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4-H Celebrates Achievements at Annual Banquet

By Charles Keaton
 The Hesperian-Beacon

"4-H Goes for the Gold" was the theme for the annual Floyd County 4-H Achievement Banquet that was held on August 28 at the Unity Center.

Keenan Nixon, president of the Floyd County 4-H Council, served as master of ceremonies as 4-H members, parents, leaders and supporters were recognized for their achievements and service over the past year.

Sixty-four members received their 4-H year pins ranging from Clover Kids to 10 years. Outstanding Record Books recognized were: Preslie Brooks for a junior Horse book; Jack Brooks for an intermediate Horse book; and Rachel Graham for a senior Shooting Sports book. Pres-

lie also received Outstanding First Year Record Book. Others recognized for their record books include Kaden Weekes in junior Shooting Sports and Ryder Glass in junior Intermediate Shooting Sports. Each of the record book participants also received a corresponding county medal for their book.

Individuals recognized for participating in District and State events include Brinley Lefevre, Haygen Lefevre, Hunter Lefevre, Rachel Graham and Mason Esty for District Food Show; Lindee Miller, Tyann Phillips, Peyton Anderson and Hunter Lefevre for District Food Challenge; Lindee Miller and Rachel Graham for District Fashion Show; Rachel Graham for National Western Stock Show - FCS Open category; Preslie Brooks for District Photogra-



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Special recognition went to leaders and volunteers. Left to right, Annabelle Bramlet received a Friend of 4-H award representing the Lockney Senior Citizens Center; Lacy Phillips received a Silver Spur Clip; Tanner Smith and Eric Smith received a Friend of 4-H award representing Floyd County Farm Bureau; Billy Lefevre received a Silver Spur Clip; and Tracy Esty was named Distinguished Leader and represented the Lockney Senior Citizens as well.

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Many Floyd County 4-Hers received recognition at the Annual Achievement Banquet. Back row (left to right) Rachel Graham received Outstanding Senior Recordbook and High Point for Seniors in Floydada; Mason Esty was High Point for Seniors in Lockney; Ryder Glass was High Point Jackets for Intermediates in Floydada; Keenan Nixon was High Point for Seniors in Floydada; and Jack Brooks received the Silver Star, Outstanding Intermediate Recordbook and High Point for Intermediates in Floydada. Front row (left to right) Hunter Lefevre received the LeAnn Bishop Memorial Shooting Sports Award; Kaden Weekes was High Point for Juniors in Lockney and received the Bronze Star; Sydni Chesshir was High Point for Juniors in Floydada; and Preslie Brooks received the Bronze Star, Outstanding First Year and Junior Recordbook and High Point for Floydada.

Local Artist Chases Dream, Attends Private Art Institute

By Jennifer Harbin
 Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA--Since the tender age of four, Frankie Luna III exhibited a creative side, and soon his dream of attending a prestigious art institute in New York will come true. The talented young man, whose specialty is portraiture, followed what some may say was a natural progression since both his parents are artistically inclined. But despite his natural talent, the road to acceptance into one of the nation's highest ranking design schools took years of dedicated practice and a little help from an encouraging educator.

For Luna, 21, classes begin this week at PrattMWP College of Art and Design in upstate New York to kick off what he's hoping will be a life-changing experience. Pratt MWP is an extension campus of the world-renowned Pratt Institute in Brooklyn and boasts a 1 to 10 teacher to student ratio, accepting only 126 new students annually.

"I think I took art seriously when I was four, because I grew up with it, both par-



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Artist Frankie Luna III stands next to his acrylic & ink painting titled "Converse Blues" which won him a trip to the state VASE event in Bryan his senior year of high school. There he talked to recruiters from various colleges and decided he wanted to attend an all-art school.

ents," Luna explained. "I'm the first one to actually try to make a career out of it."

He officially started art classes his seventh grade year at Floydada Jr. High with art teacher Janna Williams,

who instructed him until his graduation in 2013. His first lessons were drawn in pencil, covering the basics of technique and style. But soon, the instructor singled him out, recognizing Luna's potential,

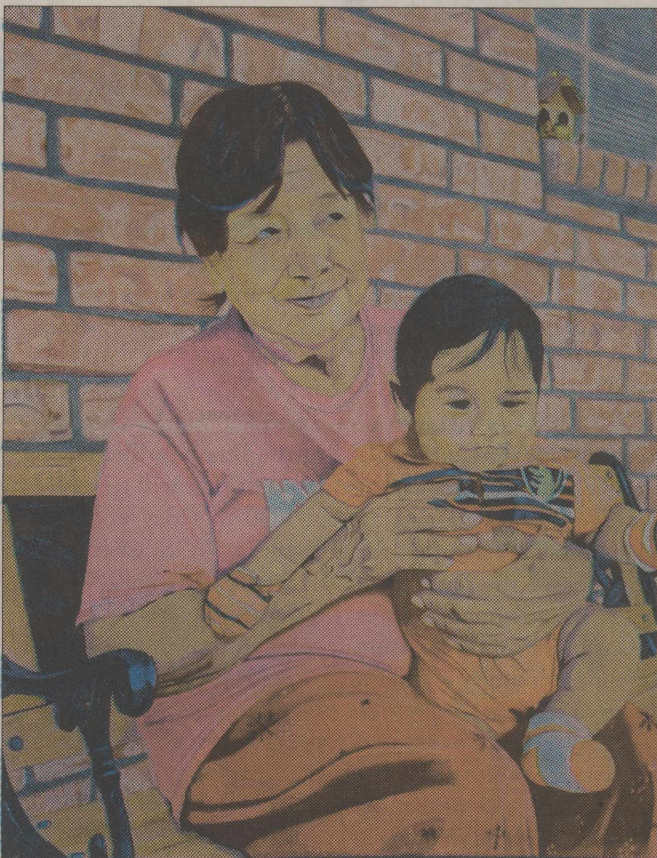


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

A portrait of Luna's grandmother holding his nephew reflects his natural talent at portraiture. He has received internet attention for his portraits of famous people.

and asked him how passionate and serious he was about art. From that point forward, she gave him a separate desk away from the other students to focus and special projects to cultivate his talents, push-

ing him with more complex assignments.

"She's very passionate about art...one of those teachers who really tries to get students to get motivated." See ARTIST, Page 9

4-H Honor Flight Fundraiser Announced

By Charles Keaton
 The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Pulled pork and sausage along with all the trimmings make up the menu for the Floyd County 4-H fundraiser to assist the South Plains Honor Flight. On Sunday, Sept. 18, from 11:30 A.M. until 2:00 P.M., Floyd County 4-H will serve the meal at the Lockney

Senior Citizens Center and the cost is a donation. If you are a member of the American Legion, VFW or a former Honor Flight participant and would like to assist, contact the Floyd County Extension office.

This is Floyd County 4-H's "One Day 4-H" project for 2016. One Day 4-H is a chance for 4-H members, parents, leaders and volunteers to say "Thank

you" to the communities that assist them so much by giving back to their communities.

The Honor Flight takes veterans, especially those from World War II and Korea or any other war if they are terminally ill, on a three day, two-night trip to Washington, D. C. to visit the World War II Memorial and other historic sites in our See HONOR FLIGHT, Page 9

Floyd County Supply Expansion Plans Include C-Store

By Kay Ellington
 The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA--Floyd County Supply's Conoco station at 420 S. 2nd in Floydada is expanding and its owner plans for the business to open as a convenience store with more fuel pumps and options in about six weeks.

Owner Lindan Morris said,

"We're adding more pumps including a DEF (Diesel Exhaust Fuel). It will be the only place on the main highway to have a DEF pump." Current users of DEF have to fill a portable container and then add the fuel to their tank. With the DEF pump, they can fuel DEF just like they would gasoline or diesel.

Morris noted that another of See C-STORE, Page 9

Upcoming

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SOUTH PLAINS HONOR FLIGHT

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FLOYDADA HOMECOMING

Floydada Homecoming is Friday, September 9th. The Whirlwinds will be playing against their rivals, the See UPCOMING, Page 9

Correction

If you spot an error of fact, contact the FCHB office email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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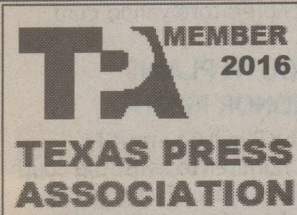
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Ellington and Johnston named to Media Honor Roll

Floydada — Kay Ellington with the Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon and Corey Johnston with KFLP Radio were named to the 2015-16 Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), by Floydada ISD. The Media Honor Roll recognizes media representatives statewide for fair and balanced reporting of news about public schools. Media from newspapers, radio and television stations, and online publications across the state were honored by their local school districts.

Criteria for the district selection included the media representative's efforts to get to know the superintendent, board president, and the district's mission and goals; report school news in a fair, accurate, and balanced manner; give a high profile to positive news about schools; visit the schools; and maintain a policy of no surprises by sharing information with school officials.

"Districts across Texas appreciate these reporters for their balanced and accurate approach to sharing both the challenges facing our schools and the successes achieved by local teachers, students, and school boards. Their work aids local communities in focusing



Courtesy Photo

Kay Ellington with the Floyd County Hesperian Beacon and Corey Johnston with KFLP Radio were named to the 2015-16 Media Honor Roll, a program sponsored by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), by Floydada ISD. Shown is Kay Ellington receiving her certificate from Floydada ISD Superintendent, Dr. Gilbert Trevino. (Not pictured — Corey Johnston).

on the goal of providing the best public schools we can for every child," said Bret Begert, TASB president.

In most cases, local school boards will present a personalized certificate to their nominated news media in a regularly scheduled board meeting.

TASB is a nonprofit organization established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent serve approximately 5.2 million public school students.

Planning continues for 29th Annual Punkin' Day celebration

By Darolyn Snell
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - October 8th is just around the corner and the planning continues for the 29th Annual Punkin' Day celebration! The Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is hoping you and your family members are making plans to be a part of all the fun. As in the past, there will be many opportunities to get in on this celebration of our community and all it has to offer.

First we want to remind everyone, families and businesses, now is to time to be getting those decorations out and showing your pride in our pumpkin heritage. During the week prior to Punkin Days, members of the Chamber will judge those entries and cash prizes will be awarded to the winners of first, second and third place. So think "PUMPKINS!" and decorate...decorate...decorate!

A lot of familiar competitions will be back again this year. The Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin Trailer, Guess the Number of Seeds and Candy Pumpkins and many more. The Chamber is still accepting entries for the Chili Cook Off, so get a team together and let us taste your best chili recipe! You can find all the information about rules, applications, fees and prizes on the Chamber website.

Cooking not your cup of tea? Maybe you could design a uniquely creative Halloween costume and get in on the Costume Contest! It's open to all ages from babies to those at the other end of the spectrum and cash prizes will be awarded to the first and second place finishers, male and female, in each age group. Choose an individual costume or come up with a group theme. The possibilities are endless!

Other returning favorites will include Cow Patty Bingo and you can get your tickets now from any Chamber member, at Ace Hardware, at First National Bank, at Assiter Insurance, or at Prosperity Bank. Of

course on Punkin' Day, whatever tickets remain will be available at the Chamber booth. And we all know that can be a lucrative contest if your number comes up a winner.

