

# The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon

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## 4-H Celebrates Achievements at Annual Banquet



Photo by Charles Keaton/The Hesperian-Beacon

Keenan Nixon received the W.H. Danforth "I Dare You" Award, Ryder Glass received the LeAnn Bishop Memorial Shooting Sports Award and Wyatt Bigham received the Bronze Star Award at the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet held Aug. 27 at the Unity Center.

**By Charles Keaton**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

MUNCY - Floyd County 4-H celebrate the successes of its members at the annual Floyd County 4-H Achievement Banquet that was held on August 27 at the Unity Center.

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

Sixty-four members received their 4-H year pins ranging from Clover Kids to nine years. Outstanding Record Books recognized were: Wyatt Bigham for a junior Swine book and Rachel Graham for a senior Shooting Sports book. Wyatt also received Outstanding First Year Record Book. Each of

the record book participants also received a county medal for their book, Wyatt in Swine and Rachel in Leadership.

Individuals recognized for participating in District and State events include Sydni Chesshir, Payten Shuping and Rachel Graham for District Food Show; Lindee Miller, Tyann Phillips, Peyton Anderson, Hunter Lefevre, Brinley Lefevre, Haygen Lefevre, Payten Shuping and Karlie McHam for District Food Challenge; Sydni Chesshir, Payten Shuping and Rachel Graham for District Fashion Show; Preslie Brooks, Wyatt Bigham, Rachel Graham, Cutter Evans and Creek Evans for District Photography; and Jack Brooks, Preslie Brooks, McKinzee Scott, Madison Scott, Jaxson Smith and Cutter Smith for District Horse Show; and Ethan Smith, Preslie Brooks, Cut-

ter Smith, Jack Brooks, McKinzee Scott and Madison Scott for State Horse Show.

Also recognized were Hagen Hinsley, Alex Glass, Preslie Brooks, Brinley Lefevre, Lindee Miller, Brody Hughes, Keenan Nixon, Tasha Schlueter, Tucker Schlueter, Rachel Graham, Jack Brooks, Ryder Glass, Haygen Lefevre and Trinity Schlueter for South Plains Fair; Ryder Glass, Alex Glass, Haygen Lefevre, Brinley Lefevre, Hunter Lefevre, Sydni Chesshir, Keenan Nixon, Trinity Schlueter, Tucker Schlueter and Tasha Schlueter for State Fair; Brody Hughes, Keenan Nixon, Hagen Hinsley, Jack Brooks, Sydni Chesshir, Preslie Brooks, Payten Shuping, Tasha Schlueter, Trinity Schlueter, Tucker Schlueter, Hazel Lloyd, Hannah Roberts-Lloyd, Marcus Roberts-Lloyd, Jaxson

## 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.

### HESPERIAN-BEACON FOOTBALL CONTEST

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon's annual football contest will be in our 9-7 issue and will last for the next 10 weeks. Be sure to play each week in order to win the cash prizes. Don't forget to buy your Hesperian-Beacon!!!

### FLOYD COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS KICKOFF

Floyd County 4-H will be having a Shooting Sports Kickoff Event and Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, September 19th at the Unity Center. Ribbon cutting for the new shooting sports building will start at 5:30 pm, followed by a safety meeting at 6:00 pm and then a "Give it your best shot" event where kids will be able to try out different disciplines, such as archery, rifle and pistol. Hamburgers will be served and you don't have to currently be enrolled in 4-H to attend.

### PUNKIN' DAYS

The 30th Annual Punkin Days Arts & Crafts is still taking applications. Food vendors are welcome, as well. The show opens at 10:00 am, so set-up will begin around 8:00 am. An application including your sales-tax number is required. Booth fees vary based on electrical needs. The application can be found on the Chamber website. Application deadline is September 30, 2017. Applications for each of these activities can be found at [www.floydadachamber.com](http://www.floydadachamber.com). For additional information, please contact the Chamber (806)983-3434.

## Reagor Dykes Auto Group Makes Inc. 5000 List

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

The Reagor Dykes Auto Group has been placed on the 36th annual Inc. 5000 list of fastest-growing privately held companies in the nation for the fourth year in a row. This exclusive ranking was achieved with a three-year sales growth of 91%.

"Welcome back to the most exclusive club in business," Inc. Magazine CEO and Editor-in-Chief Eric Schurenberg wrote in a letter to the auto group. "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."

To be included on the Inc. Magazine list, business must apply by providing financial information from previous years. Mickey Maxie, Director

of Sales for the Dallas Region, was an intern at the time he first submitted the RDAG's application four years ago.

"Employees like Maxie help the auto group succeed," Reagor said. "The key to us winning those awards is teamwork. We appreciate everybody on the team; we love everybody on the team. We know that we wouldn't be here if it weren't for them."

According to Schurenberg, tens of thousands of companies have applied to the Inc. 5000 over the years. Only a fraction of those have made the list more than once, as it becomes increasingly more difficult as the business' starting base grows.

"The bigger we get, the harder it is to win," Reagor said. "So this next year will be really challenging."

But CEO and co-owner, See RDAG, Page 4



Courtesy photo

CEO and co-owner, Bart Reagor celebrates Reagor Dykes Auto Group being selected for the Inc. 5000 list for the fourth year in a row. He attributes the success of RDAG to team work. The contributions of every member of the team is what has made Reagor Dykes one of the country's most successful businesses, according to Reagor.

## Lockney rededicates Mitchell-Zimmerman Field

**By Charles Keaton**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Following a scrimmage between the Lockney Longhorns and the Springlake-Earth Wolverines, the Mitchell-Zimmerman Football Field was officially rededicated.

Members of the Milton Zimmerman family, including his sister, Pat Adams were present for the rededication.

American Legion Post 141 of Lockney posted the colors, provided a 21-gun salute and played Taps to honor the sacrifices of Clinton Mitchell and Milton Zimmerman.

Mitchell and Zimmerman were teammates at Lockney High School in the 1940s. Following high school and at the apex of World War II, Mitchell enlisted in the Marine Corps and Zimmerman enlisted in the Army.

In action in Europe in late



Courtesy photo

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.

November of 1944, Zimmerman was wounded then passed from his wounds, Dec. 6, 1944.

Three months later in February of 1945, Mitchell participated in the Battle of Iwo Jima, losing his life in March of 1945.

