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Old Fashion Saturday in Lockney This Week

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney's annual fun-filled community festival, Old Fashioned Saturday, is this week on August 26.

Events include kids' activities and train rides, car show, pageant, a street dance and more.

The Old Fashioned Saturday Sweetheart pageant will begin at 9 a.m. Scholarship funds are awarded to winners of first, first runner up and Miss Congeniality. The competition is for incoming 9-12th grade girls of Lockney.

There will also be an opportunity for the little girls of the community (walking to 5th grade) to walk across the stage in a pretty dress. (No contest but all will receive a small gift and be introduced.) while the older girls are changing into other wardrobes.



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In addition to the car show, pageant and festival vendors at Old Fashion Saturday in Lockney on August 26, the city will also host the GUNNYR and Tuff Araujo Miniature Bull Riders Invitational IV at 6 p.m. at 604 NE 8th Street.

For more information or to sign up, contact Robyn Stevenson at (806)685-8226. Cost for little

girls: \$10.

Other fun events including Longhorn Lotto, kids' activities

and train rides, the car show and many vendors.

Vendor info: All vendors must

fill out an application and return by August 14 to PO Box 477, Lockney 79241. Vendor booth space is \$75, food vendors are \$100. Brittany Duniven is the contact for vendors at (817)584-4761.

The Leal family is hosting a professional miniature bull riding event Friday evening and Saturday evening beginning at 6 p.m.

Winners of this event will go on to compete in Las Vegas. Organizers are expecting at least an additional 300 people for this event alone.

Vance Guthrie and Junction 84 band have been booked to play at the street dance.

The winners of the pageant and bull riding event will be announced at the street dance after 8 p.m. with a special Fire twirling performance by Fette Jackson.

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.

ESTATE AND SUCCESSION PLANNING LUNCH

Jaqueline Davie, an estate and succession planning specialist, is coming to Floyd County for a Lunch and Learn. She will be speaking at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center on August 24, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. Lunch will be catered by Jeanes Feedbag Catering and donated by First National Bank in Floydada.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY MOVIE NIGHT

Trinity Assembly in Floydada is having free hotdog and Christian Movie Night on Friday, August 25. Free hotdogs served at 6 p.m. and movie will start at 7 p.m. Movie will be "The Woodcarver". Trinity Assembly is located at 500 W. Houston (across from DQ). Everyone is invited.

65th Annual Ag Chemicals Conference in Lubbock

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK - The West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute will host their annual conference on Wednesday, Sept. 13, at the Bayer Museum of Agriculture, located at 1121 Canyon Lake Drive in Lubbock.

This year represents the 65th meeting of WTACI, an unincorporated organization of dealers, industry representatives, agricultural producers, scientists, educators, and agribusiness members who support education and research programs promoting safe and effective use of agricultural chemicals and protection and preservation of the area's natural resources.

Topics to be discussed at the conference include an update on the 2017 growing season, pesticide application and laws and regulations, crop rotation and nutrient management strategies, weed resistance and insect resistance management, the "Flag the Technology" program, plant diseases and nematodes, and much more. A detailed list of presentations and speakers soon will

be available at <http://wtaci.tamu.edu>.

A total of 7 CEUs for the Certified Crop Adviser (CCA) program will be available, and 7 Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) CEUs are pending at this time.

Pre-registration is available online at <http://wtaci.tamu.edu/Registration.html>. Online registration fees are \$75 for conference attendees and must be completed or post-marked by August 31. Booth fees start at \$300. On-site registration will begin at 7 a.m. the day of the conference and will cost \$95 for attendees and \$325 for booth sponsors. Lunch will be provided as part of the registration fee.

Opportunities also exist to contribute to the WTACI Scholarship Fund, which has provided more than \$60,000 in scholarships to students majoring in agricultural fields at many Texas universities.

Contact Shawn Wade at (806) 792-4904 or shawn@plainscotton.org for questions about the program and CEUs. If you have trouble or questions regarding registration contact David Pointer, 806-746-4021 or dpointer@ag.tamu.edu



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First day of school



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Students at A.B. Duncan Elementary in Floydada started the first day of school on Monday, Aug. 21 with a welcoming surprise as staff had a special message for them and lined up to greet them.

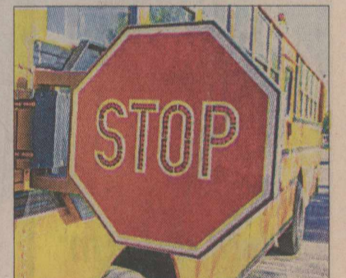
Great American eclipse



Courtesy photo

According to the Austin American-Statesman's Twitter feed, this is what the eclipse looked like at 1:30 p.m. in the Texas capital. It had been 38 years since the last solar eclipse, and experts say Texas will have a better view of the next one in 2024.

Drive Safely



School is Back in Session

Correction

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

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Floydada City Council Amends Ordinance on Residential Parking

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

In its monthly meeting last week, the Floydada City Council approved an amendment to the residential parking ordinance to

prohibit parking outside of the sidewalk on residential properties.

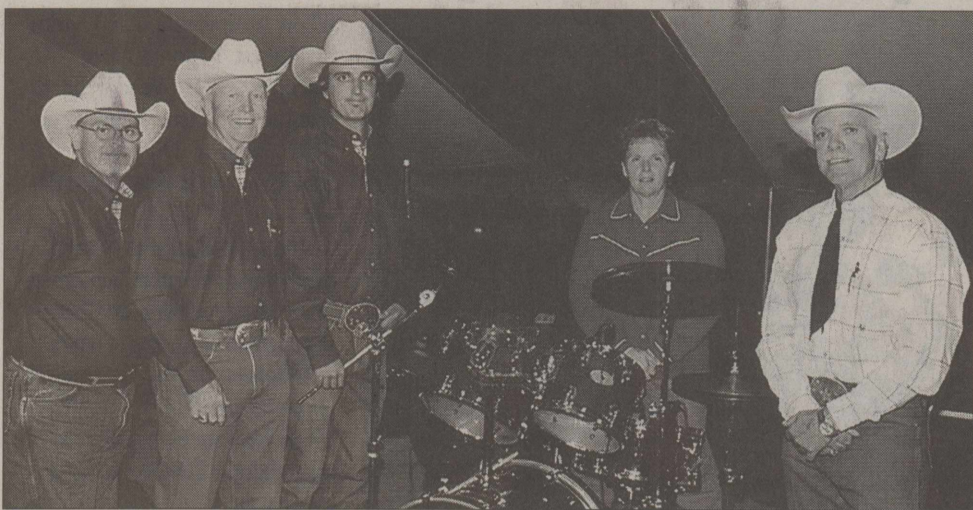
In other council action, they approved the budget for the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority.

The council then went

into executive session to discuss with an attorney electric meter issues.

Other agenda topics included the 2016-2017 operating budget, including a workshop date, but no action was taken on this item.

94th Annual Motley Dickens Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo set for Aug. 25-26



Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will be the featured band at the dance Friday night at 9 p.m. at the Motley Dickens Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo in Roaring Springs.

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

ROARING SPRINGS — The 94th Annual Motley Dickens Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo will be held on Thursday, Aug. 24 through Saturday, Aug. 26 in Roaring Springs at the Old Settlers Reunion and Rodeo Grounds.

The parade will be Saturday in downtown Roaring Springs beginning at 10 a.m. Organizers are inviting car clubs, riding clubs, floats, horses, tractors, antique cars, etc.

Anyone interested in being in the parade should be in Roaring Springs by

9 a.m. to get registered. Trophies will be awarded for: Best Float, Best ATV/Bicycle, Best Antique Car, Best Horse Drawn Carriage, Best Old Time Cowgirl, Best Old Time Cowboy, Modern Day Cowgirl, Modern Day Cowboy, Best Jr. Cowgirl, Best Jr. Cowboy, Best Tractor.

Thursday's entry will be free admission. On Friday and Saturday, admission is \$10. Twelve and under are free.

Rodeo events include team roping, barrel racing, goat roping, mutton busting, and ranch horse competition.

On Friday and Satur-

day at 7 p.m. will be the Ranch Rodeo Invitational, a WRCA-sanctioned event including bronc riding, wild cow milking, calf branding and team doctoring, limited to 20 teams, paying the \$1,000 entry fee. Four monies will be paid.

Each day there will be a dance. On Thursday and Saturday, the dances will be free, but on Friday night, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will appear, and dance admission will be \$10.