You can also register at the Chamber booth to be a part of the Pumpkin Pie Eating Contest that will take place at 2:30 that day under the Pavilion. With cash prizes as well, that is always a fun although somewhat messy competition!

Returning to the Punkin' Day line up this year is the 5K race that morning, thanks to the Business Professionals of America organization at Floydada High School. Contact the Chamber for all the details! For the second year in a row now the Chamber is pleased to be able to welcome the Pumpkin Auction to the Punkin' Days line-up! Locally grown Bigg Maxx pumpkins will go up for bid under the Pavilion at 11:30. Make sure and be there when we show just how big we grow 'em around here!

The Chamber booth will also host our normal Punkin Days games throughout the day. These games are free and lots of fun for everyone! Decorate your own pumpkin, participate in the Wheelbarrow races, toss a pumpkin and even do pumpkin bowling! Be on hand and get in on all the fun!

Again, let us encourage individuals and organizations to consider signing up to volunteer to help the Chamber members oversee events that day! All volunteers will receive a T-shirt showing that you are helping to make this special celebration of our community happen!

Last year the Chamber was proud to add a special service to the Punkin' Days activities. One that we hoped would make things easier for our seniors and disabled guests. For the second year now, we are glad to offer our new "Senior Citizen Park and Ride Service". We at the Chamber are proud to be able to offer this service to those that need it to be able to enjoy the day

with us. Anyone needing this service will simply park in the First Baptist Church parking lot on Wall Street and a ride will be provided to and from the Floyd County Museum and we will offer this service all day long. The Chamber also wants to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has had a part in helping us be able to offer this to our attendees that day.

Cash prizes! Lots of games! Tons of booths! Great entertainment! What's not to love?! Make your plans now to be in town and be a part of the 29th Annual Punkin Day celebration, Saturday, October 8th!

Remember you can contact the Floydada Chamber of Commerce at (806) 983-3434, by email at manager@floydadachamber.com or on the web at www.floydadachamber.com/punkin-days. We look forward to seeing everyone downtown for a great day in Floydada, Texas- "Pumpkin Capital USA!"

The Paperboy Economy struggles while markets soar

Last week the government adjusted its Gross Domestic Product numbers down. The revised figures show the economy grew at just 1.1 percent during the second quarter of 2016.

If you don't know what that means, it's terrible news. Rick Manning, President of Americans for Limited Government, issued the following regarding the figures: "Today we learned that the economy grew even slower than originally thought in the second quarter, dropping to an inflation-adjusted annualized 1.1 percent. That stinks. Combined with the really bad 0.8 percent in the first quarter, that means just to get to 2 percent for the year, the economy will need to grow above an annualized 3 percent for each of the last two quarters. To get to 3 percent for the year, it will need to grow at more than 5 percent for each of the last two quarters. Not going to happen."

"President Obama promised to turn the economy around after the financial crisis, and not only has he failed spectacularly, we are risking posting the worst economy on record — ever. Even worse from a growth perspective than the Great Depression given the past decade's data. It's that bad."

"The failure to hold Washington, D.C. accountable lays at the heart of the economy's failure to turn around. All we've done is double the national debt in eight years to \$20 trillion, taxing and regulating ourselves into oblivion and chasing even more business and the jobs they create overseas by making it even harder to produce things in America and turn a profit. The truth is, those looking overseas for growth opportunities are the smart ones, because if we have another four years like Obama's past eight, you'd have to be an idiot to invest in America with this assault on growth by Washington, D.C."

I agree with Mr. Manning and I'll add that the markets have me worried as well.

The stock markets continue to soar despite an overall bad economy. Why?

Financial gurus can give us reasons as to why why the markets are not tanking despite obvious weakness and uncertainty in the economy. They will also tell you that the bull market is going to turn south.

I guess the main thing to be aware of is when the markets does turn south, what will that do to the overall economy. It could be every bit as ugly as 2008.

Of course, if the economy crashes, it will likely mean higher oil prices which could actually insulate states like Texas and Oklahoma from the kind of devastation other states will see.

The markets have seen a wild ride despoits a weak economy. I'm guessing that a severe market correction would send the U.S. and world economies into a death spiral.

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Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Bingo night was a success. Although, we had rain, thunder, and lightning, over 25 people braved those elements to play bingo and win prizes. Bingo night will be held monthly on the second Tuesday of each month. Tuesday, September 13th will be our next scheduled Bingo Night, at 7 p.m. We are also adding some food items. Sandwiches, dessert, drinks, will all be available for purchase at the door. Bingo cards will remain \$1.00 for 2 cards. We hope to see you there.

Wanda Williams, one of our regular diners, has spearheaded a drive to improve the landscaping in front of our building. Recently, we have had gravel placed around the trees, and grass installed. It has transformed the curb appeal of our building. We would like to thank Wanda and her helpers. Those who helped with the landscaping include Tim and Angie Lipham, and Kim and Sarah Hinsley. Several members and friends of Senior Citizens donated to this cause. They include Faye Bertrand, Keith Stansell, Kent Covington, Cobb Gilly, David True, Virginia Pyle, Kendis Julian, Randy Beedy, Travis Jones, Nancy Lawson, Jerrold Vinson, David Mayo, Charlene Norrell, Wanda

Williams, James Lovell, Floydada Lions Club, and Floydada Rotary Club. Several City of Floydada employees helped place the sod (grass). At the present time, we do not have a list of their names. Thank you to all who had a part in this project.

Floydada Senior Citizen's Center is open to people of all ages. You do not need to be a senior citizen, nor a member to eat with us. However, if you are a member, your meal is \$5.00 instead of non-member price of \$6.00. To become a member, all you need to do is pay a \$25.00 yearly membership fee.

We serve a delicious meal with salad bar at 12 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday. Join us at 925 W. Crockett Street or we will deliver a meal anywhere in town. Call 983-2032.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235

MENU

September 5- September 9
Monday — CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY
Tuesday — Pork roast w/gravy
Wednesday — Chicken w/rice & gravy
Thursday — Lu Ann's meat & potato casserole
Friday — Pork chops w/beans
(Menus subject to change without notice)

SOCIETY

Holcomb's celebrate 40th wedding anniversary



Mel and Marjorie Holcomb

Mel and Marjorie Holcomb of Lockney will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, September 4, 2016.

The celebration will be held at the First Baptist Church Parlor in Lockney from 2 p.m.

– 4 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. No gifts please.

Mel and Marjorie were married on Friday, September 3, 1976 at her parents, John and Vera Cox, home.

Marjorie has a son and daughter, ten grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Mel has a son and daughter, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Turner Retires After 30 Years at USPS



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

U.S. Post Office Floydada employees and family celebrate the retirement of Tracy Turner on Thursday, Aug. 25 after 30 years of employment at the U.S. Postal Service. (Back row) Rusty Wallace, Pam Hernandez, Don Warren, Leonel Longoria, Brenda Attebury (Retired), Jill Graham; (front row) Albert Tovar, Pam Holmes, Esmeralda Garcia, Peggy Turner, Tracy Turner, Laura Turner, Postmaster Altie Nelson, Benita Longoria. Not pictured: Sharyl Gamble, Willis Bunch, Kristi Bunch.

By Jennifer Harbin
Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—After 30 years of service as a mail carrier for the United States Postal Service, Tracy Turner, of Floydada, is retiring. In honor of his service at the post office in Floydada, a retirement party was held on Thursday morning, August 25, attended by his co-workers, family, and friends.

The private event was marked with a breakfast and cake, prepared by members of the staff, and presentation of a Service Award.

The Service Award was presented to Turner by Postmaster Altie Nelson and a letter, written by District Manager Brenda Baugh, was read aloud outlining their appreciation for his service, loyalty, and contribution to the bettering of the Postal Service. It read:

I am pleased to present with this letter, a Service Award in recognition for your 30 years of government service. The fine reputation the Postal Service enjoys is built upon the loyal service of persons such as you, and I am happy to commend you for your contributions toward a better Postal Service. I



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Postmaster Altie Nelson presents Tracy Turner with a Service Award for 30 years of service as a carrier for USPS, accompanied by a letter from District Manager Brenda Baugh commending him for his service, loyalty, and contribution.

extend my warm personal greetings along with this honorary certificate and thank you for your efforts on behalf of the United States Postal Service. Best wishes for many years of enjoyable retirement!

Following the party, staff and family gathered around

the flagpole and Nelson revealed the current flag was raised that morning to fly in his honor. Nelson and Turner then retired the flag, folded it and it was given to Turner.

Thank you for your 30 years of dedicated service Tracy Turner.

Floydada Rotary and Lions Clubs

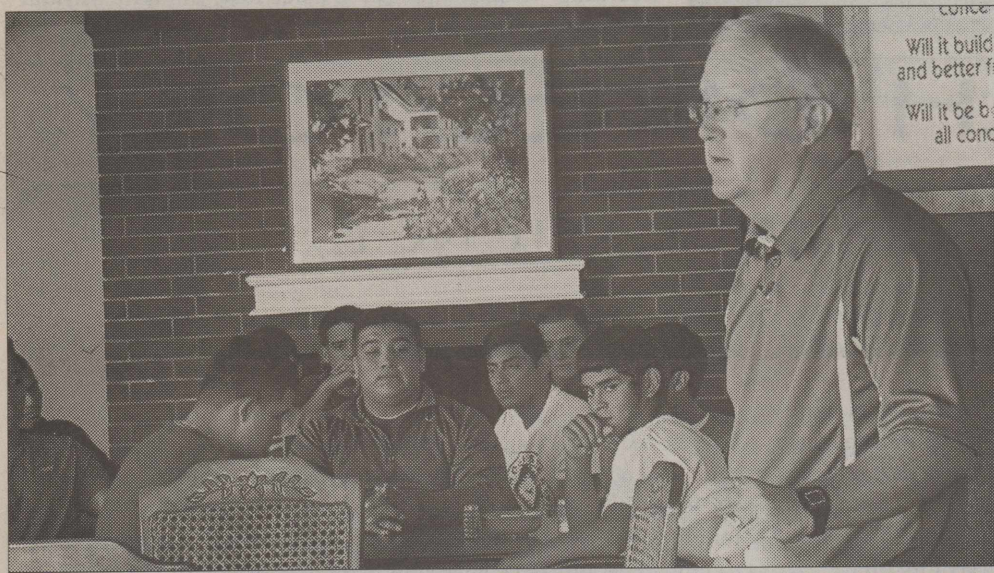


Photo Courtesy of Karen Houchin

The meeting held on Wednesday, August 24th, was a joint meeting of the Floydada Rotary Club and Lions Club honoring the 2016 Whirlwind football team. The team is headed by Coach Todd Bandy. He has 14 Seniors on the team of 23 varsity players. The Whirlwinds are ranked in top 30 in the State of Texas by football magazines. Several players are also considered top defensive players for 2016. Additional coaches recognized were Coach Scotty Bruington, Tyler Wilke, Travis Pittman, Cody Dean, Michael Wickware, and Pake Freeman. Special guest was Lion Sweetheart, Kaylee Morren. Guest of Rotarian Wes Anderson was Ace Hardware representative James Moore.

