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## Apex, Floyd Co. Center of Texas Wind Energy

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon

In 2015, Apex Clean Energy had the largest number of wind energy projects in development of any wind energy company in the nation. According to Dahvi Wilson, Apex's Director of Public Affairs, the Charlottesville, Virginia firm currently has about 100 leases and easements signed with landowners in Floyd County for projects expected to add 166 turbines in the area.

Apex Clean Energy is an independent renewable. energy company, started in 2009. According to the company website, the company's leadership has been working in wind energy since 2000. They are in the process of developing nearly 100 projects around the country. Twelve of Apex's wind energy projects are in Texas, and three of those are in Floyd County.

In Floyd County, Apex's three projects are: Cotton Plains, a 50 megawatt (MW) project, Old Settlers, a 150 MW project, and Pumpkin Farm a 200 MW project. The Cotton Plains and Old Settler projects are anticipated to break ground this summer and be completed before the end of the year. Pumpkin Farm is expected to begin construction in 2017.

Apex's Floyd County proj-

on about 45,000 acres of private land owned by about 110 local farmers. However, only a very small fraction of this acreage will be taken out of production by the presence of wind energy facilities. Farmers and ranchers should be able to continue using their land for agricultural purposes with little disturbance.

The power generated by Cotton Plains Wind (50 MW) has been purchased by Fort Hood and will be injected into the ERCOT electrical system that serves most of Texas. According to Wilson, "We do not yet know who will purchase the power from the other two projects, but based on their location, the electricity they generate will be injected into the ERCOT grid as well."

According to Wilson, the benefit to the community from windmill farm development extends far beyond the affected landowners.

"In addition to providing a new source of revenue to the landowners who are participating in the project, wind energy facilities will provide new tax dollars to the local counties and school districts, help create a surge in the local economy, and generate new, permanent jobs in the community," she said.

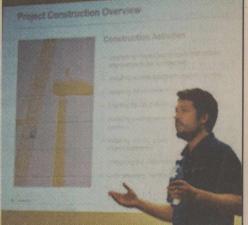
She continued, "The wind energy projects we are building in Floyd County are ex-

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Floyd County will soon have 166 wind turbines fill its skyline, producing up to 400 megawatts of wind power. Two of three new wind farms are planned to be built this year by Apex Clean Energy, a renewable energy company, and a third one is planned for 2017. When Apex is finished, the farms will look similar to the one shown here.





Apex has about 100 leases and easements signed with Floyd County landowners, and in March they held a public meeting for landowners to walk them through their timetables and plans.

## ects are expected to be built

**By Jesse Finley** Floydada Police Dept **Public Information Officer** Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

A \$2000.00 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for burglarizing Dairy Queen on Saturday, June 4 at about 1:26 am.

The suspect was caught on surveillance video breaking into a window on the south side of the building and getting into the safe. The suspect was able to steal about \$2800.00 before making his escape, and was in the building for only about two minutes. Floydada Police are actively investigating the burglary and have several persons of interest.

Sometime during the night of Sunday, May 29 four sets of wheels were stolen off of pickup trucks at Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet in Floydada. It happened after it started raining as there were tire impressions left in the mud. The suspects came prepared as they used jacks and cinder blocks to prop the vehicles up.

They left behind several items of evidence including a pair of Nike Pro Trainer shorts, orange and grey in color. This crime may be related to the wheel thefts that have occurred in Lubbock a couple months ago.

If you have any information regarding these two crimes, please contact the Floydada Police Department at (806) 983-2834. Your information will be confidential. The reward is only being offered for information regarding the burglary of Dairy Queen.

The Floydada Dairy Queen's surveillance camera caught a burglar in the act of theft. Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet had \$16,000 worth of tires and wheels stolen from their dealership. If you have any information about the burglaries, please contact the Floydada





### 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.

#### **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MOVIE NIGHT**

On Sunday, June 12, the First Baptist Church of Floydada will be having "Movie Night". They will be showing "Risen". It is rated PG-13 due to some violent scenes.

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### News on the go



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## Police Department at (806) 983-2834. Your information will be kept confidential. chool Kicks Off.



The 53rd Harmony Plains Singing School kicks off July 17 in Cone.

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon

The 53rd Harmony Plains Singing School is just around the corner. It will be July 17-22 in Cone.

Harmony Plains Singing School is a week-long summer camp following the faith traditions of the Primitive Baptists. But you do not have to be Primitive Baptist to attend. All are welcome. All attendees do is sing and learn to sing.

Harmony Plains has had fairly large crowds in recent years. They have had an

average of 250-300 students each year for the past several years. They divide classes by age group. The same lessons are taught in each class, but the class is geared towards the learning speed and content for that age level.

Classes include the following: Sunshine, Preschool/kindergarten, 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th

Junior high, High school/college and

Some more experienced adults travel back and forth between the adult class and the high school/college class. The

adult class is perfect for those who just love to sing, but don't know a lot about reading or leading yet.

Teachers all volunteer their time and effort each summer. Several instructors hold undergraduate and graduate degrees in music as well as teaching.

Harmony Plains does not charge tuition. They are run entirely on contributions from students and families. Three meals are provided each day as well as restroom and shower facilities.

HPSS is always held during the week See SCHOOL, Page 8 8

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Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

There were 122 entries for the Wildflower Show this year. The flowers were plentiful and varied. There were so many very good displays, we wished we could give more prizes, so we are considering adding some more categories next year. We would appreciate your suggestions.

## Floydada City Wide Garage Sale

**By Kim Perez** 

Floydada Chamber/Manager Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

What better way to make a little spending money this summer than to have a garage sale?

List your garage sale with the Floydada Chamber of Commerce for just \$10 and we will advertise it and distribute a list for you!

The city wide garage sale will be held Saturday, June 18th around town, with a list distributed to the community on Friday, June 17th.

Please make sure you included the following in your entry: address, main items to be sold, the time you wish to open and close and your \$10 entry fee.

Call the Chamber at 983-3434 or go by the EDC/ Chamber office at 105 S. 5th.

Don't wait, get your garage sale entered by 6 p.m. Thursday, June 16th to be on the official city wide garage sale listing!

So start cleaning out your closets, junk drawers, and storages to get you on your way to making some extra summer fun money.



1. Is the Book of Boaz in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Whose first chapter begins, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God"? 1 Timothy, Titus,

3. In Acts 16, what Asian city was the home of Lydia? *Derbe, Thyatira,* 4. From John 2, where did Jesus work his first miracle? *Ur, Cana, Antioch, Thessalonica*5. In 2 Samuel, who killed a giant having 12 fingers and 12 toes? *Mephibosheth, Jambres, Abimelech, Jonather* 

6. From John 11, what city was home to Mary, Martha and Lazarus? Corinth, Gaza, Bethany, Sardis ANSWERS: 1) Neither, 2) 1 Timothy, 3) Thyatira, 4) Cana, 5) Jonathan,

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### Old Settler's Wildflower Show Winners We would like to thank everyone who entered, and

hope they will come back

ginia Taylor.

