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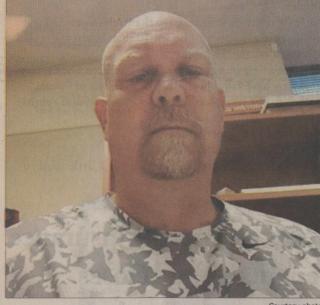
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Shown is Tom Farris, (left) Chairman of The First National Bank of Floydada presenting a check of \$8,000 to Craig **DuBois (right) of the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department** towards the purchase of a new Jaws of Life.

Lockney Promotes Jackson to be New Head Football Coach



Former Defensive Coordinator Richard Jackson has been named Head Coach of the Lockney Longhorns. Jackson was defensive coordinator for two years and has been on the coaching staff for three years.

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney has promoted

Richard Jackson to be the new head football coach of the Lockney Longhorns. Jackson has been the

Defensive the past 2 seasons and has been on staff the last 3

He takes over for Jay Ragland, who left after 8 years in Lockney to be the Offensive Coordinator at Seagraves.

Last year the Longhorns finished 3-7. This year, their official season opener is September 1 at

According to the Lock-Coordinator ney ISD office, prior to coming to Lockney Jackson had coached at Rule, and he has a degree in history from the University of Texas of the Permian

Poling Named Lockney City Manager

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon

G.A. "Buster" Poling is the first-ever city manager in Lockney's history. Lockney voters passed a ballot initiative in May of 2016 to change the city's form of government from city secretary to city manager.

After an extensive search, the city council approved the hiring of Poling on July 11.

Lockney will be the third time that Poling has served as a city manager. He has previously served in similar positions in Texline and Bovina.

Born in Amarillo, he grew up near Clayton, NM where his father was a rancher. He graduated from New Mexico State University with a degree in agricultural economics, minoring in accounting.

For 26 years he was in the banking business, including serving as president and CEO Zia New Mexico Bank, before he switched careers to public administration.

"It's an exciting and challenging opportunity to be Lockney's first city manager," Poling said. "But from Lockney to since I've been



Lockney has a new city manager, G.A. "Buster" Poling. Poling has previously been a city manager in **Texline and Bovina. He was** approved for hire on July 11 at the Lockney City Council meeting.

working here, the people here have been so friendly and helpful."

Poling and his wife, Kay, the first time I ever came to have two grown children who live in Lubbock.

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.

FLOYDADA SWIMMING POOL

Family Fun Night will be held this Friday evening from 6 - 8 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 per swimmer. Regular pool days and hours are Tuesday to Sunday, 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY

CovenentHealth and Arrington Comprehensive Breast Center's mobile mammography will be in Floydada on Monday, August 14th at the West Texas Family Medicine clinic located at 901 W. Crockett Street. For appointments call 806-725-6579 or 877-

Lockney School Board proposes 2017-2018 tax rate

By Charles Keaton The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Members of the Lockney ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, July 14.

Members approved a resolution proposing a tax rate of \$1.28 per \$100 value for 2017-2018 tax year. The rate is made up of \$1.14 for maintenance and operation and \$0.14 for principle and interest on debts. The final tax rate will be approved in the August Board meeting.

payment of bills and financial report of \$6,670,129.82. In other action, the Board approved an interlocal agreement with the West Texas Public Schools Employee Benefits Cooperative and approved a contract with R.F. Bryer Paving for sealing, top coating and striping parking areas within the District.

Board members accepted the resignations of Jay Ragland, Melanie Ragland and Tony Derda and approved a probationary contract for Lu-

The Board approved the cas Hall as a Social Studies teacher and coach.

> The Board approved budget amendments to the 2016-2017 budget including paying bond interest and redirect above and beyond funds. The Board also approved authorizing final budget amendments for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

The TASB Risk Management Fund Insurance was approved for renewal and the Board approved the Board Goals for 2017-2018.

Superintendent Jim Baum reported on summer District Aug. 17 in the Board Room.

activities. He said so far 49 kids are showing up for summer workouts in preparation of the upcoming sports seasons. In Bond activity, Baum said the tennis courts have been fixed and should be ready for use soon, the track is curing in preparation for final surfacing, football field is nearly completed, the Elementary gym floor has been patched and the first bus was due to be delivered by July 17.

Board members set the August meeting for 8:00 P.M. on

Karley Weems at FFA state



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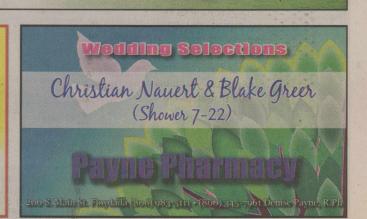


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Lockney Little League Girls Drop 2 at State

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon Email fchb.editor@yahoo.com

> The historic season of the Lockney Little League 13-14 girls' softball All-Stars came to an end at

state competition July 15 Alvis, the president of the

Saturday they lost to Sunday they lost to Lorena

According to Brandon Lockney.

Lockney Little League, it was a historic season and Greater Helotes 15-2 and both girls and boys teams advanced further than any team ever had from

Man in 20s Drowns **Tuesday at Lake McKenzie**

By Kay Ellington The Hesperian-Beacon

A man drowned last Tuesday afternoon at Lake McKenzie and his body was recovered Tuesday evening.

According to Briscoe County Sheriff Garrett Davis, at the request of the family, the name of the man will not be released.

Davis said that there was an ongoing investigation

which would not be completed until Wednesday or Thursday to determine the cause of the death.

According to media reports, the victim was in his

Don't use climbing spikes when pruning trees

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Is your tree care provider using spikes to climb while pruning your trees? Ouch!

Climbing spikes are sharpened steel spikes attached to the climber's leg by leather straps and padded supports. A tree worker should only use them to access trees being removed. When these spikes are used on living trees, it is traumatizing to the tree and creates unnecessary damage.

Each puncture from a climbing spike produces a certain amount of tree tissue death, though this varies from tree to tree. In most cases, isolated wounds will seal, but over time, groupings of spike holes can cause the entire area on the trunk to die back with no chance of recovery. This happens when a tree is repeatedly climbed for pruning while using spikes.

The likelihood of piercing the cambium (living tissue beneath the bark) is high, even with larger trees and thick bark. If soon after the work is performed with spikes there is sap oozing from the wounds, the tree is responding to spike damage. Repeated damage of this type is harmful to the tree.