For more information, visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Motley-Dickens-Old-Settlers-Reunion-Rodeo>

The Paperboy An eclipse with a different meaning

Well the eclipse has come and gone. How about that hype?

I remember watching an eclipse with my mom in elementary school growing up in Amarillo. It's a fond memory.

As the eclipse time grew near, I was reminded of that memory, which now I would consider special. It was something neat we shared together decades ago. She's gone, but the sweet memory remains.

This year I was in Oklahoma City helping to care for my sister. My brother-in-law took my niece out of school and brought her home to watch the event. She had some eclipse glasses and we passed them around and observed it.

While the moment might have been a little underwhelming for my niece Samantha, I have no doubt during some eclipse in the future that she too will have a sweet memory of this eclipse.

If you watched it with a youngster, I hope it becomes a special memory for them.

Boy do we need some kindness and common sense in this country.

There is so much poison being spewed from every direction, the children in this country must think the adults have lost their minds. In some cases, they'd be right.

We have serious issues facing this country, but the distractions seem endless.

When the media puts the focus on the extremists, they are not helping matters.

Extremists seek attention. When they are starved from it, they go away. When they get the spotlight they so desperately crave, they grow in intensity.

In my eyes, the amount of attention the media has given these insufferable babies has emboldened them to kill police officers and commit other atrocious acts. It is a repugnant situation.

I encourage everyone to be kind to one another. And thankfully, in the towns I visit, that is usually the case (disregarding Facebook).

If you are kind to everyone you come across, people will recognize that about you and you will gain respect and maybe even adoration.

Almighty God commands us to be kind. A hate-filled world was never his intention and sometimes we need a strong reminder of that.

This country and world need to be positive. If kindness is a priority for each individual, it will result in a better society.

Xcel Energy offers mobile customer service

AMARILLO, Texas (July 27, 2017) — Xcel Energy has rolled out a mobile app that offers personalized customer support for managing monthly bills and reporting and checking the status of outages.

The app is an extension of online tools that provide more options for customers to manage their accounts and easily access important information anytime and from anywhere.

"We know customers want reliable electric service, but increasingly our customers also desire more information

about their service and their monthly bills, and to access it in the ways most convenient to them," said Brooke Trammell, Xcel Energy director of Customer and Community Relations. "The app is one more way in which we seek to make it easy to do business with us, and we'll continue looking for ways to make it even better in order to provide the best experience for our customers."

Once a customer is logged in to the app, the home page displays the amount owed and the due date, with a link to pay the current bill electroni-

cally or view past bills, usage and payments. The app allows customers to set up payment methods, choose the time of month to be billed and enroll in auto pay or Averaged Monthly Payment.

Not only does this tool make it convenient to pay a bill, but it also protects customers against phone scammers who use misinformation to trick unsuspecting

customers into providing them access to financial information under the threat of imminent disconnection.

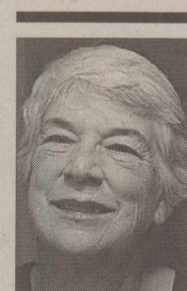
"Scammers are hoping you don't keep track of your bill or when it is due," Trammell said. "They have been successful in convincing some customers that their bills are past due and the only way to avoid disconnection is to pay over the phone. Customers

who are targeted in this way can simply hang up and immediately check the mobile app to see how much is owed, when the payment is due, and make payments through the secure online payment system."

The new Xcel Energy app also includes an outage map that shows where outages are occurring, how many cus-

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The 501 You might be a redneck if your truck is



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If you identify with your truck and your truck wins a redneck trophy in a car show, you might be a redneck. Happened to me.

Maybe I shouldn't have won. Somebody entered a mud-splattered Jeep-looking off-road two-seater with a dummy behind the wheel. That vehicle was creatively parked so it appeared to be coming off the tall sidewalk, bouncing into the parking space below. A big Rebel flag hung from a pole planted somewhere behind the roll bar.

But I won, and the only thing embellishing my '66 Chevy truck was a faded Farm Bureau sticker. Maybe it helped the bed was loaded with stuff from a demolished house trailer — a refrigerator with the door off, a bathroom lavatory and toilet, the kitchen sink, detached plumbing and a spare tire, wheel missing.

I enter the competition only because my truck was in town for repairs. It was easier than driving it home.

Maybe the other guy should've won the big trophy. He probably thinks so. After all, my truck is just a farm truck. Nothing more.

By the way, the trophy is impressive -- a flywheel, a shock absorber, brake parts, a spring and I'm not sure what else, all nicely welded into a tall prize befitting an automotive event. Think 40 pounds of scrap. Maybe more. We're going to have to build a case for it.

On the other hand, maybe it'll fit into

that RV fridge. We can just leave the door off. Maybe add some Plexiglas. Or not.

Meanwhile, exactly how did I get to be a redneck? When I was a kid, we attended Farm Bureau conventions in big hotels. We heard serious banquet lectures on agricultural topics. The meals included shrimp cocktail in fancy dishes that looked like champagne glasses to me — not that I'd ever seen a champagne glass. Sometimes we ended up in big hotel ballrooms, not that my parents danced. Everybody dressed nice, especially for those evening events.

OK, the men's necks were red. Their foreheads were white. They were farmers. But nobody was a redneck. That's how I remember it.

Then along came country songs that aligned all us hog-killing farm types with rednecks, whoever they were. It felt nice to be glorified, but odd. Did I know any rednecks? Was I one?

About the same time, farmers protested low commodity prices by driving their big tractors to Washington. One news reporter wrote they'd be leaving the imprints of their Redwings on the Washington Mall! It was as if Redwings suddenly had as much cachet as the Germans' notorious hobnail boots. I didn't get it. My daddy wore Redwings.

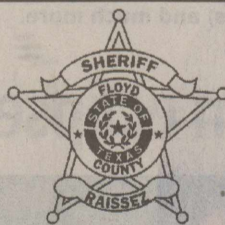
Now, here I am, decades later, unchanged. But it's official now. I'm a redneck — Redwing variety, I suppose, minus the Redwings.

True, I've let the farm fall into some disrepair. I should get those license plates off the shingle roof. And the tires off the shed.

On the other hand, maybe I've just come into my own, all by doing nothing.

It happens.

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National Night Out

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office would like to thank all of those that came out and supported our National Night Out event on Sunday, August 6th. It was a fun afternoon for all involved and a pleasure spending the evening with the citizens of our two communities.

We would also like to thank all the businesses and other groups that supported the event through monetary, food donation, and volunteer help. Without your assistance, none of this would have been possible, and we would like to acknowledge each of you that helped.

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Thank you again for your support, and we look forward to making this an annual event.

Sheriff Paul Raisse and Staff

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Inc. Magazine has placed the Reagor Dykes Auto Group in Lubbock, Texas on its 36th annual Inc. 5000 List, an exclusive ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The Reagor Dykes Auto Group earned the listing on the 2017 Inc. 5000 with Three-Year Sales Growth of 91%.

4 IN A ROW

I received a letter earlier this week from Eric Shurenberg, President and Editor in Chief of Inc. Media, informing me that the Reagor Dykes Auto Group had been named to the Inc. 5000 list of fastest growing privately held companies in the U.S. for 2017 with a three year growth rate of 91%.

"Welcome back to the most exclusive club in business. Companies that have made the list have grown six-fold since 2013. Over a stretch

when the economy grew just 6.7%, that's a result most businesses could only dream of.

But you've lived the dream before, This is your fourth time on the Inc. 5000, which is a truly great extraordinary accomplishment. Needless to say, making the list gets harder every year as your starting base grows. Of the tens of thousands of companies that have applied to the Inc. 5000 over the years, only a fraction have made the list more

than once. A mere one in ten made the list four times.

Congratulations to you and your team, You should be proud of all the Reagor Dykes Auto Group has achieved to date." Said Shurenberg.

"Thank you to my partner Rick Dykes our customers, and all of our employees who work toward our goal of being the best and becoming the largest auto group in the world" said, Bart Reagor, Founder and CEO of the Reagor Dykes Auto Group.