Blood Drive

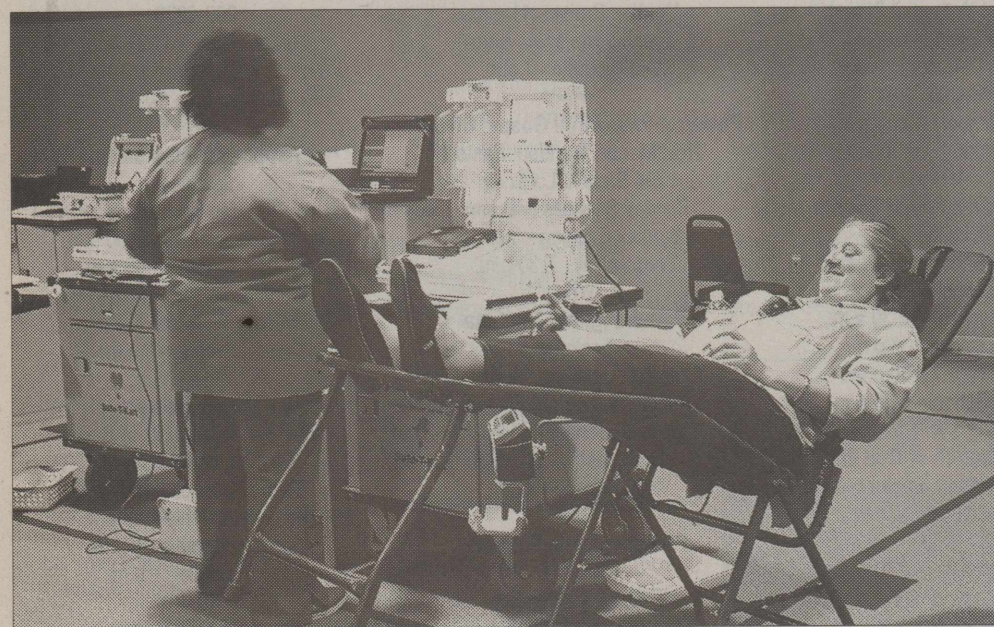


Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Rachel Petty, of Lockney, says she tries to donate blood regularly and took time out of her work schedule on Tuesday to donate at the Labor of Love Floydada Blood Drive held August 23 at the First Baptist Church.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Remember the Friday Night Fish Fry will be September 2nd and September 17th.

We WILL BE open on Labor Day, Monday, September 5. Come eat with us and visit with your friends.

Homecoming is scheduled for September 23rd – 24th. The Center will host the hospitality room during the football game. Also the Class of 1966 has our back room reserved for their 50th reunion prior to the game. Contact Otto B. Schacht for information.

We have hired Tracy Esty as our part time helper here at the Center. If you have not met her, please come by and meet her.

Old Fashion Saturday here is Lockney was this past Saturday. If you didn't make it down Main Street you missed out. Thank you Chamber for all your hard work. The streets were lined with all kinds of vendors, and visitors from all over. Louie Bybee had a great car show. Thanks Louie for your time and effort that went to that event. I

had an opportunity to see and visit with Vera Jo Bybee. Was great to see her out and about. Miss you Vera Jo!!!

The quilting ladies get together every Monday in the back of the library. If you enjoy quilting they would enjoy your company.

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.

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

Thursday night pot luck. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards. 5 – 9 p.m. Hope you all have a great week!!

MENU

- August 29 – September 2
 - Monday – Baked potatoes w/ tuna salad
 - Tuesday – Tacos
 - Wednesday – Pulled pork
 - Thursday – Chicken strips
 - Friday – Meatloaf
- (Menus subject to change with notice)

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Obituaries

Felicitas "Maria" Ascencio

Felicitas "Maria" Ascencio, age 66, of Floydada, passed away Sunday, August 21, 2016. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., Thursday, August 25, 2016 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Floydada with Father Ike Temporanza officiating.



FELICITAS "MARIA" ASCENCIO

Interment followed at Floydada Cemetery. Rosary was held at 6 p.m., Wednesday, August 24, 2016 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel in Floydada.

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

Felicitas "Maria" Ascencio was born May 18, 1950 to Jose Martinez and Victoria Rodriguez. She was born in Guadalajara Jal. Mexico.

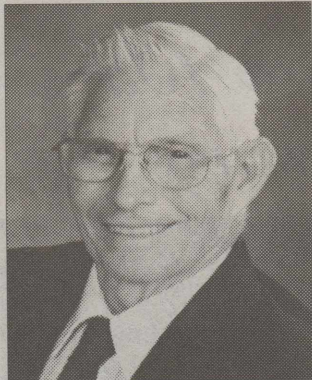
Maria was a very loving and dedicated wife, mother and grandmother.

Maria leaves behind a sister, Elena Martinez Rodriguez; Her loving husband of 51 years, Raul Ascencio; seven children, Manuel Ascencio of Lockney, Martin Ascencio and daughter-in-law, Laura Ascencio of Floydada, Raul Jr Ascencio and daughter-in-law, Dianah Ascencio from Lubbock, Maria Gonzalez and

son-in-law, Jose Gonzalez from Petersburg, Alma Ascencio and son-in-law, Alberto Lopez of Petersburg, Cristina Hernandez and son-in-law, Eddie Hernandez of Big Lake, Texas, and Alonso Ascencio of Floydada; grandchildren, Ashley Bland and grandson-in-law, T.J. Bland, Bryan Ascencio, Anthony Ascencio and granddaughter-in-law, Crystal Ascencio, Sarah Ascencio, Beth Ascencio, Abby Gonzalez, Adrian Gonzalez, Scottie Chavarria, Aimee Chavarria, Taylor Chavarria, Addison Lopez, Averii Lopez, Isaac Hernandez, Victoria Bednar and grandson-in-law, Pearson Bednar, and great-grandchildren; Michael Martinez, Chase Bland, Jada Ascencio, and Little Grayson Bednar.

Tommy Warren Davis

Tommy Davis 77 of Lockney, Texas passed away peacefully after a short battle with cancer on August 26, 2016 at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock, Texas.



THOMAS WARREN DAVIS

Funeral services were held on Monday August 29, 2016 at 10 a.m. at St. Alice Catholic Church in Plainview, Texas.

The service was followed by a burial at the Lockney Cemetery in Lockney, Texas.

Rosary services were held on Sunday, August 28, 2016 at St. Alice Catholic Church in Plainview, Texas at 6 p.m.

Visitation was held on Saturday August 27, 2016 at 2 p.m. and Sunday August 28, 2016, at 1 p.m. at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney, Texas.

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

Tommy was born on October 6, 1938 in Parmer, Texas. He met and married the love of his life Freda Smith Davis on June 18, 1963 who passed away in 2008. He worked as the Parts Manager at Tye Company for over 20 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Hubert and Izell Davis, and brothers, Mac Davis and James Davis. Tommy is sur-

vived by his four children, Larry (Tamberly) Davis, Judy (Lee) Miller, Kathy Davis and Coy (Brenda) Davis; His grandchildren, Kelsey Davis, Amanda and Jordan Miler, Nicholas and Mia Davis and great-grandchild, Everlee Jacobs; Brother, Raymond (Linda) Davis of Hereford, and Sisters, Libby Hernandez of Lockney, June Barham and Laura (Phillip) DeLuna of Plainview, Nancy (Timothy) Hayes of Wimberly, and Frances (Alan) Carlson of Lubbock.

He will be missed by many other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be sent to the Hunter Schwertner Scholarship Fund, in care of St. Alice Catholic Church, Plainview, Texas 79072.



What's In a Name?

There are at people towards godliness. It is least a couple of first-rate hypocrisy. It seems that more and more in my generation, people do want society. There's authenticity and genuineness. It's not enough to "go to church," but there is a need to "be the church." I fully applaud this mindset. If people know me as a Christian of convenience - rather than conviction - then they will never allow me to influence them towards Christ. Prime Example: Parents, think about your kids as they witness your life and learn from you. They may hear you sing at church or pray over a meal, but they also see you live your daily life and hear your speech. What do they see and hear? If we fail to set a godly example at home, how can we expect our children to remain faithful (when, truthfully, we ourselves were not faithful and consistent)? There are so many people around us who need love, wisdom, support, friendship, and - ultimately - the Gospel. Will you and I be disciplined enough to build a reputation strong enough to influence them towards Jesus? A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold." (Prov. 22:1)

Levi Sisemore preaches for the 37th Street church of Christ, meeting Sunday for Bible Classes (9:30 AM), Worship (10:30 AM & 5:00 PM), Wednesday for Bible Classes (7:00 PM). snyder37church@gmail.com

Wit and Wisdom of Confucius

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

(Note: all quotes come from Confucius)

Before you embark on a journey of revenge, dig two graves.

Everything has its beauty but not everyone sees it.

I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.

Ignorance is the night of the mind, but a night without moon and star.

Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous.

Thank God for the Rain



CHURCH DIRECTORY

PRAYING FOR PATIENCE

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. —Galatians 5:22-23 (NRSV)

After thyroid surgery I was not able to speak above a whisper. Although my surgeon was concerned, he assured me that my voice should return to normal in about six weeks.

I was worried. What was I to do about my preaching responsibilities if my voice was not restored? Would I have to leave the pastoral ministry? Would I lose my voice completely?

I prayed for healing, but I soon realized that I also had to pray for patience. I asked God to teach me how to wait. And

while I waited, I resumed my Sunday preaching schedule carefully, with some reservation.

After about six weeks, I was talking in a whisper on the telephone when my voice regained its normal resonance. Since then, my voice has never wavered in strength and quality — and I am amazed at God's comforting presence. God taught me how to wait with abundant hope and enabled me to engage in ministry with new strength and energy.

Ernest S. Lyght (New Jersey, USA)

Prayer

Dear God, as we rush through life, slow us down. Teach us how to wait with patience and hope. Amen.

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Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship
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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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Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ
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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.

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

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. Jr. High - 5:30 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.
Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 8 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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

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Morning Praise - 11 a.m.
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Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church
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Sunday Services - 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

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

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

San Jose Catholic Church
Lockney
Msgr. Nickolas Rendon
Wed. Communion - 8 p.m.
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.

South Plains Baptist Church
Joe Weldon, Pastor
SuNday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God
701 W. Missouri
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Sunday School
English - 9:45 a.m.
Spanish - 11 a.m.
Worship
Spanish - 9:30 a.m.
English - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada
Rev. Ike Temporaza
983-5878
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

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

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

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

West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
983-2672 Or 470-0950
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

AGRICULTURE

Regulations Appropriate to Manage CWD-Infected Deer Herds

By Richard Thorpe
President
Texas and Southwestern
Cattle Raisers Association

Chronic wasting disease (CWD) was found in an intensively managed white-tailed deer herd, a deer breeder operation, in Medina County in 2015, and was discovered in a free-ranging mule deer population in the Hueco Mountains in far West Texas in 2012.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) testing — conducted since 2002 on more than 32,000 samples — indicates that CWD is not in the free-ranging white-tailed deer population.