In 1947, the Lockney High School football field was origi-

nally named in honor of Mitchell and Zimmerman.

On Friday night, the two teams along with family and friends joined in celebrating the rededication of Mitchell-Zimmerman as the Longhorns prepare to start their first season on the new turf field.

## Floyd Co. Coming Together to Help Harvey Victims

**By Kay Ellington**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital is sponsoring a Supplies Drive to take down to the coast for Hurricane Harvey Relief. As of now, supplies anticipated in need of include: Baby bottles, diapers, wipes, formulas, bottled water, can openers, canned goods and nonperishables.

Drop off locations include: W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital & Lockney Cogdell and Silverton Cogdell Clinics, Lockney ISD Secretary Offices and Superintendent's Office as well as Floydada ISD Secretary Offices and Superin-

tendent's Office, The Floyd County Sheriff's Station, Lockney Co-Op, Davis Lumber in Lockney, D&J Gin in Lockney, Salvation Army of Lockney, Lowes in Lockney and Floydada, First National Bank in Floydada, Payne Pharmacy in Floydada, and Light-house Electric in Floydada.

According to Alyssa McCarter with Mangold Hospital, "We don't know the deadline yet for when we will take the supplies, but I anticipate it to be September 8."

She said monetary donations will be accepted as well. For more information, call Alyssa McCarter at 806-652-3373, ext.205.

## Correction

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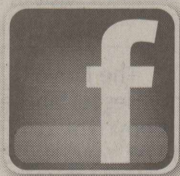
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## Mangold contributes to Lockney boosters



Courtesy photo

**W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital of Lockney recently contributed \$850 to the Lockney Longhorn Booster Club to show their appreciation to LISD athletics for using Mangold for physicals. On hand for the presentation were: Left to right: Alyssa McCarter/CFO, Mangold, Jim Baum/Lockney ISD Superintendent, and Blanca Cortez/LVN & Clinic Manager.**

## Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the Floyd County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Paul Raisse for their assistance. On July 16, 2017, we had funeral service for Hale County Constable Mark Mull. Sheriff Raisse and his deputies came to Hale County and took calls for service and dispatched for the Hale County Sheriff's Office.

Their actions allowed more Deputies and staff to attend the funeral service. I want the citizens of Floyd County to know about this kind and generous actions.

Sincerely,  
David B. Mull  
Hale County Sheriff

## School Enrollments Almost 1,200 in Floyd County

By Kay Ellington  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney and Floydada started school last Monday, Aug. 21 and after one week of attendance, enrollment is almost at 1,200, according to their respective superintendent's offices.

Floydada's first week enrollment was at 751. FISD ended school last year with 768.

Here are the recent years' trends after week one, according to FISD school superintendent Dr. Gilbert Trevino. After week one in each year...

2013-2014: 740  
2014-2015: 724  
2015-2016: 795  
2016-2017: 797

Current Year: 751 (FISD ended last school year with 768) According to Lockney ISD superintendent Jim Baum, here are their ending numbers for week one:

Elementary: 213  
Junior High: 101  
High School: 133  
Total: 447

He said that last year LISD finished the school year with an enrollment of 460 students.

## The Paperboy Reaching out to the Texas Coast

What can you say about Harvey and the Texas Coast? It's just unprecedented.

Like many of you, I have friends and family affected by the storm. It is truly incomprehensible what these people are going through.

I'm so proud of so many Texans, Oklahomans, Cajuns, etc. who have sacrificed their times, assets and energy to help. It does truly take many people to help begin the healing. And truthfully, we are days or weeks away from even beginning that part.

I heard a report Tuesday morning that there was as much water as Lake Michigan inland - near the coast. In other words, currently, Texas has another Great Lake. Truly staggering.

Of course Houston dominates the news because of the population, but so many towns have been crushed by Harvey.

As we've witnessed the devastation, we have also witnessed what Texas and the United States should be - neighbor helping neighbor. For once, good people have put petty politics behind and are helping from the goodness of their hearts and souls. That's the America I grew up in and the one I want for us all.



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I pray we can all look to Harvey and begin to rise above the fray as a nation. This calamity should show us all that when the chips are down, we can and will help each other.

Churches, schools, civic clubs and businesses are all reaching out to areas impacted by the storm. It's amazing to me how generous people can be.

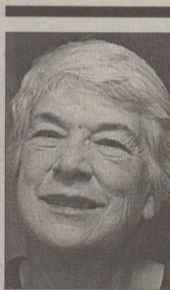
And for the ugliness you may see online about some not wanting to help Texans because we are a red state ... those people are not real Americans. Those people are anti-Americans. We are a country that rallies for each other whether it be 9-11, Katrina or Harvey.

I sincerely hope that we continue to come to the aid of our neighbors, friends and family. If you have blankets, clothes, canned food, children's books or anything else you can think of which might help, look online for a place to take items. When that many people have lost everything, it is up to us to help them get back on their feet so they can begin to rebuild their lives.

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## The 501 Positive Energy Guessing Game



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Want to know eight ways to fill your home with positive energy? Who doesn't?

It's hard not to bite when intriguing topics pop up on the Internet. You just click. The only downside - actually there are two - is that you start burning good energy as soon as you click and have to deal with what you get and, secondly, the cyber forces will add one more bit of information to your profile. They already know your shoe size.

So I clicked. But first I made my own list. It's a game. You match your wits against the experts, writing down your thoughts first. The exercise removes you from the sucker category. You allow yourself to be reeled in so you can have a serious pseudo-discussion about positive energy or whatever.

Here's the positive energy list I wrote down off the top of my head:

Healthy plants, colors that contrast, outdoor light, open spaces, movement (waterfall or flowing stream), soft noises that denote life but do not overpower, nice fresh smells, no television running to detract from real life, a breeze.

Oops. That's nine. So already I'm smarter. Then I clicked to get the official list:

Except I don't think I should share it with you. Maybe it's copyrighted. The expert describes herself as a designer, a styl-

ist and a New York Times best-selling author. I don't want to step on her toes and get sued.

Maybe it's OK for me to tell you she advocates hanging one of those "hamsa" hand symbols at your front door in case they really do protect against the evil eye. That was the first tip. After that, pretty much all you do is add minerals and incense to your dwelling space. I'd tell you which ones but I'm trying to stay off her turf. We did agree on one point, namely the healthy plant strategy. She suggests a certain fung shui type of bamboo. Works for me.