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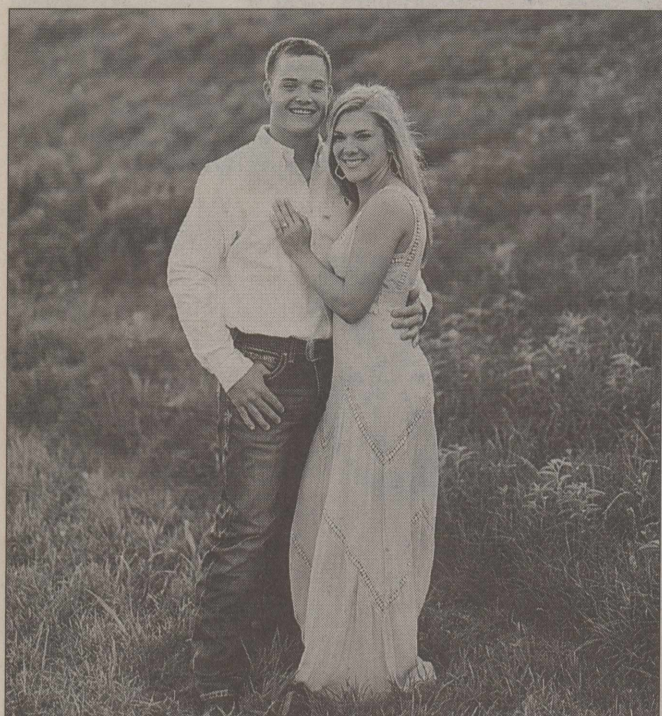
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SOCIETY

Bollinger and Lackey to marry



JESSICA CAYTLYN BOLLINGER AND KADEN DALLAS LACKEY

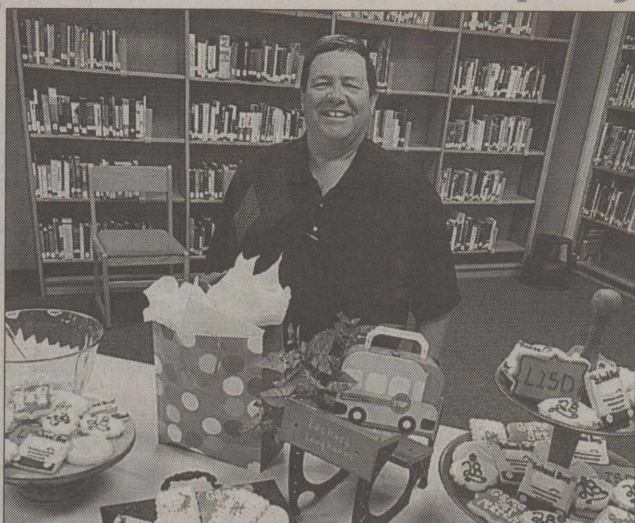
C.J. Bollinger and Lee Bollinger, both of Idalou, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Caytlyn Bollinger to Kaden Dallas Lackey, son of Jay and Julie Lackey of Lubbock.

Caytlyn graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas Tech University and is currently a personal trainer at Gunz Up Fitness as well as the website coordinator for Hurst Farm Supply.

Kaden is also a graduate of Texas Tech and is currently farming in Floydada.

December wedding is planned.

Boyd Lee retirement party



Courtesy photo

Boyd Lee, director of transportation for the Lockney Independent School District was honored last week with a retirement party to recognize his 28 years of service.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our NEW serving times are 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. We serve a delicious meal with salad bar Monday thru Friday. We invite you to join us. We know you will enjoy the food and fellowship!

"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!

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.

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

Hope everyone has an awesome week!



Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

By Deon Fincher
Chamber Manager

First and foremost, I want to give a "shout out" to our newest Chamber Members: Commercial-Bee Hive Homes of Shepherds Meadow, Floydada Co-op Gin, and the City of Floydada. Individual- Louis Bearden. Thank you to everyone that has pledged to the Chamber this year. We are still taking membership dues—if you haven't paid yours, please contact me.

Punkin Days 2017 is surely in the forefront of our upcoming events! Sponsorship packages are available as follows:

Sugar Pie - \$100-Your company's name/logo in/on: Sponsorship signs visible around downtown, Post-Punkin Days press release-Floyd County Hesperian Beacon, Acknowledgement

on www.FloydadaChamber.com, Acknowledgement on FACEBOOK: Floydada-ChamberofCommerce and all other shared FACEBOOK pages.

Captain Jack -\$500-All of the benefits of Sugar Pie plus your company's mention during the official sponsorship and information broadcast feed around the Square throughout the entire Punkin Days celebration.

Big Maxx -\$1500 Specific Event Sponsor-All of the benefits of Sugar Pie and Captain Jack plus two Reserved Parking spots around the Square, your company's name/logo featured prominently on signage of your event, your name/logo printed on the Volunteer T-Shirt.

The Genuine Floydada Punkin Sponsor - \$3000- All of the benefits of Sugar

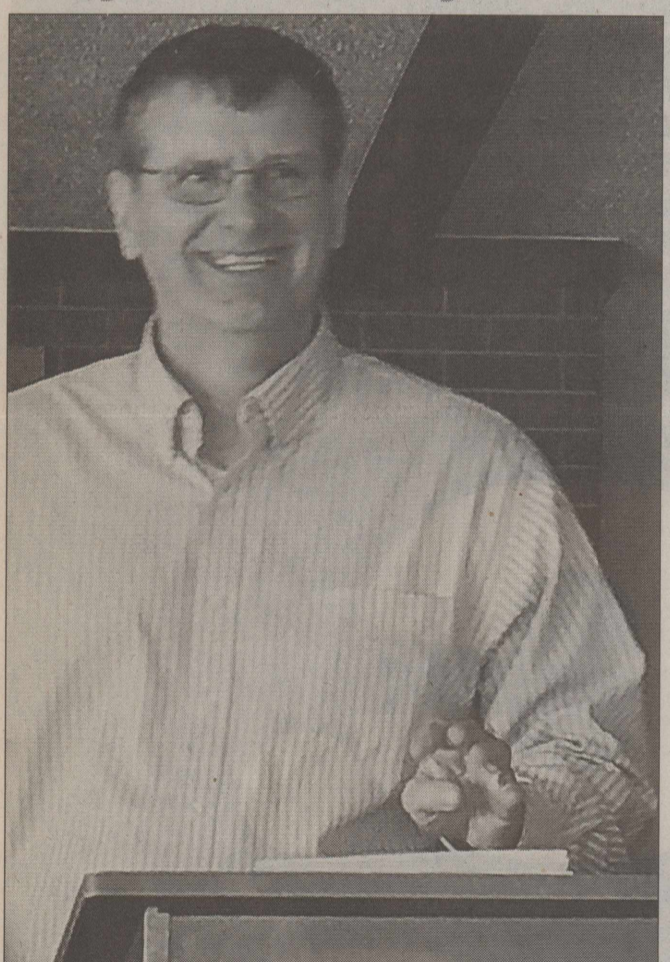
Pie and Captain Jack plus four Reserved Parking spots around the Square, "Punkin Days Sponsor" window banner to display in your business' windows, designation on printed maps and Punkin Days informational brochures.

Volunteers are always needed!! In lieu of cash, a donation of time is just as valuable. Volunteers will receive an official VOLUNTEER T-Shirt, be recognized on www.FloydadaChamber.com, FACEBOOK, and in the Post-Punkin Days press release, as well as other "insider" benefits.

It is my plan to visit our commercial members this week to discuss these packages. We are starting the process of creating signage for the event so it is imperative that sponsorships get on the books and recorded.

MENU
August 28- September 1
Monday - Texas nachos
Tuesday - Chicken spaghetti
Wednesday - Hot beef sandwich
Thursday - BBQ on bun
Friday - Salmon croquette
(Menus subject to change without notice)

Floydada Rotary



Courtesy Photo

The Rotary Club Program on Thursday, August 17th was presented by Rotarian Wade Jackson. Wade brought the club a very informative program on new changes to the criminal law in Texas effective September 1st.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Our ANNUAL FUNDRAISER will be held on Saturday, September 9th. This is a Saturday night Fajitas dinner that will be served beginning at 6 p.m. There will be a live auction and Betty Jones and the Boys will be the entertainment for the evening. John Robison will also be joining us for the evening and bringing

his famous Pecan pie for the auction. If you would like to donate an item to the auction please contact Renee at the Center. More details will follow. Make plans now to be there!

On September 13th the Board of Directors will meet at 12:30 p.m. If you have questions or concerns please feel free to come.

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, Wednesday, 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.

Hope you all have a great week.