So why would climbers use spikes if they are harmful to the tree? There are a few exceptional situations where using spikes is appropriate, such as:

· when the tree is being

- when branches are more than throwline distance apart and there is no other means of climbing the tree (for example: when there are no branches lower than 50 feet), with no access for an aerial lift device or
- if the tree is too close to power lines and cannot be accessed safely by
- to reach an injured

Professional tree care companies are aware of the dangers of spikes and use proper tree equipment such as ropes and climbing harnesses to climb (or aerial lift devices or cranes, if accessible). This, coupled with their training and experience, contributes to the future health of the

Homeowners searching for qualified tree care companies should look for the following:

- Good References: Ask for references, and check on the quality of their work. Don't be rushed by a bargain and don't pay in advance.
- Proof of Insurance: Ask for current certificates of liability and workers' compensation insurance, if applicable. Be aware that if the tree care company you hire doesn't have insurance or is not a legal company, you could be held responsible as a con-

- Solid Reputation: Verify professional affiliations the company might have, such as memberships in business and/or professional organizations such as the Tree Care Industry Associa-
- Up-to-Date Knowledge: Ask if they follow ANSI Standards. A professional arborist will be aware of the current safety, pruning, fertilizing and cabling standards.
- Contract: Insist on a signed contract as to cost, dates when work is to be performed, and exactly what is to be done. Insist that climbing spikes are used only if the tree is to be cut

Find a Professional A professional arborist

can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees and shrubs to plant for your existing landscape. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association, a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. Celebrating its 75th anniversary this year, TCIA has more than 2,300 member tree care firms and affiliated companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA also has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. For more, visit www.tcia.org or www. treecaretips.org.

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blaming my misspelling of "onomatopoeia" (two weeks ago; maybe you noticed) on The Free Dictionary. It was a word recalled from high

school English class, learned right along with some other terms, notably, all the "nym" words. Over the years I remembered the definition of "ono-HANABA matopoeia." Who wouldn't? But not the spelling. Wishing to use the word and write it right, I turned to my trusty little computer dictionary. No bites. None of my spellings got close enough.

Next I did an online search with one of my casual spellings. The Free Dictionary popped up at the top of the search list and provided a definition for "onamonapia." I didn't even have to click on the site. Mistake.

That's how they suck you in. They accept an offbeat spelling and provide a basic definition right off the bat. You think you've spelled the word correctly. They're hoping you'll click on their site (and read their ads). Then, and only then, do you get "redirected" to the correct spelling of the word.

After one of my best critics (terrible speller himself) asked me about my variant spelling of "onamonapia," I retraced my steps and went a step further: I visited The Free Dictionary site itself. You get not only the correct spelling (too late to help me) but also definitions from multiple dictionaries. I counted five, none of which was The Free Dictionary. Those folks apparently don't see any reason to assemble a dictionary themselves - too much work -- when other online dictionaries can be cited. It borders on plagiarism but isn't. It's a free-for-all.

I think I liked it better when the dictionary was the hefty red book on the table by the solid black telephone. Mother used to read it in her spare time.

Back in those days, looking up a word you didn't know how to spell could be quite the daunting task. You nearly always finally found it, but you had to wade through other words first. You learned extra stuff. You ended up earning what you found. Nothing free about it.

That's the trouble with life today. Everything's too easy. It's why people go to exercise gyms. Ordinary living isn't enough of a workout.

A dearth of difficult kitchen chores is probably why mangoes are more popular than ever. They're the culinary equivalent of going to the gym. By the time you get one peeled and cut away from that monstrous uncooperative seed, you feel like you've accomplished something. Go mangoes.

At least most cars don't drive themselves yet. Once they do, going places will be worse than when the speed limit was a boring 55 mph.

Yep, life's becoming so easy that The Free Dictionary is going to have trouble finding definitions of "work," especially after McDonald's gets automated and robots take over everything else too.

I'm glad I remember work. Closing assignment:

Look up "wirk" while the word is still a little hard to find. It's the future.

Texas returns life insurance benefits — and closes an expensive loophole

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

(AUSTIN) — Since fiscal 2013, the Comptroller's office has returned more than \$41 million in unpaid life insurance benefits to its rightful owners. We examine the issue of life insurance — and an important new Texas law affecting it - in the latest issue of Fiscal Notes.

Traditionally, life insurance companies were not required to pay benefits, even when they knew an insured person had passed away, unless they were notified by the beneficiaries. That practice even allowed companies to continue drawing on a deceased person's policy for premium payments, sometimes until its value ran out.

"I'm proud to say Texas

has joined 24 other states by adopting a new law that shifts the responsibility of notification away from beneficiaries, giving the insured some additional peace of mind," Comptroller Glenn Hegar said. "This policy change will also have a significant impact on one of our agency's key responsibilities — the return of unclaimed property by reuniting lost benefits with the families of loved ones."

In this issue, we also look at the work of our Economic Growth and Endangered Species Management Division, which works with university scientists, federal regulators, industry stakeholders and communities to ensure we can protect endangered species in a way that also preserves private property rights and local economies.

Fiscal Notes is available online and also can be received by subscribing via the Comptroller's website. An additional, online exclusive details how to search and claim unpaid life insurance proceeds.

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SOCIETY

Harbin's celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary



This past weekend, Bill and Linda Harbin, of Floydada, celebrated their Golden Anniversary surrounded by family in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The couple began dating in junior high in Muleshoe, and the high school sweethearts later married on July 22, 1967 at the age of 20. Their life together has been filled with many adventures, including several moves, raising their two children, Aaron and Jennifer, living on a farm, exciting vacations, becoming grandparents, fulfilling careers and creating lifelong memories with family and friends. Congratulations on 50 years of marriage, Bill and Linda!

Floydada Rotary



The Rotary Club of Floydada installed new officers for 2017-2018. Assistant District Governor David Kopp from Plainview assisted with the installation. New officers are Clar Schacht - President, Taylor Sue - Vice-President, and, Tom Farris - Secretary-Treasurer. Additional Board of Directors are T.K. Farris, Wade Jackson, Jess Finley, and Jim Finley. Past President Karen Houchin serves as ex-officio on the Board. The club was established in 1928, 89 years of "Service above Self" carries on in Floydada. Shown in picture are (left to right) Tom Farris, David Kopp, Clar Schacht, Jesse Finley, T. K. Farris, Wade Jackson, members Ken Peterson and Larry Ogden.