The online positive energy guru comes across as sincere. Maybe she is. If I were jaded and skeptical, I'd suspect she's today's version of a snake oil salesman, making her living off people who click on her sites, however all that works. Hits and advertising are involved. Right? Maybe I should learn how it's done so I can sell my own snake oil, starting with my nine tips to create a living space charged with positive energy.

Wow. I'm starting to believe myself. I just need a blog. I'll figure out what people want to hear. I'll get some paying ads.

Except I'd rather come up with a real medicine show and hit the road, ideally with entertainers to draw a crowd and something to peddle besides ideas. Why not a light machine that changes wall colors to match a person's energy needs?

The spiel:  
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## 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 removed.
- 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 crane.
- if the tree is too close to power lines and cannot be accessed safely by other means.
- to reach an injured climber.

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 tree.

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 contractor.
- Solid Reputation: Verify professional affiliations the company might have, such as memberships in business and/or professional organizations such as the Tree Care Industry Association.
- 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 down.

### 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](http://www.tcia.org) or [www.treecaretips.org](http://www.treecaretips.org).

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## Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

**By Deon Fincher**  
Chamber Manager

You know the saying, "It takes a village to raise a child."? Well, it takes a whole community to put on a nationally recognized, day-long festival! It's time for the community's input. We need contestants in the following activities. If you can't participate, recruit a relative!

The Punkin Days Car Show is on a roll. Classes for the show: Hot Rod, Race Car, Lowrider, Classic 50's and older, Truck, Camaro, Muscle Car, Mustang, Import and Pickup. Trophies will be given for: 1st and 2nd place in each category; 1st in Best Interior, Best Motor, and Best Paint; and Best of Show Punkin Days 2017.

Cars will be arriving and setting up between 7:00 am until 9:30 am, and the judging will begin at 10:00 am. Entry fee is \$25. For more information, please contact the Chamber or Brian Emert of Brian & Dilia's Classics at (806)983-9368.

Punkin Chili will be featuring Chili and BBQ cook-offs this year. The event will take place under the awning at Reagor-Dykes Chevrolet. Each team will be limited to a maximum of four (4) people. A "check-in" meeting will start at 8:00 am. Set-up and cooking will take place from 8:30 am until 12:30 pm at which time the judging will begin.

CASH prizes will be awarded to the top 3 teams. Applications and rules can be found on the Chamber website. Deadline for the

applications and entry fee of \$25.00 is October 1, 2017. For more information, contact the Chamber.

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## Idalou Cotton Fest Set for Sept. 9



**By Kay Ellington**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

IDALOU-The Hogg Maulies which includes members of the "next generation" of the Maine Brothers Band members from Lubbock will be the headlining entertainment for the Idalou Cotton Fest Saturday, Sept. 9.

Festivities get underway in Idalou at 10 a.m. with a parade that will line up at the St. Philip Catholic Church at 7864 Idalou Road. You can register to be in the parade by going to the Cotton Fest's Facebook page or you can register on the day of the event prior to the parade at St. Philip's.

There will be more than 50 vendors from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at County Park with food, games, and shopping.



The Hogg Maulies from Lubbock will headline the street dance at the Cotton Fest Saturday, Sept. 9 in Idalou. Their opening act will be an Idalou-based band, The Kirks.

The street dance gets underway at 6 p.m. on Main Street with Idalou band, The Kirks, opening for the Hogg Maulies. The Hogg Maulies are set to take the stage from 7 to 11 p.m.

Food truck vendors, including Grumpy's and Café Ventures, will be on hand for the street dance, and beer will be available to purchase. For more information, contact 806-790-7736.

## Museum Archives

### Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

#### THE BIRCH FAMILY

**By Cleo Birch Curtis**

Edgar Allen Birch and his wife, Phidelia Jane (Dell) Lackey Birch, and their six children; Walter, Ora, Ross, Nell, Eva, and Verna—came from Rice County, Kansas, to Wilbarger County, Texas, in 1907. In 1916, their oldest son, Walter Franklin, and his wife, Hulda (whose parents were Swedish immigrants to Kansas), accompanied the parents to Floyd County, Texas, where E. A. Birch purchased a half section of land, three miles east and two miles north of Floydada, from R. S. Staley of Springfield, Missouri.

Grandfather Birch was a carpenter, a craftsman, and an artist as well as a farmer. He carved his name in the front concrete steps of the house which he built. He also constructed the barn, cabinets, milk coolers, etc. He hung

shells, gathered from a trip to San Diego, in an unusual decorative pattern in the colonnade between the living and dining rooms. In later years, he drew landscapes and carved miniature log cabins.

Walter and Hulda had two daughters, one of whom died in infancy. The oldest, Cleo, always attended school in Floydada, her parents moving into town in winter and back to the farm in summer for the wheat harvest.

Cleo remembers her first two years at old East Ward School and marching at the head of a parade singing in chorus, "Old East Ward, she ain't what she used to be!" Mrs. Klebold was her first-grade teacher. The grandparents always took Cleo to the Methodist Church at Floydada, where Mrs. Robbins was her first Sunday School teacher. At one time Walter sang bass in the choir, and Hulda always

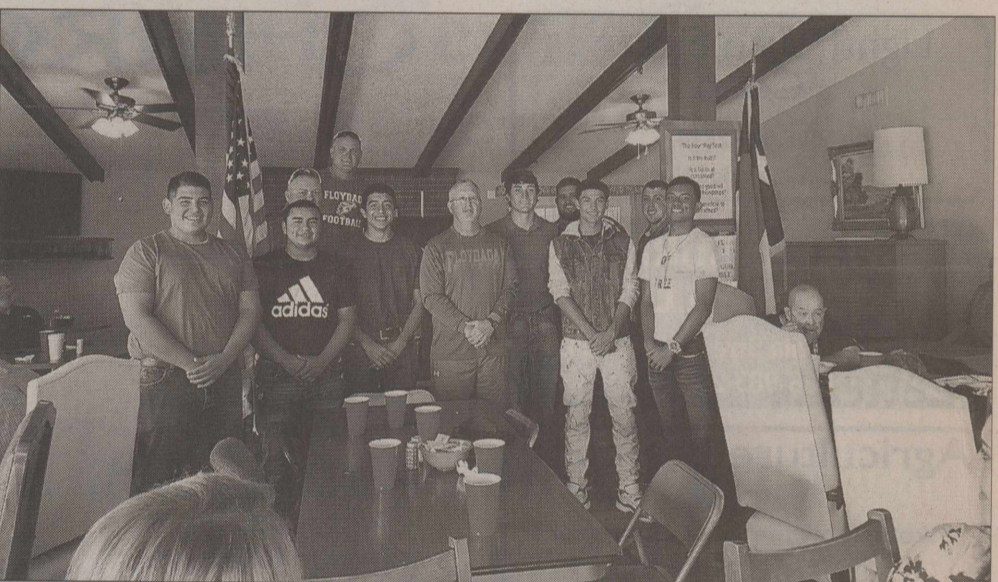
attended the Pastors Helpers Class's quilting bees.