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August 28- September 1
Monday - Sausage casserole
Tuesday - Nachos
Wednesday - Chicken fried steak
Thursday - Spaghetti
Friday - Fried chicken
(Menus subject to change without notice)

Museum Archives

Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

RULEN A. BURROWS

By Lethie Hamm

Rulen Annon Burrows was born 16 October, 1876 in Tennessee. About 1885 he moved with his parents, Russell and Permelia Ott Borrows, sister Carrie and brother Theo to Coryell County, Texas. One sister Ethel was born there. After several years the family moved to Indian Territory, Oklahoma and settled near Lexington.

In 1897 Rulen married Margarette Henrietta Thomas, or Rettie as she was called, at Buckhead, Cleveland County, Oklahoma. She was born in 1882 in Indiana. Her parents were John B. and Emilee Shelton Thomas.

Rulen and Rettie moved to the Texas Plains in 1901 settling in the Ellen Community in Hale County. In 1908 they moved to Floydada.

Their first child Lethie Viola was born in Oklahoma in 1898. She married Luther James Hamm. After moving to the Plains, Neily Ruth was

born in 1901 in Hale County; she married Horace H. Allen. Agnes was born in 1905 in Hale County; she married Thomas Ernest McNutt. Roy Wallace was born in 1907 in Hale County; he married Lotella Hartsell. Pearl was born in 1909 in Floydada and she married Buck Formby. Kenneth Earl was born in 1920 in Floydada and he died at the age of six.

There were no railroads to Floydada in 1908 and Rulen turned to freighting. He hauled supplies from Amarillo, Canyon and Childress. He had two wagons and teams. All along the roads people would stop him and ask him to pick up supplies for them and on the return trip he would deliver them, sometimes leaving them in a designated place beside the road where they would be picked up later. He also carried the mail on a fairly regular schedule.

They rented a farm west to town where there was a large pasture and they got some cows

to milk and horses to pasture for other people. Until this time the ranchers knew nothing of West Texas sandstorms. The wind blew a lot in the spring but with the native grass covering the land no sand blew. As land was plowed up to plant crops the more the sand blew.

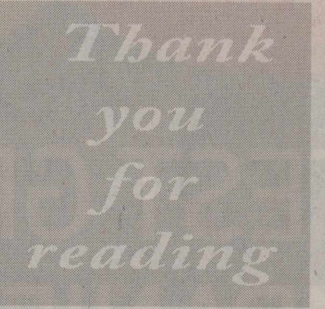
During one of Rulen's freighting trips, a prairie fire threatened their house barn and stock. Rettie hitched a horse to the plow and plowed furrows around the property to keep from burning. She then covered the children with wet sheets until the smoke was gone.

When they first moved to Floydada there was just the Methodist Church. It sat between the courthouse and the big lake north of town. The Methodist and the Baptist shared it, with the pastors taking turns preaching on alternate Sundays. Later the building was moved southwest of the square and the Baptist built a building a block east of it on Main Street. Rettie, Rulen, and their children

were members of the Baptist Church.

About 1920 Rulen bought an old White truck and began trucking from Lubbock to Floydada. He built a home on East Kentucky and also built a warehouse and office for his freight. He operated this business until he retired.

Rettie died April 15, 1952 and Rulen died June 9, 1962.



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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Obituaries

Michael Poteet

Memorial Services will be held for Michael Poteet at 2 p.m., Saturday, August 26, 2017 at New Salem Primitive Baptist Church in Floydada, Texas.

Michael Poteet, age 51 of McKinney, Texas passed away on August 14, 2017. Michael was born May 4, 1966 in Lockney, Texas to Wayne Poteet and Janice (Jones Poteet) Richburg.

He is survived by his mother and step-father, Jan and Quaid Richburg of McKinney, Texas; his father, Wayne Poteet of Plainview, Texas; grandfather, Curtis Poteet of Floydada, Texas;

sisters, Michelle DuBois and husband, Quinn of Jewett, Texas, Tonnie McCright and husband, Tim of Magnolia, Texas and Lisa Williams and husband, Michael of Plainview, Texas; nieces and nephews, Kody DuBois, Kyle Willis, Taylor DuBois, Danna Lee, Chad McCright, Chris McCright, Timothy Richburg and Robert Bailey; great-nieces and great-nephews, Matthew Willis, Jackson DuBois, Morgan Lee, and Emma McCright; Uncle Randall Jones of Bastrop, Texas; aunts, Gail DuBois of Floydada, Texas, and Sally Poteet of Plain-



MICHAEL POTEET

view, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his step-mother, Debra (Armstrong) Poteet; grandparents, Catherine Poteet, C.W. and Marjorie Jones; his Uncle, Ronnie Poteet, and cousin, Cole DuBois.

Thank you for all the thoughts and prayers with love.

Sam Adrel Spence

Sam Adrel Spence, age 96 of Lubbock, passed away Wednesday, August 16, 2017.

Graveside service was held at 9 a.m., Saturday, August 26, 2017 at the Floyd County Memorial Park.

Memorial services followed at 11 a.m., Saturday, August 26, 2017 at the First Christian Church in Lubbock.

Visitation was held from 4 - 6 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017 at Moore Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

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

Sam Adrel Spence was born in Floyd County to Charley and Maylon Spence. They lived in Sand Hill then moved to Floydada where he attended and graduated from Floydada High School in 1940. Sam was in the WWII, U.S Army where he received five bronze stars.

In 1948, he married Audrey

Wood Asher and took her daughter, Mary Kay Asher, as his own, but chose NOT to adopt her and change her last name out of respect for her father who had also attended Floydada High School; and was killed in WWII.

Sam worked for the Texas Highway Department for 27 years and was a Farmers Insurance Agent. He sold real estate, drove a school bus, and served as Floyd County Commissioner. Sam and Audrey were active in the First Christian Church in Floydada and in Lubbock. He loved activities with the VFW and Elks Club. Their passion was traveling in their Airstream travel trailer/motor home with friends in the Wally Byam Club. They visited 49 states, Mexico and Canada from 1967 until Audrey's death in 2007. They moved to Lubbock in 1997.

He is survived by his daugh-



SAM ADREL SPENCE

ter, Katherine Asher Self and husband, Henry O Self of Kerrville, Texas; a granddaughter, Leslie Katherine Sharp and husband, Lowell K. "Buddy" Sharp of Pottsboro, Texas; nephews, Charley Spence and Bill Spence, and a niece, Shirley Spence Waldrum, all of North Texas.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Christian Church of Lubbock, or the VFW of Lubbock.

Online condolences may be made to www.moorerose.com

Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

(All quotes from Homer)

A generation of men is like a generation of leaves; the wind scatters some leaves upon the ground, while others the burgeoning wood brings forth - and the season of spring comes on. So of men one generation springs forth and another ceases.

A councilor ought not to sleep the whole night through, a man to whom the populace is entrusted, and who has many responsibilities.

Even when someone battles hard, there is an equal portion for one who lingers behind,

and in the same honor are held both the coward and the brave man; the idle man and he who has done much meet death alike.

Of men who have a sense of honor, more come through alive than are slain, but from those who flee comes neither glory nor any help.

Young men's minds are always changeable, but when an old man is concerned in a matter, he looks both before and after.

Even his griefs are a joy long after to one that remembers all that he wrought and endured.

You ought not to practice childish ways, since you are no longer that age.

Mickey Tate Sanchez

Mickey Tate Sanchez was born peacefully on August 11, 2017 and had already met the eyes of the Lord.

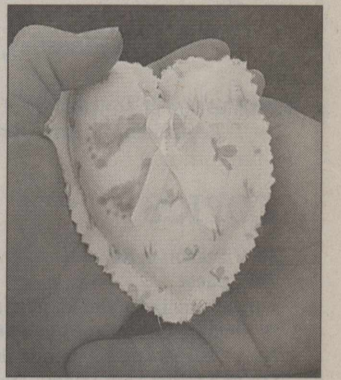
In his time with his parents Andy and Libby Sanchez, he was read their favorite books, hugged, kissed and told he was loved endless times.

He is preceded in death by his uncles, Christopher and Matthew Sanchez, his great-grandfather, Bill Hicks, and great-grandparents,

Emilio and Bertha Perez.

Mickey is survived by his loving Mom and Dad, Andrew and Libby Sanchez, Uncle Dusty, Aunt Abbey and cousin, Calvin Hicks, Maternal grandparents, Skipper and Melissa Hicks, paternal grandparents, Israel and Dianna Sanchez, and great-grandparents and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Though the family is grieving, we are comforted know-



MICKEY TATE SANCHEZ

ing our son was first met by Jesus.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

THE POWER OF PRAISE

My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long.

