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Loaded up and headed to the Collection Center in Lubbock. First Baptist Church Floydada collected 122 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes and with the surrounding communities and others churches in Floydada, the total was 478 boxes.

Area Sends Almost 500 Gifts to Needy Kids

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Operation Christmas Child wrapped up November 22 at the First Baptist Church of Floydada, and volunteers from Floydada, Matador, Roaring Springs, Lockney, and Silvertown packed 487 shoeboxes with gifts for children in poverty-stricken and war-torn areas around the world. "One hundred and twenty-two of the gifts came from First Baptist Floydada alone," said volunteer coordinator Ludustia Prisk. Prisk

has headed up FBC's efforts with Operation Christmas Child since 2011.

All of the shoeboxes were packed into bigger boxes to go to a collection center at Southcrest Baptist in Lubbock. Eventually they will be flown from Dallas to drop-off locations around the world.

Pastors around the world host shoebox distributions in places where they can share their ministry. Other churches use the boxes as resources for outreach in orphanages and other at-risk areas.

Mangold to hold its 24th health fair Feb. 4



Courtesy photo

The Mangold Health Fair has historically been held the first Saturday in December. This year's event—their 24th Health Fair—will be held the first Saturday in February.

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital will hold its 24th Annual Health Fair Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. until noon in the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria. Admission to the health fair will be one canned good to be donated to the Salvation Army.

There will be over 30 booths providing glaucoma

checks, cholesterol screens and blood sugar and blood pressure checks. There will also be booths where you can consult with professionals regarding dentistry, hospice care, optometry and hearing.

The health fair will also provide Children's Photo Identification Cards, which will show a picture and current information about your child. The Children's Photo

Identification Cards are being offered as a free public service to families in the area.

The booths at the "Holiday Health Fair" will be manned by various local and area organizations plus children's activities booths. Local and area merchants will provide door prizes.

For more information about the event call 806-652-3373 x205.

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.

COVENANT HEALTH MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY

On Monday, December 5th, the Covenant Health's Mobile Mammography- Arrington Comprehensive Breast Center bus will be in Lockney at the Lockney Elementary School gym parking lot located at 310 SW 8th Street. For appointments please call 806-725-6579 or 1-877-494-4797. Their next quarterly visit to Floydada will be in February 2017.

NATIVITY SHOWING CAROLYN CUMMINGHAM

The 2nd Bi-Annual Nativity Showing by Carolyn Cunningham will be held Thursday, December 8 thru Sunday, December 11 at the Dove Room located at 305 N. Main, Lockney. The showing will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. On Sunday, they will be open from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. The showing is sponsored by Hospice Hands of West Texas. (NOTICE TIMES AND DATES HAVE BEEN CORRECTED)

2nd ANNUAL COWBOY CHRISTMAS BALL

The 2nd Annual Cowboy Christmas Ball featuring Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band, will be on Saturday, December 17, 2016 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center beginning at 8 p.m. See **UPCOMING**, Page 5

Community Pitches In for 'Spirit of Christmas'

By Kay Ellington
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The 'Spirit of Christmas' is a volunteer program that has helped make a brighter Christmas for hundreds of shut-ins, needy and elderly residents in Floydada, Lockney, Plainview and those staying at the Lubbock Ronald McDonald House for 34 years. Volunteers are gearing up for 2016.

"We can always use more volunteers," said Corey Johnston of Floydada with KFLP radio whose family has participated in the program for years.

Generosity comes from every corner of the community for the Spirit of Christmas. "When turkeys go

sale, Teddy Summers with Lowes has called me, and because of his interest in our program, we saved hundreds of dollars. Teddy has even opened the store on Christmas morning when we needed broth." Nielsen's has helped us order supplies for this program, so we get the best prices possible," Johnston said, "And the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department cooks the turkeys."

The First Baptist Church makes their kitchen available to cook the sides.

In assessing needs for the upcoming meals to the needy program on Christmas morning Johnston said, "We can always use donations, and we take checks and cash."



Courtesy photo

Spirit of Christmas volunteers have assisted in putting together hundreds of meals for those who had no way to have a hot Christmas meal. The program is in its 34th year.

In addition Johnston said what they really need is to know is if there's someone who will be alone and may

not be able —either physically or financially—to cook a nice Christmas meal. "We also need a way of letting

the folks that we're bringing a meal to know that we're coming. Sometimes, they See **SPIRIT**, Page 5

Correction

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

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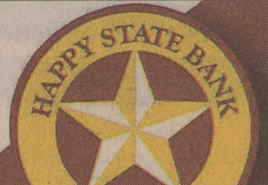


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This New Technology Could Prevent a Leading Cause of Death

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

What do Casey Kasem, Christopher Reeve and Muhammad Ali have in common? They all died of sepsis: a rapid, potentially deadly reaction that affects about 1 million Americans each year.