In 1929, the year Mrs. E. A. Birch died, a daughter Nell and her husband, Albert Noyes, and their two sons, Coy and Lester, came to live with the father, E. A. Birch. The boys attended Center School and later Floydada High School. The Noyes family returned to Vernon in 1935.

In 1939, after graduation from McMurry College, Abilene, Texas, Cleo left Floyd County to teach at Quitaque and later, Fort Worth. Walter and Hulda managed the Floydada Airport, 1943-1946. Walter always enjoyed the neighborhood "42" parties and "musicals", adding his seconding accompaniment on the piano.

E. A. Birch died in 1938; Walter, 1946, and Hulda, 1966. Survivors of E. A. Birch include his daughter, Nell Noyes, of Vernon, now ninety-two years of age, and thirteen grandchildren.

## Floydada Rotary



Last Thursday, the Floydada Rotary Club meeting was a joint meeting with the Floydada Lion's Club honoring the senior football players. Coach Todd Bandy introduced each senior to the clubs. He gave positions on each player and their strengths. Additional guests were four other coaches of Floydada ISD staff. Opening district game is with Hale Center. Next week's game is against Slaton. Come out and support the Whirlwind football team this season.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

**By LuAnn Collins**  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Center will be closed Monday, September 4 for Labor Day.

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 to 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!

#### MENU

**September 4 - September 8**

**Monday - CLOSED**

**Tuesday - Sweet & sour chicken w/egg roll**

**Wednesday - Chicken fried steak**

**Thursday - Salisbury steak**

**Friday - Fish fry**

(Menus subject to change without notice)

## 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 electronically 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 customers 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.

Customers may still connect with Xcel Energy by telephone and email, and also through social media, and the app has a "contact us" page listing that contact information.

The new app is available at Apple Store and Google Play. Customers who have already registered for My Account at [xcelenergy.com](http://xcelenergy.com) simply log-in with their username and password, or new users can register directly through the app.

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

**By Renee Armstrong**  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - We will be closed on Monday, September 4th for Labor Day.

Our ANNUAL FUND-RAISER 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.

#### MENU

**September 4 - September 8**

**Monday - CLOSED**

**Tuesday - Taco salad**

**Wednesday - Meatloaf**

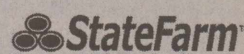
**Thursday - Chicken strips**

**Friday - Hamburger steak**

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### Dependable Friendly Insurance Service

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# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Obituaries

### Pedro "Pete" Vallejo, Jr.

Pedro "Pete" Vallejo, Jr., age 73, of Floydada, passed away on Monday, August 21, 2017.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 25, 2017 at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada. Father Dhas officiated.

Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery. Rosary was held at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, August 24, 2017 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

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

Pedro "Pete" Vallejo, Jr. was born on February 7, 1944, in Asherton, Texas, to Pedro and Maria Vallejo. He married Molly Garcia Vallejo on

December 14, 1963. They had six children.

He worked at Quality Body Shop for over 40 years. He enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family. He was a member of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church and a Cursillista and Eucharistic Minister.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandchildren, Theresa Vallejo, Zachary Sanchez, Peter James Vallejo, IV; and siblings, Manual Vallejo and Loli Villarreal.

He is survived by his wife; children, Belinda and Deacon Arturo Hinojosa, Diana and Edward Diaz, Laura and Martin Ascencio, Patti and Edward Sanchez, Pete III and Felicia Vallejo,

Paul and Monica Vallejo, and Anna Mary and Tudy Reyes; siblings, Lupe Stewart, Anita Navarro, and Polly Quintanilla; grandchildren, Dr. Joshua Hinojosa, Jeremy Hinojosa, Christopher Diaz, Andrew Diaz, Brooke Diaz, Ashley Vallejo, Bryan Ascencio, Anthony Ascencio, Geoffrey Sanchez, Kristan Sanchez, Kailee Sanchez, Danielle Wilborn, Danalyn Garcia, Izabella Vallejo, Kaitlyn Vallejo, Kandyce Vallejo, Ayden Vallejo, Khloe Vallejo, and Aaron Vallejo; six great-grandchildren, Michael Martinez, Chase Bland, Jamie Lee Bland, Jada Ascencio, Jaiden Ascencio, Arielle Sanchez, and Aliyah Perez.

### 4-H From Page 1

Smith and Cutter Smith for Major Livestock Shows.

Others recognized were Rachel Graham, Arnie Martinez and Mason Esty for District and State Rifle; Kaden Weekes, Austin Phillips, Wyatt Bigham, Drake Gonzales, Ryder Glass, Peyton Anderson, Mason Esty and Rachel Graham for District Archery; Kaden Weekes and Mason Esty for State Indoor Archery; Mason Esty for District Shotgun; Rachel Graham and Reese Hinsley for District Pistol; Kaden Weekes and Rachel Graham for District Roundup; Rachel Graham for State Roundup; Tyann Phillips and Wyatt Bigham for District Junior Leader Lab; Rachel Graham for Region 1 Power Camp; Ryder Glass and Rachel Graham for State Shooting Sports Games; and Wyatt Bigham and Kaden Weekes for Prime Time Camp in Brownwood.