—Psalm 71:8 (NIV)

Recently, the leader of my Christian youth group asked each of us why we enjoyed attending church. One of my friends said with a smile, "Because the food is always delicious." Others replied, "The sermon always fits our situation." Some said they liked the conversations. I said that I liked the time to praise and worship God. I like singing, and as I lift up my praises to God, I feel my heart fill with peace and joy.

My situation was not always good. I was often stressed and depressed, struggling to find words to pray. During those times, praise and worship helped me to realize that God is always with me and will never leave me alone. I felt God comforting me and whispering, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you" (Heb. 13:5). Through praise and worship, we can all connect with God who sustains and strengthens us.

—Meliana Santoso (East Java, Indonesia)

Thought for the Day:
How will I praise and worship God today?

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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
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Justin Ogden, Interim Minister of Worship
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.

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church
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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
Joe M. Hernandez
983-5286 (Church)
Sunday School
English - 9:45 a.m.
Spanish - 11 a.m.
Worship
Spanish - 9:30 a.m.
English - 11 a.m.
Evening Service 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada
Rev. 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 Lutheran 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

Miniature Bull Riding Competition in Lockney Saturday

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

August 26 will be a busy Saturday in Lockney. Not only will there be Old Fashion Saturday with the pageant, car show, festival booths and vendors. Lockney will also play host to Tuff and Gunnyr Araujo Miniature Bull Riding Invitational IV.

Young bull riders from the age 8-14 years old will

be coming from all over the United States to continue to compete during the season toward the 2017 Chris Shivers MBR World Finals VII.

Before the event organizers will also be having mutant bustin' for those cowgirls and cowboys that are 60 lbs and under age 7 and under. Winners of the event will be announced at the Old Fashioned Saturday Dance.

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

Friday, August 18, 2017
By Mary Jane Buerkle

Those in the cotton industry who want to see the Texas Tech Red Raiders take on Arizona State in the Celebrate Cotton game on Saturday, September 16, at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock have a special promotional code to purchase tickets to that game.

Be sure you have your game tickets by visiting <http://bit.ly/TTUCottonGameTickets> and entering COTTON17, or calling the Texas Tech Ticket Office at (806) 742-TECH (8324) and asking

for the Cotton Game special pricing.

Individual tickets start at just \$35 each with the promo code, and the game time is at 7 p.m. Season tickets also are still available for purchase.

PCG has proudly partnered with Texas Tech Athletics to establish this fun event that puts the High Plains cotton industry on a national stage. Cotton will be everywhere before and throughout the game, from displays around the stadium to promotion, special graphics and fun cotton facts during the game.

Special gameday T-shirts, sponsored by PCG and Scarborough Specialties, will be

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Gameday partners include Ag Texas Farm Credit Services; BASF; Bayer Crop Science; Cavender's; City Bank; Crop Production Services; Deltapine; Netafim; NexGen; Hurst Farm Supply; Wylie Implement and Sprayers; Scarborough Specialties; and PCG.

The Celebrate Cotton Runway Show, featuring

cotton products, will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, September 9, at South Plains Mall. Sponsorships are available for that event, and currently include South Plains Mall, Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Plains Cotton Cooperative Association, and ARMtech.

A complete list of Celebrate Cotton gameday partners and additional events during Cotton Game week is available at <http://www.plainscotton.org/Celebrate-Cotton.html>. If you have an event to add to Cotton Game week, or for more information on any of these events, please call PCG at (806) 792-4904 or email mary-jane@plainscotton.org.



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Josh Gordon New Game Warden for Hale/Floyd Area

Texas Parks And Wildlife
Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK -- After almost seven long months of intense training, the 61st Texas Game Warden cadet class graduated and have since moved into their assigned duty stations.

In recent years, due to retirements and lateral transfers of wardens to other duty stations in Texas, the current Lubbock district game wardens have been patrolling their own assigned areas, as well as answering vacant district county calls.

The four new wardens are Josh Gordon, Preston

Kleman, Dustin Delgado and Ryan Stevens. They will be assigned to Hale/Floyd, Lamb/Bailey/Cochran, Dawson/Borden, and Briscoe/Swisher counties, respectively.

The duties of a Texas Game Warden include the enforcement of all state laws as well as hunting, fishing, and water safety regulations. As fully commissioned peace officers, they respond to emergencies, assist other law enforcement agencies, and work to educate the public about conservation issues.

All graduates met the state-mandated requirements for peace officer certification, including criminal and constitutional law,



JOSH GORDON

firearms, self-defense, use

of force, defensive driving, arrest, search and seizure, ethics, and first aid.

The new wardens are joining the 506 game wardens currently in the field, and will help enforce TPWD regulations and carry the department's high standards to every corner of the state.

Below is some additional information about the new wardens.

Josh Gordon: hometown Channing; West Texas A&M, M.S. Exercise Physiology, Hale/Floyd.

Preston Kleman: hometown, Sudan; Texas Tech, B.S. Conservation Law Enforcement, Lamb/Bailey/Cochran.

Dustin Delgado: hometown, Waco, Tarleton State, B.A. Criminal Justice, Dawson/Borden.

Ryan Stevens: Lubbock; Wayland Baptist University, B.A. Criminal Justice Administration, Briscoe/Swisher.

NOTICE OF 2017 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CITY OF LOCKNEY

A tax rate of \$ 0.41955 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of CITY OF LOCKNEY. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of CITY OF LOCKNEY proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of City Operations.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.41955</u> per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.41955</u> per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.3989587</u> per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.430875</u> per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF LOCKNEY from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF LOCKNEY may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:
property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

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Email: sbcglobal.net

Website: www.floydcad.org

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

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Second Hearing: September 12, 2017 at 7:00 AM at Lockney City Hall, 218 East Locust, Lockney TX