Miniature:

next year. The grand prize Trudie Taylor award for the best overall entry was won by Vir-

Winners of Floyd County Wildflower Show 2016 are:

1st,

Taylor, 2nd, Paulette Robinson. 3rd, Paulette Robison, Honorable Mention, Dorothy Turner Unusual Container: 1st, Dorothy Turner, 2nd, Carolyn Cunningham, 3rd, Karen Miller, Honorable Mention, Carolyn Cunningham.

Antique: 1st, Dorothy Turner, 2nd Jennifer Smith, 3rd Carolyn Cun-

ningham. Honorable Mention, Carolyn Cunningham. Men's: 1st, Drew Jones, 2nd Travis Jones. 3rd Tra-Jones. Honorable Mention, Travis Jones. Youth: 1st, Jax Goodman, 2nd, Tess Taylor. 3rd, Jett Taylor, Honorable men-Cole Goodman tion, Miscellaneous: 1st, Carolyn

Cunningham, 2nd, Virginia

Taylor, 3rd, Paulette Robison, Honorable mention, Carolyn Cunningham. Old Fashioned Mix: 1st, Paulette Robison, 2nd Laura Jarrell, 3rd Helen Teeple, Honorable mention, Carolyn Cunningham. Dried: 1st, Stacy Reeves, 2nd, Carolyn Cunningham, 3rd, Virginia Taylor, Honorable mention, Carolyn Cun-

## The Paperboy

favorite pastimes is fighting

Being a human is great, especially if we are blessed enough to die gracefully. However, I'd say the vast majority of us will not go peacefully in our sleep. We are more likely to suffer during our final years, months

> or days. I've often joked that "it's not the model, it's the mileage."

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It's a saying I picked up somewhere reference to au-

tomobiles and their value. As humans, if we've treated ourselves well during the course of our lives, we are more likely to stay healthy longer and have a higher quality of life.

Is that accurate? Scientists say it is for the most part.

We all know of those individuals who beat the odds. For all of the proof you'll ever need, look at The Rolling Stones or Willie Nelson. These gentlemen have never been regarded as the picture of health. In fact, between Keith Richards and Willie, they probably consumed enough alcohol and drugs to light up a small town. Regardless, they are still around and they are active.

I guess there are anomalies in most studies and Keith and Willie would certainly have to be considered anomalies.

I once heard of a lady well into her hundreds. She drank a glass of wine before she went to bed each night. If memory serves, her doctor told her to do that when she was pregnant because she was having a hard time keeping her weight up. She continued to drink the wine daily ... for over 80 more years!

Life expectancy in the United States is currently 78.74 years. That's not bad. In England, it's now 81.5. Japan's is 83.10. That's amazing to me.

As we age and begin to come to terms with our own mortality, it's hard not to judge oneself. If I'm not careful, I can be a little too hard on myself to the point where it's detrimental. Like you, I have goals and dreams and when you feel like you are underperforming, it is not good psychologically.

To me, by far the worst part of aging is losing people. Seeing those family and friends pass is difficult in our society. If you've had a good life, it's likely you were sur-

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## Coming to terms with mortality

As Americans, one of our rounded by good people who taught you many things. It hurts when those people

> Another thing about mortality and your comfort level is whether or not you believe you have a destination after death. Most of the world believes in life after death, but there is a significant number of people who do not. I wonder which group is happier when they age, those with faith or those without it?

As a guy closer to 50 than 40, I notice things about myself that I'd rather not. But if I had to name a few, it would be stiffening joints, inability to read small print and sun damaged skin on my face and hands.

At the beginning of the year, I wrote about my New Year's Resolution and my goal was to lose 30 pounds. I have not accomplished that goal. I have a couple of friends who made the same resolution, they've been successful. I've lost five pounds. I can sit hear and give you several "reasons" while I've failed, but I'd be fooling you. I've failed because I have not put in the work to be suc-

None of us knows when our day is coming. What we do know is that it is and that it will be here much sooner than we'd probably like.

As for me, I still plan to lose the weight and keep a close eye on myself. I'd sure like to be around a couple of more generations to see how my children and their children turn out.

And hopefully, I'm a little more like Keith and Willie than I am my mom or grandmother, who didn't even make it to 65.

One thing is for sure ... time will tell.

Chris Blackburn serves as

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"Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country."

Back when John F. Kennedy said it, I heard it. Maybe we watched his inauguration at school. Or maybe I heard that part on the evening news. Who knows?

Either way, his rhetoric went in one ear and stayed in my head. I pondered the concept. What did he mean?

I didn't think he was talking to me. I wasn't asking my coun-

try for anything. I was a high school freshman. Mother and Daddy were taking care of me. They weren't asking for anything either, as far as I knew.

So who was he talking to? Ne'er do wells who wanted the government to take care of them? Was he saying they should be givers instead of takers? Did he think they were listening to his inaugural address? They probably were. We all were.

Regarding the second part of his state-HANABA ment, what did he want us all to do anyway? All I could think of was going off to war and getting killed. I wasn't planning on it. I was WELCH a girl.

Or maybe he just wanted us to pay taxes, stay out of jail and work. Shouldn't that have been a given?

I was surprised the phrase caught on. I think maybe it was how he said it that did the trick. From the heart. Heart counts. And now, 56 years later, I still wonder exactly what he

meant. Maybe John F. Kennedy simply wanted to be president of a country where doers outnumbered gripers. If I were president, that's what I would want. I'd whittle it all down to four words:

Don't whine. Do something.

Mea culpa. I've been known to whine some. But aren't we happiest when we shut up and take action instead? Case in point, I have a jar of pickle slices in my car. Instead of complaining about McDonald's stinginess with pickle slices - just one per small hamburger - I add two or three slices from my

Yes, I'm asking you to compare McDonald's to the federal government. Both are big and powerful. Both get blamed for

But sometimes it's better for us little people to take care of ourselves than depend on either of those mega-entities to keep us perfectly happy.

No doubt, one pickle fits McDonald's profit margins exactly. If everybody asked for and got extra pickles, it would be like raising the minimum wage. McDonald's would fall apart. Then where would I eat?

When I unscrew the lid on my personal pickle jar, I taste the power that comes with taking action. What's more, whether I admit it or not, I'm doing something for McDonald's. I'm giving them a few pickle slices to make their burgers better.

If President Kennedy were alive today, he might tell me I'd missed his point. Or suggest I join the Peace Corps.

I'd offer him a burger and pickles and ask him what he re-

## Winners of Cow Patty Bingo announces

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Floyd County 4-H sponsored the Cow Patty Bingo during the Old Settler's Day celebration held on Saturday, May 28th.

First place of \$500 was won by Dara Ware. Second place of \$300 was won by Kristy Lefevre and third place of \$200 was won by Judge Bill Smith.

All proceeds benefit Floyd County 4-H'ers by supporting awards, scholarships, camps, projects, banquets, achievement jackets and other activities.

Congratulations to all the winners!

