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Pioneer Man, Woman, and Couple Named



CLARENCE E. "CORKEY" GUFFEE



ANNABEL BRAMLET



G. L. AND DAHLIA HIGHT

By Kay Ellington
 The Hesperian-Beacon

Lines the length of the city block lined up at midway in downtown Floydada as attendees gathered to enjoy the \$6 lunch from Danny's Fins and Hens. The chicken and fish lunch was free to "Old Settlers".

Under the Pavilion, the East Street Band played live music of popular favorites between announcements and milestones for the Old Set-

ler's Reunion. Announced was the Pioneer Man of the Year, Clarence E. "Corkey" Guffee of Floydada, Pioneer Woman of the Year, Annabel Bramlet of Lockney and the Pioneer Couple G.L. and Dahlia Hight of Lockney.

2017 PIONEER MAN OF THE YEAR CLARENCE E. "CORKEY" GUFFEE

Clarence E. "Corkey" Guffee has been a citizen of Floyd

County his entire 88-1/2 years. He was born November 3, 1928, at Cedar Hill. The family moved to the Liberty community, the Almond community and the Sandhill community before finally moving to Floydada when his father became the county school superintendent.

He attended school in Floydada and was a member of the FHS graduating class of 1946. The summer after graduation he was injured in a farm accident and lost a

lower leg and foot. He never considered this a handicap but quickly learned to adjust and move forward in life. He went on to graduate from Lippert's Business College in Plainview with a degree in accounting.

While attending college he met and married Janiece Hill. They have been happily married for almost 68 years (August 5). They have a son, a daughter, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Lighthouse Electric Co-

operative became Guffee's working home for 43-1/2 years before his retirement in 1994. After a full day at Lighthouse, he would change into his farming clothes and get to work. He followed in his father's footsteps and was an after-five-o'clock/Saturday farmer. He farmed crops and raised livestock for many years. After retirement he became more involved in farming activities.

Today, he still helps with farm work and property

maintenance. He has a true love of the land and the community. If anyone needs help, he is always willing to do whatever he can to help with farming as well

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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.

BINGO NIGHT FLOYDADA SR. CITIZENS

The "BINGO NIGHT" at the Floydada Center is held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Anyone ages 16 and over are welcome to come join us for a night full of fun! Refreshments available for purchase.

BINGO NIGHT LOCKNEY SR. CITIZENS

The "BINGO NIGHT" at the Lockney Center is held on the 3rd Monday of each month. Doors open from 6-8 p.m. Sandwiches, chips, and drinks will be available for purchase. Come and enjoy the fun.

Correction

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Reagor Dykes of Snyder



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Bart Reagor and Rick Dykes, center with scissors, cut the ribbon at Reagor-Dykes Snyder, the newest dealership in the Reagor-Dykes franchise.

Bart Reagor, third from left, discusses Reagor-Dykes of Snyder with a large contingent of employees and well-wishers last week before the ribbon cutting at the newest store in the Reagor-Dykes franchise. The Snyder dealership sells Chevrolet, GMC, Buick and Cadillac. From left are:



Brian Bruce, General Manager of both the Snyder and Floydada dealerships, Linda Molina, Executive Director of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce, Reagor and his partner, Rick Dykes.

Stone's in concert at Lockney FBC



Courtesy photo

Jack and Deb Stone

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

On Sunday, June 18 (Father's Day), Jack and Deb Stone will be performing in the 10:45 morning worship hour at Lockney First Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to come worship and enjoy the musical inspiration of the Stones.

Jack grew up in West Texas as a preacher's kid. At the age of 28, he began pastoring along with his wife, Deb, and their three children. He began his singing career in 1994. As a strong vocalist, he has been given many opportunities to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As the Lord opens the doors for Jack, he willingly walks through them. This has led him to many denominations to use his voice for the glory of

God.

In March of 2007, Jack was able to release his first single nationwide entitled, "Jesus Is Enough" written by Russ Murphy, who was the New Artist of the Year for 2007 and Song Writer of the Year for 2008. This single went to number 16 on the Christian Country Music Charts. In September of that same year, Jack took a step of faith and launched out into full-time music ministry. Since leaving the pastorate, he has seen 1,249 decisions for Christ.

Jack is the founder of TOP SHELF MINISTRIES INC. and has developed a silicone wristband that says "STRETCH YOUR FAITH." He is currently booking concerts across the area and is available for ministry.

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Floydada City Council Selects Mayor Pro Tem, Municipal Judge

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

At last week's city council meeting, members unanimously elected Sam Green Mayor Pro Tem and Tali Jackson municipal judge. Mayor Bobby Gilliland and council members Steve Lloyd and Dana Crossland were sworn in. All had run for re-election unopposed.

In other council action, members approved the South Plains Association of Governments to administer the

HOME program.

The council also approved the 2017-2018 Floyd County Central Appraisal District budget, and began their discussions on the 2017-2018 Operations Budget for the City of Floydada.

In other news from city hall, city manager Jeff Johnston reports that the street department has been working on roads and drainage for the last several weeks, and they have successfully reworked many of the ditches and replaced several

old culverts.

He has also noted that the Massie Activity Center in the park is close to being finished. But, during recent large rains, the city had noticed water leaking in and around the new front doors and windows and had held off on carpet installation until the doors and windows could be sealed.

The city has chosen a new street sweeper, and they are hoping to get it here before Old Settlers Days, but it may take longer.

4th on Broadway Call for Parade Entries and Food/Craft Vendors

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK, Texas - This year's 4th on Broadway four-day festival kicks off on July 1, with the Amigo's La Raza on the Plaza, followed by the two-day "4th on Broadway Rockin' Red Dirt Mini-Fest" on July 2-3, which culminates with the Randy Rogers Band. Tickets are on sale at Select a Seat.

July 4th will include the 4th on Broadway Sonic Drive-In Parade, Picnic in the Park, FREE Covenant Health Evening Concert and the Reagor Dykes Firework Extraganza, plus many new events. Events on July 4th are free to the Lubbock and surrounding communities, making 4th on Broadway "The Largest Free Festival in Texas."

Local businesses, nonprofits, and individuals are invited to register now to be a part of the 4th on Broadway Sonic Drive-In Parade, which is broadcast live on KLBK-TV. The parade includes 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners for nonprofit and commercial categories. For more information and applications, go to broadwayfestivals.com under the "Get Involved" tab.

With an expected 80,000 participants taking part in the weekend events, vendors, food trucks, and local businesses are invited to sign up to sell food and other items at the 27th Annual 4th on Broadway festival. Vendors are needed for the Amigo's La Raza on the Plaza, the Rockin' Red Dirt Mini-Fest, along with the Picnic in

the Park, and Covenant Health Evening Concert on July 4th. More information and applications can be found at broadwayfestivals.com under the "Get Involved" tab.

Reminder: Benefit-drawing tickets for the personally autographed, custom Garth Brooks Takamine guitar are one for \$10 or 12 for \$100 and may be purchased at www.broadwayfestivals.com/raffle or by calling (806) 749-2929. The drawing will be held at the July 4th free Covenant Health Evening Concert, need not be present to win. All proceeds help keep Lubbock's 4th on Broadway festival free for the entire region.

For more information or questions, please contact Colee Orf at (806) 749-2929 or admin@broadwayfestivals.com.

SPC slates Blues, Rock and Country Music camp

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will host the Blues, Rock and Country Music Ensemble Camp for youth ages 10 to 15 who want to be in a band. The four-day camp is set for 9 a.m. to noon July 10-13 in the SPC Creative Arts building.

The cost of the camp is \$75 per student.

Registration is open to students interested in learning to play the guitar, bass, drums, keyboards or vocals. Previous experience is not required.

Registration forms are available in the Office of

Continuing and Distance Education or call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant to the Dean of Continuing and Distance Education, at (806) 716-2341 and/or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu. Registration will be accepted through

the first day of the camp.

For more information, contact Camp Director Brent Wheeler, Assistant Professor of Commercial Music, at (806) 716-2023 or email bjwheeler@southplainscollege.edu.

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Raffle drawing to take place June 24th at WJMMH's Community Appreciation Day

The 501 Deconstruction for rednecks

Deconstruct: To reduce something to its constituent parts in order to reinterpret it.

That's the second meaning of "deconstruct" according to my trusty little computer dictionary.

Here's the sample sentence that goes with that second meaning:

"Do we need to deconstruct all the institutions that we've created in order to improve them?"

All that's needed is a third meaning for redneck application. I'm working on it.

But first, for all of you who are wondering about the first meaning of "deconstruct," it's a doozy:

To analyze (a text or a linguistic or conceptual system) by deconstruction, typically in order to expose its hidden internal assumptions and contradictions and subvert its apparent significance or unity.

Let's don't go there. Instead, let me take you into The Wilderness -- a dilapidated 1979 green and white 21-foot bumper-pull RV I'm reducing to its constituent parts in order to reinterpret it. Yes, the whole operation looks like a demolition, but looks deceive. It's a bona fide deconstruction that'll give the old RV a new place in the world via thoughtful reconfiguration.