Lockney Salvation Army



Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

By Deon Fincher Chamber Manager

In the past weeks, I have had the pleasure of meeting the majority of the business owners in town...and some out of town. Now that our membership drive is winding down, I wanted to address two questions that I had posed to me most often: "Who is on the Chamber Board of Directors?" and "Who are the members?" Let me introduce you!

Board of Directors 2017-2018 - Kalli Martin-President, Amy Finley-Vice President, Mona Anderson, Jeana Carlson, Jesse Finley, Jake Galvan, Sherre Green, AJ Johnston, Leigh Smith, Molly Yeary.

We will continue to encourage and take memberships, so if you don't find your name listed, contact me right away and I will get an application to you! Our hope is that every Floydada business will join with us. Individuals interested in and eager to give input and leadership are also welcomed and encouraged to become members. As of July 14, the following is your Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture membership:

Commercial members - ACE Hardware and Lumber, American Star Inn, Boy Scouts Troop 357, Brown's Implement, Campbell Farms, Cathy's Floral & Gifts, CHS Inc., Darty Gin, Don Hardy Race Cars, Dr. Randall Griffin, DDS., FCS Federal Credit Union, First National Bank of Floydada, Floyd County Abstract Inc., Floyd County Historical Museum, Floyd County Farm Bureau, Floydada EMS, Floydada ISD, Floydada Lion's Club, Floydada Livestock, Goen & Goen, Hair by Leigh, Happy State Bank, Hardy's Classic Cars, Holmes Plumbing, J & K Insurance, Jones, Pendergast, King & Chappell, LLP., Karen Houchin Law Office, KFLP- Paramount Broadcasting Corp., Lighthouse Electric Co-op, Muncy Elevator, Payne Family Pharmacy & Gifts, Probasco Flying Service, Producers Co-Op Elevator, Pumpkin Pyle, Quality Body Shop, S & J Farms, Script Printing, South Plains Parts - NAPA, Texas Plains Federal Credit Union, Wilbur-Ellis Company.

and Deon Fincher, Bill and Linda Harbin Don and Carolyn Hardy, Bryan and Kalli

Martin, Justin McGuire.



The Lockney Salvation Army would like to thank the community for their donations and support. Also to the Hospice of Lockney for donating time to do kids physicals. This year we were able to send five kids and one sponsor to Camp. Ages range from 10 - 12 years old. We went on June 12 -17. We also have a Teen Camp, ages 13 - 15 years old. We leave on July 17 - 20. Pictured are (left to right) Samuel Garcia, Azailey Bustillos, Journee Cienfuegos, Jesus Gonzales, Johnny Gonzales and Sponsor Teresa Gonzales.

Floydada Senior Citizens

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.

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.

"Bingo Night" is held every second Tuesday of the month. There will be food, prizes, and fellowship. Come and join us. Anyone ages 16 and over are welcome! Bingo night for August is Tuesday, August 8th.

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

Hope everyone has a awesome week!

MENU July 24 – July 28 Monday — Taco salad Tuesday - Pork roast w/gravy Wednesday - Christy's enchiladas

Thursday - Chicken fried steak Friday - Chicken fajitas (Menus subject to change without notwice)

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

LON BLASSINGAME

by Vela Blassingame Terrell, daughter

My father, Lon Blassingame and my mother, Lillian Brock Blassingame, with their children-Vela, age four, Verla, age three, and Melvin Zack, age two months-moved to Floyd County in 1916 and bought land some fourteen miles southwest of Floydada. They moved from the Waco and Temple area of Central Texas, where their families had farmed, where they had lived and grown up. Dad (Lon) was born 1888 near Kossuth, Mississippi, as was his father, Robert Franklin Blassingame. Mom (Lillian Brock Blassingame) was born 1889 near Corinth, Mississippi, as was her father, Zack Brock, where he later taught school. Their new home was in the McCoy Community, Floyd County. Lon's children were born near Mooreville, Texas, a few miles south of Waco, Texas.

From reports as published in The Blassingame Families, researched and written by W. Doak Blassingame, M. D. (cousin of Lon of Denison, Texas), the family is of French Descent; though we had thought the name certainly sounded English. His research indicates that they were French Huguenots, who left France for Plymouth, England in 1685, then to Leiden, Holland, then Narrangansett,

Rhode Island, then to Virginia, then to South Carolina.

Their Crest-a pelican in her piety-was the same as Jouett of the Island of Rhe, France. It is assumed they changed their name (Jouett) as did others for protection against persecution.

My first recollections are of busy days for my familycanning, raising their own hogs, cattle, chickens, farming and a smokehouse lined with smoked meats. There were happy days spent at church and school. Mom played the organ for events at the church and Dad often led the singing. She sewed constantlyclothing and things for her home. Many an hour was spent making a shroud for a member of the community who had died with never a thought of accepting pay. It was doing her "bit", she would have told you.

Mother taught several students, piano. She had taken every chance available to learn music; she spent some time at Baylor University Normal studying same. Most weekends included a Sunday afternoon of singing. She played the organ and we all chimed in as the different leaders led sacred music. We leaned about music before we could read. We all loved it. I remember our brother, Melvin, with our first record player. We heard songs, such as "Big Rock Candy Mountain," for hours on end. When Mom insisted he play something else, he would play sacred music, with just the same gusto.

Dad was on the school board of McCoy School, which was built on one corner of our land. There we went to school until I was ready for junior high. Then the family traded the farm for one west of Floydada and we finished high school in Floydada High School.

Veral and I both attended Texas Technological College and each taught two years before marriage. I married R. P. Terrell, football coach at Floydada High School. Veral married Art Zerwer, an engineer, while both were at Texas Tech. Melvin Zach had one year at Tech-then told Dad this was not what he wanted. He went to Dallas, straight to the airport and got a job "washing those big boys" at Braniff. "I had to see what made them tick," he told us. He never doubted that he could learn, and he certainly did. He spent twenty years with Braniff. He, of course, took time out for service-Army Air Force. He was inspector for motors for Braniff when he died with a hear attack in 1966. He left a wife, in Dallas, Texas.

We lost Dad (Lon) in 1973 and Mother (Lillion) in 1974. They are buried in Waco, Texas.