In the medical community, sepsis can be a scary word. It means the body's own immune system is going into overdrive trying to kill a blood-borne bacterial infection. It's an easily treated condition, but if left untreated can kill a person in two days.

The even scarier part? Normal methods of detecting sepsis take at least that long.

But researchers in the Texas Tech University Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry have found a new way to significantly reduce that detection time, giving medical professionals a greater window of time in which to treat the patient.

"Normally when you detect sepsis, you do it through bacterial culture; that takes two days on the short end to 15 days on the long end," said Dimitri Pappas, an associate professor of chemistry. "Most people die of sepsis at two days. The detection currently is on the exact same time scale as mortality, so we're trying to speed that up."

"Instead of the bacteria, we're looking at the body's immune response to those bacteria, because that's what you really care about. The bacteria cause the infection, but it's the body's response that causes sepsis."

Working in a field known as microfluidics, Pappas and graduate student Ye Zhang recently filed a provisional patent for a tiny glass-and-plastic chip that can confirm a sepsis diagnosis in just four hours.

"With early diagnosis, appropriate treatments can be conducted in time and sepsis progression can be controlled," Zhang said. "Many lives can be saved with this project by shortening diagnosis time and speeding up intervention time."

In a nutshell, sepsis is a runaway immune response, wherein the body's act of saving itself can actually be lethal. It begins with what's called systemic inflammatory response syndrome — that's the body ramping up the immune system to fight the bacteria. From there, it progresses into sepsis and eventually septic shock, in which blood pressure plummets, organs fail and eventually the patient dies.

"It is estimated there are 1 million new cases of sepsis in hospitalized patients per

year in the United States," said Dr. John Griswold, professor and chair emeritus in the Department of Surgery at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. "Sepsis is the leading cause of death in intensive care units in the United States, and patients with the diagnosis of sepsis have a minimum of a 30 percent chance of dying of their disease; if their vital organ systems — brain, heart, lungs, liver, kidneys — are affected, they have a 70 percent chance of dying. The elderly have the highest rate and, in some studies, death is over 85 percent in those over the age of 75."

In addition to mortality, sepsis can result in amputation of limbs or prolonged hospitalization. Griswold said it's considered one of the most costly diseases in health care, amounting to a staggering \$22 billion to \$25 billion each year, a cost that's increasing by 11 to 12 percent each year.

"The way they treat sepsis right now is through a massive antibiotic administration," Pappas said. "That's good, actually, but if you do it prophylactically and when it's not needed, you're basically helping create drug-resistant bacteria. So there's a need to detect sepsis and to treat it but not to over treat it as well, because over treating it leads to additional problems."

The chips are designed to look for the activation of certain white blood cells, which would indicate the immune system was going to work to fight the infection. The chip requires less than a drop of blood for an accurate test, so doctors can test multiple times to determine the occurrence of sepsis as well as retest periodically after administering antibiotics to make sure the body's response is returning to normal.

At this point, all testing has been done with the help of stem cells. Because of the chip's success, the next step is to test with human blood. And thanks to a collaboration with Griswold and the Health Sciences Center, Pappas will start enrolling patients in November.

"Through the ingenuity and creativity of our faculty, a solution to this problem is now within grasp," said Guy Loneragan, interim vice president for research. "This ingenious discovery illustrates the value to society of the continued commitment of Texas Tech to encourage and celebrate intellectual curiosity in research and scholarship. This discovery can transform medical care and, in time, could save countless lives."

Texas A&M research provides possible explanation for recurring breast cancer

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COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS — Researchers at the Texas A&M College of Medicine have discovered that dormant cancer cells could camouflage themselves from treatment because they cannibalized — basically ate — the body's own stem cells. The study was recently published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS).

The team had been working on teaching adult stem cells from bone marrow, called mesenchymal stem/stromal cells (MSCs), to fight cancer when they noticed that the MSCs were disappearing from the cell cultures.

"We actually thought we made a mistake or were witnessing an anomaly or negative result," said Thomas J. Bartosh, PhD, assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Medicine and first author of the study. "We eventually realized that the breast cancer cells were eating the stem cells. What was really interesting was what happened next: The breast cancer cells that had taken in the stem cells went dormant — essentially became 'sleepy' — but at the same time they became much more difficult to kill."

Bartosh and the team realized that if breast cancer cells in the body behave the same way, it might explain cancer recurrence.

The cancer cells that have cannibalized MSCs are highly resistant to chemotherapy and nutrient deprivation that fairly effectively kills other cancerous cells. Because there are only a few of them, the surviving cells are not detected with existing scanning methods. "Then one day, when conditions are right, the

cells 'wake up' and start growing again," Bartosh said. "This is when the cancer recurs, and because the cells are treatment-resistant, the recurrence can be very difficult to combat."