Not that all the constituent parts will survive deconstruction. In fact, some of the very fabric of the structure is already in the landfill -- the best place for what I'm calling "trailer trash."

My dictionary defines that particular term as "poor lower-class white people typified as living in trailers."

The Paperboy Trump, immigration and moving...

Since I've taken some time away from this column, let's do some catching up:

President Trump managed his first international trip. Republicans think he did great while Democrats think he embarrassed us.

The truth probably lies somewhere in between. The highlight for me was calling for other members of

NATO to pay their share saying it was unfair to the American taxpayer that the U.S. has and continues to pay for several members. Amen to that!

How we ever put ourselves in the position of permanent parent to some of our allies is beyond me. If our allies are free-loaders, are they really our friends?

One thing hasn't changed with Trump. Regardless of how anyone feels about the man, he does not care. I suspect that's just the way he is.

One thing I've been having trouble with is the lack of law abiding people in this country. Take the demonstration at the Texas State Capitol Building Monday as an example. The Texas Congress passed a law saying Texans need to obey federal immigration law. That's it. A law to pass a law.

If the laws regarding immigration were being followed in this country -- especially over the past 30 years -- we'd have more money and less crime. There is no disputing this.

We cannot be a country who picks and chooses which laws to follow. I'm not going to get in my truck and decide it's a good day to head down to Dallas going 120 mph. That is a bad idea.

Well, it's not the call of a mayor or governor to simply break the law because they disagree with it. It sets a horrible precedent which is now resulting in years of abuse.

Can you imagine a thousand Americans heading to Mexico City and demanding that Mexico house them and give them money? Of course not. So why let it happen here?

Everyone in the country needs to obey the laws of this country. It's really not that hard of a concept to grasp.

The time for Americans to stop inflicting wounds on ourselves has past. If you want a law changed, there is a proper way to do it. Simply having a temper tantrum is not the proper way and results in hurt feelings and ill will.

I moved my family out of the house I've had for 20 years. It was the house I lived in before I was married and had children.

I've been asked if I was sad about the move. Not at all. First, I've sold it to a great family who genuinely loves the house. That's a nice feeling to have. Second, it was time for a change. There's nothing wrong with wanting to mix things up.

I think this move has been a blessing for both families involved. And actually, I've felt blessed during the process.

My favorite thing about the move was seeing the effort put in from my sons. They were both a big help.

My oldest son, soon to be 14, was a tremendous help. He's big and strong and doesn't run out of energy!

It was a good family experience to move. It was hard work and brought back a lot of good memories. Now it's time for someone else to make the place their own and create their own great memories.

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Floydada Rotary

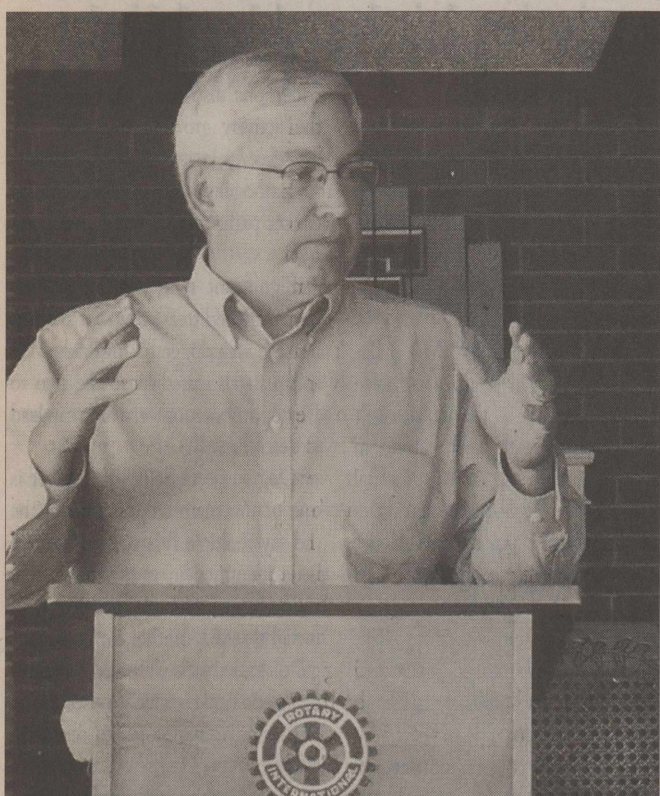


Photo Courtesy of Karen Houchin

Rotarian Tom Farris presented Wayne Davis, Executive director of Plains Baptist Assembly, as his program. The camp will bring in over 8,000 campers throughout a year, nearly half in the 3 months of the summer. They offer many activities for camps and retreats. You can get more information about the camp at their website, www.pba.org. Over 80% of campers are 6th graders and under. Ziplines, swimming pool, water blobs, hiking, a large gym, large worship center and 15 dorms, hotel rooms and many more amenities and accommodations are offered by PBA. The camp hosts the Rotary Youth Leadership Camp. Thank you to Rotarian Farris and Director Davis for a very interesting program.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - 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.

"Bingo Night" at the Center is held every second Tuesday of the month. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Anyone ages 16 and over are welcome

to come join us for a night full of fun! Refreshments will be available for purchase.

We serve a delicious meal with salad bar Monday through Friday. If you have never eaten with us, we invite you to join us from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. We think you will be pleased with the quality and quantity of food you will receive.

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 June 5 - June 9

- Monday - Pork roast w/gravy
 - Tuesday - Meat & bean chalupa
 - Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
 - Thursday - BBQ on bun
 - Friday - Beef tips w/mashed potatoes
- (Menus subject to change without notice)

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

LEONARD AND IVA ADAMS

Our father Leonard Franklin Adams was born November 19, 1905 in Tribby, Oklahoma. The son of Noah and Suzy Mae (Bragg) Adams. She was a descendant of General Braxton Bragg. Due to the death of our father's mother when he was five and the remarriage of his father he was pretty much on his own from a very early age. He had one sister Effie, who died of tuberculosis in her early thirties, and several half-brothers and sisters.

He married Iva Smith, born August 21, 1910, daughter of Lee Roy and Mary Whitford Smith on October 8, 1925 at Lindsay, Oklahoma. They had six children, the first of which died at the age of three.

In 1938 Daddy contracted tuberculosis and spent four months in the sanitarium

in Clinton, Oklahoma. After his return he did some farm work and operated a garage, but due to his tender heartedness many of the accounts were not collected; My father was and still is the most generous man I know.

Our school turned out for a time in the fall for the children to help with harvest. The fall of 1946 Daddy rigged our truck with bunk beds, a kerosene cook stove, a light that burned off the battery (this really impressed us kids) and a peaked roof, covered with a tarpaulin and we went on the harvest. We had friends move to Lockney so we came here to see about the cotton. We kids were so excited about going to Texas! The cotton was plentiful and we worked hard. Daddy let us keep all the money we

made. Of course we bought school clothes and supplies.

In 1947 we came back for the harvest and stayed in the Sandhill Community. Doyle, the oldest boy, stayed in Oklahoma to finish his senior year at high school, after which he married and farmed in the Alex Community. The oldest girl, Joyce, had recently married so only we three younger children (Patty, Leroy and Sue) made the move to Texas with our parents.

Daddy worked for Tom Chatham for eight years after which we moved into Lockney where they bought their own home. Daddy worked for Bill Hodel, then Pete Kellison after Bill retired, working the same land.

Mother had a special knack with colors, redoing and making do. Though she

never had a lot of money to spend, our homes were always attractive. I am very proud of her. As long as her health permitted her yard was beautiful and gave her lots of pleasure, as well as others.

Daddy retired in 1976, moving back to Alex, Oklahoma, where he helps the oldest son on his farm.

Leroy passed away September 4, 1977, at the age of 38, and was laid to rest beside his brother in the Erin Springs Cemetery, near Lindsey, Oklahoma.

After thirty years in Floyd County, they have gone 'home' where two of their children, most of their fifteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren live, leaving two daughters in Floyd County, Mrs. Donice (Sue) Casey, and Mrs. Eugene (Patty) Tannahill.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 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, Wednes-

day, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:30 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.

"Bingo Night" is held the 3rd week of each month. Come join us for some fun!

Hope you all have a great week!!

MENU June 5 - June 9

- Monday - Carne Asada
- Tuesday - Spaghetti
- Wednesday - Ham
- Thursday - Chicken & dumplings
- Friday - Brisket

Texas A&M Ranked No.2 Nationally In Best Schools List

By Keith Randall

Marketing and Communications

COLLEGE STATION, May 25, 2017 - Texas A&M University has been ranked No.2 nationally on the list of Best Schools of 2017 by the educational website schools.com.

Texas A&M is the only Texas university to make the top 10 of schools.com's rankings. The top ranking went to Utah State University.

Other top 10 schools include the University of Oklahoma, University of North Carolina, University of Utah, University of Florida, University of Maryland, Oklahoma State, North Carolina State and Utah Valley State. Schools.com said it evalu-

ated more than 1,600 colleges and ranked schools on 13 criteria, among them cost, scholarship aid, number of degree programs offered, debt of graduating students, student retention rates, student services offered and other factors. It also used data collected by the U.S. Department of Education.