### Old Settler's Parade Winners announced

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The 2016 Old Settler's Day Parade winners were as follows:

Best Pioneer Float – 1<sup>st</sup> place - Anthony Whitfill Best Commercial Float – 1st place – La Razpa

Best Club/Organization Float – 1st place – Girl Scouts, 2nd place – Diamond Dusters,

3<sup>rd</sup> – Floydada Youth Cheer

Best Sheriff's Posse or Riding Club – 1st place – Lubbock Outlaws, 2nd place – Forgotton Lost Riders

Best Team Drawn Vehicle – 1st place – Mary Medeirs

Best Decorated Bicycle – 1st place – Kaley Garza, 2nd place – Katie Landin, 3rd place (tie) – Jeremiah Saenz and Kanon Rainwater

Western Cowboys/Cowgirls – Junior Boy (up to 12) – Cooper Hinsley, Junior Girl (up to 12) Cally Pool, Modern Boy – Reese Hinsley, Modern Boy – Jaxson Smith, Adult Cowboy – Don Pickel, Modern Cowgirl - Shele Tidwell

ATV Awards – 1<sup>st</sup> place – Jakob Cuellar, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Liz Martinez, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Dennis Carter

Unique Tractor – 1<sup>st</sup> place – Todd Williams

Unique Trucks – 1<sup>st</sup> place – Jesse Ibarra Unique Auto – 1st place – Harvey Garza

Restored Auto – 1st place – Leon Williams

Special Award – 1st place - Don Hardy

# SOCIETY

## **Pitchford and Morris to wed**



KATELYN ADDY PITCHFORD AND TREVOR COLE MORRIS

Along with their parents, Katelynn Addy Pitchford and Trevor Cole Morris happily announce their engagement to be married on August 7, 2016.

Katelynn is the daughter of A. Curtis Pitchford and the late Linda Pitchford of Holliday, Texas. Her grandparents are Donald and Phyllis Seel and A.C. and Violet Pitchford all of Holliday, Texas.

Trevor is the son of Lindan and D'Lyn Morris of Lockney.

His grandparents are Barbara Mathis of Lockney and Linda Morris of Idalou.

The bride-to-be is a 2008 graduate of Holliday High School and a 2012 graduate of West Texas A & M University earning a

nor in Accounting. She is employed by Ag-Texas Farm Credit Services as Assistant Vice President Commercial Portfolio Analyst in

Morris graduated in 2006 from Lockney High School and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Technology in 2010 from West Texas A and M University. He also earned a Master of Science Degree in contributions. Engineering Technology from WTAMU in 2012. He is employed by the Lindsay Corporation as Manager of the Texas Distribution Center in Amarillo.

The couple will be married in Canyon at the Joseph A. Hill Memorial Chapel on the WTAMU campus and will make their home

# 'Lest We Forget'



Ed Marks, Commander of American Legion Post 141, (left) of Lockney is shown receiving a donation from Monte Williams, (right) President of the First National Bank of Floydada.

By Jim Doucette

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

At a service on Memorial Day in Lockney the veteran's park was renamed to the Hunter/Peralez Memorial Park.

These two sons of Floyd County made the ultimate sacrifice for our country in Iraq.

The outpouring of support from the community for the memorial park has been amazing. The Floyd County Museum and the Joachim Foundation also made substantial

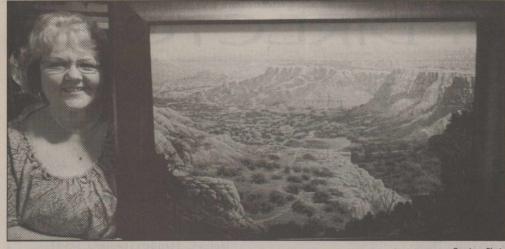
The dedication ceremony on Memorial Day was attended by in excess of 200 people. The weather was perfect. Lt. Colonel Brad Sexton, U.S. Air Force (retired) was the key note speaker.

He works with the Air Force and is part of the team that trains and equips our Airmen for infiltration and reconnaissance missions.

Our nation is still at war. The heroic soldiers, sailors and airmen who are in harms way don't get mentioned.

Our men and women in the armed services are our nations finest.

### Bachelor's Degree in Management and a Mi- in Amarillo. Wyatt painting winner



The Kenneth Wyatt picture titled "Palo Duro Canyon" was raffled off by the Floyd County Pioneers Association on Old Settler's Day. The painting was won by Jan Smith Nichols of Breckenridge. Jan is shown here with the painting.

# Floydada Rotary Club

Rotarian Larry brought the club a history lesson on the Estelline Salt Springs, and other historical facts of the area. He spoke of the cattle drives through the area. The salt flats were haunted according to old timers as in that area. The springs contaminated the built Lake Texhoma, killing the fish in the new lake. So the Corp of Engineers came in and worked to stop the flow of salt water to the lake. A now extinct crab was found in the springs. At one time the Salt Springs was a favorite picnic places in 30s and 40s. Thank you Rotarian Larry for a very interesting program.

We are CELEBRATING If you are unable to attend, please send a card to address at the bottom Jackie Samford 90th Birthday Saturday, July 2, 2016

2:00 to-4:00 P,M, Community Living Center 6010 Amarillo-BLVD West Amarillo, Texas

\* Vickie King \*\*

RSVP 806-670-2532 or vlk1952@hotmail.com
Cards to 5401 Pondaseta Rd., Canyon, TX 79015

## **Museum Archives**

#### Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

Dietrich History

We live here because in the early 1890's our grandfather August Dietrich purchased several tracts of land. mostly what is now the Providence Community. Our Dad, Alvin Dietrich, farmed there for sixty

While he was growing up in Alvin, Texas, a family moved there from North Dakota. One of their sons and a daughter married my dad's brother and

They moved back to North Dakota. In 1915, Dad went to visit and returned with one of their cousins as a bride, which was our mother. Dad put up a windmill and a one-room granary which served as a house until they could build. All four children were born there. We lost our brother Harold in 1926. We all went to school at Providence; the brick building still stands which was built in 1923. We spoke German altogether until we started school. We walked the two and onehalf miles nearly all the time.

The Lutheran Church was organized in 1911, where we all still belong. In 1927 a set of twins were born. My sister Esther married Virgil Brasher. They now own the home place. Arnold, my brother married Sue

Barlow. They own a place my well. They moved to Plainview dad bought from Ellis Carter that joins the home place. They have two sons. Adella married Tom Word and they have two daughters. All our grandparents are traced back to Germany. All our kinfolks live in North Da- 1976. kota or Houston, Texas, except a cousin Raymond Grewe, who lives in Silverton.

When our parents started out, they borrowed a milk cow from Ray Clements; there weren't any fences, it was quite a job to break her to milk but she soon provided the family with milk and butter. With times so hard Dad had to work out when he could. He'd walk several miles every morning to Charlie Viegel's or Ben Quebe's. Dad raised crook-neck maize which he headed by hand. The whole family pulled cotton. The kids rode on the sack until they got big enough to pull in a gunny sack with a strap made from a cotton stocking.