The hope is that now a possible mechanism for recurrence has been explained, a treatment could be found that would keep those cannibalistic cells dormant, and doing no harm, for the rest of the person's life. Another possible avenue for drug development would be something that would stop breast cancer cells from eating MSCs in the first place. Bartosh and the team are also working on exploiting the cannibalistic activity of some cancer cells to potentially feed them toxic agents, using MSCs as the delivery vehicle that can target cancer cells specifically, like a tumor-seeking missile.

"The biology of the process is intriguing. It's one mysterious phenomenon — cell cannibalism — that might help explain another mysterious phenomenon: tumor dormancy," Bartosh said. "If these findings do translate to humans, the implications for patients would be enormous."

About Texas A&M University Health Science Center

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Pet Talk

Many people remember caring for their childhood pet and the joy they felt from developing a relationship with an animal. Although welcoming a pet into your home is a big commitment, children can learn responsibility by learning to care for pets with adult supervision. In addition, childhood pets can also introduce children to friendship and family bonding.

"Children learn about responsible pet ownership by

observing their parents," said Dr. Sara Griffin, lecturer at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences. "As a child gets older, their responsibilities with pet care can increase. Children who learn to take on responsibilities appropriate for their age will gain self-confidence and grow up to be responsible adults."

Additionally, family pets can encourage family bonding. Pets need daily exercise, so daily walking with the pet may provide good quality time for the family. Playing or interacting

with the pet in the house can take the focus off the TV or computer and also encourage family interactions.

While children are learning to care for their pet, they may also develop a loving relationship with them. This companionship may provide children comfort and emotional support. "Positive pet interactions with children can help develop non-verbal communication skills, compassion, and empathy in children," Griffin said. "Pets can provide children with a listening ear and friendship."

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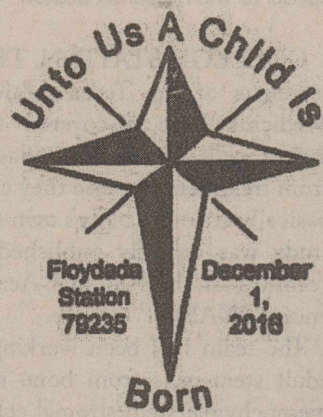
Jordan and Teysha Cornelius of Floydada is proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Hadlee Rae Cornelius.

Hadlee was born at 11:19 a.m., Friday, November 4, 2016 at Covenant Lakeside Hospital, Lubbock, Texas. She weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces and was 22 inches long.

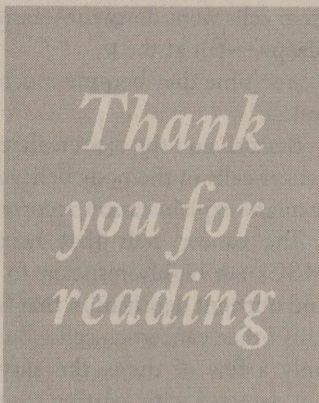
Proud grandparents are Clay and LeAnn Matthews of Bushland, Texas and Eric and Julianne Cornelius of League City, Texas.

Great-grandparents are Bill and Jody Matthews of Plainview, Texas, Susan Allen of Amarillo, Texas, Jim and Pat Cornelius of Possum Kingdom Lake, Texas and Joyce Lipham of Texarkana, Texas.

Hadlee's great-great-grandmother is Helen Horn of Cleburne, Texas.



Courtesy Photo
The Floydada Post Office will have a special cancellation event on Thursday, December 1st during normal business hours. The cancellation will be available for cards and letters throughout the month of December. Please join us as we celebrate this special time of the year.



RSVP hosts Breakfast with Santa



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Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Have you heard, Santa Claus, that jolly and generous spirit of Christmas frolic, is traveling from the North Pole to the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview to meet and greet good little girls and boys at "Breakfast with Santa".

Running Water Draw RSVP and partner Hale County 4-H welcome Santa and Mrs. Claus each year as they take time out of their busy North Pole schedules to join RSVP and their volunteer helpers to share Christmas joy at the annual Breakfast with Santa from 9-10:30 a.m., Saturday, December 3.

All children attending will get to tell Santa what special toy they're wishing for. I've even heard that all of Santa's helpers have been busy preparing a gift

sack of goodies for each child.

The morning fun includes drawings for toys, culminating in a drawing for a girl's and a boy's bicycle and head gear also. Activity booths will include face-painting along with a variety of crafts for the children.

The breakfast menu includes a McDonald's sausage biscuit and 2 cookie pack with coffee available for the parents. Tickets for the event are \$5 for children and \$5 for parents who eat breakfast with their child. There is no cost for parents who do not eat breakfast.

Tickets may be purchased at the RSVP office at 825 Austin (basement of Unger Library) or at the door. Call RSVP at 291-1223 for more information. While RSVP will not take pic-

tures, parents are encouraged to bring their cameras and capture the moment with Santa.