The site's ranking of Texas A&M noted that "Texas A&M posted a graduation rate in our national top five and offered more online programs than all but two of our best colleges in the U.S. On top of that, it was one of the best national universities for veterans in 2017."

For more information, go to <http://www.schools.com/research/best-schools-of-2017>

SPC Natatorium announces 2017 summer swim schedule

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - Registration is being accepted starting June 5 for swimming classes at the South Plains College

Natorium from noon to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Payments are due with registration.

Enrollment is limited for each class.

For any parent who is unsure of his/her child's swim level is invited to dress the child in a swim suit and attend registration where the child can be tested.

Swim classes will cost \$60 per person.

Classes will meet Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Classes that may be cancelled due to bad weather such as lightning will be made up on Fridays. Mike Harrison, swim instructor and director of the Natatorium, will teach the classes,

Students enrolling in Beginner Swimming must be at least 6 years-old (no exceptions). They will be taught swimming on their front, back and floating. Times and dates are:
 June 19 - June 29; 10-10:50 a.m.
 June 19 - June 29; 11-11:50 a.m.
 July 10 - July 20; 9-9:50 a.m.
 July 24 - Aug. 3; 11-11:50 a.m.

Advanced Beginner is for students who have passed beginner swimming. Students will learn elementary back strokes, diving and improve crawl strokes.
 June 19 - June 29; 9-9:50 a.m.
 July 10 - July 20; 10-10:50 a.m.
 July 24 - Aug. 3; 10-10:50 a.m.

Intermediate Swimming is for students who have passed

advanced beginner. Students will learn breast and side strokes.
 July 10 - July 20; 11-11:50 a.m.

Swimmer classes are for students who have passed intermediate. Students will learn starts and flip turns for competitive swimming. Continued work on previous strokes learned.
 July 24 - Aug. 3; 9-9:50 a.m.

Parent/child class is for young children ages 6 months to 6 years. Non potty-trained youngsters must wear rubber pants or swim diapers. Adults must accompany each child in the water. The emphasis of the class is water adjustment and interaction between parent and child. Older children will be progressed through swim skills. Classes will meet for 30 minutes. Cost is \$30.
 Monday and Wednesday June 12 - June 28; 1-1:30 p.m.
 Tuesday and Thursday June 13 - June 29; 1-1:30 p.m.
 Monday and Wednesday July 10 - July 26; 1-1:30 p.m.

Adult Beginner class is for anyone 14 years of age or older who wants to learn to swim. Learn the basic skills for survival.
 Tuesdays and Thursdays July 11 - July 27; 6:40 - 7:30 p.m.

The Natatorium also offers Community Classes for \$60 and register the day of the class. The Early Bird Swim, non-instructional for

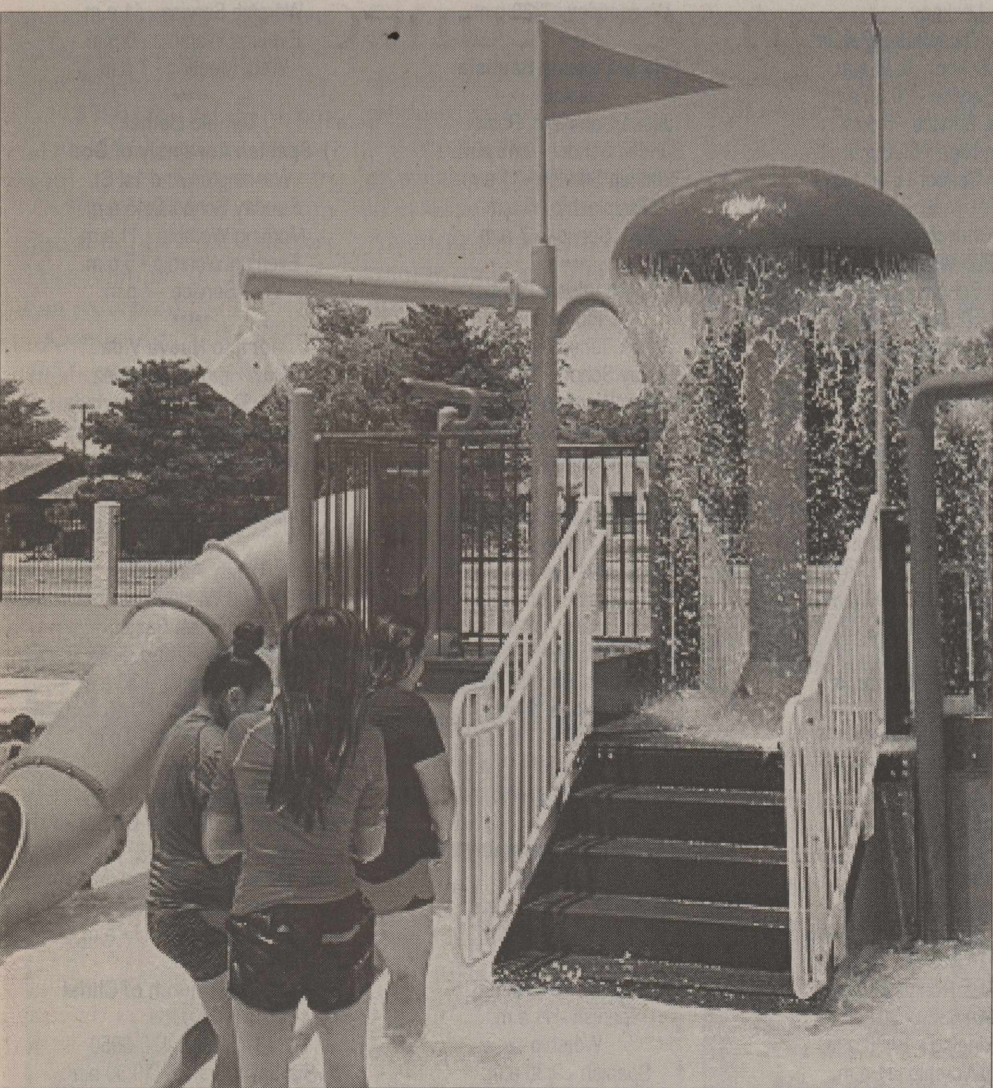
lap swimmers only, meets from 6:30 to 7:15 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays June 5 through Aug. 11; the Shallow/Deep Water Aerobics, non-instructional, from 7:15-8 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays June 5 through Aug. 11; Arthritis from 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday June 5 through Aug. 11; and Water Aerobics from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays June 6 through Aug. 10.

The pool will remain open June 5 through Aug. 11. The pool will be closed July 4. To swim at the SPC Natatorium during open swim, everyone must be a member or a guest of a member. Open swim will be Monday through Friday from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Lap swim times are from noon to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday as well as 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Membership rates are for individuals - \$75 for summer or \$150 year; couple (husband/wife only) \$100 summer or \$200 year; family (mom/dad/two children) \$150 summer/\$300 year - \$25/\$50 each additional child; SPC Staff is free; SPC family is \$75 year; Hockley County seniors and Fitness Center members are free; and guest fee is \$5 - limit 2 and must be with a member.

Private parties also can be arranged. Contact Harrison at 716-2449 for more information.

Floydada pool now open



Kay Ellington/The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada pool is now open for summer, and this past weekend, some of the "young settlers" enjoyed a quick dip. Despite some nearly triple digit temperatures recently, swimmers reported the water was still a bit chilly, but nothing that warming up on the hot sidewalk couldn't cure.

OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Donnie Ray Woolsey

Wewoka resident Donnie Ray Woolsey went to his Heavenly home on Thursday, May 25, 2017.

He was born in Floydada, Texas July 22, 1936 to the late James Winston Woolsey and Ina Mae Lewis. For the past few months he was a resident of Golden Rule Nursing Home, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Donnie Ray Woolsey married Betty Mae McCombs June 20, 1986 in Oklahoma City at Capitol Heights Baptist Church. She preceded him in death

on November 29, 2010.

Woolsey was a self-employed airplane mechanic and later owned A-1 Lawn mower shop in Oklahoma City. His hobbies were fishing, gardening, hunting, and working on airplanes and lawn mowers.

Preceding Donnie in death parents are his wife; his parents; step-mother, Modell Woolsey, step-father, Carl Lewis, and one sister, Wynona Maynard.

Survivors include two sons, Randy Woolsey and wife, Rebekah of Wewoka, Oklahoma, and

James Woolsey and wife, Dorothy of Oklahoma City; one daughter, Becky Harjo of Irving, Texas; ten grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; two sisters, Maxine Putman of Lubbock, Texas and Donna Anderson of Floydada, Texas and a host of other relatives and friends.

Pall bearers will be Speedy Harjo, Kenny Woods, Matthew Woods, and Robert Downey.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at Stout-Phillips Funeral Home



DONNIE RAY WOOLSEY

Chapel. Pastor Larry Chesser officiated.

