific brands or types of tools.

A burglary was reported on January 14 in the 600 Block See POLICE Page 8

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Wed., Jan. 27, 2016 • 9:30 a.m.
Dimmitt, TX
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Selling: 5 Late Model Tractors, Farm & Ranch Equipment

Fri., Jan. 29, 2016 • 10:00 a.m.
Friona, TX
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Wed., Feb. 3, 2016 • 10:00 a.m.
Petersburg, TX
Doug Ellison Retirement
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Sat., Feb. 6, 2016 • 9:00 a.m.
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Selling: Gun Collection, Farm & Ranch Equipment

Tues., Feb. 9, 2016 • 10:00 a.m.
Idalou, TX
Becknell Estate
Selling: Farm Equipment, Tractors, Combine, Cotton Equipment

Tues., Feb. 11, 2016 • 10:00 a.m.
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RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION GOAT



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RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION DAIRY HEIFER



Senior Scholarship recipients for the 2016 Floyd County Stock Show are: (third from left) Reagan Hughes, Stephen Setliff, Rita Martinez, Kirby Nixon, Scott Lass, Karis Carstensen, Anissa Guerrero and Jared Orr. Nixon also received the Sweepstakes Scholarship from the Stock Show Committee. Advisors for the students include (far left) Vance Lemons and Cristen Brooks and far right, Shane Sherrill.

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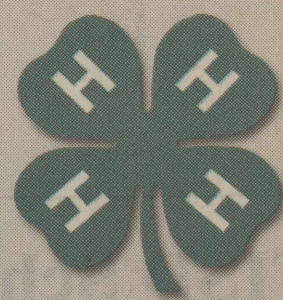
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SCHOOL NEWS

FISD School Board extends Trevino's contract, approves new band uniforms

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

In the January school board meeting of the Floydada Independent School District, trustees extended the contract of Superintendent Gilbert Trevino, recognized students and educators of the month, and approved the purchase of new band uniforms in its monthly meeting on January 8.

Students and employees of the month recognized:

AB Duncan Elementary

Students of the Month: Trevor Green Grade -02, Adelle Ramos Grade -02

Educator of the Month: Tamara Spardlin

FJHS/FHS

FJH Student of the Month: Ryder Glass - Grade 07

FHS Student of the Month: Kortney Campbell - Grade 10

Educator of the Month: Nancy Trevino

William Dean made the motion to approve the following items of consent. Kay Brotherton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Approve the Minutes from December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting

Approve February board meeting for February 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Review Payment of December 2015 Bills

Administrators' Report

Business Manager, Alicia Bice, presented the Tax Report, Cash Flow statement, and Investment Report. Highlights include:

M&O Current Tax Roll \$3,136,020.17

Net Collections \$2,059,030.15

I&S Tax Roll \$366,378.19

Net Collections \$240,554.49

Percent of Current Roll Collected 65.66 %

Taxes Collected as December 31, 2015 64.36 %

In honor of School Board Recognition Month, each board member was recognized by Trevino.

Trustees also viewed a presentation from Moffitt Architectural Group regarding facilities.

Eric Smith made the motion to approve Robinson, Johnson, and Patton to conduct the FISD financial audit for 2016-2017. Gracie Diaz seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

William Dean made motion to approve the annual performance report for 2014-2015 as presented by Terra Chesshir and Dr. Trevino. Gracie Diaz seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Roger Hughes made the motion to purchase new uniforms for FISD band as presented.

Beverly Collins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The board held discussion of the preliminary 2015-2016 school calendar.

The board adjourned into executive session for discussion of the Superintendent's 2015 evaluation and contract for July 1, 2016- June 30, 2019.

(Closed Meeting Texas Government Code, Chapter 551-074)

The open meeting was closed at 8:33 p.m.

The closed meeting opened at 8:34 p.m.

The closed meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

The public meeting re-opened at 8:51 p.m.

William Dean made the motion to extend Dr. Trevino's contract (July 1, 2016- June 30, 2019) for an additional year. Roger Hughes seconded motion.