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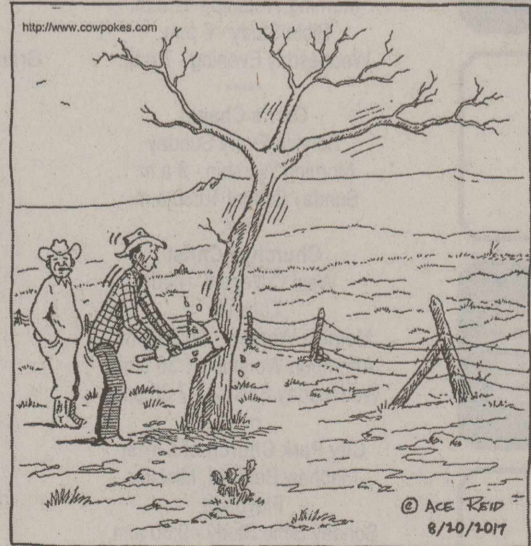
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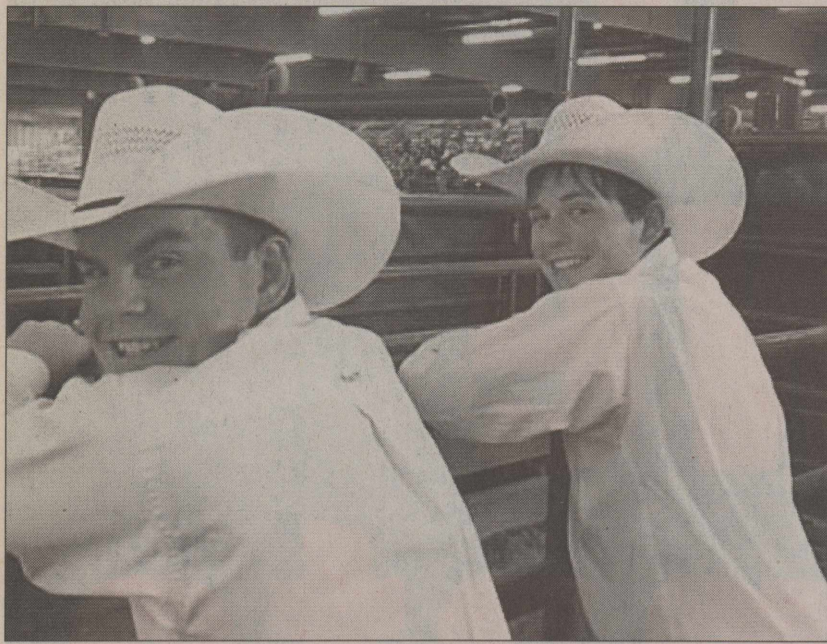
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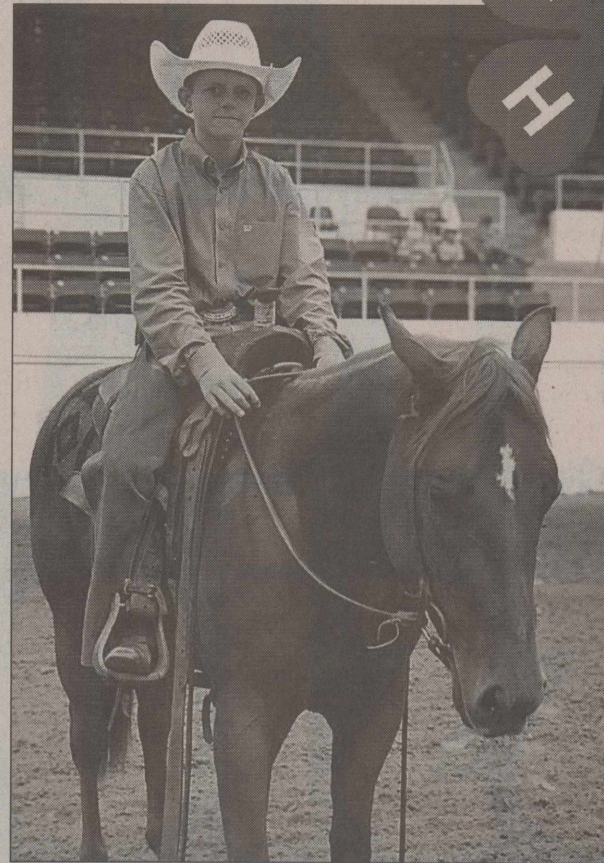
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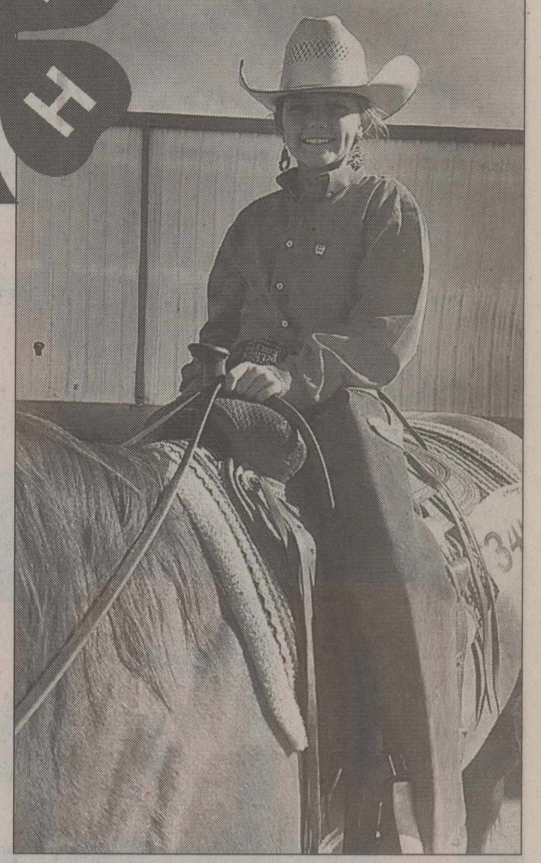
Texas State 4-H Horse Show



CUTTER SMITH AND ETHAN SMITH



JACK BROOKS



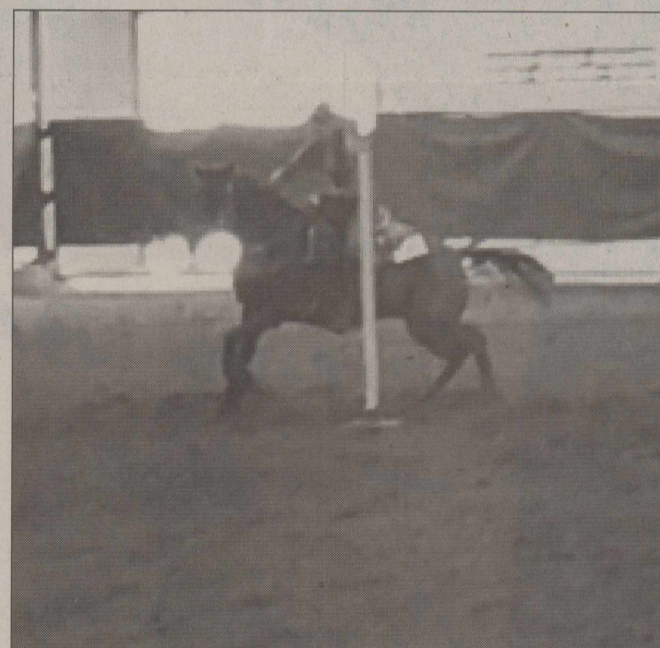
PRESLIE BROOKS



CUTTER SMITH



JACK BROOKS AND ETHAN SMITH



MCKINZEE SCOTT

The 2017 Texas State 4-H Horse Show took place Saturday, July 23rd through Saturday, July 29th at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene. Floyd County competitors included Cutter Smith, Ethan Smith, Jack Brooks, Preslie Brooks, McKinzee Scott and Madison Scott. Cutter, Ethan, Jack and Preslie competed in seven different Stock Horse Division classes including Pleasure, Trail, Horsemanship, Reining, Cow Boxing, Working Cow Horse and Ranch Sorting. McKinzee Scott and Madison Scott competed in Speed Events including Barrels, Poles and Stakes. They also competed in the Ranch Sorting Class. Competitors completed various patterns, exhibited their horsemanship skills, and worked cattle. Jack Brooks placed 5th in Working Cow Horse, 5th in Reining, 8th Overall in the 3-year-old Futurity Division, and made the finals in Ranch Sorting and Cow Boxing. Ethan Smith made the finals in Working Cow Horse and Ranch Sorting. Preslie Brooks made the finals in Stock Horse Pleasure. Even though it was extremely hot and temperatures reached upwards of 100 degrees every day, the kids were tough and endured the heat. This is one of the toughest horse shows in the state of Texas and all exhibitors performed well and learned a lot. Congratulations to all on a job well done!



MADISON SCOTT

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

August 22-26

Monday, May 22

Breakfast – Pancakes, Bacon or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Steak Fingers or Pork Chop, Gravy, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Fruit, Milk

Tuesday, Aug. 29

Breakfast – Cheesy Toast or Breakfast Strudel, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Spaghetti Bowl or French Bread Pizza and Marinara, Salad, Veggie Blend, Fruit Cup, Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Aug. 30

Breakfast – French Toast, Sausage or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Boneless Chicken Wings or Texas Chili, Cornbread, Celery & Carrots, Orange Smiles, Brownie, Milk

Thursday, Aug. 31

Breakfast – Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast or PBJ, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Taco, Tamale or Chicken Quesadilla, Corn, Refried Beans, Salsa, Garnish, Peaches, Milk

Friday, Sept. 1

Breakfast – Unknown
Lunch – Unknown

Trinity Assembly in Floydada will be having their "Christian Movie Night" on Friday, August 25th. Hotdogs will be served at 6 p.m. and the movie starts at 7 p.m. The movie will be "Woodcarver". This is free and everyone is invited. Trinity Assembly, 500 W. Houston, Floydada (across from the Dairy Queen).