Burial followed at the Little Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Stout-Phillips Funeral Home.

Juniper and cypress varieties hit hard by blight

By Adam Russell
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

COLLEGE STATION—It's been a tough 2017 so far for juniper and cypress varieties used in landscapes, as pests and diseases make the rounds, causing blight and tree die-offs.

Kevin Ong, Texas A&M Agriculture Extension Service plant pathologist and director of the Texas Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory in College Station, said there are several different possible disease or pest issues plaguing juniper and cypress varieties around the state, from the Gulf Coast to Central, North and East Texas.

Complaints and questions have surrounded symptoms including brown dying trees, foliage that looks grayish brown, one side of the tree is dead, brown patches in the tree and many more, Ong said.

Ong said weather has played a significant role in pest and disease problems that have progressed over the past two months.

"We're seeing a lot of funky symptoms," he said. "Diagnosis have ranged from specific fungal diseases to pests or a combination of things."

The warm winter may have allowed spider mites to emerge much earlier than normal, he said. In a typical year, spider mites can become a summer-time issue, but this year there were reports of infestations in early March.

Spider mites feed on trees, weaken them and expose them to pathogens, causing the dead brown patch appearance on trees, Ong said.

Two freeze events following warm

conditions also may have damaged the actively growing trees, he said. The freezes may have opened spots for pathogens, such as various fungal canker pathogens, to enter and infect trees.

Significant rain events may also have drowned trees after root systems became waterlogged, Ong said. Wet soils can also predispose the tree to Phytophthora root rot, which can lead to dead trees.

Ong suspects Seiridium canker is one of the main culprits, though he did say multiple fungal diseases have been identified in trees. This canker causes branch dieback, resulting in an unsightly tree. Another common fungal disease that is observed is Botryosphaeria canker, which causes somewhat similar symptoms to seiridium canker.

There are no effective chemical controls available for these fungal canker diseases, Ong said. The best way to avoid canker is to help the tree avoid stresses. Prune out infected twigs and branches. Be sure to sterilize the pruning equipment with bleach following each cut. If the canker occurs on the trunk, consider removing the tree.

"We're getting a lot of questions, mostly from people utilizing these varieties for landscaping, because they are seeing changes in their plants," he said. "It's hard to explain when so many things are happening, but it hasn't slowed down and I don't expect it to slow down."

For more information, go to the <https://www.facebook.com/txplantclinic>.

Neida McKaskle

Neida McKaskle, age 86, of Floydada, passed away peacefully into heaven on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

Memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 at the First United Methodist Church, Floydada.

Interment will follow at Carr's Chapel Cemetery. Services are under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Neida Doris Cox was born in Cottle County, Texas to Emory Cox and Carrie Lucile Wise.

She loved to quilt, sew, work puzzles and fish. She was also an avid board game player and enjoyed traveling the county in her Winnebago. She loved Jesus and drove herself to church every week.

Neida was preceded in death by her parents, her daughter, Veda Thayer Adams, her husbands, Ralph Thayer and Carson McKaskle, her siblings, Lillian Hargrove, Lucille Duncan, Charles Cox, Betty McKinney, Emory Cox, Frances Dilley and James Cox.

She is survived by her

children, Fred and Judy Thayer of Floydada, and

Carrie Welty of Brownwood; son-in law, Larry Adams of Fredricksburg; two step-sons, Lyndel Fletcher and Kerry Fletcher of Big Spring; 14 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Ruth Raffle of Missouri and Becky Campbell of Tennessee; and a host of nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorials to be made to The Senior Citizens Center of Floydada, The Dallas



NEIDA MCKASKLE

Lighthouse for the Blind (4306 Capitol Ave., Dallas, TX 75204) or your favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.

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I've Got This?

Jesus prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will."

—Matthew 26:39 (NIV)

I keep a written copy of the verse quoted above in my wallet because reading it helps me to keep life in perspective. Too many times I have allowed arrogance and pride to dictate how I have approached difficult situations. Treating God's word like a lucky charm I kept in my pocket, I would say to myself, "I've got this" — thinking I had control of everything. If life got really tough, only then would I call on God and ask for the strength to make it through.

Once I began regularly reading the Bible, I came to

understand that if I rely on God's strength at all times — not just when I am desperate — then God's grace and power will guide me through those trying times as well.

These words from Matthew's Gospel taught me that even Jesus had a moment when he felt overwhelmed and needed to call on his Father for strength. If the Son of God needed to call on his Father in his moment of need, then certainly we too can call upon God to lead us every step of the way.

—Christopher C. Rowe (North Carolina, USA)

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Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

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

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Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m.
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Evening Service - 6 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m.
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Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 8 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Main Street Church of Christ
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Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista
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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
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AGRICULTURE

35th Panhandle Parade of Breeds in Plainview June 15-17

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

The 35th annual Panhandle Parade of Breeds junior heifer and steer show is set for June 15-17 at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

Cattle and junior exhibitors will begin arriving Thursday, according to Michael Dawson, the group's president. All entries will be made online and close on Sunday, June 11.

Late entries for cattle and showmanship will be accepted from 1-3 p.m. Thursday. Steer weight cards and steer classification will begin from 5-8 p.m. Thursday and continue Friday morning. Heifer check-in is scheduled from 5-8 p.m. Thursday.

The entire show is a "blow and show" event.

Showmanship begins the competitions at 10 a.m. Friday, June 16. AgriLogic Insurance Services, LLC, sponsors the showmanship. Exhibitors are divided into three age divisions in two categories - heifer showmanship and steer showmanship. Winners receive a prize and gift certificates. Five hundred dollar scholarships will be awarded the top two seniors.

Judging of heifers is set to begin at 2:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, in Ring A. According to Mary Bass, coordinator, judging in



The 35th annual Panhandle Parade of Breeds junior heifer and steer show is set for June 15-17 at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

Ring B will start 30 minutes after Ring A begins. Mark Core, Pleasantville, Iowa, and Kody Lucher, Lubbock, are scheduled to judge. The Supreme Champion Heifer in Ring A will receive \$1,000. Ring B is a prize show. Gebo Distributing Company, Inc., has sponsored the show for several years.

Judging of the progress steers (those weighting 876 pounds and above) is set to begin at 6 p.m. Friday, June 16. The exhibitor of the

Champion Progress Steer receives \$500. Judging of the prospect steers (those weighting 875 pounds and less) begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 17. One thousand dollars is awarded the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Prospect Steer in Ring A. Cargill Meat Solutions (Friona plant) is the corporate sponsor for the steer shows.

According to Angie Carver, treasurer, additional sponsors for the 2017 junior livestock

show include the Holiday Inn Express (Plainview), Caterpillar and the Slate Group. Plaques and trophies for Ring A are purchased from D&S Manufacturing, Plainview.

Viewing of all cattle shows and contests is free and open to the public. There is no admission fee to the Ollie Liner Center. A complete schedule, show rules and entry information can be found on the website www.panhandleparadeofbreeds.com.

Congressman in Floydada Thursday



JODEY ARRINGTON TX-19

Congressman Jodey Arrington will be in Floydada Thursday, June 1 for a meeting at the First National Bank. For more details on time and format, turn to the Hesperian-Beacon Facebook page.

Texas Oil and Gas Production Statistics for March 2017

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Production for March 2017 as reported to the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) is 77,262,815 barrels of crude oil and 608,006,175 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 March 2016, was: 77,702,710 barrels of crude oil preliminarily, updated to a current figure of 87,212,078 barrels; and 638,377,189 mcf of total gas preliminarily, updated to a current figure of 710,704,805 mcf.

The Commission reports that from April 2016 to March 2017, total Texas reported production was 980 million barrels of crude oil and 7.9 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 March 2017 crude oil production av-

eraged 2,492,349 barrels daily, compared to the 2,506,539 barrels daily average of March 2016.

Texas preliminary March 2017 total gas production averaged 19,613,102 mcf a day, compared to the 20,592,813 mcf daily average of March 2016.

Texas production in March 2017 came from 177,719 oil wells and 90,804 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/>.

Trump Proposes Slashing Ag Programs; PCG Responds, Alongside Ag Groups

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

After proposing a "skinny budget" in March that focused on discretionary spending, the Trump Administration released their full comprehensive budget earlier this week, and agriculture seems to be a primary item on the chopping block.

The proposed budget calls for a \$240.4 billion reduction in mandatory spending in USDA programs over ten years, a 27.5 percent budget cut. It also works to impose tighter AGI means testing eligibility requirements and indemnity payments.

Some of the most significant and impactful cuts include:

- Crop Insurance: \$28.562 billion reduction over 10 years (36% reduction), including:
 - \$40,000 Payment Limit on premium discounts (\$16.218 billion reduction over 10 years)
 - \$500,000 AGI Means Test (\$420 million reduction)
 - Elimination of premium discounts on the Harvest Price Option: (\$11.924 billion reduction)
- Commodity Title: Cuts of \$653 million over 10 years through the imposition of a \$500,000 AGI means test, down from the current \$900,000
- Conservation Title: Cut by \$5.755 billion over 10 years, or 9.6% through "streamlin-

ing" programs
Nutrition Title: Cut by \$193.287 billion over 10 years (28.7%). Most of that is through reforms to SNAP.

PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett noted that Congress has the ultimate budget-writing authority.

"That's why it's imperative that we make our voices heard collectively and individually," Verett said. "We must continue to communicate the fact that agriculture has done its share of being fiscally responsible with taxpayer dollars, and now is not the time to make these drastic cuts, given the current state of the agricultural economy."

Ag groups responded swiftly, and Plains Cotton Growers partnered with 12 other Texas agricultural organizations to distribute a letter to the Texas congressional delegation and more than 80 other Members of Congress addressing their disappointment with and opposition to the President's proposed budget.

"Crippling U.S. farm policy, which is already struggling in cases to meet the need of America's producers, is, quite frankly, reckless," the organizations said in the letter. "We strongly urge you to reject the President's proposed FY2018 agriculture budget and to ensure that the budget adopted by Congress enables the Agriculture Committees to meet the President's pledge of a strong new Farm Bill passed on time."

Texas organizations signing on to the letter, found in its entirety at <http://bit.ly/TXAgResponseFY18Budget>, include Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Corn Producers Association of Texas, Texas Soybean Association, Texas Agricultural Cooperative Council, Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Association, Texas Wheat Producers Association, Texas Cotton Producers, Inc., Texas Grain & Feed Association, Texas Rice Producers Legislative Group, Western Peanut Growers Association, Panhandle Peanut Growers Association, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, and Texas Poultry Federation.

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce issued a statement of their own and also sent letters to lawmakers.

"These cuts would be detrimental to the thousands of family farmers in the Lubbock area," Eddie McBride, Chamber President and CEO, said in a news release. "The Chamber is well aware of the economic challenges agriculture and allied indus-

tries in this area face, which will soon translate to challenges for the many and diverse job creators the Chamber represents as well as for area rural communities."

The Chamber's full statement can be found at <http://bit.ly/LBKChamberResponseFY18Budget>.

The American Association of Crop Insurers, Crop Insurance and Reinsurance Bureau, Crop Insurance Professionals Association, Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of America, National Association of Professional Insurance Agents, and National Crop Insurance Services said in a joint statement, "Weakening crop insurance and making it more difficult for farmers to bounce back during tough times will jeopardize rural jobs and will find little support in rural America or on Capitol Hill. The rural economy is already suffering through a period of low prices and a multitude of spring weather disasters. Yet, the Administration's budget proposal targets the primary tool farmers use to handle these risks."

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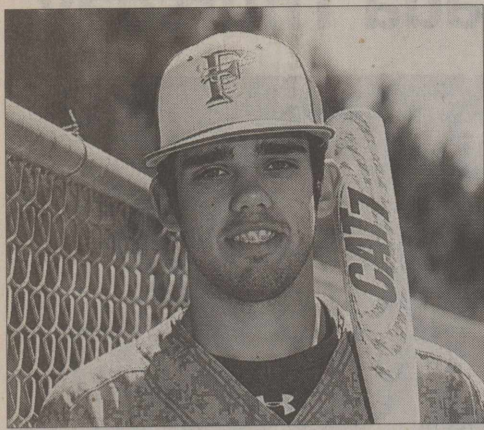
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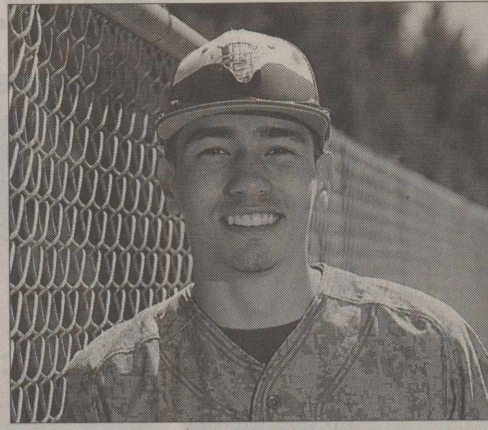
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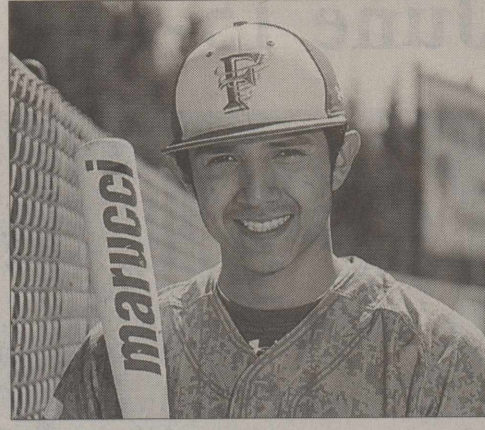
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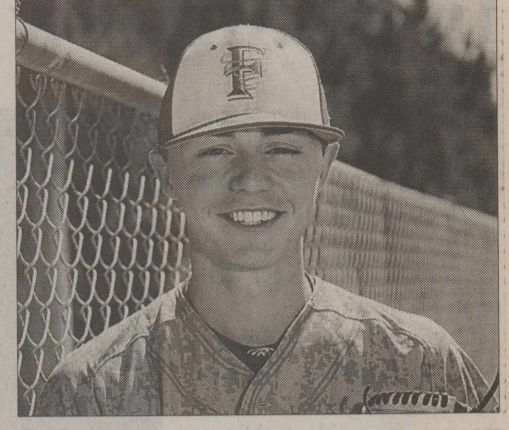
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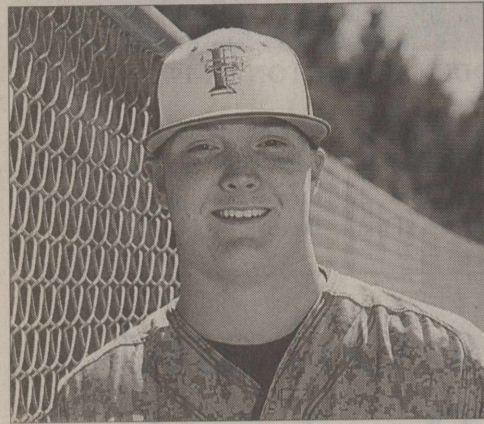
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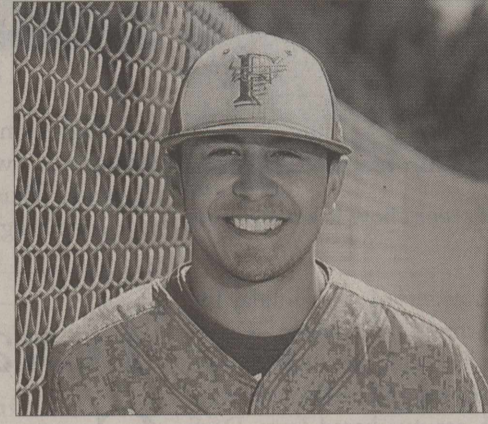
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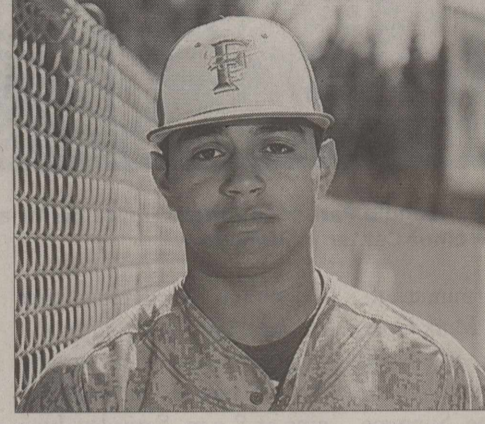
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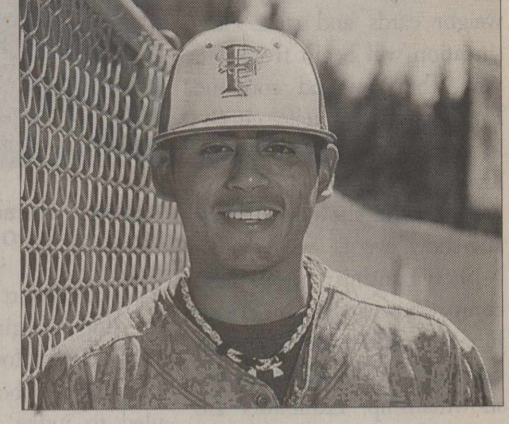
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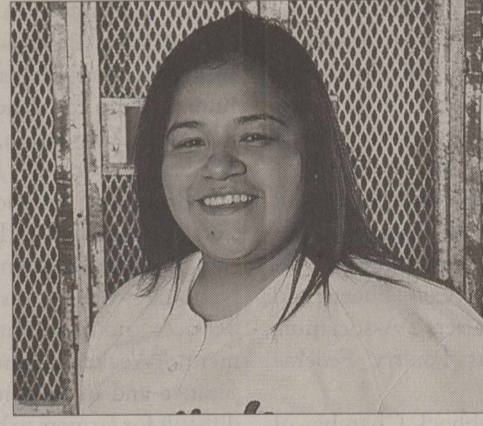
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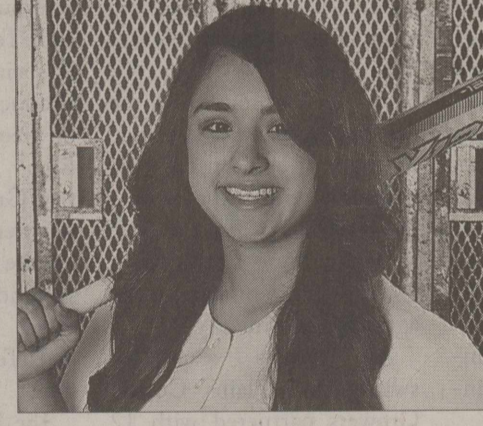
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SPC to offer 'Explore the Arts' camp for youngsters

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND—Looking for a fun way to break up the summer? South Plains College will offer an "Explore the Arts" camp July 24-27 (Monday through Thursday) in the Fine Arts building. Registration is now open.