The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Jan. 25-29

Monday, Jan. 25

Breakfast – Waffles, Sausage, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk

Lunch – Pizza or Hamburger with Cheese, Fires, Salad, Carrots with Ranch Dressing, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Jan. 26

Breakfast – Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Thai Chicken, Eggroll, Brown Rice or Ham & Cheese on Pretzel Bun, Tomato/Cucumber Cup, Broccoli, Snowball Salad, Milk

Wednesday, Jan. 27

Breakfast – Cinnamon Roll, Bacon, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Chicken Alfredo, Breadstick or Meatball Sub Sandwich, Salad, Carrots, Apple Slices, Cookie, Milk

Thursday, Jan. 28

Breakfast – Sausage, Egg & Cheese Pretzel Sandwich, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Longhorn Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes or Chicken Bowl, Green Beans, Apple-Pineapple Delite, Roll, Milk

Friday, Jan. 29

Breakfast – Breakfast Burrito, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Fish Strips, Texas Toast or BBQ on a Bun, Cole Slaw, Pinto Beans, Orange Smiles, Milk

SPC to offer NRA basic pistol course Jan. 23-24

LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer an NRA Basic Pistol class on Jan. 23 – Jan. 24 in the Law Enforcement Technology building in Room 115 on the Level-land campus.

This is an excellent course for new pistol shooters, or those who need more training and self-confidence before applying for a Texas License to Carry a Handgun.

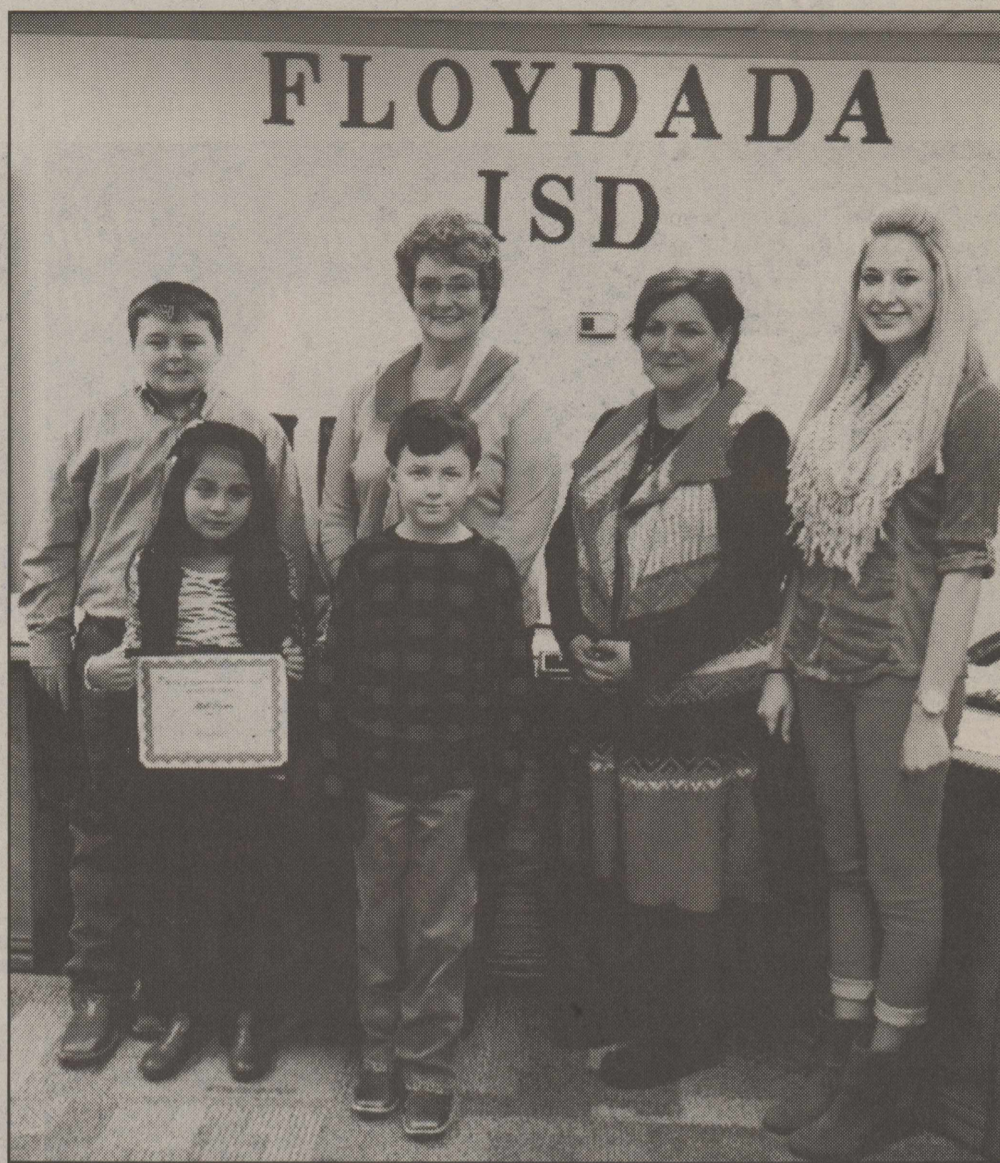
Basic Pistol covers NRA's rules for safe gun handling; pistol parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest position, and two handed standing positions; cleaning the pistol; and continued opportunities for skill development. The cost includes the NRA Guide to the Basics of Pistol Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure and

Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet.

The course runs eight to 12 hours, depending on the number of students, and includes classroom and range time.

The classroom portion will begin at 9 a.m. on Jan. 23 with breaks every hour as well as a lunch break. The shooting portion will begin at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 24. Pistols, ammunition, hearing and eye protection are provided, although students are free to bring their own pistols.

The cost of the course is \$80, and students need to register and pay in advance. Because of the range requirements, space is limited to 15 students. To sign up, call Kasey Reyes at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.



Courtesy photo

The board recognized the following students and educators of the month: AB Duncan Elementary Students of the Month: Trevor Green Grade -02, Adelle Ramos. Grade -02 Educator of the Month: Tamara Spardlin. FJHS/FHS: FJH Student of the Month: Ryder Glass - Grade 07, Kortney Campbell - Grade 10. Educator of the Month: Nancy Trevino

LISD Board extends superintendent's contract

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Meeting in regular session on Jan. 14, the Lockney School Board approved extending Superintendent Phil Cotham's contract for one year with a multiplier of 1.85.

In other action, the Board approved payment of bills and the financial report. Cotham reported a balance of \$3,015,099.18. The Board also approved a budget amendment for additional federal funds and an adjustment to the travel budget.

Librarian Melanie Ragland gave a report about the various library programs and new things she has introduced into the library. Ragland said she is really pushing marketing new books in the library by making posters with the book covers and displaying them in the halls in order to drive up interest in the books. She said she is also using QR codes on the books to allow students to link to Internet content such as YouTube reviews and trailers. The students use a QR reader on their phones to connect these items.

In administrator reports, Athletic Director Malcom Moerbe said it was about to get really busy with district basketball in full swing, baseball, softball, track and powerlifting about to begin their seasons.

He said the baseball and softball teams are not sure when they will start playing until the playoff scenarios work themselves out for the basketball teams. Moerbe also said the biennial realignment will be announced on Monday, Feb. 1 but he doesn't expect any major changes from the last realignment in 2014.

High School Principal Todd Hallmark reported an enrollment of 138 students. Band students were at All-Region tryouts and Rob Lovett, Band Director, was taking five students to All-Region Jazz Band Jan. 14-16. Hallmark said the everyone was continuing to prepare for upcoming UIL Academic contest and the students involved in Stock Shows were begin going to major shows over the next several weeks.

Junior High Principal Craig Setliff reported 96 students. His students were also preparing for Stock Shows and that on Saturday, Jan. 15 they would be hosting a Junior High basketball tournament.

Elementary Principal Jean Anne Williams reported 249 students. She said they were doing the mid-year evaluations of students and their reading progress in K-3. In the upper grades, they were also doing some student regrouping in order to assist students in preparation for the Starr tests.

Superintendent Cotham reported that he had found out that the district would be receiving more tax revenue in 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 than he had originally anticipated. He also said the Facilities Advisory Committee had toured district facilities in early January and would be making recommendations to the Board following their February meeting.

Cotham reported Board Member Robbie Long had resigned from the Board effective immediately. Cotham said the Long's Board Place along with Heath Rexrode's and Lonny Hooten's were up for election in May. Interested parties may file for the Board beginning Jan. 20 and have until Feb. 19 to file. Contact Cotham for any questions.

POLICE

From Page 5

of East Grover Street. A 42-inch flat screen television was stolen after an unidentified suspect entered the residence through a window. The burglary happened sometime during the day of January 14. The investigation is ongoing.