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

August 22-26

Monday

Breakfast – Breakfast on a stick, cereal, fresh fruit selection, milk
Lunch – Beef fingers w/ roll, chicken sandwich, tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast – Cinnamon Toast Crunch, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Beef nachos, chicken salad wrap, refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast – Egg, cheese and sausage burrito, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Turkey & cheese wrap sub, cheeseburger, crispy cut fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast – Cinnamon bun, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Beef tostada w/ rice, corn dog, spicy pinto beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

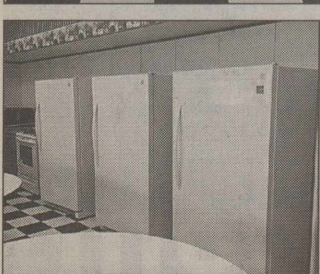
Breakfast – Sausage and cheese pizza, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Salisbury steak w/ roll, cheese pizza, seasoned peas & carrots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

** NOTE **

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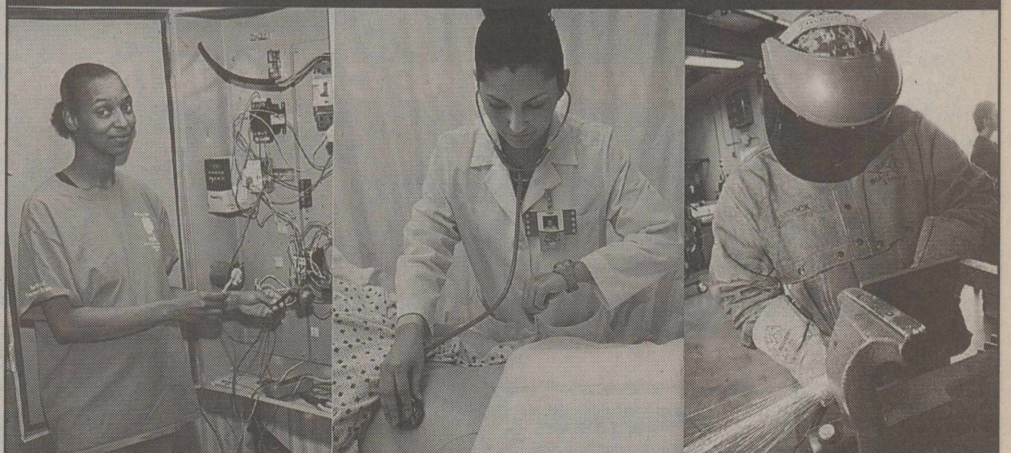
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The Lockney High School kitchen and FCCLA program got some upgrades during the summer--all new appliances.

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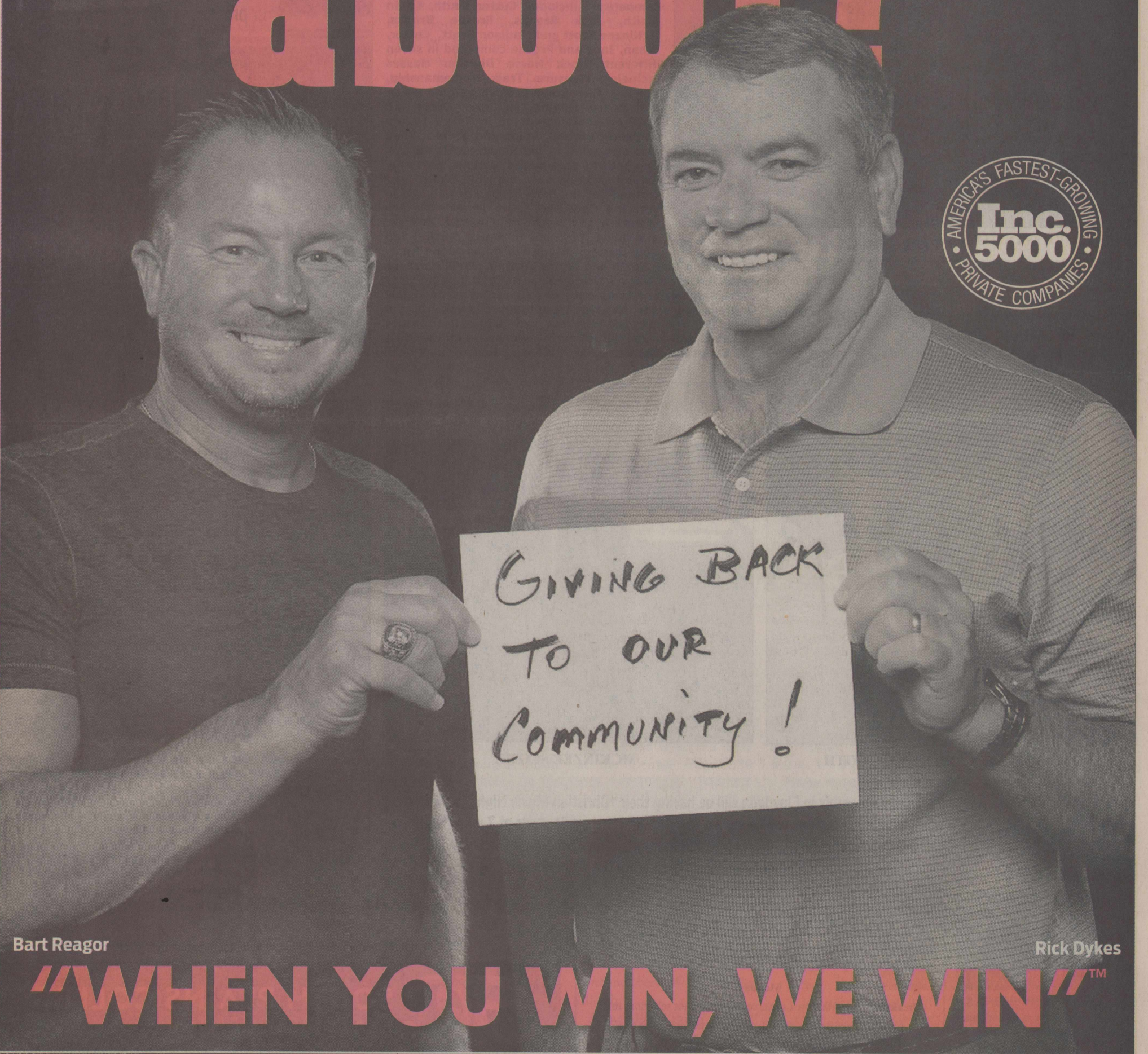
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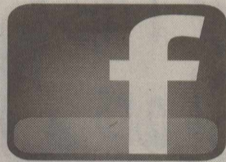
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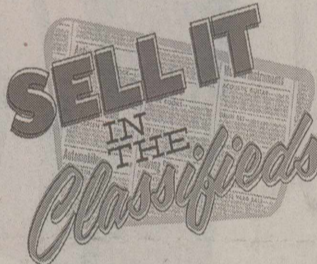
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A tax rate of \$0.80 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of FLOYD COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.80000 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.65957 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.92613 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for FLOYD COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2016 tax year and the 2017 tax year.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{Rate}) \times (\text{Taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Mr. Jim Finley, Chief Appraiser
Floyd County Central Appraisal District
104 East California Street
Floydada, Texas 79235
(806)983-5256

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Floydada will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2017 at Floydada City Hall 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for 2017.

The proposed tax rate is \$0.415 per \$100 of value.

This rate does not exceed the effective tax of .044176. The rollback tax rate is .47710 per \$100 value.

Tax Code Section 26.052

REQUEST FOR BIDS

Floyd County is requesting bids for health insurance for full-time employees.

All bids must be submitted to:

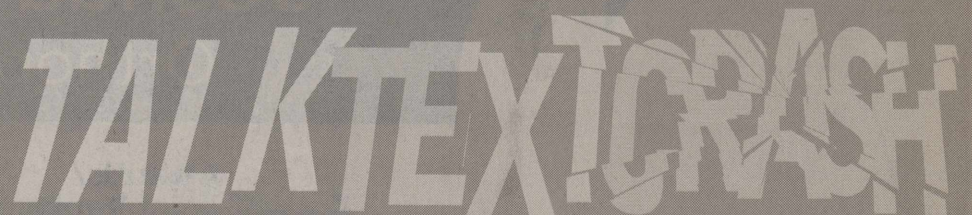
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105 SOUTH MAIN STREET – ROOM 105
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All bids are due before 12:00 PM on FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017.

Bids will be presented to the Floyd County Commissioners Court on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 9:30 AM.