Others recognized include Carson Miller, Logan Smith, Jason Smith, Reese Hinsley Kaden Weekes Lindee Miller, Tyann Phillips, Sydni Chesshir, Cooper Hnsley, Wyatt Bigham, Preslie Brooks, Rachel Graham and McKenna Weekes for District 4-H2O Camp; Carson Miller, Rachel Graham, Lindee Miller, Sydni Chesshir, Wyatt Bigham, Kaden Weekes, Tyann Phillips and Preslie Brooks for District Leadership Camp; Rachel Graham for National 4-H Conference; and Rachel Graham and

Mason Esty for Shooting Sports Ambassador.

4-H members were awarded t-shirts, jackets, blankets and patches for reaching the county point totals. In Clover Kids, receiving t-shirts were Tye Graves Rilynn Hinsley, Karis McIntosh and McKenna Weekes; Juniors and Intermediates receiving jackets or blankets were Jaxson Smith, Wyatt Bigham, Payten Shuping, Austin Phillips, Jack Brooks, Tyann Phillips, Ryder Glass and Peyton Anderson. Seniors receiving jackets or blankets were Cutter Smith. Juniors and Seniors receiving patches and t-shirts were Preslie Brooks, Hagen Hinsley Sydni Chesshir, Gage Graves, Keenan Nixon, Rachel Graham and Alex Glass.

Individuals receiving High Point Jacket recognition were Lockney Junior Kaden Weekes and Wyatt Bigham; Floydada Juniors Sydni Chesshir and Preslie Brooks; Floydada Intermediate Ryder Glass and Jack Brooks; Lockney Intermediate Tyann Phillips; and Floydada Seniors Alex Glass and Rachel Graham.

County Judge Marty Lucke presented the Bronze Star award to Wyatt Bigham. Ryder Glass received the LeAnn Memorial Shooting Sports Award from Bill Glass and Keenan Nixon received the William H. Danforth "I Dare You" Award.

Adults receiving special recognition include Jeremiah Brooks as Distinguished Leader; Tanner Smith and Cristen Brooks received Silver Spur Clips Awards sponsored by Lighthouse Electric and presented by Mike

Green; and Friends of 4-H, a meritorious award sponsored by the Floyd County Parent/Leader Association was presented to Penny Ogden and also the Floyd County Friends Unity Center represented by Board Members: Marty Lucke, Jerry Chappell and Gary and Robin Nixon.

Floyd County Council officers for 2017-18 are Rachel Graham, president; Hunter Lefevre, first vice president; Jack Brooks, second vice president; Preslie Brooks, third vice president; Haygen Lefevre, Secretary; and District Council Delegates Rachel Graham and Hunter Lefevre. Kristy Lefevre serves as adult leader for the Council.

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

Lockney officers are Tyann Phillips, president; Colby Guerrero, first vice president; Kaden Weekes, second vice president; Austin Phillips, third vice president; Kaden Weekes, secretary/treasurer; and Tyann Phillips and Colby Guerrero, council delegates. Lacy Phillips is club manager and Patty Davenport is assistant club manager.

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

### PRAYER TO ST. JUDE TADEO

Glorius Apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, pray for me as I am desperate at this time of great need. Help me promptly and visibly. I promise St. Jude to always remember this favor and to never stop honoring you as my most powerful protector.

Amen.  
A.D.

### PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO

O Great St. Joseph of Cupertino who while on earth did obtain from God the grace to be asked at your examination only the questions they knew, obtain for me a like favour in the examinations for which I am now preparing. In return I promise to make you known and cause you to be invoked.

Through Christ over Lord St. Joseph of Cupertino, Pray for us. AMEN  
A.D.

### RDAG From Page 1

Bart Reagor, isn't scared of the challenge.

"Thank you to my partner Rick Dykes, our customers, and all of our employees who work towards our goal of being the best and becoming the largest auto group in the world."

Reagor Dykes Chevrolet is the only automotive dealership in Floyd County and can be found in downtown Floydada.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### SERVER AVAILABLE 24/7

This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.

—Psalm 34:6 (NIV)

After we were given computers to enhance learning for our junior high school students, we were excited to connect with donors and well-wishers to give them our heartfelt thanks. We wanted to report to the donors as soon as we were connected to the Internet.

When we had composed our messages and were ready to send our e-mails, the server was not available. It took several minutes to connect, but the moment the server was available

the speed of communication was beyond our expectations.

Computers have provided us technology that allows us to reach people far and near in no time — if the server that provides quick service is available. But for all who have faith in Jesus the lines to Almighty God are open at any time in any conditions. We need only to call on God with a sincere heart. God is ready to listen to our prayers because we have sought a genuine connection through our Lord Jesus Christ.

—Benjamin R. K. Lall (Assam, India)

#### Thought for the Day:

God is always available to hear my prayers.

taken from <http://devotional.upperroom.org/devotionals>

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**Agriculture Precision Supply**  
Pivots, Flow meters & Equipment  
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**Sunshine Pump**  
Oliver Clark  
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Box 266 - Lockney

**Plains LAND BANK** Jeff Taylor  
806-296-5579  
plainslandbank.com  
Part of the Farm Credit System

**Payne Family Pharmacy**  
806.983.5111  
200 S. Main, Floydada

**Goen & Goen Insurance**  
806.983.3524  
102. E. California - Floydada

**Floydada Coop Gin, Inc.**  
319 N. 5th Street  
Floydada TX 79235  
806-983-2884

**Barwise Gin**  
Barwise Community  
806.983.2737

**Lockney Co-op Gin**  
Lockney, Texas  
806.652.3377

**Prosperity Bank**  
Member FDIC  
217 W. California — 806.983.3725

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

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

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

**Templo Getsemani Assembly of God**  
701 W. Missouri  
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

## Floyd County 4-H to hold Shooting Sports Kickoff Event

By **Cristen Brooks**  
CEA-AG/NR, Floyd County

Floyd County 4-H will be having a Shooting Sports Kickoff Event and Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, September 19th at the Unity Center.

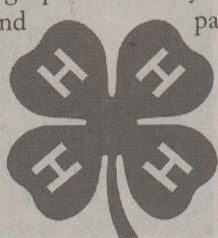
We will start with a ribbon cutting for the new shooting sports building at 5:30pm, followed by a safety meeting at 6:00pm and then a "Give it your best shot" event where kids will be able to try out different disciplines, such as archery, rifle and pistol.

Hamburgers will be served and you don't have to currently be enrolled in 4-H to attend. This event will help celebrate the opening of the

new shooting sports building behind the Unity Center as well as kickoff our new 4-H year.