Another hit and run was reported on January 15 in the 200 Block of South 3rd Street. A white van struck a parked Hyundai car and the van fled the scene. The van was later found and it was discovered the children of the registered owner had taken the van out for a joy ride without permission.

Police are investigating a burglary that was reported on January 16 in the 200 Block of East Tennessee.

A 45 or 50 inch Emerson television was stolen after the suspects kicked in the front door.

A burglary was reported on January 16 in the 400 Block of West Missouri. The victim was not able to give an exact date when the incident happened but it did happen in the last three months. The items stolen were: a Las Angeles PD commemorative Smith and Wesson

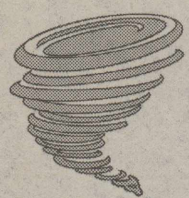
Model 19 revolver with the LAPD badge engraved on the side, a Smith and Wesson revolver with a 5 inch barrel locked inside of a grey lockbox, an Enfield Model 1870 rolling block carbine with an 18 3/4 inch barrel, and numerous collectible coins with some in protective plastic cases.

Floydada Police answered 69 calls for service between January 3 and Jan-

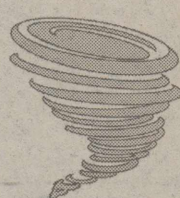
uary 17.

Police are asking anybody who knows details about the cases described above or any other incidents to please contact Floydada City Hall at (806) 983-2834 at any time and the message will be given to the officer on duty. Your identity will be kept confidential. The public is the number one tool in solving cases such as thefts and burglaries.

Any small detail reported to the Police can be a big break in a case and lead to the arrest of the suspect so they are not able to victimize anyone else. If you suspect that you have come across property that is possibly stolen, report it to the Police immediately. You will not be charged with a criminal offense by doing so.



Whirlwind News



Baseball Begins

By Melissa Arizpe

The end of basketball season is near, but the new season of baseball is vastly approaching. For the 2016 baseball season, there will be new assisting and head coaches at FHS. The assisting coach is Jose Alvarado, who is currently the head coach for powerlifting. Newcomer Scotty Bruington, from Petersburg, Texas, is the head baseball coach for this season. He also assists with varsity football this year. Prior to Bruington coming to Floydada, he coached and taught at Fort Stockton High School for the last eight years. In Floydada, Bruington teaches Junior High P.E and economics to his senior students.



As we look forward to another successful season of baseball, head coach Bruington has high standards for this year. He believes that the boys have a good chance to go far and end this season with great success.

"The boys had a good season last year, and it's good to have a lot of the guys from last year back again this year. I expect to be playing in the state tournament," said coach Bruington.

The goals for the rest of the year are higher than ever for both the athletes and coaches. It is time to start working hard and going after the goals they have set.

"Baseball is one of my favorite sports. I can't wait to see what this season brings, it's my last year and I want to enjoy every bit of it. With hard work and dedication I know we can go far into playoffs and hopefully win district champions," said senior Jordan Moore.

The first practice of the season will be held next Friday. All following practices will be daily. Depending on the day, practices will run from 6:30 to 7:00. The first game of the season will be on Feb. 8 against Post.



FHS Time Capsule

By Macee Brotherton

This week, the FHS Journalism staff will be placing a time capsule somewhere on campus, filled with memorabilia from modern times. The hiding place will be kept secret with the clue hidden in the vault for the next 14 years, at which time the class of 2030 will have the opportunity to look at life in 2016. The lure of a time capsule is to give direct evidence on how a group of people lived in a specific time period, and in this case, our staff will be giving direct evidence of not only how lives are lived now, but what FHS is like today. When deciding what to put in the time capsule, decisions were made based on things that are important in culture now, as well as information about Floydada High School that might be different in the future.

One of the items going into the time capsule is an "Urban Dictionary". This is a handmade book of the different slang words that are common amongst teenagers today to give students of the future an insight on how students in 2016 speak to one another. Also included in the time capsule will be a "mixtape" of the most popular songs amongst this generation. Music defines generations, and by putting one in the capsule, its definition has a chance to translate to a whole new age of kids.

One of the most defining features of FHS is our use of modern technology to go above and beyond expectations, so inside this time capsule we want to add photos and descriptions of current technology. Because technology is enhancing so quickly, by the time the capsule is opened, it is likely to be completely different. We want the future students of FHS to know what tools we use everyday to learn.