They hauled their cotton to Plainview; they had to stay with the team until they were ginned off. In the early 1930's the drought and dust storms were bad. I remember once Mother putting wet sheets over the baby's bed. In 1936 Dad put down his first irrigation

in 1935 where Esther finished high school. Dad passsed away in 1965. Mother lived with children her remaining days until she went to the Lockney Nursing Home. She passed away in

We children helped with the field work, with Mother's chickens and big garden. She always canned a lot, but we always had time to play. Dad only went to town once a week. Lots

of times he would bring home a box of bananas and a block of ice. Then we would make ice cream or he would bring a pound of stick candy. Mother used to run races with us kids. I don't remember ever winning. Until Mother's health started failing, she could still jump

With hard and good times we had a great life and we are proud to live in such a good

The family of James King would like to thank everyone for the love shown to our family during this difficult time in our lives.

We appreciate all the calls, cards, food, visits, memorials and your prayers. We truly live in a wonderful community.

We also would like to thank the First United Methodist Church of Floydada.

-Bettye King and Family

## **Shepherd's Meadow Assisted Living is 10 YEARS OLD!!!!**

Come celebrate with us on Thursday, June 16th 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

We will be serving hot dogs in a come-and-go reception. 1230 South Ralls Highway, Floydada



# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Obituary



NANCY CAROL CAMPBELL MYRICK Nancy Myrick passed away May 31, 2016 in Grand Prairie, Texas.

Nancy was born June 2, from sun up to sundown. 1945, to Jim and Opal Campbell at Stamford, Texas.

Nancy married Dwayne

Myrick on May 9, 1964 in ond home at the lake and all Floydada and they had remained married for 52 years. She worked at the First National Bank of Floydada and then she was a stay at home mom until both of her daughters started school. After moving to Grand Prairie, she went to work for GPISD where she worked for 27 years, and then retired.

Nancy enjoyed being a part of all of her grandchildren's activities, and never liked to peacefully at her home on miss anything that they were part of. She also enjoyed going to Lake Fork, and fishing

Her greatest claim to fame at the lake was catching a 10 ½ lb bass. She loved her secof her many friends that she had made there. She was a loving grandmother to her three grandchildren; Andrew and Olivia Arias and Lauren Armstrong.

She is preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband Dwayne Myrick of Grand Prairie; two daughters, Angela Arias and husband, Dr. Juan Arias of Desoto, Texas and Dwayla Armstrong of Grand Prairie, Texas and one sister, Laura Turner and husband, Tracy of Flovdada.

A memorial service will be held at a later time.

She will be missed greatly by her family and her friends.

### Health officials: Zika likely to spread in Texas

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Texas has identified 33 cases of the Zika virus that all have been associated with overseas travel, but the virus is expected to begin spreading locally within the state during the sweaty upcoming summer months, top health officials said Tuesday.

Department of State Health Services Commissioner John Hellerstedt told a Texas Senate health panel that potential hot zones include Dallas, Houston, the Gulf Coast and the Rio Grande Valley. Poor areas are likely to be hardest hit since they tend to be rife with standing water and bits of old tires that are breeding havens for mosquitoes, which carry

"We do believe that Texas will, at some point, likely experience mosquito vector transmission," Department of State Health Services Commissioner John Hellerstedt told a state Senate health committee meeting. "We don't know when and we don't really know at what level that will occur."

There have been 500-plus cases of Zika in the continental U.S., but so far all involved travel to foreign locales. Hellerstedt said the virus had now been detected in nearly all of Latin America and that some cases of local transmission had been reported in Mexico, with permission.

though not along the U.S. border.

"One of the big advantages that we have over other parts of the world in terms of Zika is our ability to see it coming and prepare for

Testing for the virus can be complicated since one method involves drawing blood that will only come up positive in people infected for a window of up to seven days after exposure. Also, Texas only has the capacity to conduct a few dozen such tests a week, meaning an outbreak could overwhelm the system.

Gov. Greg Abbott has created an infectious disease task force, and academics and scientists around the state are also working on a vaccine — but don't expect it to be ready by Memorial Day, when peak mosquito season

The key to containing the virus is mosquito eradication, most of which is funded locally. Dallas County and other areas have recent experience with spraying from the air to curb the mosquito-borne spread of the West Nile virus — but such efforts aren't likely to be successful since Zika is spread by the Aedes species mosquito, which is harder to fight from afar than other species.

Editor's Note: The article is courtesy of the Lubbock Avalance-Journal and is reprinted

## Texas travel information helps plan summer road trips

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — If you're planning a road trip this summer, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) offers the Texas State Travel Guide, Texas Highways Events Calendar and Texas Official Travel Map to help you get where you're going and have fun along the way.

"Whether you have a particular destination in mind or are just planning to explore Texas, these publications will help you every mile of your trip," said Joan Henderson, TxDOT's Travel Information Division director. "Texas is big, and so is the list of things to do and places to see offered in these publications. Plus, the travel information is

The 264-page Travel Guide offers features on history, arts and culture, music, food, shopping,

sports, family activities and the outdoors. In addition, you'll find information on more than 450 cities and 3,000 attractions. The city and attraction listings are separated into regions and each has a section highlighting some of the must-see places. The Events Calendar is published quarterly by season. The summer edition, available now, includes events ranging from festivals and fairs to rodeos, food events, music, art and museum exhibits, theatrical performances and market days.

The Texas Official Travel Map shows highways, farm/ranch roads, airports, communities and recreational areas to assist travelers in safely exploring the state.

Pick up these publications at any of the 12 Texas Travel Information Centers across the state. They also may be ordered online or by calling (800) 452-9292.



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## CHURCH DIRECTO

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After months of procrastination, I went to a dermatologist to have a suspicious mole on my arm examined. To my surprise, the doctor wanted to biopsy another spot on my skin - one that hadn't concerned me at all. When the results came back, the second site, rather than the first, had been diagnosed as early-stage melanoma, a deadly form of skin cancer. Thankfully, the problem was discovered while it could be treated and before it had spread to other parts of my body.

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tervention; yet if God had answered my prayer, the serious health situation in the other spot would have gone undiscovered. The result could have been

So often we pray for the removal of circumstances that are difficult or challenging and we get frustrated when they persist. Instead, we can thank God for the good God will bring out of difficult circumstances. The result may be more favorable than we can see or imagine. We are blessed by God's love and protection, even when we are unaware that a problem exists. James C. Hendrix (Indiana, USA)

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Ester Ramos, Praise Leader

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Morning Praise - 11 a.m.

Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

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Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.

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Jesus Caballero, Pastor

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service - 11 a.m.

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Rev. Toby Gonzales

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:40 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Wed Evening - 7 p.m.

San Jose Catholic Church

Lockney

Msgr. Nickolas Rendon

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Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.

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Joe Weldon, Pastor

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

Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

**City Park Church of Christ** Matthew Benfield, Minister Floydada

Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

**First Baptist Church** Floydada Tim Franks, Pastor Logan Lamb, Min. Students Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

> **First Baptist Church** Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min. Phil Cotham, Music Min.

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**First United Methodist Church** Floydada

Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church** Lockney Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m.

Wed High School - 6:30 p.m. **Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ** Joe Bennett, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.

Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday - 8 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m. **Main Street Church of Christ** 

Lockney James Blair, Minister Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada Rev. Timothy Askey

Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

401 N 12th Sty. 983-5805 Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday Study - 6 p.m.

**New Salem Primitive Baptist Church** Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges

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**Templo Bautista Salem** Lockney Rev. Joe Hernandez

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**Templo Nueva Vida** Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School - 10 a.m. Evening Worship - 5 p.m. Tuesday - 7:30 p.m. Thursday Service - 7:30 p.m.

Trinity Assembly 500 W. Houston Tom Ross, Pastor 983-5499 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

**Trinity Luthern Church** Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009

Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service 11 - a.m. **West Side Church of Christ** Floydada

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

# AGRICULTURE

## Carstensen awarded \$1,500 America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders Scholarship



KARLA CARSTENSEN

LOCKNEY, TX - Lockney High School student Karis Carstensen from Lockney has been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship from America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Carstensen will study agricultural communications at West Texas A&M University. Karis is the daughter of Ricky and Kristi

Cartensen of Lockney.

"Karis is a very well-rounded student. She serves as our FFA chapter president, but she also participates in band, softball, basketball, and competitive power lifting," said Shane Sherrill, FFA advisor at Lockney High School. "She has the willingness and ability to be a leader and to talk about agriculture with her school and across the community," Sherrill said.

people like Carstensen to fill thousands of jobs in a variety of fields, such as plant science, engineering, communications, finance and more. Grow Ag Leaders encourages rural youth to remain in the agriculture industry and provides 352 scholarships nationwide to support students' post high school ag education.

Grow Ag Leaders scholarships, administered by the National FFA Organization, are available to high school seniors and college students pursuing degrees in ag-related fields. To be considered, each applicant is required to receive endorsements from at least three local farmers. Both FFA members and non-FFA members are eligible to apply. With support from the Monsanto Fund, more than \$1.1

The future of agriculture relies on talented young million in scholarships has been awarded to students since Grow Ag Leaders piloted in 2014. For more information, visit GrowAgLeaders.com, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders is part of the America's Farmers community outreach initiative. Other programs include America's Farmers Grow Communities and America's Farmers Grow Rural Education. Visit www.AmericasFarmers. com to learn more.

The Monsanto Fund, the philanthropic arm of the Monsanto Company, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening the communities where farmers and Monsanto Company employees live and work. Visit the Monsanto Fund at www. MonsantoFund.org.

#### 2016 Old Settler's Quilt Show Winners

PEOPLE'S CHOICE Stacy Reeves - "Roses"

ANTIQUE CHOICE Elmer Dean Williams - "Dresden Plate"

BONNET PEOPLE'S CHOICE Stacy Reeves

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1st place - Sue Ward - "Block of the Month" nd place – Renee Stapp – "Lemoyne Star" 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Rozanne Bishop – "Hidden Wells"

MIX TECHNIQUE 1st place - Terri Bush - "Road Trip" 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Ethelyn Garnett – "Celtic Rose Swirl" 3rd place -Sue Ward - "Christmas"

YOUTH

1st place – Annalicia Luna – "Chevron" 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Angelo Longoria – "Feathers" 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Sabrina Delgado – "9-Patch"

**OTHERS** 

1<sup>st</sup> place – Ethelyn Garnett –Bonnett Girl (Baby) 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Sue Ward - "Poinsetta" 3rd place - Terri Spradlin - "Throw Back" Honorable Mention - Stanley Sanders - "Lattace" Honorable Mention - Sue Ward - "Cut Up (Batik)

## SPC to host License to Carry class on June 11

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer the new Texas License to Carry a Handgun class on June 11 (Saturday) in Room 115 of the Law Enforcement Technology building on the Levelland campus.

The class will begin at 8 a.m. with breaks every hour as well as a lunch break.

The classroom portion will cover firearm safety, the use of force, non-violent conflict resolution, lawful concealed or open carry, storage with children in the home, and contacts with law enforcement personnel. It will run about five to six hours.

The range portion will cover range safety rules and commands and the shooting portion of the class at distances ranging from three to 15 yards. The number of students will determine how long the range portion

requires. Inexperienced shooters might want sack. "This one-time extento take the N.R.A. Basic Pistol course before sion should give producers taking the L.T.C. course.

Students will need to bring either a revolver or semiautomatic pistol of at least .32 caliber, and fifty rounds of ammunition to match. Eye and hearing protection are provided for students who do not have their own.

The cost of the course is \$75 for students the direction and authorgetting their first license, and \$25 for students ity to amend the Actively wanting a refresher course before renewing their license.

Although renewals are now handled strict-final rule established limits ly online, the changes in Texas firearms law on the number of individuin 2013 and 2015 make a refresher course a als who can qualify as acgood investment.

Students need to register and pay in advance. Space is limited. To sign up, call Kasey ment limit for management Reyes at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@ southplainscollege.edu.

## JSDA extends deadline for recording farm structure

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, May 27, 2016 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced a one-time, 30day extension to the June 1 deadline for recording farm organization structures related to Actively Engaged in Farming determinations. This date is used to determine the level of interest an individual holds in a legal entity for the applicable program year. Farming operations will now have until July 1 to complete their restructuring or finalize any operational change. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued the extension in response to farmers and ranchers who requested more time to comply, and to assure that everyone has enough time to provide their information under the new

"Most farming and ranching organizations have been able to comply with the actively engaged rule," said Vilwho may still need to update their farm structure information the additional time to

The 2014 Farm Bill pro-Engaged in Farming rules related to management. The tively engaged using only management. Only one payis allowed under the rule, with the ability to request

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support American agricul- voice users). ture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has also provided \$5.6 billion of disaster revided the Secretary with lief to farmers and ranchers; expanded risk management tools with products like to Whole Farm Revenue Protection; and helped farm businesses grow with \$36 billion in farm credit. The Department has engaged its resources to support a strong next generation of farmers and ranchers by improving access to land and capital; building new markets and market opportunities; extending new conservation opportunities. USDA has developed new markets for

up to two additional qualify- rural-made products, including managers operations for ing more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and The rule does not ap- invested \$64 billion in inply to farming operations frastructure and community comprised entirely of family facilities to help improve the members. The rule also does quality of life in rural Amernot change the existing regu- ica. For more information,

USDA is an equal opporlandowners with a risk in the tunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of that planted fall crops have discrimination, write: USDA, until the 2017 crop year to Office of the Assistant Secrecomply with the new rules. tary for Civil Rights, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or limited annually to \$125,000 call (866) 632-9992 (Tollfree Customer Service), (800) Since 2009, USDA has 877-8339 (Local or Federal worked to strengthen and relay), (866) 377-8642 (Relay



Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer a rifle and pistol ammunition reloading course on June 11 (Saturday). The cost is \$90. Class will begin at 9 a.m. in Room 116 of the Law Enforcement Technology building. There will be breaks every hour, and a onehour break for lunch.

This course is eight hours in length and will be conducted in a classroom. Each student is taught reloading safety; center fire cartridge components; using the reloading manual and reloading data; equipment; and the metallic cartridge reloading process. Students will learn about different kinds of reloading equipment, and get help in choosing which is right for them.