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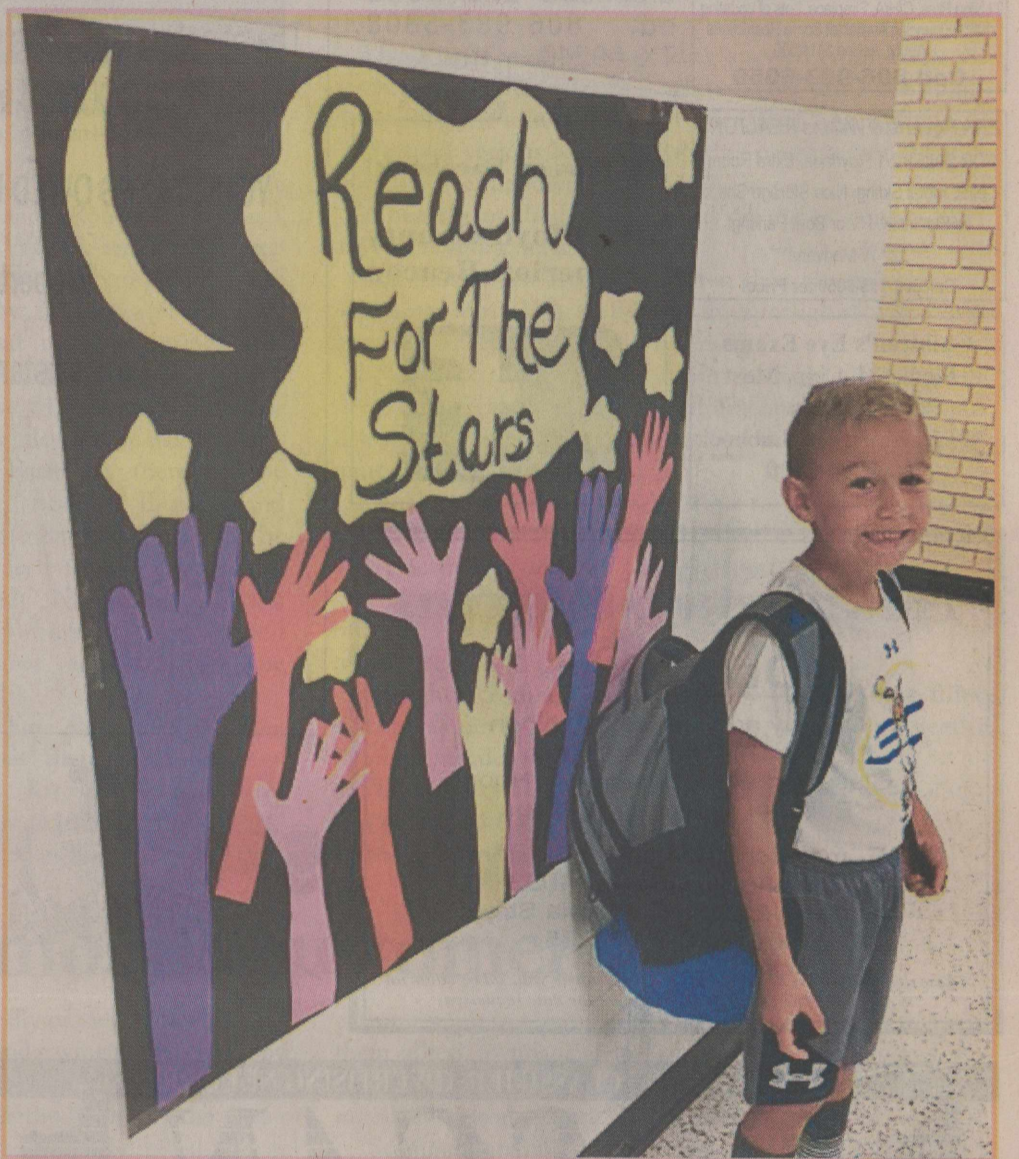
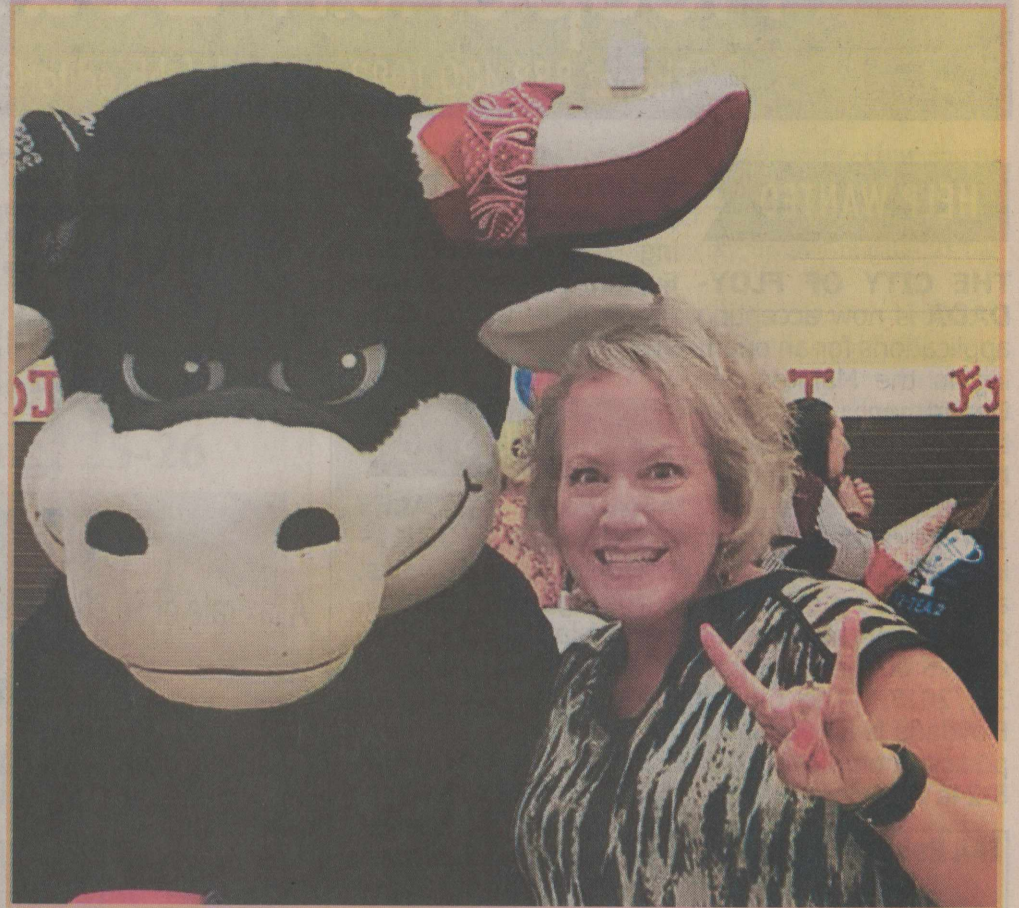
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First School day — Meet the Teacher

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The new school year started Monday in Floyd County, and teachers and staff posted words of encouragement around A.B. Duncan Elementary. Across the county in Lockney even the Lockney Longhorn was on hand the previous week to Meet the Teacher.



PET TALK

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"Veterinarians most commonly think of sugar-free gum when considering xylitol intoxication, but it is becoming more common for xylitol to be used as a sugar substitute in baked goods, both purchased from a store and made at home."

Though there are many foods that should be kept out of your pet's reach, there are still healthy options if you want to treat your pet this

holiday season. Rutter said to consider vegetables, fruit, poultry, or grilled or dry baked whitefish as a treat for your dog or cat. Some vegetables Rutter recommended include carrots, green beans, peas, asparagus, and eggplant. She also recommended fruits such as seedless melons, apples, pears, and bananas.

If you decide to give your pet a tasty treat, Rutter emphasized to keep your pet's diet as close to normal as possible. Give treats in moderation, and be sure to check with your veterinarian if you

have any questions about your pet's diet.

"Just like a sudden diet change can cause gastrointestinal unrest in people, the same is true in pets," Rutter said. "The stress of visiting family, excited children, parties, and a schedule change makes keeping your pet's diet consistent more important."

Lastly, there are also holiday hazards outside your pet's food bowl. Dogs and cats may try to climb or knock down decorations, or maybe even chew on ornaments or electrical wires. But

before you blame your pet for bad behavior, Rutter said pets may be more stressed than we realize during the holiday season.

"Pets are more prone to naughty behavior during the holiday season because of the extra stress," Rutter said. "Anxiety in animals manifests as atypical behavior. A dog who never gets in trouble may decide to shred a fleet of storm trooper toys and ingest a tin of cookies. In conclusion, maintaining routines, giving pets lots of exercise, dietary consistency,

and keeping pets away from non-pet-proof areas is ideal year-round, not just during the holiday season."

Though the holiday season is an exciting time for many, keep in mind that your pets may not have the same experience. Additionally, the same foods you enjoy may not be suitable for your pets this holiday season. Be sure to consult your veterinarian if you have questions about your pet's diet.

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tomers are affected and when power is expected to be restored. Customers may also choose to have notifications emailed or texted to them if power is out in their area.

"It's much easier to weather a power outage if you know how widespread the outage might be, and when to expect your lights to come back on," Trammell said.

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