Breakfast with Santa is not a fundraiser, but a gift to area children and a longtime tradition of the RSVP Advisory Council. Santa's helpers, who also serve on the RSVP Advisory Council, are Elsa Cooper, Joe Provence, Nicki Logan, Norvene Owen, Mary Parrish, Rosie Rendon, Emma Herring, Sally Phillips, Alice Rey, Carol Schulz, Gail Thrasher, Gail Williams, Bobbye Dennis, Gary Stennett and Rodney Watson. (It is rumored that Rodney Watson and Inez Hillman have a special friendship with Santa and Mrs. Claus.)

Breakfast with Santa is a great way to start the Holiday Season. RSVP hopes to see you there.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Hope you all had a blessed Thanksgiving, now to get back to the normal.

The Center will be open on Sunday, December 11th for lunch from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. We will serve soup, and cornbread, salad and dessert. Come out to eat a great meal and enjoy the fellowship.

Hospice Hands of West Texas will have their 2nd Bi-Annual Nativity Showing by Carolyn Cunningham from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. in the Dove Room, located

at 305 N. Main, Lockney. Please mark your calendars for both events.

Also mark your calendars... the Center will be closed Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th for the Christmas Holiday.

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only.

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 December 5-9

Monday - Baked potatoes

Tuesday - Spaghetti

Wednesday - Fried chicken

Thursday - Salmon

Friday - Steak

(Menus subject to change without notice)

Miracles Christmas Parade

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK...The deadline to be a participant in this year's 12th Annual Miracles Christmas Parade is looming. The final deadline to file an application to be an active parade participant is December 2nd. Application forms and complete parade rules and safety information is available online at www.miraclesparade.com. The parade begins at 6pm Saturday, December 10, 2016 down 34th Street in Lubbock from Avenue Q west to Indiana Avenue.

"Invitations to participate in the nighttime, lighted Christmas parade have been extended to local and area groups, including area chambers of commerce," said Scott Scarborough, Parade Chairman "Participants will include two marching bands from Lubbock ISD. The Lubbock High Westerner Band will join the Mustang Marching Band from Coronado High School in setting the festive mood the parade offers visitors as they watch and cheer," Scarborough continued.

The purpose of the annual parade is to bring joy to parade watchers, families, participants and organizers with a free festive parade for establishing family Christmas traditions. Parade Grand Marshall is the entire membership of South Plains Electric Cooperative.

An important benefi-

ciary of the annual parade is the donation and collection of unwrapped toys for the United States Marines Toys for Tots campaign. The marines will be parade participants with the special mission of transporting Santa down the two-mile parade route on their truck, the final float. While doing so, uniformed marines will be walking and collecting unwrapped toys from the general public to support the need for toys for area youth who might not have a toy this Christmas. Parade watchers are being urged to bring toys for the marine collection efforts.

Year round toy collectors for this event are David and Lavell Baker of Lubbock. The Bakers have worked every week this past year collecting toys from area stores and groups. Several thousand toys have been collected and will be presented to the marines during the parade. These amazing extraordinary efforts by the Bakers still do not fill the anticipated need for toys, thus the request for additional unwrapped toys from parade observers the night of the parade, Saturday, December 10th.

This year's parade is expected to draw more than 35,000 excited citizens from not only Lubbock, but also the entire South Plains. The free parade is expected to create fabulous excitement for about 90 minutes as it moves east

to west down 34th Street. Parade units and floats will be adorned with thousands of lights and spectacular decorations. At least one car club has entered, along with the antique tractors from the South Plains Antique Tractor Association. The public is invited and urged to attend this free parade December 10th in Lubbock. For more information go to www.miraclesparade.com

For more information, media can contact Spike Wideman at 806-787-9969.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Center's "Bingo Night" is held the 2nd Tuesday of the month. This month, December, it will be on Tuesday, the 13th. This month's special will be 2 bingo cards, sandwich, chips, drink, for \$5.00. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Join us for a night full of fun! Bingo Night is open to anyone ages 16 and over.

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 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
December 5-9
Monday - Taco Salad
Tuesday - Roast beef w/ brown gravy
Wednesday - Pork & baked beans
Thursday - James' Swiss steak
Friday - Beef stew
(Menus subject to change without notice)