Individual/Family memberships - Terry Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Remember your membership dues are due. Dues are \$20 a person per year.

The Griffith Family Reunion has been postponed til Saturday, August 19th. It will be held at the Center from 10

"Bingo Night" will be held on Monday, August 21 from 6 - 8 p.m. It is held the 3rd Monday of each month. Come join us for some fun!

The LHS Class of 1957 will have a class reunion at the Center on Saturday, July 29th. The Griffith Family Reunion has been postponed til

Saturday, August 19th. It will be held at the Center from 10 Breakfast is served here at

the Center from 5:30 a.m. -8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday

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 - 9:30 a.m.

Coffee time - Monday-Sat-

urday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thursday night pot luck. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards. 5 - 9

Hope you all have a great

MENU July 24 – July 28

Monday — Chicken & rice Tuesday - Tacos Wednesday - Roast beef Thursday - Smoked sausage Friday - Brisket

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Pet Talk

Protect your pet from Canine Influenza

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

At the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (CVM) veterinarians are working to educate pet parents about the recent outbreak of canine influenza in Georgia and Florida that could affect dogs in

Just like humans, pets can be affected by strains of influenza and experience flu-like symptoms. The strains of influenza that affect dogs are highly contagious and spread through particles in the air. However, the disease is typically not life-threatening when treated and is not transmissible to humans.

"The most common symptoms of canine flu include coughing and lethargy, as well as decreased appetite and fever," said Dr. Stacy Eckman, clinical assistant professor at the CVM. "In some cases, the infection can progress to pneumonia, Leta Rue Barnes Blassingame, especially when the flu is complibut no children. He is buried cated by other respiratory bacteria or viruses."

> The canine flu should be treated as soon as possible. If you are worried your pet is experiencing symptoms of the canine flu, con

tact your veterinarian before going in to their office. This allows the veterinarian to prepare for the visit and potentially decrease exposure to other pets.

If you live in an area where the canine flu has been reported, consider keeping your dog away from other dogs by staying clear of the dog park or kenneling your dog.

Canine influenza is a relatively new virus in dogs, but there are vaccines available to help protect your pet. The vaccine does not prevent your pet from getting infected or spreading the virus, but it may reduce your pet's symp-

"The vaccine is recommended for pets that go to dog shows, including hunting and agility; are kenneled or boarded; visit grooming salons or doggie day cares regularly; or are around a high number of dogs that visit these areas," Eckman said.

If your pet becomes infected with the canine flu, a veterinarian can provide supportive care and medications to make the pet feel better. In the meantime, consider your options for preventing your pet from facing this illness again in the future, such as with a vaccine.

As a pet parent, it is important to provide your dog with excellent healthcare. Talk with your veterinarian about reducing the chances of your dog being impacted by canine influenza.



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CHURCHES

Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton The Hesperian-Beacon

(All quotes from Kurt Vonnegut)

Any reviewer who expresses rage and loathing for a novel is preposterous. He or she is like a person who has put on full armor and attacked a hot fudge sundae.

Beware of the man who works hard to learn something, learns it, and finds himself no wiser than before.

I want to stay as close to the edge as I can without going over. Out on the edge you see all kinds of things you can't see from the center.

Laughter and tears are both responses to frustration and exhaustion. I myself prefer to laugh, since there is less cleaning up to do afterward.

Life happens too fast for you ever to think about it. If you could just persuade people of this, but they insist on amassing information.

I think that novels that leave out technology misrepresent life as badly as Victorians misrepresented life by leaving out sex.

New knowledge is the most valuable commodity on earth. The more truth we have to work with, the richer we become.

Charm was a scheme for making strangers like and trust a person immediately, no matter what the charmer had in mind.

Maturity is a bitter disappointment for which no remedy exists, unless laughter can be said to remedy anything.

Just because some of us can read and write and do a little math, that doesn't mean we deserve to conquer the Universe.

Hurricane Season: Look Up Before the Storm

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Atlantic hurricane season is a time when most tropical cyclones are expected to develop across the northern Atlantic Ocean. It is currently defined as the time frame from June 1 through November 30. What plans should prudent consumers take with the trees in their landscape?

Hurricanes and violent storms

"It is important that people who live in the East and Gulf coastal areas be prepared," says Tchukki Andersen, BCMA, CTSP* and staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Even people in the Midwestern states should heed the warning. Right now, get your trees as ready as they can be to survive a major storm. Don't wait until the storm is headed your way."

One of the greatest dangers to life and property during hurricanes is posed by falling trees and limbs. "Larger trees in leaf will 'catch' more wind and be subjected to increased mechanical stresses. These stresses increase the chances of either branch or whole-tree failure," explains Andersen. "Preparing trees for a high-wind event should be done well in advance of the storm season. However, it's not too late to start preparing, now. To help ease these dangers, have a qualified tree care provider evaluate your trees. Doing this will help determine potential weaknesses and dangers."

Look at your trees for the following warning signs:

- · Wires in contact with tree branches. Trees may become energized when they are contacted by electric wires.
- Dead or partially attached limbs hung up in the higher branches that could fall and cause damage or injury.
- Cracked stems and branch unions that could cause catastrophic failure of a tree section.
- · Hollow or decayed areas on the trunk or main limbs, or mushrooms growing from the bark that may indicate a decayed and weakened stem.
- Peeling bark or gaping wounds in the trunk could also indicate structural weakness.
- Fallen or uprooted trees putting pressure on other trees beneath them.
- Tight, V-shaped branch unions, which are much more

prone to failure than open, U-shaped unions.

Heaving soil at the tree base is a potential indicator of an unsound root system.

A tree is a living, growing, changing thing, and its integrity and stability could change over time. Don't assume that a tree that has survived nine severe storms will necessarily survive a tenth. Simultaneously, not all large trees are dangerous. Contact your tree care expert for an onsite examination.

Find a Professional

A professional arborist can assess your landscape and work with you to determine the best care for your trees. Contact the Tree Care Industry Association, a public and professional resource on trees and arboriculture since 1938. TCIA has more than 2,300 member tree care firms and affiliated companies who recognize stringent safety and performance standards and who are required to carry liability insurance. TCIA also has the nation's only Accreditation program that helps consumers find tree care companies that have been inspected and accredited based on: adherence to industry standards for quality and safety; maintenance of trained, professional staff; and dedication to ethics and quality in business practices. For more, visit www.tcia.org or www.treecaretips.org.