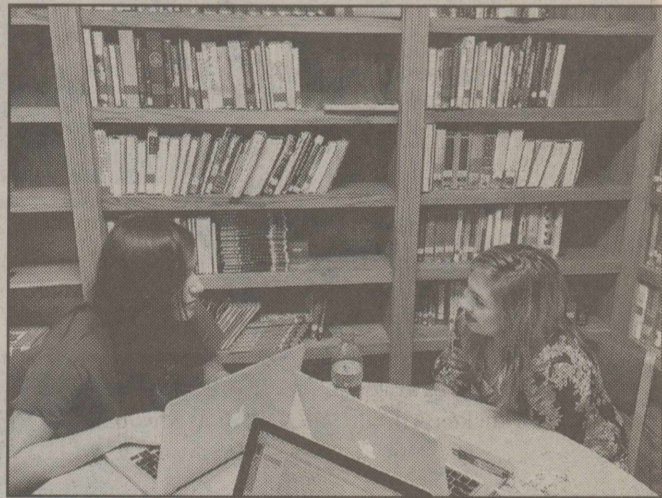
The Journalism staff also wanted to provide insight FHS. A lot can change in 14 years, and we wanted to show the future students what this school was like for us. This includes photos of the current campus, football field, and a short biography of Mr. Morren, providing them with an idea of what our education system was like.

The final thing we will include in the time capsule is a reel with episodes of our school news cast, A Week in the Wind. The students who open this time capsule will be finding out what it was like to learn and live in 2016, and we would like them to also know the work we did in this class that led to this project. The class of 2030 will have something to look forward to, or more accurately, back to.

Commit to Something

By Rachel Hernandez

The real world offers many paths to choose from, and it is tough to know which is best for you. Whether you attend a university or even joining the military, deciding what to do with your life after high school is a life-changing decision. This specific decision will determine your whole future... "for the rest of your life". It is critical to have a plan thought out after you graduate. It does not matter what you decide as long as you commit to something. Alvessa Reyna, an FHS senior, was interviewed on whether or not students should attend college.



Yes, so they could have a good future and be successful in life". Alvessa's opinion is shared by some, but not everyone needs college to be successful.

Most high school graduates decide to further their education and choose a college or university. If you have a strong pride for our country, you may want to look into joining the military after high school. You could also get a job immediately after high school, though it may be difficult at first.

Whichever path you may take be sure your path is going to benefit you and it is the choice you want. College is not for everyone, and it is especially not everyone's first choice for their future. Dominic Barrientos, senior, was questioned if students should attend college, he replied with "No necessarily. I believe college is just a choice, and there are other ways to be successful and happy without attending a college". Dominic's plans after Floydada High School are to get a job somewhere and "work his way up". Some graduates enter the work force instantly after high school. Maybe you need to save money to continue you education, or you would rather get your paycheck instead of studying and doing homework. You may even have the opportunity to try out different jobs out and deciding which is the right one for you. Whatever it may be - commit to something, anything - and have a strategy for your future.

All-Region Band

By Alyson Perez

On January 14, 2016, The Floydada Spirit of the Winds band took twenty-seven to Abernathy High School to audition for the All-Region Band. Several students from surrounding areas also went to compete for a chair to perform in either the symphonic or concert band competitions. This will be a public concert and will take place on Saturday, January 30, 2016 at the Lubbock Civic Center in Lubbock, Texas.

The audition consists of the student playing two scales and two compositions of music, known as etudes. Months in advance the contestants receive scales and the etudes, so they can have time to prepare for the tryout. Each etude typical consists of 5 to 6 lines of varying levels of difficulty to demonstrate one's potential. It isn't until the day of the audition that the students that find out what the actual lines and scales that they will preform for the judges. The only scale that is for sure going to be played is the chromatic scale and another one from the scales page. In order to make the tryouts as fair as possible and prevent them from being biased. The Band Directors are divided into different instrument sections and aren't told which section that they will be judging until the day of competition. Another precaution that is taken to prevent unfairness is that there is an object such as a curtain is placed between the contestant and judges so their opinions aren't swayed.

Making one of the bands is an incredible accomplishment. Out of the twenty-seven students that tried out from Floydada Spirit of the Winds band, fifteen participants had made the band. All of these students worked extremely hard to advance past the tryout and to earn a spot in the concert. Band director Justin Ogden and the student body as a whole are proud of everyone who tried out and who made the band.