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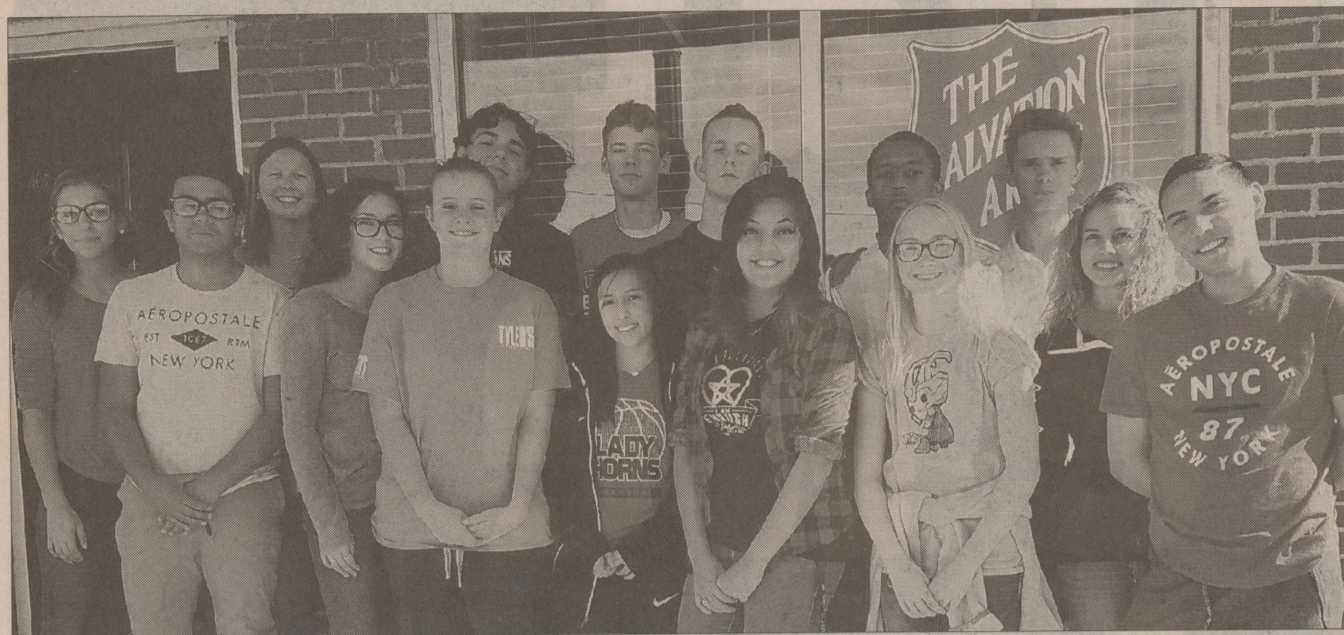
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SCHOOL NEWS

Lockney Honor Society



Courtesy photos

On Monday, November 21, the Honor Society of Lockney collected 1,270 cans from students. They delivered these to the Lockney Salvation Army Unit to serve the needy this Christmas holiday. Shown in picture above are (Back row, left to right) Nohelia Ascencio, Lizzy Belt, Nick Rendon, Tristan Schlueter, Seattle Jackson, Tavien Walrath, Luke Kasner; (Front row, l-r) Julio Lara, Alyssa Gutierrez, Shelby Dunbar, Ryiann Araujo, Valerie Hernandez, Carissa Petty, Tabitha Bigham and Ricky Cuellar.

The Lockney Salvation Army would like to thank the school and the kids who participated in helping others.



Longhorns defeats Ralls in season opener

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

RALLS—Lockney jumped out to a 10-point lead after the first quarter and never looked back in their basketball season opener, defeating the Ralls Jackrabbits 78-27.

Jaden Rosales scored eight points as the Longhorns jumped out to a 17-7 lead after the first quarter.

In the second quarter, Lockney outscored Ralls 17-11 to take a 34-18 halftime lead.

The Longhorns put up 29 points in the third quarter while holding the Jackrabbits to only three points as they extended their lead to 63-21 after three quarters.

In the fourth quarter, Lockney continued the pressure on Ralls, holding them to only six points while toss-

ing in 15 more to make the final score 78-27.

Rosales led the way with 17 points, Israel Cuellar added 12 points, Jaden Butler had 11 points and Kevin Lopez and Jonathan Rodriguez each added 10 points. Lockney shot 55 percent from the floor. Rosales also had five steals. The Longhorns finished with 58 rebounds, 19 offensive and 39 defensive along with two blocks and 12 steals. Bryson Walker led all rebounders with 10 and Lopez added nine.

Lockney was scheduled to play Abernathy, Tuesday, November 29 but will play Paducah instead due to the Antelopes football team advancing in the playoffs. The Longhorns will participate in the Nazareth Tournament December 1-3.

Lockney defeats Anton 90-60

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

ANTON — Five players scored in double figures for the Lockney Longhorns as they defeated the Anton Bulldogs 90-60 to move to 2-0 on the season.

In the first quarter, Anton and Lockney were tied four times before the Longhorns used back-to-back steals by Israel Cuellar and Jaden Rosales gave the Longhorns a four-point at 17-13 before stretching it to 21-15 after one quarter.