If you plan on participating in any of the shooting sports projects this year the safety meeting is mandatory before you can practice. We hope everyone can make it and please spread the word and bring a friend, if you are interested at all in 4-H or shooting sports this will be a great event to attend to find out more information.

If you have any questions about the event or shooting sports in general please contact the Floyd County Extension Office at (806) 983-4912.



## Arrington Receives AWEA's "U.S. Wind Champion Award"

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

DIMMIT, TX — Congressman Jodey Arrington (TX-19) received the American Wind Energy Association's "U.S. Wind Champion Award" at Southern Power's Bethel Wind Energy Center on Tuesday. The award is given to select members of the 115th Congress who have taken action to add more affordable and reliable renewable energy to the grid. Arrington is the first recipient of the 115th Congress to receive the award.

"Wind energy is an industry that has not just provided great value to West Texas in terms of the tax base and economic development, it has been a great boon to the economy of rural America," said Arrington.

"Whether it is fossil or renewable, an all-of-the-above energy strategy is the direction we need to go to secure a prosperous future for all Americans, and I'm proud to represent the folks who make that possible. Our district produces more wind energy



Courtesy photo

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than any other district in the United States, and that's a big deal. We're leading the country in food, fuel, and fiber production. I've said it many times before: if we truly want to 'Make America Great Again', we should make America look more

like West Texas!"

The Bethel Wind Energy Center is expected to contribute more than \$50 million in estimated local tax revenues over the lifetime of the project.

Congressman Jodey Arrington is a member of the U.S. House

of Representatives serving the Nineteenth Congressional District of Texas. He serves as a member of the House Agriculture Committee, House Budget Committee, and Chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

## Fishing Report

**Alan Henry**

Water clear on the main lake, stained up the river; 82-88 degrees; 4.1' low. Black bass are slow on 7" Power Worms, spoons and jigs. Crappie and bass are slow on minnows. Catfish are fair on live perch and goldfish.

**Arrowhead**

Water fairly clear; 83-87 degrees; 1.86' low. Black bass are fair to good on Pop-Rs early, later switching to finesse jigs, Texas rigs and crankbaits. Crappie are good on live minnows around structure. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

**Coleman**

Water stained; 81-85 degrees; 1.08' low. Black bass are fair on green pumpkin Rat-L-Traps and Carolina rigged soft plastics. Hybrid striped are slow. Crappie are good on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs. Channel catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

**Ft. Phantom Hill**

Water murky; 78-87 degrees; 0.68' low. Black bass are fair on Whopper Ploppers early and late, midday switching to Texas rigs, split shot rigged flukes and squarebill crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

**Greenbelt**

31.73' low. Black bass are fair on Yellow Magics early, midday switching to Texas rigs, jigs and squarebill crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows and jigs.

**Hubbard Creek**

Water off color; 82-91 degrees; 1.5' low. Black bass are fair to good on bone Pop-Rs early, later switching to Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows around structure. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers and cut bait.

**Mackenzie**

74.65' low. Black bass are fair on flukes, Texas rigs and chatterbaits. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers. No reports on crappie.

**Meredith**

56.62' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, jerkbaits and medium running shad pattern crankbaits. No reports of smallmouth bass. Bream and channel catfish

are being caught in good numbers.

**Nasworthy**

79-88 degrees; 1.6' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs, spinnerbaits and Carolina rigs. No reports on crappie. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and cut bait.

**O.H. Ivie**

Water stained; 81-90 degrees; 35.99' low. Black bass are good on LIVETARGET Frogs early, later switching to jigs, Texas rigs and Senkos. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair to good on cut bait and nightcrawlers.

**Oak Creek**

Water stained; 79-89 degrees; 9.24' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, squarebill crankbaits and drop shot rigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair on cut bait and nightcrawlers.

**Possum Kingdom**

Water off color; 81-89 degrees; 0.42' low. Black bass are fair to good on drop shot rigs, shakysheads, Texas rigs and finesse jigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on slabs and Little Georges. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers.

**Stamford**

Water stained; 79-88 degrees; 0.5' high. Black bass are fair to good on Zoom Horny Toads early and late, midday switching to Texas rigs and weightless Yum Dingers. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows around cover. White bass are fair to good on live bait and Little Georges. Blue catfish are fair to good on cut and live bait.

**White River**

Water stained; 84-89 degrees; 20.78' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, topwaters and spinnerbaits. No reports on crappie. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and cut bait.

## Texas High Plains Cotton Crop Progresses; Hurricane Harvey Threatens South Texas Crop

By **Mary Jane Buerkle**  
Plains Cotton Growers

Rainy weather over the past couple of weeks has been beneficial to much of the Texas High Plains cotton crop, especially during a time that usually tends to be more dry and hot.

However, very dry areas exist in the 41-county PCG service area, primarily to the south and southwest of Lubbock.

On the Texas High Plains, cotton looks excellent in some areas. Statewide, the National Agricultural Statistics Service

estimates that 55 percent of the crop is in good or excellent condition.

As of press time, Hurricane Harvey was moving toward the Texas coast as a Category 3 storm, threatening the South Texas cotton crop. The system is expected to stall in south

and southeast Texas, with some forecast models suggesting up to 30 inches of rainfall.

Cotton was trading up earlier this week, partly upon weather concerns, but dropped back to close on Friday at 68.15 on the December contract.

## Texas A&M AgriLife unmanned aerial systems program receives update

By **Blair Fannin**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

COLLEGE STATION — A contingent of Texas A&M AgriLife Research scientists, part of a cross-disciplined unmanned aerial systems research team, recently gave briefings in College Station on project results conducted across Texas.

The AgriLife UAS program is one of the largest research programs in the U.S., according to administrators, utilizing both fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft on row crop and rangeland spanning from Weslaco, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, and College Station to Amarillo. Program areas focus on flight operations, data analysis, management and dissemination, as well as plant phenotyping, precision agriculture and animal and pasture.

"We have everyone from

crop breeders, soil scientists and agricultural engineers to computational specialists all focused on developing diagnostics to provide the status of crop health and ultimately improve overall yields," said Dr. Bill McCutchen, executive associate director of AgriLife Research, College Station.