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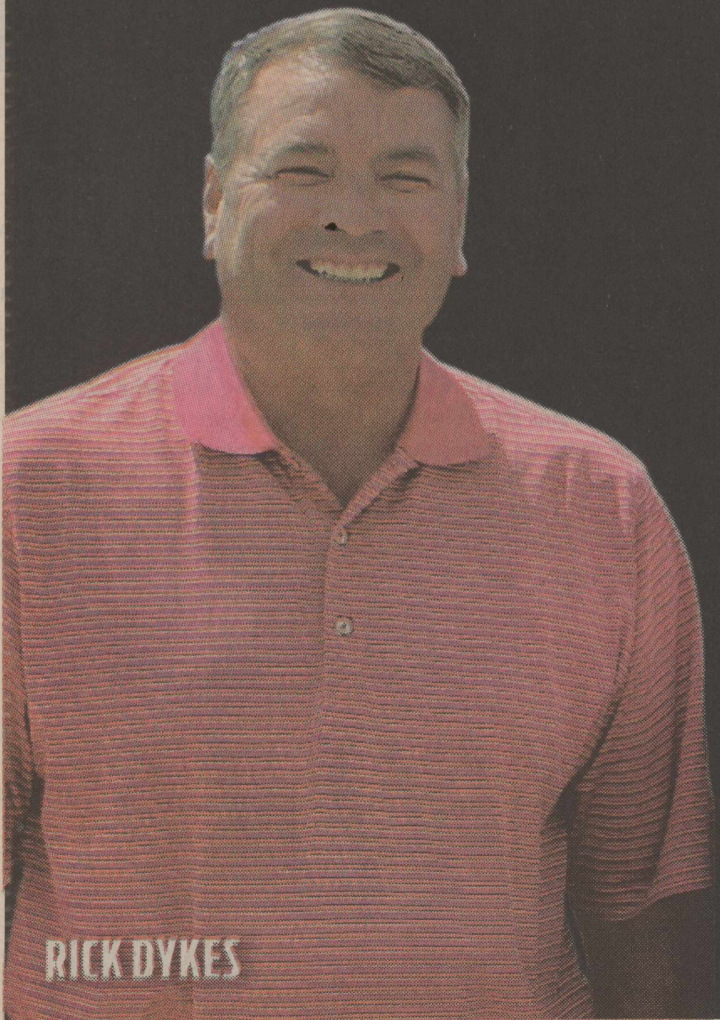
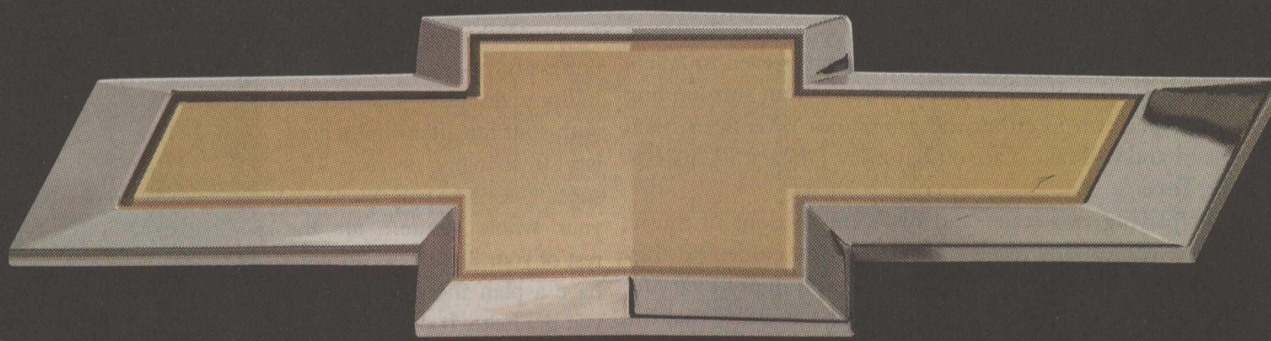