Anton pulled to within four points, at 23-19 before Lockney reeled off 15 straight points to take a 38-19 lead before finishing off the quarter, outscoring the Bulldogs 23-11 to take a 44-26 lead into the locker room after two quarters.

In the third quarter, the Bulldogs and Longhorns matched

each other with 24 points each but the Longhorns held on to a 68-50 lead.

The Longhorns pulled away in the final quarter, outscoring the Bulldogs 22-10 to take the 90-60 lead.

Rosales hit 9-14 from the field to lead all scorers with 26 points, Jonathan Rodriguez added 14 points, Jaden Butler had 13 points and Kevin Lopez and Cuellar both had ten points each. The Longhorns had 47 rebounds, 26 defensive and 21 offensive, led by Lopez with eight and Butler with seven. Rosales also had five steals and two blocks to help keep Anton out of the game.

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FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU
December 5 – 9

Monday

Breakfast – Sausage roll, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Beef nachos w/cheese sauce, turkey & cheese sub, refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast – Cinnamon bun, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Creamy macaroni & cheese, chicken tostado w/rice, peppered broccoli florets, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast – Banana loaf, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Turkey chili dog, sloppy joe, seasoned green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

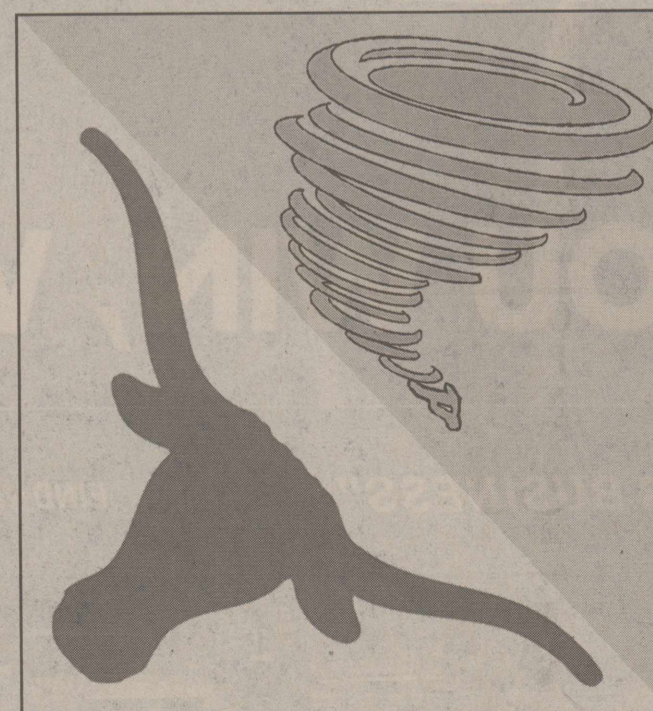
Breakfast – Cocoa Puff cereal, graham cracker, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Chicken parmesan, breaded chicken sandwich, peppered corn, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast – Strawberry pancakes, cereal, fresh fruit, milk

Lunch – Green chili chicken, enchiladas w/rice, pepperoni pizza, spicy pinto beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk



Olton hands Lady Winds third setback

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — Despite double digit scoring from Kaylee Morren and Brittney Pena, the Floydada Lady Winds were unable to keep up with the Olton Fillies, losing 63-47 Tuesday, November 22.

Olton jumped out to an 8-0 lead in the first quarter before Pena broke through with a field goal to make it 8-2. The Lady Winds continued hitting before bringing the score even at 8-8. The two teams battled the remainder of the quarter before ending the first quarter tied at 13-13.

In the second quarter, the Fillies took a 16-point lead with a 23-7 quarter. Olton used a 12-0 run early in the quarter to distance themselves from the Lady Winds

then took a 36-20 lead to the locker room.

Both teams struggled in the third quarter with Floydada outscoring Olton 11-9 to make it 45-31 after the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter, Olton outpaced the Lady Winds 18-16 to seal the 63-47 victory. For the Lady Winds, Morren scored 12 points, Pena scored 11, Selena Espinosa added seven and Valerie Espinosa added six.

For the Fillies, Audra Allcorn led all scorers with 20 points, Ashlynn Gunter added 15, Angelica Diaz added 11 and Isabell Hernandez added 10 points.

The Lady Winds are next in action at the Anton Tournament, December 1-3, then will host Lockney on December 6 followed by the Whirlwind Classic, December 8-10.

Whirlwinds defeat Olton 61-54

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA — Remington Ricketts led the Floydada Whirlwinds with 23 points as the Whirlwinds outlasted the Olton Mustangs 61-54 on Tuesday, November 22 to move to 2-0 on the year.

The Whirlwinds and Mustangs battled back and forth in the first quarter before Olton took a 15-11 lead behind White's six points.

The Whirlwinds outscored the Mustangs by seven, 17-10 to take a 28-25 lead to the locker room. Brayden Campbell led the second quarter charge with 10 points.