CWD is to deer what mad cow disease (bovine spongiform encephalopathy or BSE) is to cattle. It is a transmissible disease that causes infected deer to weaken and die.

Like the beef industry response to BSE in cattle, it is reasonable to expect the wildlife management community's response to CWD in captive white-tailed deer herds to be aggressive, with the goals of containing the disease and protecting the white-tailed deer population.

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) leaders and mem-

bers support Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's (TPWD) efforts to manage and control the spread of this serious wildlife disease. We support the wildlife agency's collaboration with Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) to establish proper testing protocols. We encourage the agencies to communicate these protocols and regulations to landowners, deer breeders and hunters so each interested party can participate in mitigating the spread of this disease.

This issue is about wildlife and wildlife enthusiasts of Texas. Nearly 1 million Texas hunters depend on our state's 4.5 million white-tailed deer for recreation and food. Deer hunting in Texas provides an estimated \$4 billion annual economic impact. Income from white-tailed deer hunting leases keeps rural lands intact and provides habitat for all wildlife. The safety of that resource is paramount.

TPWD hosted significant discussion among wildlife and landowner groups to develop rules regulating deer breeder operations to mitigate the spread of CWD.

TSCRA members and staff observed these discussions and participated when it was appropriate. TPWD

was inclusive and thorough in its discussion process, including members from the stakeholder groups that wanted to participate.

TPWD is not an animal health agency, so it asked for assistance from the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the agency in charge of protecting the health of Texas livestock.

Working together, TPWD and TAHC developed protocols to control the movement of deer from infected herds to contain the spread of the disease and, it is hoped, to manage the disease through ante- and postmortem testing.

If CWD were to get into the free-ranging deer population, it is unlikely that we would be able to eradicate the disease.

Texas is not alone in managing against CWD. According to TPWD, "The Wyoming Game and Fish Department has monitored an infected mule deer population in southeast Wyoming. In 2001, there were an estimated 14,393 mule deer and a CWD prevalence of 15 percent. Ten years later, the disease prevalence was 57 percent and the population was estimated at less than 7,500 deer."

Fall armyworms are on the march in parts of Texas

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Overton —Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agents in a few of the agency's districts have reported increased armyworm activity in hayfields and pastures over the past few weeks. Dr. Vanessa Corriher-Olson, AgriLife Extension forage specialist in Overton, said producers should expect an increase in armyworm numbers following recent rains and cooler temperatures in areas of the state.

"I was getting calls about them before the rain," she said. "They like cooler temperatures and wet conditions in the spring and fall, so we could see a swell in their numbers."

Armyworm moths can lay up to 2,000 eggs that hatch in two to three days, according to a 2015 report by AgriLife Extension entomologist Dr. Allen Knutson. There are four to five

generations per year.

Corriher-Olson said armyworm caterpillars are picky eaters that prefer high-quality, fertilized forage typically found on fields maintained for hay production. They are a common pest of Bermudagrass, sorghum, corn, wheat, rye grass and many other crops in north and central Texas.

Producers should scout each morning for armyworms, she said. Armyworms are night feeders that try to avoid daytime temperatures.

Armyworms are green, brown or black in color and can be identified by the white inverted Y on their head. They can grow up to 1 inch in length when mature.

The pest got its name because they appear to march across hay fields, consuming the grass in their path.

The threshold for insecticide spray treating a pasture is three

or more armyworms per square foot, Corriher-Olson said. Armyworms in those numbers should be treated immediately. Armyworms in the last two or three days of their larvae stage consume 85 percent of their diet.

Corriher-Olson recommends insecticides labeled for armyworm control in pastures and hayfields. She said applicators should always follow all label instructions on pesticide use and restrictions.

"You don't need to wait a day if their numbers are at threshold," she said. "They are going to do a lot of damage quickly. If you find them in the morning, spray that day."

More information about armyworms can be found in Knutson's report The Fall Armyworm — Pest of Pastures and Hay at: <http://foragefax.tamu.edu/files/2015/08/Armyworm-Fact-Sheet-2015.pdf>.

Mexican artifact found at Alamo

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SAN ANTONIO — Archaeologists working near the Alamo discovered a unique military artifact, the broken tip of a sword believed to be owned by a Mexican non-commissioned officer.

The sword, known as a briquette, was known to be carried by Mexican infantry. Based on the breakage pattern and the torquing of the tip, noted military historian Sam Nesmith believes that it may have been used between

October 1835 and February 1836, and was likely used in Mexican General Martin Perfecto de Cos' fortification and construction of the lunette or some other feature related to the fortification at the south gate of the Alamo. Mr. Nesmith also considers the possibility that it may have been used during the battle, but believes that the breakage pattern makes the first use more likely.

A similar briquet tip was also discovered in the archaeological excavation of Main Plaza in 2007, where

General Cos' troops dug an entrenchment in December 1835.

Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush released the following statement regarding the find:

"History and weaponry came together at the Alamo in yet another exciting archaeological discovery. We are tremendously energized by the wealth of discoveries unearthed during this archaeological investigation as the momentum continues to build and the master plan process unfolds."

Texas Oil and Gas Production Statistics for June 2016

AUSTIN — Production for June 2016 as reported to the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) is 72,856,376 barrels of crude oil and 604,263,761 mcf (thousand cubic feet) of total gas from oil and gas wells. These preliminary figures are based on production volumes reported by operators and will be updated as late and corrected production reports are received. Production reported to the Commission for the same time period last year, June 2015, was: 73,017,089 barrels of crude oil preliminarily, updated to a current figure

of 87,826,484 barrels; and 615,762,474 mcf of total gas preliminarily, updated to a current figure of 723,224,727 mcf.

The Commission reports that in the last 12 months, total Texas reported production was 1.013 billion barrels of crude oil and 8.3 trillion cubic feet of total gas. Crude oil production reported by the Commission is limited to oil produced from oil leases and does not include condensate, which is reported separately by the Commission.

Texas preliminary June 2016 crude oil production averaged

2,428,546 barrels daily, compared to the 2,433,903 barrels daily average of June 2015.

Texas preliminary June 2016 total gas production averaged 20,142,125 mcf a day, compared to the 20,525,416 mcf daily average of June 2015.

Texas production in June 2016 came from 185,622 oil wells and 93,371 gas wells.

For additional oil and gas production statistics, visit the Commission's website at <http://www.rrc.texas.gov/oil-gas/research-and-statistics/production-data/texas-monthly-oil-gas-production/>.

Five Ways to Protect Your Garden from the Deer

By Melinda Myers
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Don't let your vegetable and fall flower gardens succumb to hungry deer. Even if you're lucky enough to be deer-free now, be vigilant and prepared to prevent damage as these beautiful creatures move into your landscape to dine. Here are five tactics to help you in the battle against these hungry animals.

Fencing is the best, though not always practical, way to control deer. Install a 4- to 5-foot-high fence around small garden areas. This is usually enough to keep out deer that seem to avoid small confined spaces. The larger the area, the more likely deer will enter. Some gardeners report success surrounding their garden or landscape with strands of fishing line set at 12" and 36" above the ground.

Low voltage electric fencing or posts baited with a deer repellent are also options. Just be sure to check with your local municipality before installing this type of fencing.

Scare tactics are less effective on deer in urban environments. They are used to human scents and sounds. Many gardeners report success with motion sensor sprinklers. As the deer passes in front of

the motion sensor it starts the sprinkler and sends them running. Just be sure to turn off the sprinkler when you go out to garden.

Repellents that make plants taste or smell bad to deer can also help. You will find products containing things like garlic, hot pepper oil, and predator urine. Apply them before the animals start feeding for the best results. And re-apply as directed on the label. Look for products like Deer Ban (summitchemical.com) that are easy to apply, odorless and last a long time.

Include deer resistant plants whenever possible. Even though no plant is one hundred percent deer-proof, there are those the deer are less

likely to eat. Include plants rated as rarely or seldom damaged by deer. And be sure to provide additional protection if you include plants known to be frequently or severely damaged.

Constantly monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the methods used. Deer often change their feeding location and preferred food. And if the populations are high and the deer are hungry, they will eat just about anything. Be willing to change things up if one method is not working. Using multiple tactics will help increase your level of success.

So don't let hungry deer stop you from gardening. Be vigilant and persistent and send them elsewhere to dine.

Conservation conference set for women

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FREDERICKSBURG — Women landowner numbers are growing. Simultaneously, interest in wildlife operations is increasing.

An upcoming two-day conference, "Women in Wildlife Conservation — Resources to Set a Stewardship Path," hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife

Extension Service, will take place here Oct. 3-4 at the Inn on Barons Creek.

The conference, funded by the Ruth and Eskel Bennett Trust, is an effort to reach women landowners interested in enhancing the wildlife component of their operations, said Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension program leader and associate head, Texas

A&M soil and crop science department in College Station.

"We wanted to provide a program for these landowners, whether they are new to a ranch or longtime caretakers, with some information on improving their property for wildlife, either for recreational purposes or possible business ventures," Redmon said.

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FLOYDADA SCHOOL NEWS

Floydada ISD Earns State's Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

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Floydada Independent School District (FISD) officials announced that the district received a rating of "A" for Superior Achievement" under Texas' School FIRST financial accountability rating system. The "Passed" rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of FISD's financial management and reporting system.

This is the 14th year of School FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System of Texas), a financial accountability system for Texas school districts developed by the Texas Education Agency in response to Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Texas Legislature in 1999 and amendments under House Bill 5, 83rd Texas Legislature, Regular Session, 2013. The primary goal of School FIRST is to achieve quality performance

in the management of school districts' financial resources, a goal made more significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system. "We are very pleased with FISD's School FIRST rating," said FISD Superintendent, Dr. Gilbert Trevino. "This rating shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers' dollars. This rating shows that Floydada's schools are accountable not

only for student learning, but also for achieving these results cost-effectively and efficiently." The Texas Education Agency assigned one of four financial accountability ratings to Texas school districts, with the highest being "A" for "Superior Achievement," followed by "B" for "Above-Standard Achievement," "C" for "Standard Achievement" and "F" for "Substandard Achievement."

Whirlwinds shut out Slaton

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

SLATON - Floydada's defense shut out the Slaton Tigers offense as they started off the new season with a 27-0 victory on the Tigers' home field. Abraham Perez, quarterback for the Whirlwinds, led the charge as he rushed for two touchdowns and passed for two more.

The first points of the season were scored with 9:22 left in the half when Perez connected with Chris Emert for a 31-yard touchdown pass to give the Whirlwinds a 7-0 halftime lead.

In the third quarter, Perez scampered in from 18 yards out with 8:50 left in the quarter to stretch Floydada's lead to 14-0.

Floydada added two more scores in the fourth quarter. Jesse Segura hauled in a 24-yard pass from Perez with 8:26 left to make it 21-0. With 4:48 left in the game, Perez took off on a 61-yard run to cap the scoring and give the Whirlwinds a 27-0 victory.