The Texas A&M AgriLife UAS program is one of the largest research programs in the U.S., according to administrators, utilizing both fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft on row crop and rangeland spanning from Weslaco, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, and College Station to Amarillo. (Texas A&M AgriLife Research photo by Blair Fannin)

"When you combine these data and assessments with our genotyping platform, it provides really powerful decision-making tools for our scientists. On the farmer side, as we develop better

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The recent meeting was an update on work conducted in 2016. There was optimism among scientists at the meeting and

excitement continues to build on what lies ahead with regards to breakthrough technologies to assist Texas farmers and ranchers and beyond in achieving higher yields and production, according to attendees.

"This is no different than molecular marker technology 20 years ago," said Dr. Bill Rooney, AgriLife Research Faculty Fellow and sorghum breeder, College Station. "Ground truth measurements may not always be right."

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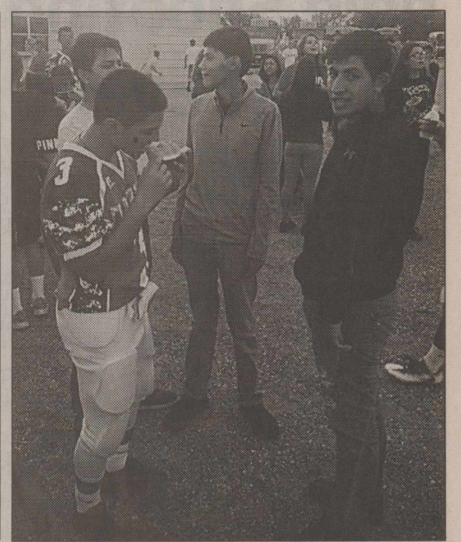
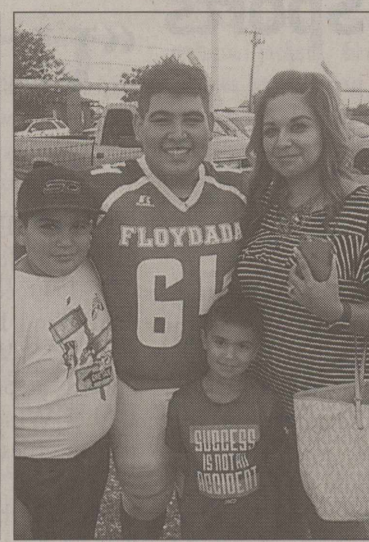
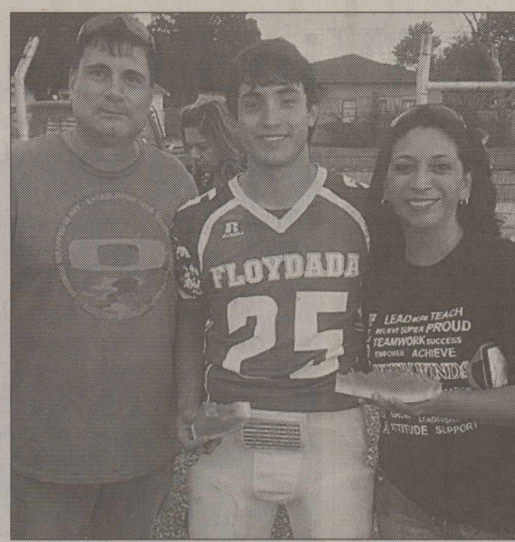
## 4H-HighPoint



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High Point Jacket Achievement Individuals (Front L-R) Kaden Weekes, Preslie Brooks and Wyatt Bigham. (Back L-R) Jack Brooks, Ryder Glass, Rachel Graham, Tyann Phillips and Alex Glass. Not pictured: Sydni Chesshir