Thank You

Our family wishes to extend our sincere thanks for your many acts of kindness- phone calls, visits, cards, texts, food, and prayer. All the beautiful flowers sent for the service were overwhelming.

The support we have received from friends and family have been such a comfort during this difficult time. We also want to extend our gratitude and appreciation to the ladies at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church for the lovely meal after the service.

We are so fortunate to be part of a caring community.

The family of Mary Martinez... JR, Debbie, Darin Ef Derrick

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Come near to God, and he will come near to you.

—James 4:8 (CEB)

Reading The Upper Room has become one of my earlymorning rituals. Before I do anything else, I read a daily devotional from the e-mail that was sent to me in the middle of the night. Doing so helps me to clear my mind and prepare for the day.

However, I travel for work, sometimes across many time zones. The e-mail containing the daily devotional arrives in my inbox at different points in the day. When I travel to the west coast of the United States, the devotional arrives before

I go to bed, becoming the last thing I read in the day. In China, the devotional arrives shortly after lunch, leading me to pause in what I am doing to focus on the daily scripture and reflection. I have discovered that no time is the wrong time to pause for a moment with the Lord. No matter the time or place, I read and contemplate God's word. Wherever we are and whatever we are doing, a conversation with God awaits. This is a tremendous blessing.

—Andrew Billings (Alabama, USA)

Prayer: Dear God, thank you for transcending time and space to welcome us with your word. Amen.

Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m.

Bible Baptist Church 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor

983-2578 Sunday School....10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship Floydada

Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Bible Study - 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30 a.m. **Church of Christ** West College & Third

Lockney Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ Matthew Benfield, Minister Floydada

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

First Baptist Church Floydada

Fred Meeks, Interim Pastor Justin Ogden, Interim Minister of Worship Logan Lamb, Min. Students Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church

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

First United Methodist Church

Lockney Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m. Wed High School - 6:30 p.m.

Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ Joe Bennett, Pastor

Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m. Tuesday - 8 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Main Street Church of Christ Lockney

James Blair, Minister Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church Floydada

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

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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church 310 Mississippi

Floydada Rev David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible - 10 a.m. Morning Praise - 11 a.m. Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m.

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor

704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Primera Iglesia Bautista

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

Primera Iglesia Bautista Floyada

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

San Jose Catholic Church Lockney

Msgr. Nickolas Rendon Wed. Communion - 8 p.m. Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.

South Plains Baptist Church Joe Weldon, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God 701 W. Missouri

Sunday School Worship English - 11 a.m.

Joe M. Hernandez 983-5286 (Church)

English - 9:45 a.m. Spanish - 11 a.m. Spanish - 9:30 a.m. Evening Service 5 p.m.

Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church

Rev. Ruban Selvaraj 983-5878 Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

Templo Bautista Salem Lockney

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

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

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

Trinity Assembly 500 W. Houston Tom Ross, Pastor 983-5499

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

Trinity Luthern Church Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009

Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 - a.m.

West Side Church of Christ

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

AGRICULTURE

Diamond M Storage adds \$1500 to **Modifies money at West Texas Raceway**



By Daniel Shank Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Ten of the Southwest Modifies where able to take the green flag for the extra 1500 dollars that Diamond M Storage added to tonight's winnings making the top position worth \$800.00 and the rest was paid out through the field.

Local Travis Graves #177 took the win for the second week in the row. In a 2 car runaway he and Point leader Austin Junod #44 put a driving show for the first 10 laps batting every turn and every straightaway until our first caution came out at lap 10. That was not to stop then Austin and Travis picked up right where they left off. Vance Ogle #49 grabbed 3rd and Roy Don Mason finished 4th. All in all it was one of the best races of the night.

With last week's big races else where, we got back many of our local boys in the IMCA Sport Mod division were 16 of 18 cars were able to take the green flag. I am not sure what JP Vasquez Jr #17 had going on with the third engine of the season but he put on a show, winning his heat race with as did the whole division with what I can call one of the best Sport Mods races I have easy fashion and taking the snatching the victory from the current track point leader and 4th in the nation Cory Williams #511 the pride of Slaton. The division put on the best sport mod race I have ever seen in West Texas. Not to say we did not see some fun stuff too, the #367 car Bobby Beatty found the starters cone and dragged it down the front straightaway. Causing the first yellow the second and

last yellow was brought out when Dustin Robinson #10 of Post cannot catch a break this season as he lost power coming out of turn four bring his car to a roll at the flagstand. I was very impressed with the division as a whole tonight. IP held off Williams in a photo finish after that restart wheel to wheel action it was. Tanner Stansell #54 had his best finish of the season after being MIA for several weeks grabbing 3rd. While "X-man" #63x Frank Groves was unable to finish the main and received his first DNF of the season.

The David McCurry #555 show continued in the Street Stock division as he took over the race at lap 10 and continued his chock hold on the division. For the second week Bridges Bankston was unable to solve the McCurry mystery. The best battle in this race came from the 3rd spot again were Donnie Applegate #7 was able to outdo several others with 2 laps to go we had a 4 way battle for third, #124 Ryan Wilkerson, #42 McCleskey, #420 David Fields and Applegate. Which say Fields get lose into turn two and slam into #124 of Wilkerson causing him to get a flat tire and Fields #420 to lose his drive shaft. All in all this was a good clean race to watch.

The IMCA I Stocks saw track point leader Jordan O'Neil #56 had a rough night but was able to put a third place finish after being stuck in the back of the field most of the race. But Brandon "The Hopper" Hopper #58 took over from the drop of the green, by lap 7 he had built a full straightaway lead on the rest of field. Marc Egert #26 grabbed a distant second. Aaron Corley #61

came in 5th while Vance Ogle #7 was unable to finish the main after losing power on front shoot.

The 600 micro sprints were short a few cars, but the ones that did show up put on a show topping 95mph on the fast dirt oval. Robert Pace #20 of Wollforth took over from the Green and never looked back. #14x Jacob Satterfield came in second and Eric Willams #53 rounded out the top 3 spots.

The big part many of you have been waiting for the World Championships of Bike Races where held on the speedway, to clear the air JP Vasquez was black flagged and did NOT finish 2nd in the 14 and up division. He was black flagged for carrying his bike and running around turn 2. I would say that the 14 kids that did a great job on the track enjoyed themselves and slept well. Trophys were given to all that participated.