Students will receive the

NRA Guide to Reloading proach to the course, space is to the Dean of Continuing and handbook, the Basic Reloading limited. For more information Student Exam, a course com- or to register, contact Kasey 716-2341 or email kreyes@ pletion certificate, NRA Gun Reyes, administrative assistant Safety Rules brochure, a Basic Firearm Training Program brochure and an Instructor Application/Course Evaluation form.

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Sat., July 30, 2016 • 10:00 a.m. Amarillo, TX Chad Brown - Owner Selling: 4 Tractors, Farm & Livestock Equip.

Aug. 23-24-25-26-27, 2016 • 10:00 a.m. **Annual Harvest Equipment Auction** Plainview, TX - (Five Star Lot)

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# LOCKNEY SCHOOL NEWS

# Kasner, Moore Top Graduates at LHS

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Levi Kasner, son of Andrew and Racheal Kasner, is the valedictorian for Lockney High School's Class of 2016.

Kasner plans to attend Texas Tech University to study mechanical engineering and become an aerospace engineer.

Kasner's accomplishments include receiving a four-year Presidential Scholarship from Texas Tech; PSAT National Merit Commendation; Texas Elite Academic All-State Football Team; UIL State Academics meet: second place individual in Physics and second place team at in 2015, second place team in 2014 and fifth place team in 2013; ATSSB Band: 4A All-State Alternate Alto Saxophone, 2016; 4A Area Band second chair, 2016; 1-3A Area Band second chair 2014, 2015; 1-3A Region 16 Honor Band 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016; 1-3A All Region Jazz Band 2016; UIL Solo/Ensemble Alto Saxophone: second division ensemble 2012; second division solo 2015; Region: first division

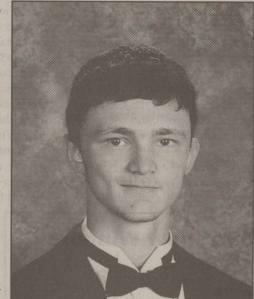
ensemble 2012, 2016; first division solo 2015, 2016; Superintendent's Academic Award 2013, 2014, 2015; and Regional Mile Relay qualifier 2015.

Kasner participated in UIL Academics in Science, Math and Computer Science; Concert and Marching Band for four years; Football for four years; Baseball for three years; Track and Field for one year; Basketball for one year; Student Council Representative for four years; NHS for two years; and FCA for three years

Kasner also spent time volunteering at the Harvest Christian Fellowship; Honduras Medical Mission Team; Salvation Army; Ronald McDonald House; NHS Community Service Projects; Student Council Community Service Projects; FCA Community Service Projects; and Junior Chamber of Commerce

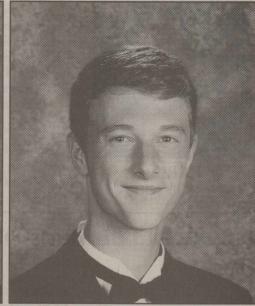
Jake Moore, son of Sam and Sharie Moore, is the salutatorian for Lockney High School's Class of 2016

Moore plans to attend the University of Texas and major in Physics.



LEVI KASNER

Moore was a member of the UIL State Champion Literary Criticism team; ATSSB Honor Band on flute; NHS President; Student Council Vice-President; and voted Most



JAKE MOORE

Dependable by peers.

Moore also participated in UIL Number Sense, Cross Country, Track, One-Act Play and LHS Band.



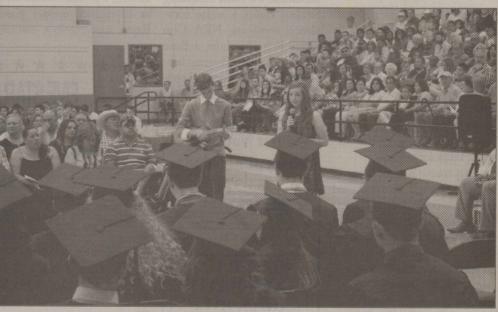


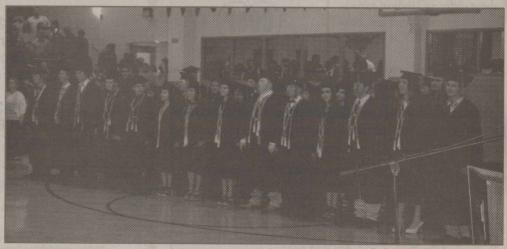












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Lockney High School Celebrates the Class of 2016

## SCHOOL NEWS

## Plainview Stars Compete in State Special Olympics



















## Morris awarded UIL sponsor excellence award

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

D'Lyn Morris, Lockney High's Academic Coordinator, receives her award from UIL State Academics Director, Dr. David Stevens at the Science awards ceremony.

The Sponsor Excellence Award is given to 15 sponsors from all over the state nominated by their school administrators. She has recently retired from the classroom but has continued for the 10th year as UIL academic coordinator. In addition to coaching the science team for 13 years, Mrs. Morris has also coached Current Issues and Events as well as Computer Science.

The UIL seeks to highlight the contributions of sponsors of UIL scholastic competition.

This award is created to identify and

recognize outstanding sponsors who assist students in developing and refining their extracurricular talents to the highest degree possible within the educational system while helping them to keep their personal worth separate from their success or failure

"Teachers and coaches are asked to do so much and they go above and beyond the call of duty to serve as sponsors, coaches and directors. UIL events would not be possible without tireless effort and dedication from sponsors like these. On behalf of the UIL, I commend these outstanding educators," said UIL Executive Director Dr. Charles Breithaupt.





Floyd County 4-H'ers participating in the District Archery contest on May 14, 2016 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center, shown are (back row, left to right) Ryder Glass, Rachel Graham and Mason Esty; (Front row, left to right) Kaden Weekes, Haygen Lefevre, **Brinley Lefevre and Hunter Lefevre.** 



Recently the Plainview Stars participated in the State Special Olympics in Arlington. All total, the Stars brought home four Gold medals, 13 Silver medals, two Bronze medals and three ribbons. Eleven athletes and 12 coaches/volunteers took in all the activities in Arlington including the Special Olympics Games and a Texas Rangers baseball game. Josh Armstrong and Paul Lopez of Lockney and Kami Holbert of Floydada were among the participants. Johnny Arjona of Lockney serves as their coach.

#### 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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We will not have summer food program on Fridays.

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Pizza, Salad, Veggie Cup, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY

Crispy Tacos, Pinto Beans, Rice, Salsa, Fruit, Milk **THURSDAY** 

Homemade Beef/Bean Burritos, Salsa, Baked Beans, Cucumber & Tomato Cup Fruit, Milk

**FRIDAY** 

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## Floydada Soccer League kicks off Inaugural Season

**By Alicia Gonzalez** 

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada Soccer League kicked off their Inaugural Season on Saturday June 4, 2016. City Manager Jeff Johnson was in attendance and kicked in the first ball to our Tiny Tot division which consists of 5-6 year olds.

There are three divisions in the soccer league. Tiny tots are our 5-6 year olds. The Trooper division is our 7-9 year olds and the Titan division are our 10-12 year olds. Each division had a game on Saturday and the excitement began.