The cost of the camp is \$75 per student. Registration forms are available in the Office of Continuing and Distance Educa-

tion or call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant, at (806) 716-2341 and/or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu. Registration will be accepted through the first day of the camp.

The four-day camp will feature rotating classes from 9 a.m. to noon for participants. Students 5-11 in age will attend theater, visual art, music and photography. Participants ages 12-17 can create their own camp

schedule by registering for the specific classes they wish to attend.

A closing event will feature all of the participating students and showcase what they have learned or created during the camp.

For more information, call Camp Director Brent Wheeler, assistant professor of Commercial Music, at (806) 716-2023 or email bjwheeler@southplainscollege.edu.

Floyd County Softball Players Earn 2-2A All-District Honors

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Seven Lady Winds softball players have been chosen for the 2-2A All-District softball team. Recognition includes:

- Hannah Morales - 1st Team Pitcher
- Kylie Ricketts - 1st Team Centerfield
- Karley Weems - 2nd Team Catcher
- Valerie Espinoza - 2nd Team Utility Infield/Outfield
- Angela Vega - 2nd Team Infield 3rd Base
- Dora Cervera - Honorable Mention 2nd Base
- Stefani Chavarria - Honorable Mention DP

Karley Weems was also selected to play in the Greater West Texas Softball Coaches Association (GWTSCA) All Star Game. Game will be held June 10th @ Lubbock Christian University 1:00 p.m.

The Lady Winds are coached by Amando Morales.

In Lockney Madai Chavira was named the 2-2A Newcomer of the Year. Also the following Lady Horns earned All-District honors:

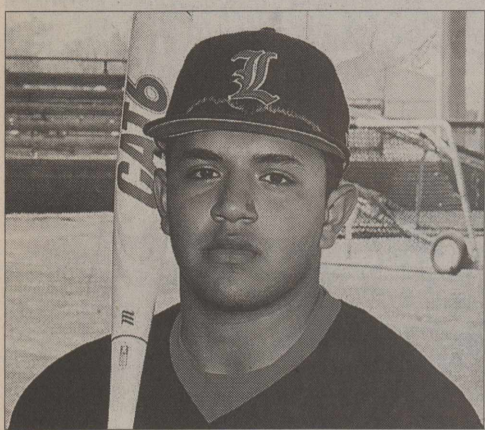
- Madai Chavira - Newcomer of the Year
- Shelby Dunbar - 1st Team Infield
- Hannah Kidd - 1st Team Outfield

The Lady Horns are coached by Ray Jimenez.

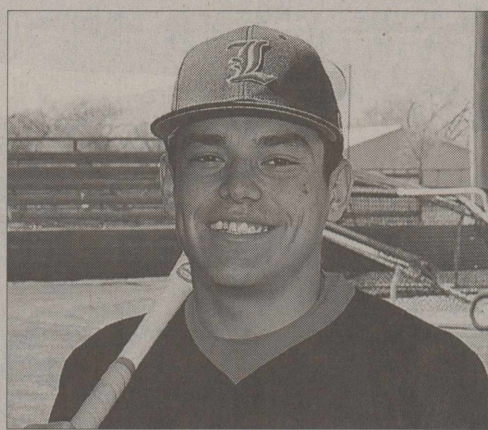


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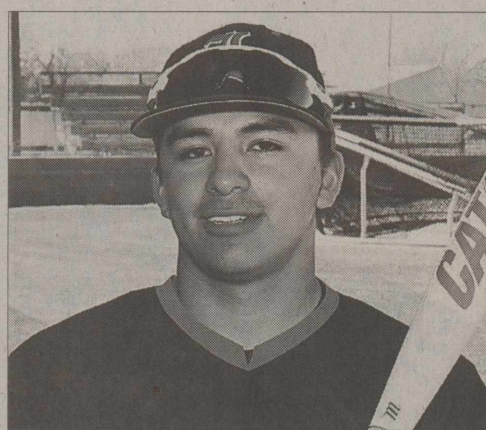
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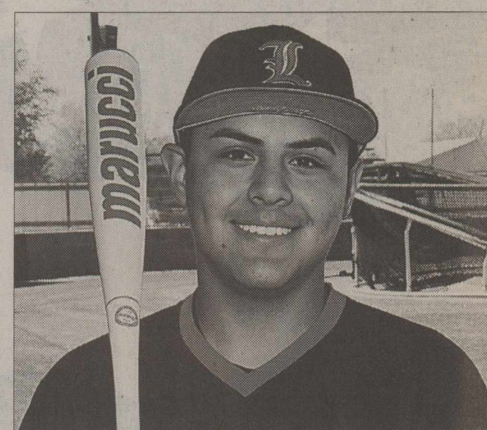
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PITCHER OF THE YEAR



JONATHAN RODRIGUEZ
MOST VALUABLE OFFENSIVE PLAYER



TREVOR ASCENSIO
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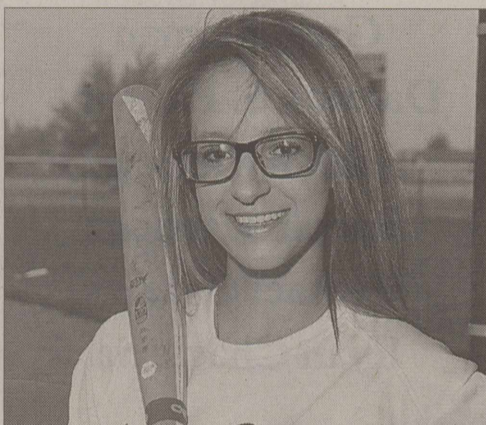


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LADY HORNS RECEIVE ALL-DISTRICT HONORS



MADAI CHAVIRA
NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR



HANNAH KIDD
FIRST TEAM OUTFIELD



SHELBY DUNBAR
FIRST TEAM INFIELD

Lockney students named to SPC President's Honor List for spring 2017

LEVELLAND – South Plains College recently recognized students achieving academic excellence by naming them to the President's Honor List for the spring 2017 semester.

"Recognition on the Dean's list is one of the highest hon-

ors bestowed on our students at SPC. It reflects our students' commitment to hard work, time-investment, and dedication to their educational aspirations," said Dr. Ryan Gibbs, vice president of Academic Affairs. "We commend them for their academic excellence."

Students named to the President's Honor List earned a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in at least 12 college credit hours.

Lockney students that made the President's Honor List were Mathew DeLeon and Linda Moralez.

Lockney students named to SPC spring 2017 Deans' list

LEVELLAND – South Plains College recently recognized students achieving academic excellence by naming them to the Deans' Honor List for the spring 2017 semester.

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Students named to the

Deans' Honor List earned at least a 3.25 grade point average with no failing grades while carrying at least 12 credit hours.

Lockney students named to the Dean's Honor List are John Arellano, Anissa Guerrero, and Michael Lass.