Offensively, Floydada managed 350 total yards including 80 passing yards and 270 rushing yards. Individually, Perez went 5-12 passing for 80 yards and two touchdowns and also rushed 15 times for 150 yards and two touchdowns. Corey Mathis had 24 carries for 99 yards, Albert Dehoyos had five carries for 11 yards and Miguel Pena had two carries for 10 yards. Emert caught three passes for 54 yards and a touchdown, Segura had one reception for 24 yards and a touchdown and Mathis had one catch for two yards. Pena was 3-3 on extra points.

For Slaton, the Tigers had 228 total yards including 89 yards passing and 139 yards rushing. Ryan Sykora was

10-22 for 89 yards and had nine carries for 19 yards. George Wright had 23 carries for 93 yards, Desreal Williams had one carry for 13 yards, Trizton Robinson had two carries for seven yards, Kevondrick Gober had five carries for seven yards and Kendall Whitehead had one carry for no yards. Desreal Williams had two catches for 32 yards, Gober had two catches for 16 yards, Mike King had two catches for 14 yards, Domingo Bernal had two catches for 14 yards, Dajahnay Williams had one catch for nine yards and Robinson had one catch for four yards.

Head Coach Todd Bandy said the key plays of the game were the goal line stand in the first half and the opening drive of the third quarter that led to the Whirlwinds second score of the night.

"After we scored the first time in the fourth quarter, we settled down and played football," Bandy said, "I think that was the turning point of the game."

Key players this week for Bandy included Perez on offense, Robert Mora on Defense and Pena on special teams for his extra points and punting. Other key players were Mathis on both sides of the ball, Carson Turner at center and the entire team on both sides of the ball.

Floydada will host Seagraves at 7:30 P.M. on Sept. 2 for their home opener. Slaton will host Roosevelt at 7:30 P.M. on Sept. 2.

"We have to control the line of scrimmage as well as score with every opportunity in order to beat a good Seagraves team," Bandy said. "We have to play a good defensive game and control the speed they have on both sides of the ball."

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Floydada Whirlwind Junior High Cheerleaders



Photo by Robin's Nest Photography

2016 - 2017 Floydada Whirlwind Junior High Cheerleaders - (Back row, l-r) Natalee Romero, Rickily Terry, Katelyn Stewart, Kaylee Britt, Audrie Strange; (Front row, l-r) Mercedes Alaniz, Victoria Esquivel, and Alexis Cruz.

Floydada Homecoming set for September 9

FLOYDADA - 2016 is a homecoming year for Floydada High School. The dates have been set at September 9th and 10th.

We have enclosed a calendar of events for your information. The main activities will be at the High School on Saturday, beginning with registration at 9:00 AM. A business meeting will be held Saturday morning at 10 AM. A catered lunch (high school gym) will be served from 11:30-1:00 for a cost of \$12.00 per plate. Class reunions are at 1:00 PM in the high school.

If you plan to attend the Saturday lunch, you can purchase a ticket at the Texas Plains Federal Credit Union, the football game Friday night or at registration Saturday morning. You must have a ticket to be served.

For those of you who need overnight accommodations, please make reservations directly with the Floydada Inn at 806-983-5826 or at the Bunk House (formerly Fieldan Motel) at 806-983-2000. The Wayne Russell RV Park provides RV spaces, contact City Hall at 806-983-2834.

For more information, visit our website at www.Floydadawhirlwinds.org or the Floydada Ex-student Facebook page (just Google: Floydada Ex-students). Please make plans to join us and help make Homecoming 2016 a special event.

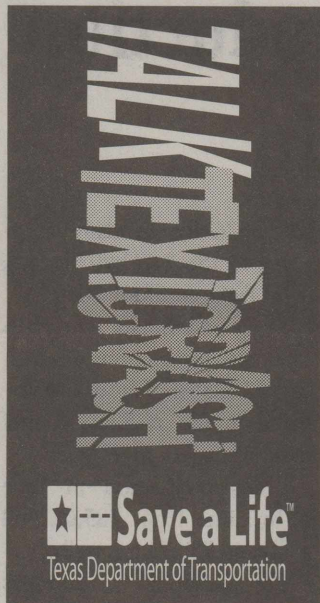
Floydada 2016 Homecoming Schedule

Friday September 9th

- 2:30 PM..... Football Pep Rally.
- 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM..... Pregame Fajita meal at the A.B. Duncan Elementary School cafeteria.
- 7:30 PM - 11:00 PM... Classes of 1960 - 64 gathering at the Massey Activity Center.
- 7:30 PM - 11:00 PM... Classes of 1967 - 69 gathering at the Wayne Russell Pavilion.
- 7:30 PM..... Floydada Whirlwinds play the Lockney Longhorns.

Saturday, September 10th

- 8:30 AM -10:00 AM..... Hall of Fame Breakfast for new and current members at A. B. Duncan Elementary School Library.
- 9:00 AM - 12:00 AM..... Registration for all ex-students at the high school practice gym.
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM..... Ex-Cheerleaders tea at 907 W. Missouri.
- 10:00 AM..... Ex-student's business meeting in auditorium.
- All ex's may attend this meeting and/or mingle with others in the FHS halls.
- 11:30 AM -1:00 PM..... Lunch at the high school gym.
- 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM..... Ex-students meet in high school classrooms. Rooms will be marked by year of graduation.
- 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM..... Classes of the 1970's gathering at the Lighthouse Center.
- 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM..... Classes of the 1940's gathering at the Senior Citizen's Center.
- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM..... Classes of the 1955 - 57 gathering at the Bank Meeting Room.
- 8:00 PM - 12:00 PM..... Street Dance at Covey Hotel (one block west of square).



2016 WHIRLWIND CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 3	Plainview	@ Plainview
Sept. 10	Plains Pre Sort	@ Mae Simmons
Sept. 17	Lockney	@ Lockney
Sept. 24	Lubbock	@ Mae Simmons
Oct. 1	OPEN	
Oct. 8	Abernathy	@ Abernathy
Oct. 18	District	@ Mae Simmons
Oct. 31	Regional	@ Mae Simmons
Nov. 12	State	@ Round Rock

Coaches: Robin Nixon, T.J. Fly, Chelsea Wheeler
AD: Todd Bandy



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO DISCUSS

FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S State Financial Accountability Rating

Floydada Independent School District will hold a public meeting

at 6:30 p.m., September 13th, 2016 in the Superintendent's Board meeting room at 226 W. California, Floydada, TX

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Floydada Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

Football Contest Standings Week 1

	THIS WEEKS
Stanley Collier	21/27
Martin Ramirez	19/27
Johnny Dorman	19/27
Boyd Lee	19/27
Brent Sanders	19/27
Coy LaBaume	19/27
Paul Lopez	18/27
Pam Fulton	18/27
Mac Sherman	17/27
Lanny Barnett	15/27
Renee Armstrong	14/27
Misty Villa	14/27
Steve Stringer	09/27

PLEASE NOTE:

LOCKNEY entries can be dropped off at the Lockney Senior Citizen's Center. The hours are Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. If you can't drop your entry off during those hours, please take entry to the Hesperian office and place in the drop box.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU September 5 - September 9

Monday
CLOSED - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday

Breakfast - Colby cheese omelet, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Macaroni & cheese, chicken tostada w/ rice, vegetable baked beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Whole grain banana loaf, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Chicken nuggets, sloppy joe sandwich, spiced green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Sugar Coca Puffs, graham cracker, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Chicken parmesan, cheese pizza, peppered corn, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Strawberry pancakes, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Beans and cheese burrito, ham and cheese sandwich, Mexican pinto beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

** NOTE**

PATRIOT DAY - SEPT. 12
Everyone needs to wear Red, White & Blue.
We will be serving red and blue jello.
Also we will be giving away free ice cream.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL NEWS

Longhorns comeback fuels 34-26 victory

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Trevor Ascencio threw two touchdown passes and rushed for another in the fourth quarter as the Lockney Longhorns came back to secure their first victory of the season. Lockney defeated the visiting Smyer Bobcats 34-26.

Lockney took an early 6-0 lead when Israel Cuellar intercepted a Smyer pass and returned it 28 yards for a touchdown with 10:45 left in the first quarter. Smyer then tied the game with 8:11 left in the first when Lozano ran it in from 30 yards out. The Bobcats took the lead when Sanchez scored on a run from 20 yards out to take the lead 12-6 with 2:31 left in the first.

In the second quarter, Lozano returned an interception 20 yards to stretch the Smyer

lead to 19-6 with 10:07 left in the half.

Lockney scored with 3:05 left in the third as Ruben Marmolejo scored on a one yard run to make it 19-12 in favor of Bobcats.

Early in the fourth quarter, Ascencio connected with Tristan Schlueter for a 66-yard touchdown pass and after the two-point conversion, the Longhorns took a 20-19 lead with 11:38 left in the game. With 7:31 left in the game, Ascencio connected on a 29-yard touchdown pass with Cuellar and after the two-point conversion, Lockney stretched their lead to 28-19. Ascencio added an 11-yard touchdown run to give Lockney at 34-19 lead with 3:05 left in the game. Smyer added a late touchdown as Cisneros ran in from 20 yards with 46 seconds left to make the final score 34-26.

Statistically, the game was fairly even as the Longhorns had 236 total yards to the Bobcats 235 total yards.

For Lockney, Marmolejo rushed eight times for 55 yards and a touchdown, Ascencio rushed 13 times for 48 yards and a touchdown and Cuellar had five carries for 13 yards. Ascencio was 7 of 14 passing for 132 yards and two touchdowns. Schlueter had three catches for 71 yards and a touchdown, Cuellar had two catches for 38 yards and a touchdown and Kevin Lopez had one catch for 21 yards.

For Smyer, Sanchez had 32 carries for 118 yards and one touchdown, Lozano had nine carries for 57 yards and a touchdown and Cisneros had two carries for 39 yards and a touchdown.

According to head coach Jay Ragland, the key plays for the game included Cuellar's pick six in the first quarter,

Ascencio's two touchdown passes in the fourth quarter and the defense getting key stops when they need them.

"We got off to a better start in the second half after we had a terrible first half," Ragland said, "and that was the turning point in the game."

Ragland listed key players as Ascencio, Schlueter and Cuellar on offense, Noel Ceniceron on defense and Bryce Reese on special teams.

The Longhorns travel to Lubbock on Saturday, Sept. 3 to take on the Trinity Christian Lions at 2:00 P.M. The Bobcats will host Plains, Sept. 2 at 7:30 P.M.

"We have to improve in all areas of the game, blocking, tackling, throwing and catching," Ragland said. "We have to clean up our messy play from the first half of the game. It will take time with as much youth as we have on the field."