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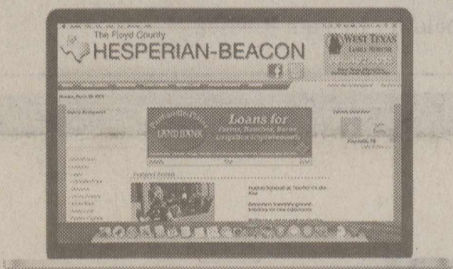
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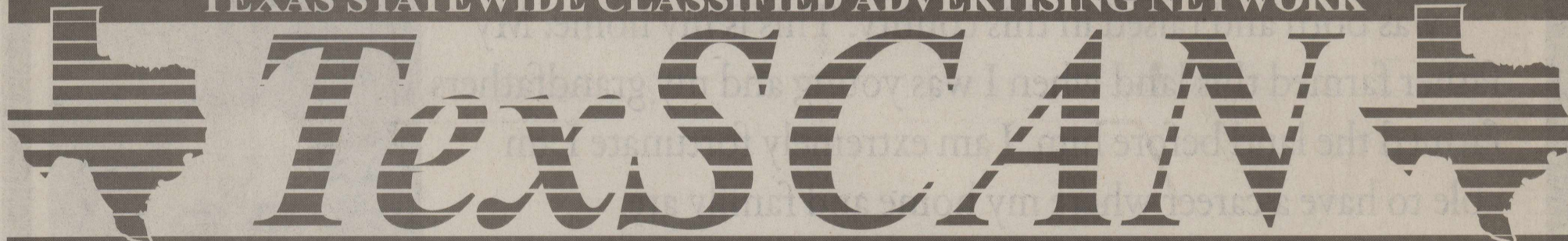
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Martinez had the Reserve Breed. In Class 1, Yourk, Anissa Guerrero was first and Colton Moses was second. In Class 2, York, Alea Lira was first. In Class 3, York, Karis Carstensen was first. Alea Lira had the Breed Champion with the Class 2 York and Karis Carstensen showed the Reserve Breed with the Class 3 York.

BARROWSHOW

In Class 1, Cross, Shelby Dunbar was first, Haygen Lefevre was second, Jared Orr was third, Austen Rexrode was fourth and Emmily Britt was fifth. In Class 2, Cross, Jacob Chavarria was first, Malaki Alvis was second, Brinley Lefevre was third, Kaylea Britt was fourth and Derrik Suarez was fifth. In Class 3, Cross, Tabettha Bigham was first, Nathan Salazar was second, Bryce Reese was third, Shelby Dunbar was fourth, Kalebh Cook was fifth and Adalayah Jones was seventh. In Class 4, Cross, Alea Lira was first, Karis Carstensen was second, Kalebh Cook was third and Tabettha Bigham was fourth. In Class 5, Cross, Jose Lira was first, Michelle Guerrero was second, Tasha Schlueter was third, Cristo Martinez was fourth and Stephen Setliff was fifth. In Class 6, Cross, Marcus Roberts-Lloyd was first, Skyler Dunn was second, Bryce Reese was third, Shelby Dunbar

was fourth and Hunter Lefevre was fifth. In Class 7, Cross, Jaxson Smith was first, Karis Carstensen was second, Brock Powell was third, Jose Martinez was fourth and Kolton Ware was fifth. Breed Champion was shown by Marcus Roberts-Lloyd with the Class 6 Cross and Reserve Breed was show by Jose Lira with the Class 5 Cross. In Class 1, Duroc, Hunter Lefevre was first, Audrey Rexrode was second, Trinity Schlueter was third and Seattle Jackson was fourth. In Class 2, Duroc, Brinley Lefevre was first, Austen Rexrode was second, Kalebh Cook was third and Hannah Roberts-Lloyd was fourth. In Class 3, Duroc, Jaxson Smith was first, Audrey Rexrode was second, Skyler Dunn was third and Malaki Alvis was fourth. In Class 4, Duroc, Bryce Reese was first, Adalayah Jones was second, Karlie McHam was third and Kolton Ware was fourth. Breed Champion was shown by Bryce Reese with the Class 4 Duroc and Reserve Breed was shown by Adalayah Jones with the Class 4 Duroc.