On a said Note West Texas raceway lost on of their own Saturday night as Misty Mathews passed away. She had been in and out of the hospital all season. There was NOT a night that we enjoyed seeing her smile at the track even in the pain she was in. Also we lost an older racer and current Street Stock driver Mark Johnson grandfather this week. With a heavy heart we offered a moment of silence before tonight's races. You will be missed by

Next week we will have a regular event night with the 305 sprint cars back in action race time is 8:30pm Also quick note FAN AP-PRECIATION NIGHT has been moved to July

Texas High Plains Cotton Crop Progress Mixed

By Mary Jane Buerkle Plains Cotton Growers

Cotton crop progress on the Texas High Plains is all over the board, experts say, with July 4 weekend hail forcing some growers to make adjustments to their game plan.

Mother Nature hasn't exactly been cooperative this season, as some good rains have been accompanied by high winds and hail. Some growers have devoted much of the past several weeks to simply getting their cotton crop started and keeping it alive.

where we can stop putting out fires, so to speak, and really begin managing this crop," PCG chairman and Dawson County grower Shawn Holladay said.

Crop insurance adjusters have been working fields across the region over the past few weeks. Although it is a challenge to assign general abandonment estimates for the PCG region at this point, some Extension agents are reporting significant loss in their area. Kerry Siders, the integrated pest management agent for

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension in Hockley, Cochran and Lamb counties, said in this week's AgFax Southwest Cotton Report that losses in Cochran County could be as high as 55 percent.

"We've heard various reports from all over our 41county service area about potential abandonment, and although damage and loss still are being assessed, we likely will wind up around our overall average of 18 to 20 percent, perhaps a bit higher." PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said.

"We should have a much "We're finally to a point better handle on abandonment from recent hail and high winds in the next couple of weeks. Some of this cotton could recover, but some of it definitely is gone," Verett said, noting that some growers with earlier loss had replanted cotton, but others are turning to traditional alternative crops such as grain sorghum and sunflowers.

Those considering replant decisions can consult Texas A&M AgriLife Extension's Texas South Plains Hailout/Replant/Late Plant Guide at http://bit.ly/17Hail outReplantLatePlantGuide.

Other areas look good, particularly in the Northern High Plains, save for some acreage hit by hail. A grower from that area attending the PCG board meeting earlier this week reported that their crop was one of the best they'd had.

"Couple that with increased acreage, and we could see a significant increase in production in the Northern High Plains, barring any future severe weather," Verett

Thanks to otherwise beneficial rainfall, weed pressure is increasing. Weed science experts at the PCG Friday Morning meeting noted that fields started a lot cleaner than in previous years thanks to producers using residuals, which has improved the weed management situation as a whole.

"Thus far, it appears that growers generally have been good stewards of new weed management technologies," Verett said. "We continue to encourage all growers to know what's around them, follow all label instructions, and do everything you can to keep your spray on your

Texas Drilling Permits and Completions Statistics for June 2017

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — The Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) issued a total of 1,305 original drilling permits in June 2017 compared to 656 in June 2016. The June total included 1,131 permits to drill new oil or gas wells, 11 to re-enter plugged well bores and 163 for re-completions of existing well bores. The breakdown of well types for those permits issued June 2017 included 330 oil, 70 gas, 817 oil or gas, 70 injection, two service and 16 other permits.

In June 2017, Commission staff processed 510 oil, cent of all active rigs in the 96 gas, 43 injection and zero United States. other completions compared to 700 oil, 165 gas, 31 injection and four other completions in June 2016. Total well completions processed for 2017 year to date are 3,872; down from 6,429 recorded during the same period in 2016.

According to Hughes Inc., the Texas rig count as of July 7 was 463, representing about 49 per-

For additional drilling permit and completion statistics, visit the Commission's website at http://www.rrc.texas. gov/oil-gas/research-andstatistics/well-information/ monthly-drilling-completion-and-plugging-summa-

RCPP Funding still available for producers

By Shawn Wade Plains Cotton Growers

LUBBOCK TX (July 17, 2017) - Funding is still available to producers wanting to participate in the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service's Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP).

About \$900,000 in funding was allocated for the five year program (2016-2020). As of July 10, US-DA-NRCS officials said the agency has obligated 35 contracts totaling \$222,750 on 19,929 acres. This leaves \$677,250 in available funds for the remainder of the program.

Participation in RCPP is entirely voluntary. Interested producers can sign up for the program at their local USDA-NRCS service

RCPP builds upon existing USDA-NRCS programs to address water conservation needs. These include the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) and the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

being placed on irrigation water and soil moisture management for the Panhandle-South Plains RCPP. As a result, chemigation check valves, flow meters, and soil moisture monitoring equipment are included in the high priority items for RCPP fund-

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) lead RCPP partner. Sup-Hemphill County UWCD in Canadian, Llano Estacado UWCD at Seminole, Mesa UWCD at Lamesa, North Plains GCD at Dumas, Sandy Land UWCD UWCD at Brownfield.

These agencies are partnering with producers to increase the restoration/ sustainable use of soil, water, wildlife, and other related natural resources on a regional or watershed basis. These groundwater conservation districts do not receive any funding for the program, but provide in-kind services to assist with water conservation efforts.

Additional information A special emphasis is about RCPP is available at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the State Legislature, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 is charged with the responsibility of conserving, preserving, protecting, and preventing waste of groundwater in aquifers in Lubbock serves as the within its 16-county service area. HPWD is the porting partners include first groundwater conservation district created in Texas.

Visit www.hpwd.org or call (806) 762-0181 for more information. You can also at Plains, and South Plains find HPWD on Facebook and Twitter.



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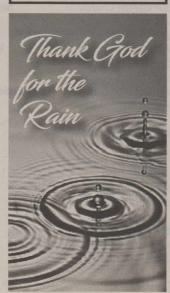
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Back-to-School Tips for Upgrading Students' Devices

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(StatePoint) Back-toschool season is a popular time to replace tablets, smartphones and other mobile devices. However, while you're busy paying for books, student fees and education-related expenses, tech costs don't have to be a burden.

Today, refurbished devices and accessories can provide a quality, reliable alternative at often less than half of what it costs to buy a new device. Indeed, more consumers are coming to that conclusion. Demand for used smartphones is forecast to grow considerably, according to several industry analyst reports.