Area Football Schedules and Standings

August 25-27 Results
(ALL CAPS = Area Teams)
DISTRICT 2-2A-1
FLOYDADA 27, Slaton 0
Post 21, ABERNATHY 0
HALE CENTER 46, Morton 0
NEW DEAL 14, Lubbock Roosevelt 0
Memphis 54, OLTON 12
Wink 42, SUNDOWN 27

DISTRICT 2-2A-2
LOCKNEY 34, Smyer 26
CLARENDON 22, Shamrock 0
Tahoka 55, CROSBYTON 18
MEMPHIS 54, OLTON 12
Sudan 35, RALLS 6
WELLINGTON 26, Childress 21

AREA TEAMS
Lubbock Coronado 30, PLAINVIEW 23
PETERSBURG 75, PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN 26
SILVERTON 85, Miami 42
VALLEY 56, Ropes 6
MOTLEY COUNTY 34, Hemleigh 23
Amherst 52, LORENZO 6
PATTON SPRINGS 27, Harrold 8

September 1-3 Schedule
DISTRICT 2-2A-1
FLOYDADA vs Seagraves
ABERNATHY vs Tulia
HALE CENTER vs Dimmitt
NEW DEAL at Lamesa
OLTON vs RALLS
SUNDOWN vs Morton

DISTRICT 2-2A-2
LOCKNEY at Lubbock Trinity Christian (Sat)
MEMPHIS vs Wheeler
RALLS at OLTON
WELLINGTON at West Texas
CLARENDON vs Springlake-Earth
CROSBYTON vs Farwell



The Lockney High Cheerleaders had their cheerleading clinic last week. There were about 47 girls attending. They performed at the pep rally on Friday and before the football game last Friday night.

Photo Courtesy of Pam Fulton

Lockney Homecoming 2016

Mark your calendars! Friday Sept 23 & Saturday Sept 24

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

THURSDAY SEPT 22

BONFIRE @ 9pm
Floyd County Fairgrounds

Friday Sept 23

1:00pm-4pm Registration @ High School Library
2:30pm Pep Rally @ New High School Gym
5:00pm-6:30pm Dinner at Lockney Elementary. Brisket, sausage, beans, cobbler, coleslaw, bread, tea/water. **\$9.00** Sponsored by LHS Cheerleaders
7:00pm-7 Hospitality Room @ Lockney Senior Citizens 118 W College will be open during and after the football game for your enjoyment!!

7:30pm FOOTBALL GAME

Lockney Longhorns
VS
Olton Mustangs

SATURDAY Sept 24

9:30 am Registration @ Lockney Elementary School
11:30am Catered Meal @ Lockney Elementary
Pulled pork sandwich, potato casserole, green beans, salad, rolls, strawberry shortcake, tea/water.
\$10 12yrs & Older
\$6 under 12yrs
1:00pm Business meeting and Memorial Service
9:00pm Dance @ fairgrounds



Check Registration tables for all CLASS MEETINGS!!

Class Meetings

CLASS OF 1950

Will meet Sat. Sept 24 at Eugene Tannahill's house after business meeting. 545 US HWY 70

Class of 1975-76-77

Will meet at the Dove Room, 305 N Main At 4:00 Friday Sept. 23 after the Pep Rally

Class of 1999

TBD

Class of 2002

TBD

Check REMEMBER LOCKNEY Facebook page for Updates

Where to Stay?

Quality Inn
600 N I-27 Plainview
806-293-9454
Mention Lockney Homecoming by 8-31. Rate 69.99

Comfort Suites
3615 Grandview Dr/
500 N I-27, Plainview
806-293-7700
Mention Lockney Homecoming. Rate 89.99

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
4213 W 13th Street.
Plainview
806-296-9900
Mention Lockney Homecoming: before 8-21 Rate 112.99

SIGN IN AT REGISTRATION!!!!

DANCE

Saturday 9pm-?

Featuring:

DJ RAY JIMENEZ

Fairgrounds

Entertainment

Building

High School will be open for your remembrances on Friday afternoon and possibly Saturday morning. Please check the registration tables for times. Memorial Tributes at tables prepared by Monty Teeter

Visit out

Hometown

Merchants

During your

Visit !!!!

Contact Lockney High School Office to reserve a classroom for meeting on Saturday. 806-652-3325

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU September 5 – September 9

Monday, Sept. 5
LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 6
Breakfast - Chicken and Biscuit, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Asian Bowl with Egg Roll or Pizza, Baby Carrots, Steamed Broccoli, Pineapple, Sugar Cookie, Milk

Wednesday, Sept. 7
Breakfast - French Toast, Sausage, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Tex-Mex Stack or Chicken Fajitas, Lettuce/Tomato Garnish, Refried Beans, Salsa, Tomato Cup, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Milk

Thursday, Sept. 8
Breakfast - Early Bird Sandwich or Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Hamburger with Cheese or Pig in Blanket, Fries, Veggie Cup, Orange Smls, Milk

Friday, Sept. 9
Breakfast - Dutch Waffle, Bacon, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Chicken Parmesan, Garden Salad, Breadstick or Pulled Pork Slider with Chips, Cole Slaw, Green Beans, Apple, Milk



2016 Hesperian-Beacon FOOTBALL CONTEST

First, second and third place overall winners get cash prizes.
Those who come in fourth through tenth get a FREE one-year subscription.

Contest Rules

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

Any subscriber or purchaser, age 7 or older, is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week, per person. Entrants MUST play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

There is NO COST to play in the contest.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form to the left.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries WILL NOT be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and deposing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 5 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 11-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$100.

Second place will be awarded \$75.
Third place will be awarded \$50.

CUT ALONG THE DOTTED LINE

Official Entry Form Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54		

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Address: _____

City: _____

BANQUET

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Jack Brooks, Ryder Glass, Haygen Lefevre and Rachel Graham for South Plains Fair; Ryder Glass, Alex Glass and Haygen Lefevre for State Fair; Kirby Nixon, Jack Brooks, Keenan Nixon, Sydney Chesshir, Hagen Hinsley and Preslie Brooks for Major Livestock Shows; Preslie Brooks, Haygen Lefevre, Brinley Lefevre and Makenlee Lemons for Junior District Livestock Judging; Jack Brooks, Hunter Lefevre, Kalebh Cook and Braylen Lemons for Intermediate District Livestock Judging; Kirby Nixon, Keenan Nixon and Cutter Smith for Senior District Livestock Judging; Kirby Nixon for State Livestock Judging; and Kirby Nixon for State Livestock Ambassador.

Others recognized were Rachel Graham, Arnie Martinez and Mason Esty for District and State Rifle; Kaden Weekes, Haygen Lefevre, Brinley Lefevre, Hunter Lefevre, Ryder Glass, Peyton Anderson, Nathaniel Garza, Mason Esty and Rachel Graham for District Archery; Ryder Glass, Rachel Graham and Mason Esty for State Indoor Archery, Rachel Graham for State Invitational Archery; Mason Esty, Tyann Phillips, Konner Smith and Kaden Weekes for District Shotgun; Rachel Graham, Hunter Lefevre, Mason Esty and Ryder Glass for District Pistol; Tyann Phillips for District Junior Leader Lab; Rachel Graham for Region 1 Power Camp; Ryder Glass and Rachel Graham for State Archery Contest; Rachel Graham, Ryder Glass and Tyann Phillips for State Shooting Sports Games.

Others recognized include Carson Miller, Rilynn Hinsley, Jack Brooks, Mason Esty, Reese Carlson, Brooklyn Pyle, Lindee Miller Tyann Phillips, Sydney Chesshir, Ryder Glass, Cameron Carlson, Madison Pyle, Hagen Hinsley, Preslie Brooks, Rachel Graham, Reese Hinsley, Cooper Hinsley and Kirsten Pyle for District 4-H2O Camp; Preslie Brooks, Jack Brooks, Charles Gwinn and Sydney Chesshir for 10 County Camp; Carson Miller, Rachel Graham, Lindee Miller, Mason Esty, Tyann Phillips and Ryder Glass for District Leadership Camp; and Rachel



Charles Keaton/Hesperian-Beacon

Many Floyd County 4-Hers received recognition at the Annual Achievement Banquet. Members received year pins, county medals for recordbooks, achievement jackets or blankets, t-shirts and patches as well as special awards for numerous activities.

Graham, Mason Esty, Alex Glass and Brayden Campbell for Shooting Sports Ambassador.

4-H members were awarded t-shirts, jackets, blankets and patches for reaching the county point totals. In Clover Kids, receiving t-shirts were Reese Carlson, Rilynn Hinsley, Kaidn McHam, Cooper Hinsley, Bailey McHam and R.J. McHam. Juniors and Intermediates receiving jackets or blankets were Preslie Brooks, Cameron Carlson, Karlie McHam, Haygen Lefevre, Sydney Chesshir, Hagen Hinsley, Brinley Lefevre and Kaden Weekes. Seniors receiving jackets or blankets were Mason Esty. Juniors and Intermediates receiving patches and t-shirts were Jack Brooks, Hunter Lefevre, Tye Graves, Ryder Glass, Reese Hinsley and Gage Graves. Seniors receiving patches and t-shirts were Keenan Nixon, Alex Glass, Kirby Nixon and Rachel Graham. The Senior Scholarship was awarded to Kirby Nixon.

Individuals receiving High Point Jacket recognition were Lockney Junior Kaden Weekes; Floydada Juniors Sydney Chesshir and Preslie Brooks; Floydada Intermediate Ryder Glass and Jack Brooks; Lockney Senior Mason Esty; and Floydada Seniors Keenan Nixon and Rachel Graham.

County Judge Marty Lucke presented the Bronze Star award to Preslie Brooks and Kaden Weekes; and the Silver Star award to Jack Brooks. Hunter Lefevre received the LeAnn Memorial Shooting Sports Award from Bill Glass.

Adults receiving special recognition include Tracy Esty as Distinguished Leader; Billy Lefevre and Lacy Phillips received Silver Spur

Clips Awards sponsored by Lighthouse Electric and presented by Larry Ogden; and Friends of 4-H, a meritorious award sponsored by the Floyd County Parent/Leader Association was presented to Annabelle Bramlet and Tracy Esty representing the Lockney Senior Citizens Center and Floyd County Farm Bureau represented by Tanner Smith and Eric Smith.

Floyd County Council officers for 2016-17 are Keenan Nixon, president; Mason Esty, first vice president; Rachel Graham, second vice president; Jack Brooks, third vice president; Brinley Lefevre, Secretary; and District Council Delegates Rachel Graham and Keenan Nixon. Kristy Lefevre serves as adult leader for the Council.

Floydada officers are Keenan Nixon, president; Ryder Glass, first vice president; Jack Brooks, second vice president; Rachel Graham, third vice president; Peyton Anderson, secretary; and Rachel Graham and Cameron Carlson council delegates. Robin Nixon is club manager and Jeana Carlson is assistant club manager.

Lockney officers are Mason Esty, president; Hunter Lefevre, first vice president; Haygen Lefevre, second vice president; Brinley Lefevre, third vice president; Tyann Phillips, secretary/treasurer; and Kalebh Cook and Colton Moses, council delegates. Kristy Lefevre serves as club manager and she is assisted by Billy Lefevre.

Youth interested in participating in 4-H or adults wishing to volunteer to assist or lead projects should contact the Floyd County Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office at 806-983-4912.

ARTIST

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ed...and tries to make students do better," he said. "She believed in me and it made me believe in myself."

According to Luna, the complexity of the projects increased throughout the first year, and eventually he was drawing the intricate details of elephant skin and fur. The following year Williams challenged his skills by telling him to fill an entire poster board, leaving no negative space.