Wit and Wisdom

Summertime Quotes

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability.
—Sam Keen

One swallow does not make a summer.
—Aristotle

There shall be eternal summer in the grateful heart.
—Celia Thaxter

Summer afternoon - Summer afternoon... the two most beautiful words in the English language.
—Henry James

Summer means happy-times and good sunshine. It means going to the beach, going to Disneyland, having fun.
—Brian Wilson

Lockney Summer School Menu		Special Announcements	
JUNE			
Lunch will be served from May 30th-June 29th 11:00am-1:00pm Monday-Friday!!!			
Grades 9th-12th are offered an extra 1/4 Cup Fruit Daily!			
Menu Subject To Change At Any Time!!			
Lockney Elementary School 310 SW 8th Street			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
God Eats At: May 30th-Asian Bowl w/Eggroll- tomato-cucumber cup-Garden Salad-Fruit & Milk. May 31st-Texas Basket-Carrot Coins-Apple slices-Cookie & Milk.	Meatball Sub Potato Rounds Fresh Veggie Cup Fresh Fruit Pudding & Milk	Fish Strips Texas toast Coleslaw Pinto Beans Oranges & Milk	Longhorn Chicken Bowl w/Gravy & Roll Green Beans Apple-Pineapple D'Lite Milk
5 Enchiladas Charro Beans Garden Salad Cinnamon Apples Milk	6 Meatball Sub Potato Rounds Fresh Veggie Cup Fresh Fruit Pudding & Milk	7 Pizza Choice Garden Salad Tomato Cup Fruit Cup Milk	8 Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Green Beans Fresh Broccoli Apples Milk
9 Country Fried Steak Washed Potatoes Green Beans Strawberry Cup Roll Milk	13 Meat & Cheese Tostadas Zesty Cucumbers Refried Beans Garnish Applesauce & Milk	14 Chicken Spaghetti Breadstick Garden Salad Vegetable Medley Oranges & Milk	15 Frito Pie Baby Carrots Mexicali Corn Garnish-Peaches Cookie & Milk
18 Stuffed Baked Potato w/Roll Baked Beans Broccoli Bites Apple-Pineapple D'Lite & Milk	20 Nachos Grande Refried Beans Salsa & Garnish Cucumbers Tomato Cup Pears & Milk	21 Chicken Sandwich Oven Fries Veggie Cup Garnish Mandarin Oranges & Milk	22 Country Pot Pie Garden Salad Fruity Gelatin Milk
26 Bagna OR Chicken Nuggets w/ Mashed Potatoes Roll-Salad-Tuscan Veggies Fruit & Milk	27 Pizza Choice Baby Carrots Steamed Broccoli Pineapple Tidbits Sugar Cookie & Milk	28 Tex-Mex Stack Refried Beans Tomato Cup Cinnamon Apples Garnish-Salsa Milk	29 Hamburger OR Pig in a Blanket Oven Fries Veggie Cup Oranges & Milk
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Floyd County Leads 2017 3-2A All-District Selections

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Johnathon Rodriguez, a Lockney senior, was named the Most Valuable Player in 3-2A All-District Selections. Ruben Marmolego, a LHS junior, was named 3-2A pitcher of the year.

All total Lockney had seven players selected for All-District honors including:
Trevor Ascensio - 1st Team OF
Shawn Marquez - 2nd Team Utility
Devin DeLeon - 2nd Team OF
Clay Moore - Honorable Mention IF
Nic Derda - Honorable Mention OF

Floydada had eight players selected for All-District including:
Michael Crone - 1st Team Catcher
Jesse Segura - 1st Team IF
Mark McGowen - 1st Team First Base
Alex Glass - 1st Team Pitcher
Carson Turner - 2nd Team Second Base
Jordan Mendoza - 2nd Team IF
Lewis Alaniz - 2nd Team OF
Robert Mora - 2nd Team pitcher

Whirlwind Mark McGowen was chosen to play in the THSBCA (Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association) All-Star game on June 17th in Round Rock.

Floydada had 5 players that were selected to play in the GWTBCA (Greater West Texas Baseball Coaches Association) game on June 24th in Lubbock. They are Mark McGowen, Brayden Campbell, Michael Crone, Abraham Perez and Robert Mora.



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Lubbock AgriLife Research soil scientist seeks optimum soil fertility solutions

By Steve Byrns
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK — Dr. Katie Lewis is going for the triple-whammy against negative soil fertility issues on the Texas High Plains.

When it comes to applying fertilizer, Lewis, a Texas A&M AgriLife Research soil scientist at Lubbock, is seeking to optimize its positive aspects while easing the sometimes negative effects on farmers' wallets and the environment.

"As a soil fertility program, we are constantly evaluating new fertilizer formulations in terms of efficiency and cost effectiveness, but there is also a strong environmental aspect to our research," Lewis said. "It is really quite amazing to me the amount of new technology that's becoming available. I think in coming years we are going to see much improvement in fertilizer-use efficiency, not just based on the source we are using, but also through associated management tools."

With cover crops becoming more of a common practice, Lewis said it's important to learn how to ap-

propriately fertilize in those systems, so she is currently involved in looking at nitrogen management within a no till system.

"Being a farmer's wife, I know all too well that budgets are tight when it comes to crop production; fertilizer can be a major input cost," she said. "If we can better manage the fertilizer we are applying, we may be able to cut our input costs, and also limit nutrient runoff situations or leaching of nitrogen through our soil profile, which can lead to serious environmental issues."

"Nitrates entering our groundwater can be a major concern, especially here on the High Plains where we are dependent on groundwater as our primary drinking water source. Luckily, in our area this isn't as common a problem as it is in other parts of the U.S."

Lewis concedes the Texas High Plains is a long way from the Gulf of Mexico, but surface runoff entering a river may eventually wind up in a larger body of water, possibly leading to eutrophication. Eutrophication, she said, is when excessive nutrients in a body of water such as the Gulf, cause a dense

growth of aquatic plant life, which kills fish and other animals by limiting oxygen in the water.

"High levels of nitrates in groundwater and algal blooms in surface water are negative effects of over fertilization and poor management," Lewis said. "One of the goals of our program is to reduce the amount of fertilizer we're applying by increasing the efficiency of that fertilizer. Increased efficiency may come from using new formulations and/or adding stabilizer products to the fertilizer, but most importantly, it will come from proper management practices."

"Proper management may mean just managing what we are currently doing a bit better. Rather than putting all of your nitrogen out in one application, we are looking at multiple smaller applications over several months in cotton following wheat cover compared to nitrogen fertilizer with an added stabilizer product, which may allow the crop to better use the product, resulting in less potential loss from the system."

"With an ammonium-containing fertilizer, something like UAN 32-0-0 for

example, bacteria in the soil oxidize ammonium to form nitrites and nitrates through the nitrification process," she said. "Nitrate is one of the forms of plant available nitrogen but it is also the most mobile and reactive form of nitrogen in the soil, thus has the greatest loss potential. A large rainfall event can leach the nitrate away from the plant's root zone and saturated soil can lead to gaseous losses of nitrogen via denitrification. But with these new products, we can temporarily inhibit the nitrification step, meaning N fertilizer stays in the form of ammonium longer for the plants to absorb."

Plants can take up ammonium just like they can nitrates and use less energy in the process, Lewis said, so the product is not reducing the amount of plant-available nitrogen, but rather keeping it in the ammonium form, which has less potential for loss.

The stabilizing product will raise the cost some, she said, but could balance out costs since less fertilizer should be needed and the product's stabilizing properties, coupled with less product, could reduce the poten-



Dr. Katie Lewis. (Texas A&M AgriLife Communications photo by Steve Byrns)

tial negative environmental aspect.

So the take home message Lewis has for farmers wanting the most bang for their buck is the same one Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service county agents have touted for years...take a soil sample and get it tested.

"Go out, sample your fields, know what residual nutrients you have in your soil," Lewis said. "That's a key way to reduce the amount of fertilizer you apply. Producers may be

surprised at how much nitrogen and phosphorous they may already have in their soil. That simple soil test can cut costs. I think probably the most important thing I can do is encourage growers to get soil samples analyzed before they buy or apply fertilizer. So remember, the old saying that's still true today, 'a penny saved is a penny earned.'"

For more information, contact Lewis at 806-746-6101, Katie.Lewis@ag.tamu.edu.

PIONEER

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as in other areas of need.

Guffee is a lifelong member of the First Baptist Church of Floydada. He has served the church in many capacities, including, most recently, teaching children at AWANAS. He is a witness for Christ and a great role model and continues to answer the call to serve.

Several organizations have been a part of Guffee's life. He has been a member and has served in leadership roles in Lions Club, Rotary Club, Toastmasters and Kiwanis Club. He was an active parent in his children's activities as well, by supporting them in school, band, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and FFA.

He served in whatever capacity where there was a need for support.

Hard work has been a part of everyday life for Guffee. He has always been willing to step up to the challenges that life has dealt him. However, fun was also an important part of his life. He has many interests that he still practices whenever he can. He has always been a fisherman and looks forward to any opportunity to go fishing (it is a little harder for him to get in a kayak these days but he still enjoys it!). Golf is another sport he has played for many years. When he first retired he played a lot of golf but has slowed down over the past couple of years. He will still go if invited though!

Being active is what keeps Guffee going strong at almost 89 years of age. He keeps his family always close to his heart. He has been the "rock" for his own family but also for many other families. He has a caring spirit and strong faith that guide him through life. He is still going strong, taking care of his own

home and farm business, and helping others whenever possible. Driving is something he enjoys and is still capable of doing well. He makes many trips to the DFW area and Oklahoma to visit his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Guffee is always up for a new adventure and learning experience. He never meets a stranger, as he talks with everyone he meets and shows interest in others. It seems throughout the years wherever he goes one will see him talking with someone making a new friend. He will be an active citizen of Floydada and the community as long as possible as this will be his hometown forever.

2017 PIONEER WOMAN OF THE YEAR

ANNABEL BRAMLET

Annabel Bramlet of Lockney was selected as the Pioneer Woman for 2017.