Olton closed the gap by outscoring the Whirlwinds 19-18 but Floydada main-

tained the lead after three quarters, 46-44. The Whirlwinds were paced by Ricketts' eight points.

In the fourth quarter, Floydada outscored the Mustangs 15-10 to claim the 61-54 victory. Ricketts added eight more points to pace the Whirlwinds.

For the Whirlwinds, Ricketts had 23 points, Campbell had 12 points and Jesse Segura added eight points. Floydada shot nearly 57 percent from the field while Olton shot 50 percent.

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December 5 – 9

Monday, Dec. 5

Breakfast – Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Fruit, Milk

Lunch – Steak Fingers or Pork Chop, Gravy, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 6

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Lunch – Spaghetti Bowl with Breadstick or French Bread Pizza, Salad, Veggie Blend, Peaches, Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 7

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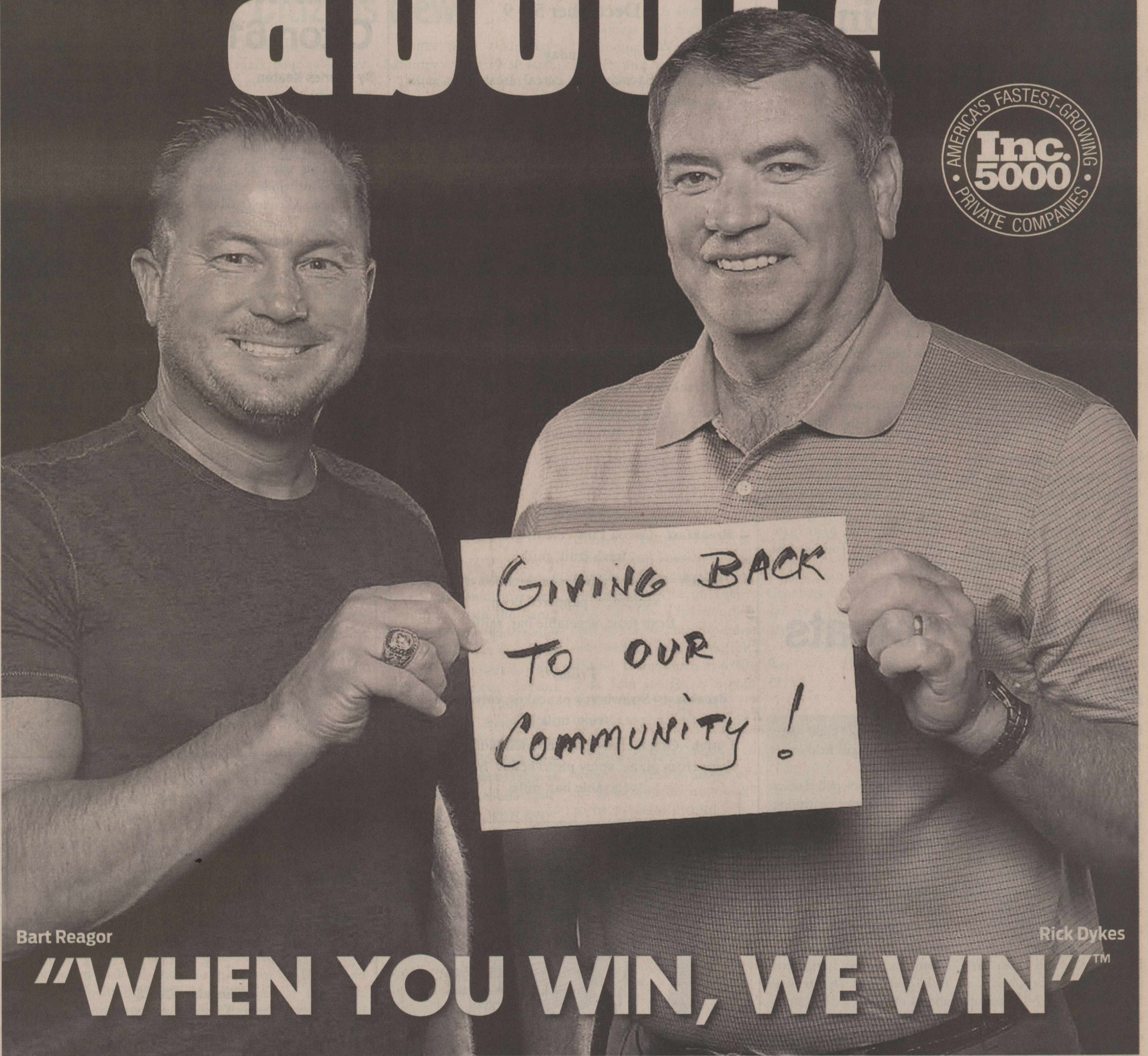
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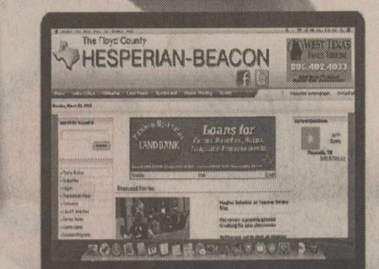
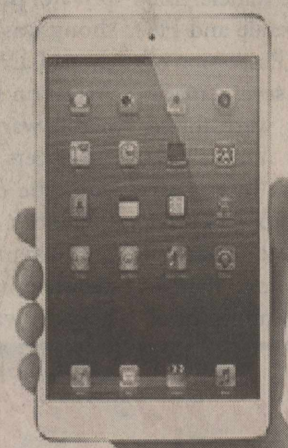
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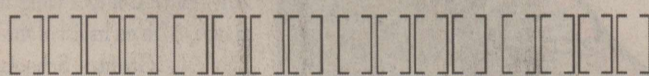
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Floydada Police Report