While there's a lingering belief among many consumers that refurbished devices are those that were broken or have had problems, the truth is that many refurbished devices come from trade-in and upgrade programs. Through these programs, owners trade in a perfectly good device so that they can get a newer

Whether traded in or repaired, if you do consider purchasing a refurbished device, check out reliable sources such as MyWit. com, where all devices undergo an extensive 65-point inspection of cosmetics and performance to ensure full

verify that every possible function -- camera, audio, SIM, WiFi, Bluetooth, etc. -- is in excellent working order, and only devices that score 100 percent on these tests are made available to

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SPC's 'Explore the Arts' camp for youngsters set for July 24-27

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What's more, purchasing refurbished devices is an eco-friendly alternative, keeping used devices from ending up in a landfill and reducing the demand for new devices.

Whether you are purchasing a device as a gift or for yourself, this back-toschool season, consider upgrading devices in a smart way that's affordable and sustainable.

DCHHS Reports First

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

DALLAS (July 14, 2017) - Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) is reporting the first human case of West Nile Virus infection in Dallas County for the year 2017. The case is a resident of the 75248 zip code of Dallas. The patient was diagnosed with West Nile neuroinvasive disease. DCHHS is awaiting confirmation of the case from the Texas Department of State Health Services. For medical confidentiality and personal Kelly Warren has been privacy reasons, DCHHS does not provide additional identifying information.

"Our mosquito surveillance program and the county and municipal abatement teams the School of Business, are taking appropriate actions to ensure the safety of our residents. However, it is important for residents to take the necessary precautions," said Zachary Thompson, DCHHS

The best way to avoid exposure to West Nile Virus is to avoid mosquito bites. Residents should use the 4Ds to reduce their risk:

- · DEET All Day, Every Day: Whenever you're outside, use insect repellents that containDEET or other EPA approved repellents and follow instructions.
- Dress: Wear long, loose, and light-colored clothing outside.
- · Drain: Drain or treat all standing water in and around your home or workplace.
- Dusk & Dawn: Limit outdoor activities during dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

"Since there is no vaccine or specific antiviral treatments for WNV infection, residents should adhere to preventive measures to protect themselves and their loved

ones," said Dr. Christopher Perkins, DCHHS medical director/health authority. For more information on mosquito prevention, go to: http://www.dallascounty.org/ but also the adult-learner Regent University in Ordepartment/hhs/mosquito_prevention.html.

Warren named new Human Case of West Nile Virus Dean of the School of Business

By Jonathan Petty, MAM Director of Communications Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW — Dr. named the new Dean of replacing Dr. Barry Evans who left in June for a position with a sister institu-

Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Cindy McClenagan said Warren's experience and background made him the logical successor to Evans.

"A 12-year veteran of the School of Business, Dr. Warren has grown to understand not only our Plainview campus and its traditional-age students, at our external campuses," she said.

McClenagan said Warren's experience in the classroom and as Associate Dean has developed in him a strong sense of the complexities of the Wayland system. Dr. Warren was also instrumental in developing and implementing the Doctor of Management program that opened last summer.

Dr. Warren graduated from Wayland with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1983. He earned a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1986 and a Doctor of Ministry from Southwestern in 1998. He also holds a Ph.D. from ganizational Leadership (2005).

Dr. Warren started teaching Wayland in 2005 and has served as a Professor of management as well as Associate Dean of the School of Business. He served as interim dean of the school following Dr. Evans departure in June.

Wayland Baptist University is a Christian, liberalarts school located in Plainview, Texas, with additional campus locations in Lubbock, Amarillo, Wichita Falls and San Antonio, Texas; Altus, Okla.; Clovis and Albuquerque, N.M.; Phoenix and Sierra Vista, Ariz.; Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska; Mililani, Hawaii; and the African nation of Kenya.



New Women's Services manager at Covenant Plainview

By Homer Marquez Covenant Plainview

Covenant Plainview is proud to welcome Danette Howell as the hospital's new nurse manager of Women's

"I love it here: everyone is so friendly. The people here at Covenant Health Plainview are genuinely kind and warm. Everyone has been super," said Howell who started her tenue in Plainview last

Before her move to Plainview, Howell worked for both Covenant Health in Lubbock and at the Lamb Healthcare

Center in Littlefield.

In Lubbock, the registered nurse worked in several departments including the Surgical Intensive Care Unit and in the Emergency Room.

However, Howell said she mostly favored working in the Labor and Delivery Units.

"Women's Services is

definitely my passion," said Howell, who explained the department really allows her to enjoy her favorite aspect of nursing, patient advocacy.

"I've always wanted to be a nurse, even from the time I was little. I love the people and making sure they are OK."

With just a week under her belt at Covenant Health Plainview, Howell says she already loves the culture of the community hospital and the work ethic of its staff and

physicians.

"The staff is wonderful. I've seen a lot of them go above and beyond to make sure their patients are taken care of. It's a really good team," Howell said.

Howell was born and raised in Littlefield and her and husband, Lelton, have two daughters; Emily, 19, a student at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, and Tucker, 16, a student at Littlefield High School.



Honor Student Adolfo Trevino Nominated for The Congress of Future Medical Leaders



ADOLFO TREVINO

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

BIG LAKE, TEXAS — Adolfo Trevino, a junior at Reagan County High School of Big Lake Texas, was a Delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Lowell, MA on June 25-27, 2017. His mother is Mariana Trevino and his father is the late Joel Trevino of Dougherty.

The Congress is an honors-only program for high school students who want to become physicians or go into medical research fields. The purpose of this event is to honor, inspire, motivate and direct the top students in the country who aspire to be physicians or medical scientists, to stay true to their dream and, after the event, to provide a path, plan and resources to help them reach

Trevino was nominated by

Dr. Robert Darling, the Medical Director of the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists to represent Reagan County High School based on his academic achievement, leadership potential and determination to serve humanity in the field of medicine.

During the three-day Congress, Adolfo Trevino joined students from across the country and hear Nobel Laureates and National Medal of Science Winners talk about leading medical research; be given advice from Ivy League and top medical school deans on what to expect in medical school; witness stories told by patients who are living medical miracles; be inspired by fellow teen medical science prodigies; and learn about cutting-edge advances and the future in medicine and medical technology.