League President Alicia Gomez and League Founder Elias Gutierrez stated," The vision behind the soccer league was to give children another choice in sports and to give those who have always wanted to play soccer that opportunity"

They also stated, "We also have one common belief.....that this is to make the children happy. That's all that matters to us".

The soccer season will last the whole month of June and carry into July.

We are excited that so many parents would support their children's decision to play and let us be a part of it.

There are fifteen teams with fifteen amazing coaches and assistants.

The turnout Saturday was amazing and we couldn't have asked for a better bunch of kids!

SCHOOL

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following the 3rd Sunday in

Registration will begin in

July 17. Classes start Monday

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becoming scarce. So before

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some 30 amp. The plumbing

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The Titan division which consists of 10-12 year olds getting the season started Saturday,

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LOCKNEY - Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat. Our phone number is 652-2745.

Remember Exercise with Dorothy - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 – 9:15 a.m. plate...all you can eat!!! Let us do the dishes.

Coffee time - Monday- Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thursday night pot luck- Everyone meets at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner at 6 p.m. and the games afterwards.

Remember Family Night Fish Fry is every Friday night, 5-8 p.m .and the cost is \$12 a

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**By Floydada Senior Citizens** Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Floydada Senior. Citithe afternoon on Sunday, zens Center will be having a fund raiser on Sunday, June 26th. It will be a sack lunch type event. We are brown bagging hamburgers with HPSS 2016 will end with chips, drink and Ice cream. We are asking for the evening services Friday, donations with minimum donation of \$5.

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# In memory of Joy Assiter – Donna Pernell

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The Hobby Club met at the South Plains Baptist Church in South Plains, Texas on May 11, 2016. We left the church at 9:45 A.M.

First on our program was the Swisher County Museum in Tulia, Texas. The location was the Chamber Of Commerce Building. Our guide was Sally Workman Murrell and her assistant was Apryll Vanpelt. The museum started in the 1960's in the basement of the court house.

The museum has so many different kinds of things to see. I'm taking some of my information from the hand out they gave me, information I looked up (to get info right after seeing it) and just myself. I want you to go to the museum to see all the items of history and most still usable. They were so well made in those days.

Just some of the interesting things they have to see. Farm and ranch items, J.O. Bass Blacksmith Shop with his tools and equipment displayed, military items including mannequins dressed in military wear, Quanah Parker and Native American artifacts, pictures of early life in the area, an old doll house (with furniture), a rebuilt house with five rooms in the inside building. It has old furniture, kitchen items, and some clothing. Two items that some women and I had never seen was a large Bible and a smaller Bible that the chapters were numbered with Roman Numerals. We couldn't touch them so we didn't know what date they were published.

There was an outside courtyard that had several items too. Including the Jowell House. It was built in early 1900's. It had a Murphy bed. It was furnished with great older items. A 1930 electric fridge. A gas stove of the early 1900's. Too much to tell you here. One item I don't want to leave out is the two seater out house with a catalogue

No corn cobbs.

Count your blessings ladies for things we take for granted. Charles Goodnight had the first ranch called the JA. He had 1,000,000 acres. He had "line cabins" built for his cowboys who kept an eye on the cattle and needed a place to stay as they had so much area to travel to check on the cattle. They had one of these "line cabins" that was built about 1884. The bedrolls were filled with buffalo hair and they burned dried cow chips when wood wasn't handy. It is furnished to give us an idea of cowboy living.

Our next stop was lunch at the El Camino Restaurant in Tulia, Texas. We were ready to eat

and it did not disappoint. Peggy Roberts asked the blessing over our lunch. The service was very

Virginia Taylor, our president, held our meeting as we waited for our lunch to be served. Virginia thanked Peggy Roberts, our hostess. Peggy introduced our quest, Barbara Bullock. Virginia recognized birthdays. She, then, read a funny story we enjoyed. Summer functions were announced. She reminded us about the sick, surgeries, and funerals and to keep in prayer the people and their families. Virginia thanked the callers Denise Doucette and Mary M. Carter. We were given new phone lists, thank you Denise.

Our next meeting will be September 14, 2016 at the AG Museum and the Windmill Museum in Lubbock, Texas. We can meet at the South Plains Baptist Church, So. Plains, Texas at 8:15 A.M. or the home of Janis Julian in Floydada, Texas at 8:45 A.M. We are to bring a brown bag lunch to have a picnic in the park, weather per-

The last thing on the program was a stop at the Kenneth Wyatt Gallery in Tulia, Texas and we were very pleasantly surprised that Mr. Wyatt was there to greet us. Jeanetta Bradford was his assistant and she happy to help in any way. Mr. Wyatt told us of one of his interests that means a lot to him. He is teaching the "Wounded War Vets" to paint. It can mean different things to each one of the Vets. Even finding a new talent. Mr. Wyatt explained a new way they are printing his paintings. He is very happy with the results. I find it absolutely wonderful that he still paints, almost every day, for 8 to 10 hours. It just goes to show when you love what you do and use your God given talent. He gets so involved in his painting that he forgets to eat. He doesn't realize how long it has been. Isn't it the way it is when you are happy at what you are doing. He answered questions from us and stayed to talk to ladies as we looked around his gallery. So many heart felt painting to see. An experience I will not soon forget.

We all want to thank Peggy Roberts, our hostess. She had a lot of planning and thought into this meeting and getting the times to match up. Peggy we enjoyed every minute of it. Again,

Those in attendence were Helen Teeple, Glenda Ford, Peggy Roberts, Margie Young, Brenda Walls, Ethelyn Vernon, Nancy Marble, Sue Daniels, Janis Julian, Ann Ford, Virginia Taylor, Denise Doucette, Margaret Kitchens, and Mary M. Carter. Our guest was Barbara Bullock.



Floydada Soccer League President Alicia Gomez (right and League Founder Elias Gutierrez (left) are shown at Saturdays inaugural games.

#### **UPCOMING** From Page 1

#### FLOYDADA CITY WIDE **GARAGE SALE**

The Floydada Chamber will hold their annual City-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, June 18th. The list will be distributed to the community on Friday, June 17th. Please make sure you included the following in your entry: address, main items to be sold, the time you wish to open and close and your \$10 entry fee. Entry deadline is Thursday, June 16th at 6 p.m. Call the Chamber at 983-3434 or go by the EDC/ Chamber office at 105 S. 5th.

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## commends USDA

LUBBOCK--Mary Jane Buerkle, Director of Communications and Pub-Affairs, Plains Cotton Growers commended the U.S. Department of Agriculture today (June 6) for creating a Cotton Ginning Cost-Share program that will provide an estimated \$300 million in muchneeded assistance to growers across the Cot-

"We greatly appreciate U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack and the USDA for listening to the concerns of cotton producers and coming up with a viable short-term solution that will help us face some of our challenges," PCG President Johnie Reed, a cotton producer from Kress, said.

This one-time payment will be available upon signup, which will begin June 20 and run through August 5. Producers should contact their local Farm Service Agency office. According to a USDA news release, payments are expected to begin in July.