The youngest daughter of Emil and Grace Schaeffer, Annabel was born in the family home east of Happy, Texas, in Randall County on January 27, 1930. She wanted to go to school so badly that the day after she turned six, she went a half mile down the road to the two-room Fairview school. It probably helped that her father was on the school board. In the fall she went into town and started first grade at the Happy school and graduated in 1948.

Then it was off to Plainview to attend Lippert's Business College, where she met Wayne Bramlet. The couple were married October 8, 1950, and moved to the family farm in Briscoe County. The family became complete with the birth of two children, Carol Ann

and Larry Wayne.

In 1958, the family moved to Lockney, and three years later to a farm east of Lockney.

During the children's school years, Annabel was a Girl Scout leader and was very active in PTA. During a PTA convention in San Antonio in 1963, she saw President Kennedy in a motorcade passing by her hotel. The next day her group learned that the president had been assassinated in Dallas.

Annabel has been a member of the Main Street Church of Christ for many years, spending over 20 years in charge of the kitchen and overseeing funeral dinners for many Floyd County residents. Annabel is a charter member of the Silver Thimbles ladies' quilting group in Lockney. They have quilted many of their own quilts, many as fund-raisers for different organizations. Lockney Senior Citizens, of which Annabel is a board member, has benefitted from their quilting accomplishments.

Square dancing has been one of Bramlet's favorite activities, starting in Tulia in 1948. The last club she belonged to was the Floydada Whirlers, who provided entertainment at many Old Settlers Reunions. They even performed on trailers in the parade.

Bramlet has kept most of her family close by. Daughter Carol and her husband, Jim Huggins, live in Lockney, as does son and Larry Bramlet and his wife, Beth. Grandchildren Danny Huggins and Melanie Huggins are currently in South Korea teaching English. Jill and Jordan Reece are in

Lubbock, and Jake Bramlet is attending Texas A&M.

2017 PIONEER COUPLE OF THE YEAR

G. L. AND DAHLIA HIGHT

In December 1978 this year's Pioneer Couple, G. L. and Dahlia Hight, bought 320 acres of farm land south of Lockney and moved their family to Floyd County from a farm they were renting in Idalou. They farmed their land, along with several rented farms, for many years, growing cotton, wheat, soybeans, sunflowers, milo and corn. They also had a huge garden.

This couple has been married for 56 years, after meeting in Lubbock on a college church trip to Ruidoso.

At the time they moved to Floyd County, their daughter was a junior in high school and their son was an eighth grader. The family joined the Lockney United Methodist Church.

After several crop failures, due to weather-related disasters, the Hights were forced to have a farm sale, but were able to keep the land they loved. They both went into the workforce for several years, until they were able to return to farming, and were able to purchase two adjoining farms, and also a farm north of Lockney. They have both since retired and now lease their land to local

farmers, but continue to live on their land and recently bought a home in the city of Lockney, where they are remodeling it.

Dahlia Hight worked for an insurance company in Plainview before becoming a teacher assistant and computer teacher as well as driving a bus for Lockney ISO. She retired nine years ago.

The couple volunteers at the nursing home once a week, and are actively involved in Lockney United Methodist Church and the community. G. L. restores and refurbishes old tractors and enjoys woodworking and working on various projects. Dahlia likes to bake, cook

and sew, and to send notes and cards to people to encourage and uplift them.

The Hights' daughter and her family reside in Lubbock and have twin daughters. One granddaughter is a junior at Texas Tech University, studying toward an education degree. The other granddaughter is an intern for Wesley Foundation at Texas Tech and interning in Korea at a church, teaching English.

Their son and family reside in Spearman and have one daughter who is a sophomore at Texas Tech, studying toward a nursing degree. The Hights are very proud of their three granddaughters.

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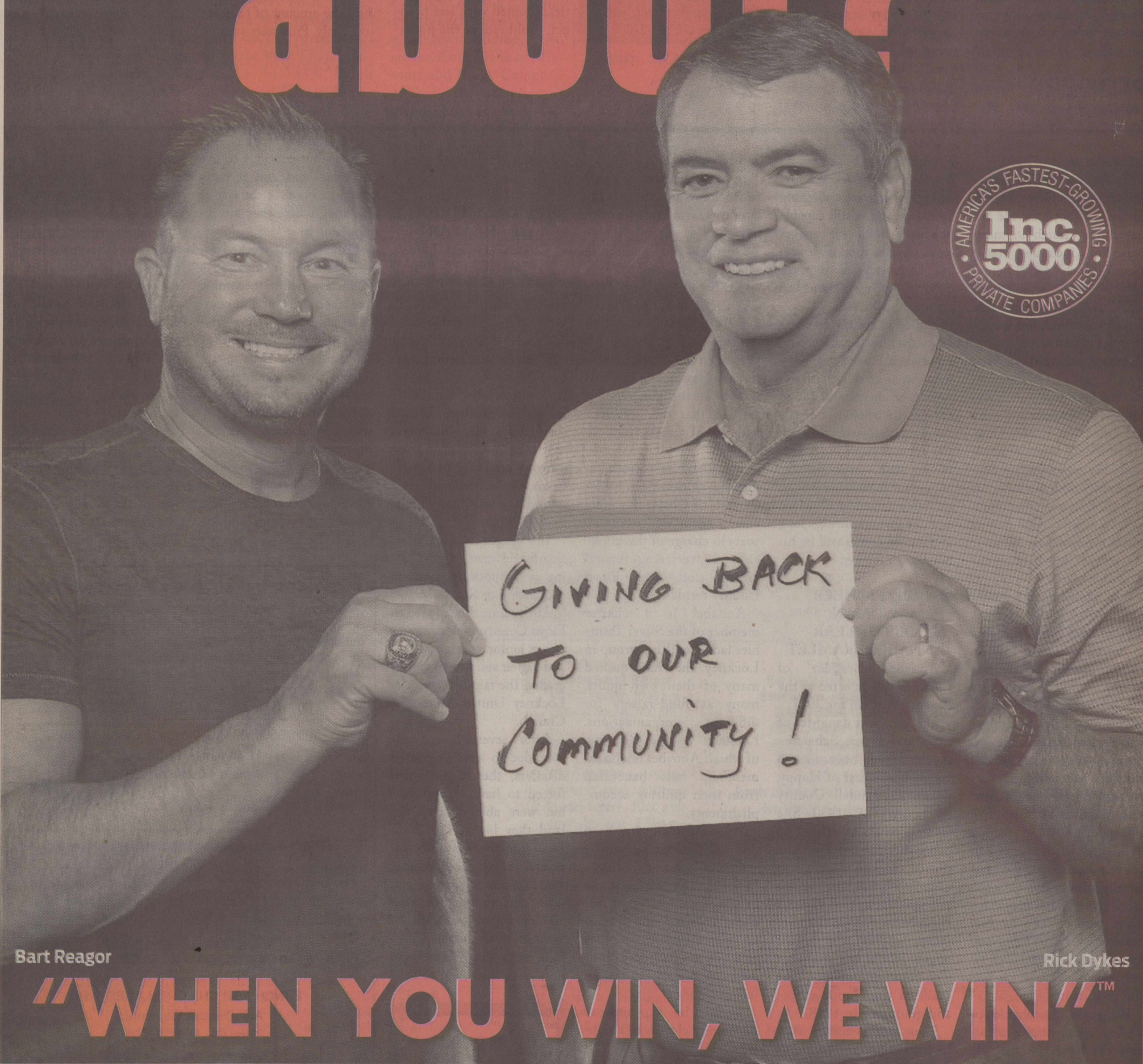
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City of Floydada

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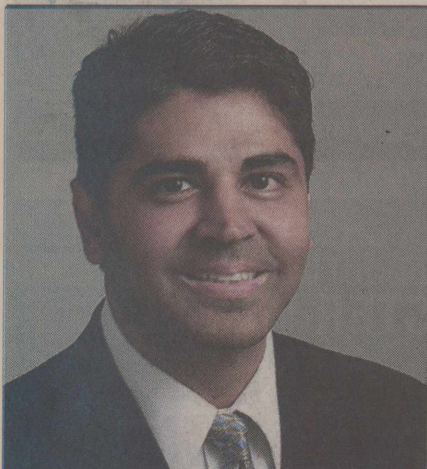
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Raja is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons, the American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery and is also a part of the Texas Medical Society.

Born in Gujarat, India, Raja was raised in California, graduating from Covina High School. Raja attended undergraduate school at California State University and University of California at Irvine before pursuing his medical degree at Northwestern University Medical School.

Raja practiced for several years in California before moving to San Antonio, Texas in 2003.

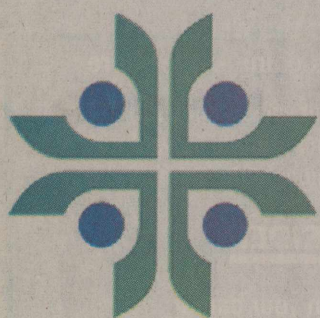
Raja will begin his new practice in Plainview starting April 3.

EDUCATION

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