"This is a crucial time in

America when we need more doctors and medical scientists who are even better prepared for a future that is changing exponentially," said Richard Rossi, Executive Director, National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists. "Focused, bright and determined students like Adolfo Trevino are our future and he deserves all the mentoring and guidance we can give him."

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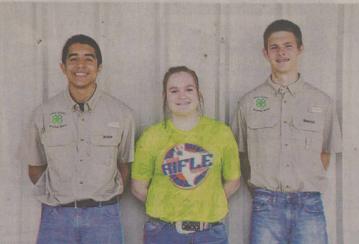


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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NUMBER 24747A

APPLICATION Floydada Cooperative Gins, Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 24747A, which would authorize continued operation of a Cotton Gin located at 2561 US Highway 62, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas 79235. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/ hb610/index.html?lat=33.95444&Ing=-101.3575&zoom=13&type=r. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, organic compounds, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less and sulfur dioxide.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 30, 2017. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Courthouse, 105 South Main Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations and amendments. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 18006874040. The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues submitted during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Any personal information you submit to the TCEQ will become part of the agency's record; this includes email addresses. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 18006874040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Floydada Cooperative Gins, Inc., P.O. Box 428, Floydada, Texas 79235-0428 or by calling Mr. J. Kelley Green, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association, at (512) 615-1102.

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Wayland names Ludlum Vice President of Advancement

By Jonathan Petty, MAM **Director of Communications** Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW -- In his own words, Dr. Kevin Ludlum shouldn't be here.

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"This is my story, it's part of who I am," Ludlum mittee and our search con- at Anderson University,

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Ludlum was recently given the "all-clear" at his six-month check-up. Six months with no sign of Diagnosed with a rare cancer. On July 17, Dr. to a new level of advanceform of beta cell cancer Ludlum will return to ment success." the workforce after being agers resulting in a high named Vice President of and varied background mortality rate, Ludlum left Advancement at Wayland that began in the class-Baptist University where room where he was under than a year ago to battle he will oversee all developthe disease. On three occa- ment, fundraising, alumni raising was one of the resions, his wife, Connie, was and integrated marketing told by doctors to make fi- initiatives for the univer-

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said. "But the dear Lord sultant did an excellent job above kept me around for of attracting a deep pool of candidates for this vital position," said WBU President Dr. Bobby Hall. "Dr. Ludlum emerged as the right man to lead Wayland

Dr. Ludlum has a unique the impression that fundsponsibilities of university faculty members. He began his ventures in the advance-"Wayland's search com- ment field while teaching

a small Baptist school in dismissed -- completely) South Carolina, where the president convinced him that faculty members had three primary responsibilities: teaching, recruiting and fundraising.

"I thought that was what all faculty members did," Ludlum said.

In his job, he taught 21 hours a semester, worked to double the enrollment of the academic program, and raised money for a new wellness center.

Early in his career, Ludlum had aspirations of becoming a university president (a notion he has since and was told that in order to be president he would have to learn how to raise money. He began focusing on advancement initiatives, developing an understanding of the importance of fundraising.

"In today's economic landscape, fundraising in higher education is paramount," Ludlum said. "The days of being a tuition driven either private or public school is over. The need for established foundations that support higher education is critical."

Dr. Ludlum studied biology at Richland Community College in Dallas before transferring to Baylor University where he earned a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1993. He went on to earn a master's degree in physical education and educational foundations from Texas Tech University, and completed his doctoral studies in physical education and sports psychology at the University of Idaho. With an academic background in physical education and sports psychology, Ludlum has developed a unique perspective on the importance of teamwork in all situations.

"My background in

coaching education and coaching psychology has shown me how to build high functioning teams," he said. "In terms of leading and serving others, you have to put yourself second to the needs of those you serve."

Dr. Ludlum has held development and advancement positions as the Senior Director for Institutional Advancement for the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, as well as Executive Director for the Hankamer School of Business at Baylor University. Most recently, Ludlum served as Chief Executive Officer of Korcett Holdings, Inc., in Austin, where he was brought in specifically to set up a new company structure and operating model.

"[Ludlum] brings deep university experience not only from a fundraising and advancement standpoint, but also having served as a faculty member," Dr. Hall said. "He has a deep abiding faith in God which coupled with his experience and knowledge base will help Wayland reach the important goals it has set for its future."

Ludlum and his wife have an 8-year-old son named Aleks.

Pet Talk: How to help pets in heat

Special to The Heperian-Beacon

Summer in Texas means more time to play outside, go swimming, and soak up the sun. However, warmer temperatures also mean that pets may be more susceptible to heat exhaustion or heat stroke. To help pet owners avoid these risks, Dr. Stacy Eckman, clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, offered some insight.

"Heat stroke and heat exhaustion are major problems for pets in the summer, especially in short-nosed breeds, such a pug or a bulldog," Eckman said. "These conditions can occur during hot and humid days aren't accustomed to the heat."

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stages of a heat stroke and causes lethargy, vomiting, and weakness. Following continued exercise or exposure to heat, Eckman said a heat stroke can occur with more severe signs, including extreme lethargy, vomiting, diarrhea, and pale mucous membranes. This can lead to significant problems up to and including death if not recognized and treated immedi-

Other dangers pets may face in the summer heat include paw pad burns from walking on hot concrete. If your dog is going to be active outside when it is hot, be sure to keep them off concrete or asphalt for extended periods of time. You can also provide your pet with other means of exercise, such as playing indoors or in the grass.

Eckman added that leaving pets in the car or bed of a truck is also a bad idea. This can also lead to heat exhaustion or heat

"Even if there is a breeze outside, there is no shade or water in the bed of a truck, so the temperature can really heat up," Eckman said.

Though it may seem like a quick fix to put your pet in cold water if they do become overheated, Eckman said it is best to slowly cool down your pet to avoid causing more internal

"Some people will try to provide ice water baths for overheated pets; this can actually make them retain heat internally," Eckman said. "Instead, bring the overheated pet inside and provide them with cool water and a fan. Wetting a towel and putting it on the pet's coat also may be helpful."

Other tips for keeping your pet cool during the summer include providing a doghouse, a shallow kiddie pool, and enough cool water. Also, try to exercise your pet during the cooler parts of the day, such as the morning or evening.

Whether your pet lives primarily indoors or outdoors, it is important to protect your pet from the heat this summer season.



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