In Class 1, Hampshire, Karis Carstensen was first, Cutter Smith was second, Hunter Lefevre was third, Rita Martinez was fourth and Seattle Jackson was fifth. In Class 2, Hampshire, Marcus Roberts-Lloyd was first, Nathan Salazar was second, Malaki Alvis was third, Michelle Guerrero was fourth and Kaileigh Cook was fifth. In Class 3, Hampshire, Skyler Dunn was first, Shelby

Dunbar was second, Bryce Reese was third, Tucker Schlueter was fourth and Saylee Diepenhorst was fifth. In Class 4, Hampshire, Audrey Rexrode was first, Brinley Lefevre was second, Hannah Roberts-Lloyd was third, Ethan Smith was fourth and Ethan Smith was fifth. In Class 5, Hampshire, Tabettha Bigham was first, Karis Carstensen was second, Cristo Martinez was third and Christopher Emert was fourth. Skyler Dunn showed the Breed Champion with the Class 3 Hampshire and Marcus Roberts-Lloyd was Reserve Champion with the Class 2 Hampshire. In Class 1, OPB, Stefanni Chavarria was first, Rita Martinez was second, Haygen Lefevre was third and Kaileigh Cook was fourth. In Class 2, OPB, Anissa Guerrero was first and Austen Rexrode was second. In Class 3, OPB, Kaileigh Cook was first and Colby Guerrero was second. Breed Champion went to Kaileigh Cook with the Class 3 OPB and Reserve Breed went to Colby Guerrero with the Class 3 OPB.

In Class 1, York, Andrez Suarez was first and Jaxson Smith was second. In Class 2, York, Christopher Emert was first and Jose Martinez was second. In Class 3, York, Haygen Lefevre was first and Brock Powell was second. Haygen Lefevre showed the Breed Champion with the Class 3 York and Brock Powell showed the Reserve Breed with the Class 3 York.

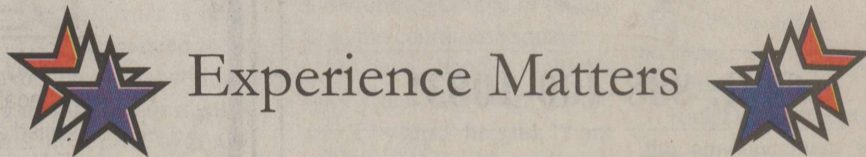
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Alex Glass was first, Ryder Glass was second, Haygen Lefevre was third and Hunter Lefevre was fourth. Alex Glass showed the Breed Champion and Ryder Glass showed the Reserve Breed.

HEIFER SHOW
Scott Lass was first with the Breed Champion Shorthorn. Keenan Nixon was first with the Breed Champion Red Angus. Kirby Nixon was first with

the Breed Champion Simmental.
STEERSHOW
In Class 1, Hereford, Hagen Hinsley was first and Breed Champion, Jack Brooks was second and Reserve Breed and Preslie Brooks was third.
In Class 2, Shorthorn, Hagen Hinsley was first and Breed Champion. In Class 3, Cross, Christopher Emert was first, Braylen Lemons was second and Brock Powell was third. In

Class 4, Cross, Braylen Lemons was first, Cutter Smith was second and Reagan Hughes was third. In Class 5, Cross, Keenan Nixon was first and Makenlee Lemons was second. In Class 6, Cross, Kirby Nixon was first, Hagen Hinsley was second and Reagan Hughes was third. Breed Champion was Kirby Nixon with his Class 6 Cross and Braylen Lemons was Reserve Breed with his Class 4 Cross.

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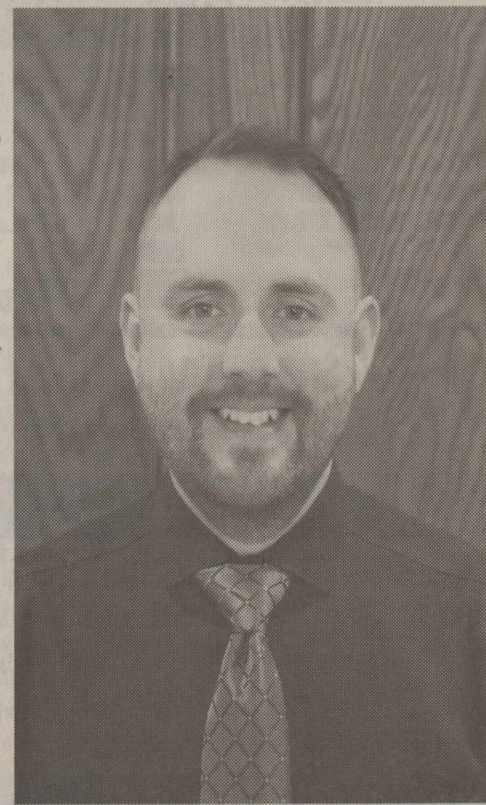
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