Qualifying payments will be determined by a producer's 2015 cotton acres reported to age ginning cost for each production region. Payments to Texas producers will be \$36.97

The program has the same eligibility requirements as were used for the 2014 Cotton Transition Assistance Program, including a \$40,000 per producer payment limit, requirement to be actively engaged in farming, meet conservation compliance and a \$900,000 adjusted gross income limit.

"We had hoped for some flexibility in the payment limit, but we are grateful for the assistance, because our producers certainly need it," Reed said. "We recognize that this is a program for the near term, and we remain committed to working with Congress and others in trying to establish cottonseed as an 'other oilseed' under Title I of the 2014 Farm Bill, which would provide long-term stability for our industry.'

For more information:

Contact: Mary Jane Buerkle, Director of Communications and Public Affairs (806) 792-4904; maryjane@plainscotton. FSA, multiplied by 40 percent of the aver- org <mailto:maryjane@plainscotton.org>

## USDA unveils new improvement to Streamline Crop Reporting

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, May 31, 2016 - U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced that farmers and ranchers filing crop acreage reports with the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and participating insurance providers approved by the Risk Management Agency (RMA) now can provide the common information from their acreage reports at one office and the information will be electronically shared with the other location.

This new process is part of the USDA Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI). This interagency collaboration also includes participating private crop insurance agents and insurance companies, all working to streamline the information collected from farmers and ranchers who participate in USDA programs.

"If you file your report at one location, the data that's important to both FSA and RMA will be securely and electronically shared with the other location," said FSA Administrator Val Dolcini. "This will avoid redundant and duplicative reporting, and we expect this to save farmers and ranchers time.'

"Accuracy in crop reporting is a key component for crop insurance, because an error in this information can affect premiums or claims. This is going to greatly improve efficiencies and reduce mistakes," said RMA Administrator Brandon Willis.

Since 2009, USDA has been working to streamline the crop reporting process for agricultural producers, who have expressed concerns with providing the same basic common information for multiple locations. In 2013, USDA consolidated the deadlines to 15 dates for submitting these reports, down from the previous 54 dates at RMA and 17 dates for FSA. USDA representatives believe farmers and ranchers will experience a notable improvement in the coming weeks as they approach the peak season for crop reporting later this summer.

More than 93 percent of all annual reported acres to FSA and RMA now are eligible for the common data reporting, and USDA is exploring adding more crops. Producers must still visit both locations to validate and sign acreage reports, complete maps or provide program-specific information. The common data from the first-filed acreage report will now be available to pre-populate and accel-

Thank

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reading!

erate completion of the second report. Plans are underway at USDA to continue building upon the framework with additional efficiencies at a future date.

Dolcini also reminded farmers and ranchers that they can now access their FSA farm information from the convenience of their home computer. "You can see your field boundaries, images of your farm, conservation status, operator and owner information and much more," said Dolcini.

The new customer self-service portal, known as FSAFarm+, gives farmers and ranchers online access to securely view, print or export their personal farm data. To enroll in the online service, producers are encouraged to contact their local FSA office for details. To find a local FSA office in your area, visit http://offices.usda.gov.

Since 2009, USDA has worked to strengthen and support American agriculture, an industry that supports one in 11 American jobs, provides American consumers with more than 80 percent of the food we consume, ensures that Americans spend less of their paychecks at the grocery store than most people in other countries, and supports markets for homegrown renewable energy and materials. USDA has also provided \$5.6 billion of disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; expanded risk management tools with products like to Whole Farm Revenue Protection; and helped farm businesses grow with \$36 billion in farm credit. The Department has engaged its resources to support a strong next generation of farmers and ranchers by improving access to land and capital; building new markets and market opportunities; extending new conservation opportunities. USDA has developed new markets for rural-made products, including more than 2,500 biobased products through USDA's BioPreferred program; and invested \$64 billion in infrastructure and community facilities to help improve the quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/results.

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Floyd County Commissioners Court will be holding a Public Meeting on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

The purpose of the meeting is seeking public opinion on the destruction of the Floyd County Jail.

Persons interested in speaking must submit a public participation form to the Floyd County Clerk prior to speaking.



## Texas Comptroller encourages families to start educational savings

(AUSTIN) — With "529 College Savings Day" set for May 29, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar wants to remind families about the importance of saving for their children's higher education expenses through college savings plans known as "529 plans" as authorized by Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.

"Families can give their kiddos a head start on saving for college by learning how a 529 plan works or by contributing to an existing 529 plan," Hegar said. "There are few greater contributions than saving for your loved one's future higher educa-

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The Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board administers all three 529 plans through the Comptroller's office. TTPF enrollment for newborns is available through July 31 to lock in undergraduate tuition and school-wide required fees at 2015-2016 prices; open enrollment begins Sept. 1 for calling 512-936-2064.

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## A&M restores historic anchor

COLLEGE STATION, May 16, 2016 -- Researchers at Texas A&M University have been restoring a 2,425-pound anchor found off the coast of the Pacific Northwest for two years, and the project is finished. Now the mystery facing them is, just where did the more than 200-year-old anchor come from?

Jim Jobling, lab manager of Texas A&M's Center for Maritime Archaeology and Conservation, says it was initially believed the 10-foot long anchor came from the HMS Chatham, a British vessel that was well known in the area around 1792.

But further inspection has researchers convinced it was from a later time period, most likely the 1820s.

"That means we don't know which ship it came from, and it won't be easy to find out," Jobling explains.

"We know that the anchor came from a later time period, and due to its size and weight, probably a much larger ship than the Chatham. It's going to take some digging to find out where the anchor origi-

The anchor was brought to the Texas A&M campus by two researchers in the Seattle area by pickup truck two years ago by Doug Monk, who found the anchor off Whidbey Island. A forklift will place the anchor back into the same pickup in a few days when the men make the return trip to search.tamu.edu.

College Station.

"They hope to find a museum for it," Jobling says of the anchor.

"It deserves a final resting place. After the restoration, it's in pretty good shape and it's something people in the Puget Sound area would like to see."

The anchor is one of many such projects Jobling has worked on his 30 years at the conservation lab. He estimates he and his team have worked on 145 projects and restored almost two million artifacts over the years.

About Research at Texas A&M University: As one of the world's leading research institutions, Texas A&M is in the vanguard in making significant contributions to the storehouse of knowledge, including that of science and technology. Research conducted at Texas A&M represented annual expenditures of more than \$866.6 million in fiscal year 2015. Texas A&M ranked in the top 20 of the National Science Foundation's Higher Education Research and Development survey (2014), based on expenditures of more than \$854 million in fiscal year 2014.

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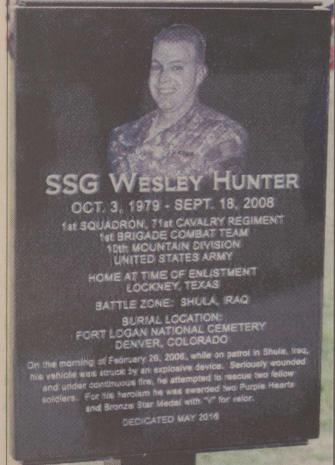
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