Luna remembers one assignment in particular featuring a giant gargyle. After its completion, Williams hung it in the hall next to the school entrance for all to see. It was the first time his art was on public display and the attention motivated him. Since then, an estimated 50 pieces have been displayed at various locations like the Chamber of Commerce and Sunset Center in Amarillo, sold to private individuals, and he was commissioned to paint a mural.

Asked what art means to him, Luna replied, "Art can mean a whole lot of things to different people. But to me, it means remembering or bringing back moments that had such an impact in my life...and to have that certain moment hanging on your walls brings flashbacks of those moments you never want to forget."

It wasn't long before Luna was exposed to the art of portraiture, the ability to hone accumulated knowledge and experience to reproduce a human likeness. It is perhaps the most difficult job of the artist to precisely recreate the human form with the correct proportions, capturing the essence of the subject. If just one detail, say the eyes, doesn't match, then the portrait won't look right. But, Luna seems to have mastered the subject from an outsider's perspective.

He remembers accepting five dollars, perhaps his first commission, to draw a classmate's portrait in high school. The former classmate was pleased with the outcome and still has the drawing, according to Luna.

During his sophomore year of high school, he got a taste of his first regional VASE event where jurors evaluate artwork using a numeric rating system, one to four, with four being the highest rating. That first year he received a four, but did not advance to the state competition. His junior year turned out the same. But his senior year changed everything.

He took two pieces, one named "Converse Blues" depicting a blue pair of shoes painted with acrylic paint and ink and the other called "Wild Child" in acrylic paint. Luna admitted his surprise when "Converse Blues", and not the other, landed him a trip to the

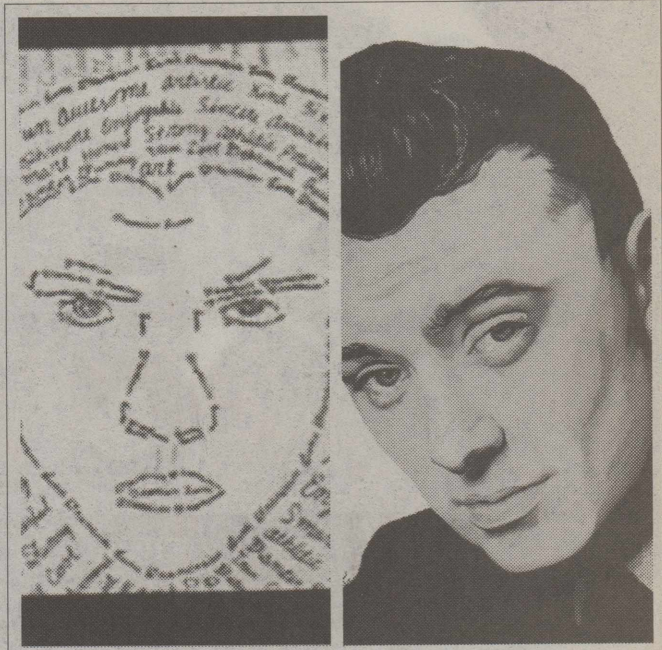


Photo by Frankie Luna III

A side-by-side comparison of Luna's artwork, (left) a self-portrait drawn his sophomore year of high school versus (right) a portrait of British singer/songwriter Sam Smith drawn eight months ago, reveals an astonishing artistic progression.

state VASE event in Bryan, Texas. There he talked to recruiters from various colleges, including PrattMWP, and decided he wanted to attend an all-art school.

However, the first year after graduation he studied at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

"One of my best friends sat down with me in the cafeteria and said 'You seem stuck. You're not yourself and creating like you used to. I want you to try to go to an all-art school,'" he remembers about his decision to finally apply to PrattMWP.

He also remembers the agonizing two to three weeks of waiting to hear if he was accepted to the private school and his utter shock when the admissions office personally called him. With the acceptance letter that followed, he also received an \$11,000 scholarship to attend. But with tuition set above \$20,000 per semester, the aspiring artist had to stay home due to lack of funds. He spent the next two years filling orders to earn enough money to afford tuition, and with the help of an even better scholarship of \$11,000 per semester for the duration of his studies, things are looking up for the 21-year-old.

One thing he has gained in the past few years while waiting to attend PrattMWP is quite the following on Twitter and the admiration of several famous people. One portrait of Glee actress Amber Riley that Luna drew and posted on the social media site caused his Twitter account to "blow up". Riley had seen the picture and was impressed, replying, "@frankieluna3 omg you're incredible! That is so crazy how it looks just like the picture! Thank you (smiley face)". That tweet reached 59,795 people.

He also made a portrait of Lea Michele, another former Glee actress who now appears in Fox Network's new show *Scream Queens*. After seeing the likeness she tweeted, "It's to die for!"

Kat Von D, the tattoo artist on TLC's *LA Ink* sent him a complimentary tweet after posting a pencil drawing of her, saying "@frankieluna3 absolutely love it and I'm feeling honoured!"

His newfound fame helped land him a job painting a mural for the first time.

"This guy wanted me to do a mural on his son's wall. Instead of getting cash, he bartered a PlayStation 3 (PS3) for a ten foot by eight-foot mural of a ninja Lego guy (Ninjago). Cartoon Network, who airs the show, saw the picture on Twitter and tweeted it on their page and it got a lot of attention."

Prior to his departure on Sunday, August 28, Luna held two art shows to sell as many pieces of artwork he could to bridge the financial gap. At one point it appeared he might not be able to go again. But, through the kindness of a few individuals in the community, Luna is on his way to making his dreams a reality.

And he does dream big. "My dreams are kinda big. I want to own at least three art museums. I want them located in New York, Texas and California. Okay, actually four; I want one in Paris. I would like to do commissioned work for celebrities and maybe even have my own reality television show just about portraits and art, making them for the stars," the ambitious young man shared.

Making a living being a commissioned artist for clients has also crossed his mind, he shared about the man he hopes to become.

"I do it because at the end of the day--some cry when I give them their piece--it makes people reminisce on a memory or evokes a feeling from a certain moment in their life. And honestly, I'm just happy to be a part of it."

If you are interested in helping Luna pursue his dream, donations for tuition assistance can be made at www.paypal.me/frankieluna3.

HONOR FLIGHT

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nation's capital. Visit their website at www.texasouthplainsshonorflight.org or visit their Facebook page, at facebook.com/SouthPlainsHonorFlight.

The cost for the three-day event is about \$220,000. This covers the cost of the charter flight, tours, hotels and meals

for more than 140 veterans and support staff. All guardians who provide assistance to the veterans pay their own expenses.

Floyd County 4-H would like to thank Renee' Armstrong and the Board at the Lockney Senior Citizens Center for providing the use of the building and for Don Chesshir

and his family for cooking the barbeque.

If you are unable to enjoy the meal but still want to donate, contact the Extension Office at 806-983-4912. Donations will be gladly accepted from individuals, businesses or other groups and all donations are tax deductible.

UPCOMING

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Lockney Longhorns. See the schedule in this week's issue.

FLOYDADA HOMECOMING TICKETS

Lunch tickets for Floydada Homecoming are on sale at Texas Plains Federal Credit Union for \$12 each. Danny's Fens and Hens will be catering. You can also get tickets at the game and at registration. Get your tickets before they are gone!

LOCKNEY HOMECOMING

Lockney Homecoming is Friday, September 23rd. The Longhorns will be playing against Olton. See the schedule located in this week's issue.

29th ANNUAL PUNKIN' DAY CELEBRATION

Make your plans now to be in town and be a part of the 29th Annual Punkin' Day celebration, Saturday, October 8th! Come and enjoy all the contests, vendors, food, and games for everyone!

C-STORE

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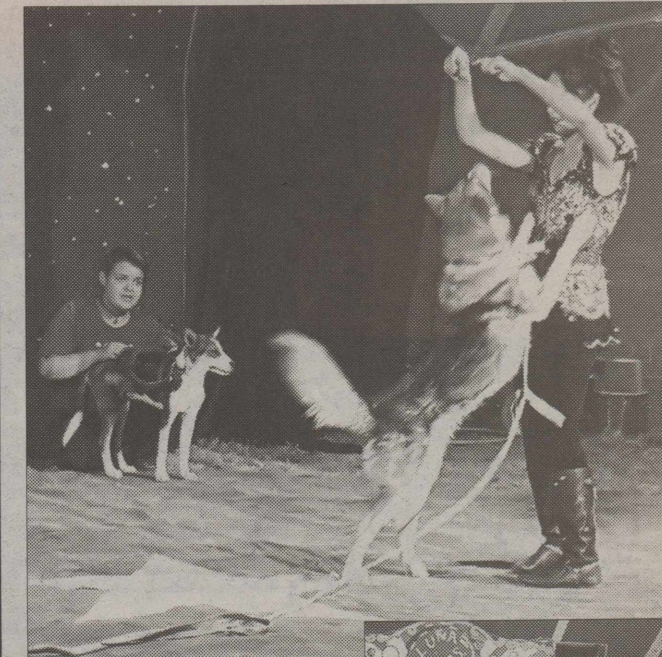
Floyd County Supply's expansion plans includes adding fuel storage, so that all of their fuel storage is in one place.

"We are also attempting to make it a convenience store as well," Morris said, "and you'll be able to buy lotto, fountain drinks, snacks, and all of the kinds of things you'd find in a convenience store." He said that they're getting the plumbing ready to accommodate a convenience store.

Morris said the name would remain the same. It will still be Floyd County Supply.

THANKS FOR READING!

Luna Brothers Big Circus



Photos by Jennifer Harbin

Dogs jumping through hoops, a lady performing aerial tricks, silly clowns, Star Wars characters Darth Vader and android BB-8 delighted crowds at the Luna Bros Big Circus in Floydada Saturday evening. The one night event set up their tent on the Floydada Coop Gin's grounds, offering the usual circus snacks, performances and atmosphere.



BASEBALL



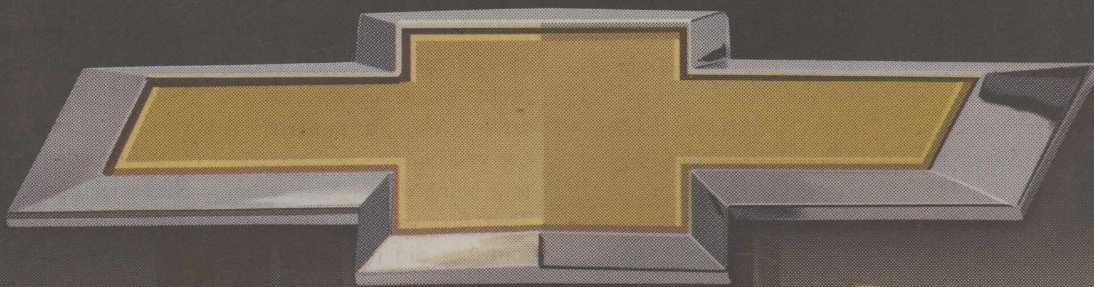
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INVITATION TO BID

The Caprock Hospital District, will receive bids for replacement of the existing roofing system on the Clinic Building at 901 Crockett Ave. in Floydada, Texas until 5:00 pm on September 13th, 2016 at the 4409 71st St. #6, Lubbock, Texas 79424, at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Major components of the work are as follows:

- Removal of existing gravel roofing material.
- Provide and install new TPO roofing material.
- Provide and install flashing for roof penetrations.