By Jesse Finley, Public Information Officer

Sergio Cuellar was arrested on November 8 after being stopped for speeding. He was in the country illegally and was transferred to the custody of the United States Border Patrol.

An officer was patrolling around the high school on November 7 when he observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed down Whirlwind Alley. The officer stopped the vehicle and could smell the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The driver was a juvenile and He was arrested for Possession of Marijuana after several marijuana cigarettes were found in the ashtray.

Raul Mendoza Jr. was arrested on November 11 after being stopped by an officer for a traffic violation. Raul Jr. had an active warrant out of

Hale County for Non-payment of Child Support.

Police observed Joe Anthony Garza in the 300 block of South Second Street and attempted to arrest him for a parole warrant from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. When Joe Anthony saw the officers walking towards him, he took off running into traffic on Second Street and the officers followed him on foot. Joe Anthony climbed over a residential fence in an alley and officers deployed a Taser to stop the foot pursuit into private property. Joe Anthony was taken into custody and arrested for Evading Arrest on Foot as well as the parole warrant.

Officers responded to a domestic disturbance in the 900 block of West Kentucky on November 13. The suspect had indicated to the officers he wanted to hurt him-

self and he was placed under Emergency Detention to prevent him from doing any harm to himself.

Officers attempted to stop a vehicle on November 15 for a traffic violation when the driver began to evade the officers. The chase ended in the 300 block of East Kentucky where Jonathan Fowler was arrested for Evading Arrest or Detention in a Motor Vehicle. Several drug paraphernalia items were found in the vehicle.

Reinaldo Cuba was arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance in a Drug Free Zone on November 18. Officers came upon a parked vehicle Reinaldo was in and while the officers were talking to Reinaldo, they observed a small bag containing a substance believed to be cocaine or crack cocaine. The substance was sent to a laboratory for analysis.

Officers responded to a fight in progress at the High School on November 7. Two juvenile females were fighting over a cell phone that was possibly stolen.

Police are investigating an assault that occurred on November 8. The suspect and the victim are juveniles so no further information will be released.

A burglary was reported to police on November 8 that occurred in the 300 block of West Jeffie. A black Xbox One was stolen and the suspect or suspects likely entered through the back door. No suspects have been identified.

Police took a report of harassment on November 10 in the 700 block of West Georgia Street after a threatening note was left on a door. The victim stated the suspect has also sent several threatening text messages. The suspect has been identified and charges are pending.

A case of criminal mischief was reported to police on November 16 in the 200 block of West Tennessee Street. An offensive word was spray-painted on the victim's vehicle sometime during the previous night. No suspects have been identified.

Floydada Police Can Keep an Eye on Your Home or Business

By Jesse Finley
Public Information Officer

The Floydada Police Department offers a service year around to keep a close watch on your home or business when you are out of town and we encourage you to take advantage of it, especially during the Holidays. If you travel out of town, we would like to know so we can keep a close eye on your residence or business to help prevent someone from taking advantage of your absence.

Here are some tips to help prevent you from become the next victim:

- Lock all your doors and windows
- Activate your alarm system if you have one
- Close your curtains and blinds to prevent someone from looking in
- Buy timers for a few lights to make it appear as if you are home
- Ask a couple of trusted neighbors to keep an eye on your house
- If you are leaving on vacation, do not post pictures or status updates on social media about

the trip until you return.

- Keep money hidden in unusual places that only you know about
- Keep outside lights on or use motion activated lights to make it hard for people to sneak up to your house at night

If your home or business happens to be broken into, report it to the Police immediately. Do not enter the residence until an Officer says it is alright to do so. Do not touch any surfaces in case there are fingerprints that can be taken, but please be aware that it is uncommon for fingerprints to be found after a burglary. Some surfaces make it impossible to lift fingerprints and most of the time the suspect does not leave an intact print that would lead to their identification.

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