Contract documents, including plans and specifications, are available at the office of Carthel Engineering Solutions, 4409 71st Street #6, Lubbock, Texas 79424, phone 806-687-8322, fax 806-687-8323, email chestercarthel@yahoo.com. Questions concerning this project should be addressed to Mr. Chester "Ches" Carthel, P.E.

This is a lump sum contract. **Method of payment to Contractor will be via check by the District after approved requests for payment.**

A Bid Bond (issued by an acceptable security), in the amount of 5 percent of the bid, shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the Caprock Hospital District, or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond. The successful Bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, from a Surety Company holding a permit from the State of Texas, to act as a Surety or other Surety, or Sureties satisfactory to the Owner. If the total bid is less than \$25,000, a Payment Bond will not be required.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (i.e., Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Commerce and contained in the Contract Documents must be paid on the project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are no discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The Caprock Hospital District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. Bids may be held by the Caprock Hospital District for a period not to exceed sixty (60) calendar days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to awarding of the contract.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a board election in the Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, in order to select a representative of the above-referenced zone to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The Northern High Plains Eradication Zone consists all of Swisher and Hale counties; that part of Randall County that lies south and east of a line running along Highway 60 from the Deaf Smith County line east to Interstate 27, then running north along interstate 27 to the Potter County line; the part of Armstrong County that lies west and south of a line running along FM 294 from the Carson County line to Hwy 287; then running due south to Mulberry Creek; then running east along Mulberry creek to the Donley County line; the part of Briscoe County that lies west of a line running along Hackberry Creek from its intersection with the Armstrong County line to its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River; continuing south along Cherokee Creek from its intersection with the Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River to County Road 27; continuing south along County Road 27 to Hwy 256; continuing west along Hwy 256 to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing south along the Caprock escarpment to the Floyd County line; and the part of Floyd County that lies south and west of a line running along FM 97 beginning at the Motley County line; continuing west to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing north along the Caprock escarpment to the Briscoe County line.

Any cotton grower having planted cotton in the year 2015 within the zone defined above is eligible to vote, and, if he or she resides in the Northern High Plains Zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, can have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board member election. A cotton grower is defined as a person who grows cotton intended to be commercial cotton. The term includes an individual who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm, or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm or from an indemnity or other payment received from or related to the planting, growing, or failure of the cotton. Any person eligible to vote in the board member election that resides in the Northern High Plains Zone and meets the seven-year experience requirement may place their name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address provided below. Nomination forms are provided by the Department and must be signed by the nominee and at least ten other eligible voters. The nomination form must be received by the Department at its office located in Austin by September 17, 2016, and must provide the legal residence of the applicant. A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county agent located in the voting area.

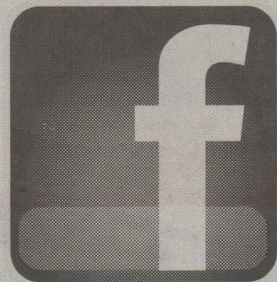
The board election will be held by mail balloting. Ballots will be mailed to cotton growers by October 3, 2016. All ballots cast by mail must be postmarked no later than October 17, 2016, in order to be valid.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact Stuart Strnad with the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, call (512) 463-3285 or by e-mail at Stuart.Strnad@TexasAgriculture.gov.

Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Lockney General Hospital District Board of Trustees will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 12:00 noon in the Conference Room of W. J. Mangold Memorial Hospital at 320 North Main Street in Lockney, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate.

The proposed tax rate is \$0.42500 per \$100 of value, and results in an increase in the tax rate from last year which was .42000 this will result in about a 36.73% increase in total tax revenue for the Lockney General Hospital District.



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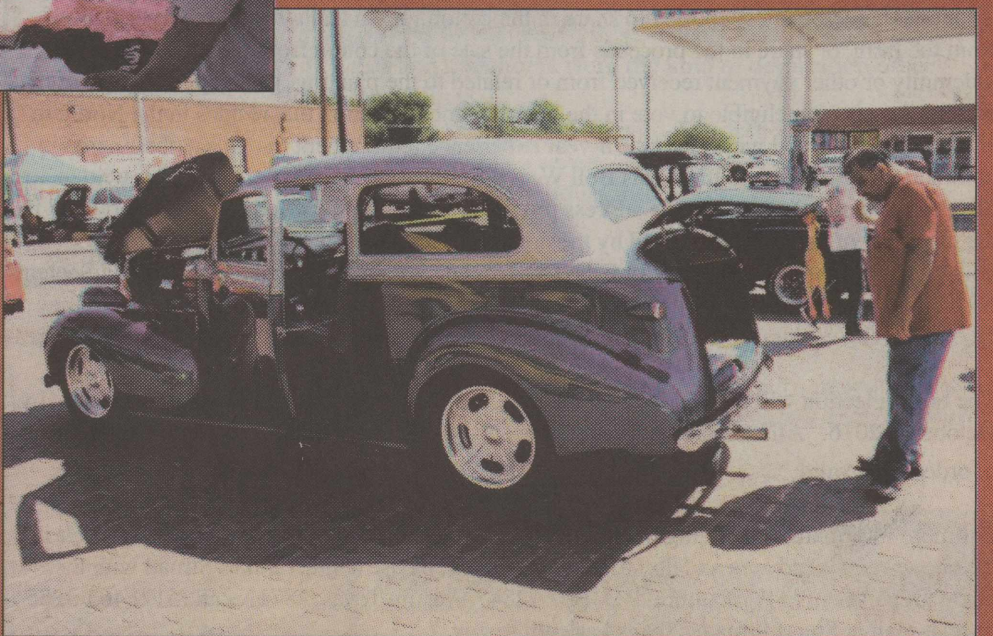
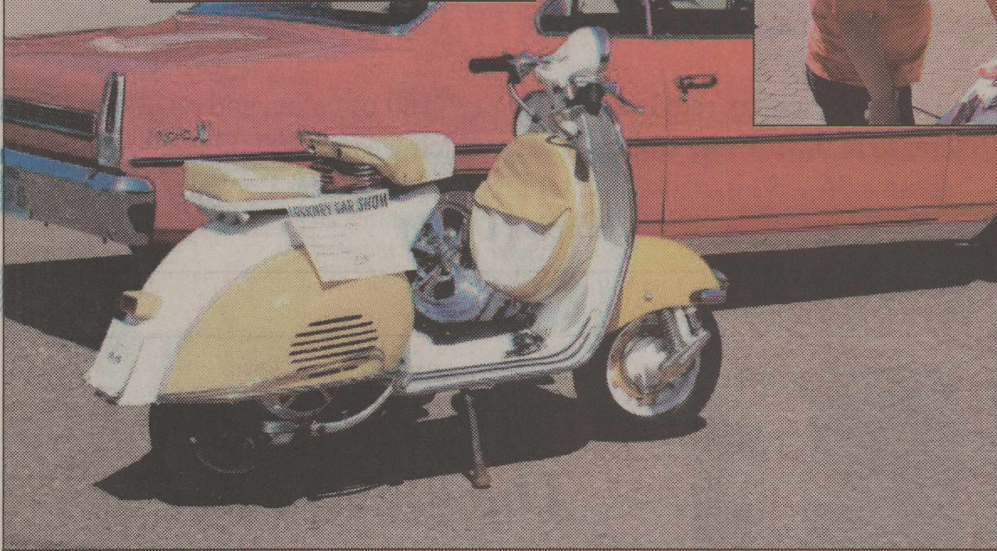
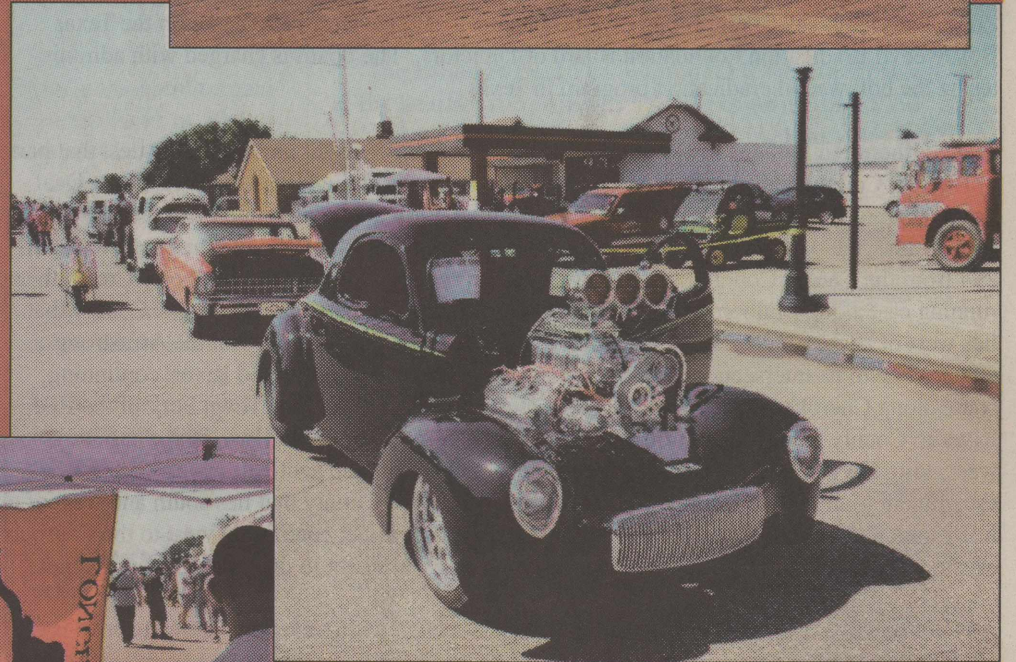
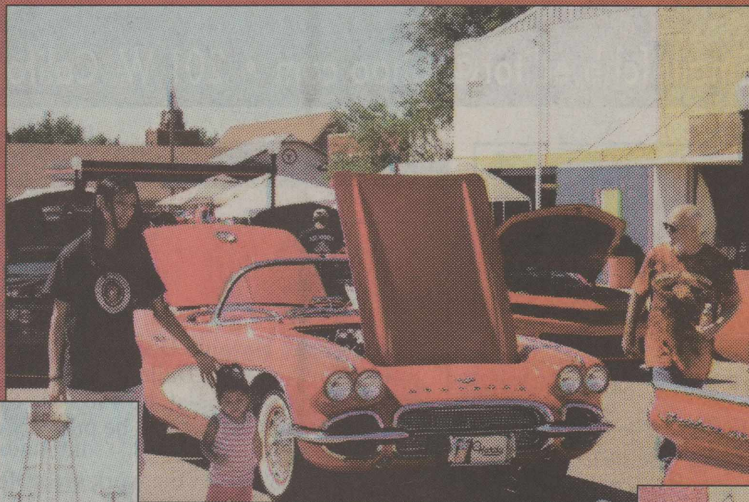
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