## Meet the Whirlwinds



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## 4H-JacketPoints

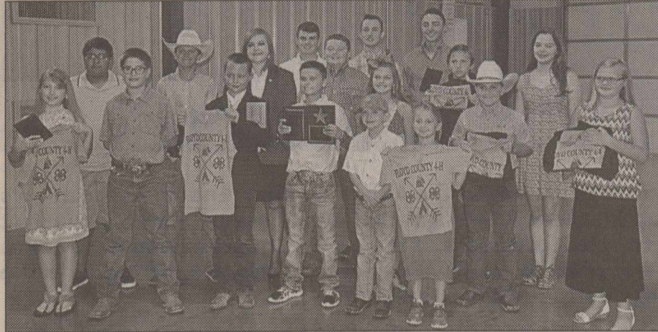
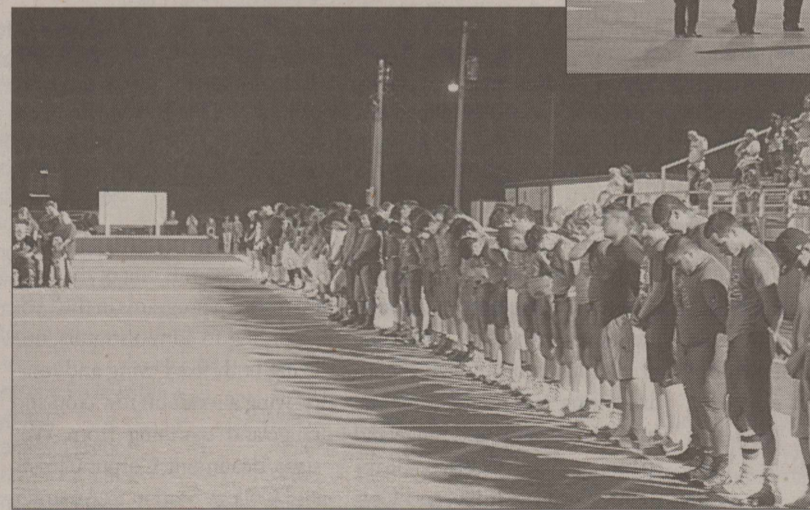
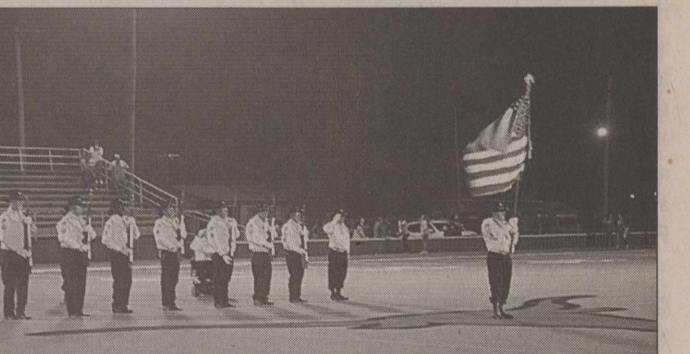
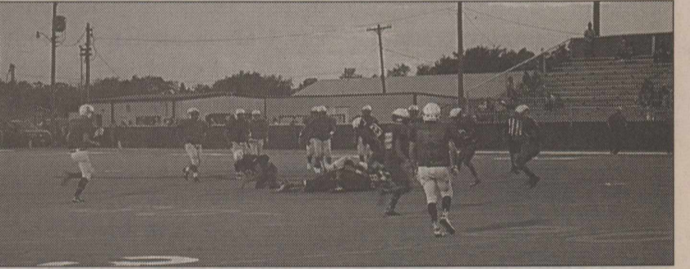
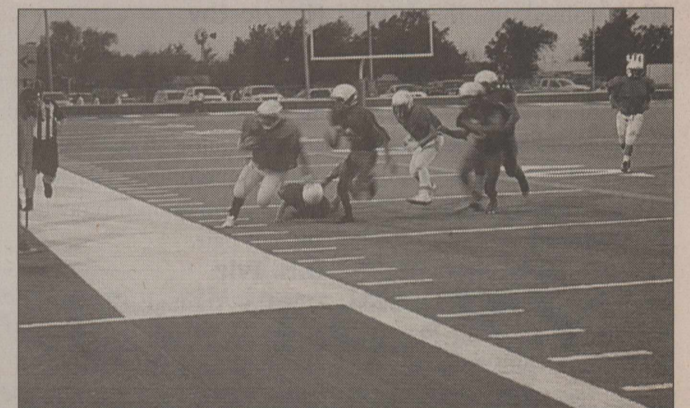
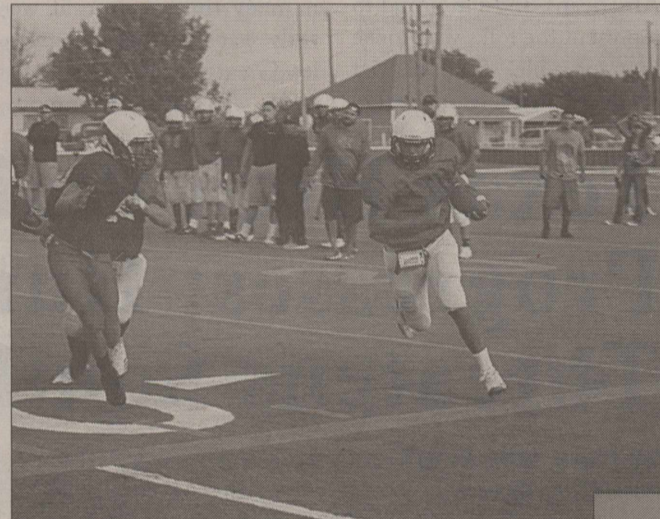
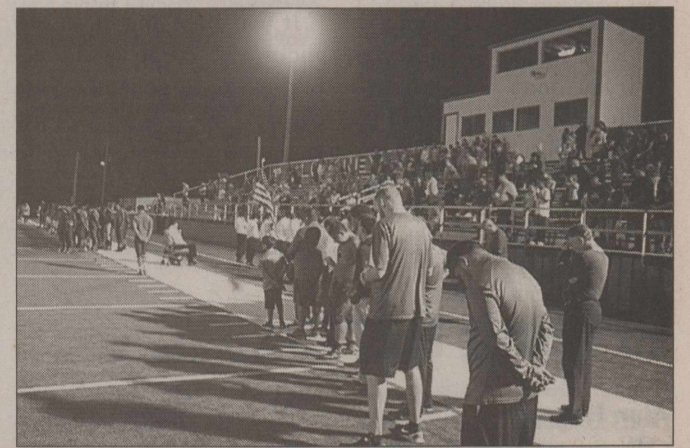


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Award winners from the Annual 4-H Achievement Banquet.

## Lockney Scrimmage



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Monday

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Tuesday

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Lunch - Crisby macaroni & cheese hot dog, baked beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Morning sausage roll, cereal, fresh fruit, milk  
Lunch - Chicken nuggets w/roll, Sloppy Joe, seasoned green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Cocoa Puffs cereal, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk  
Lunch - Chicken parmesan, cheese pizza, peppered corn, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Egg, cheese, sausage burrito, cereal, fresh fruit, milk  
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August 22-26

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Lunch - Labor Day - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 5

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Wednesday, Sept. 6

Breakfast - Waffles, Sausage or Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch - Lasagna or Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Roll, Pears, Milk

Thursday, Sept. 7

Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza or Cereal Bar, Yogurt, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk  
Lunch - Hamburger or Cheeseburger or Hot Dog, Fries, Baby Carrots, Orange Smiles, Milk

Friday, Sept. 8

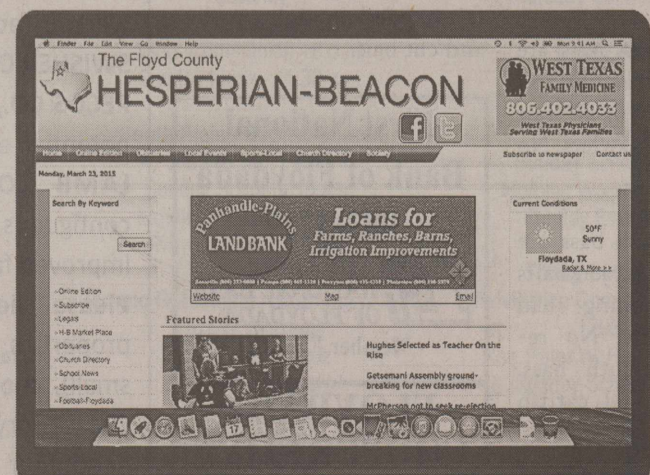
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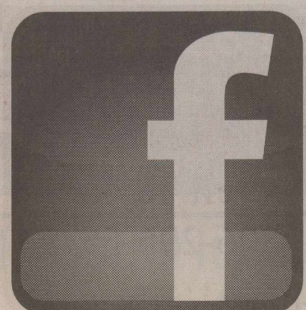
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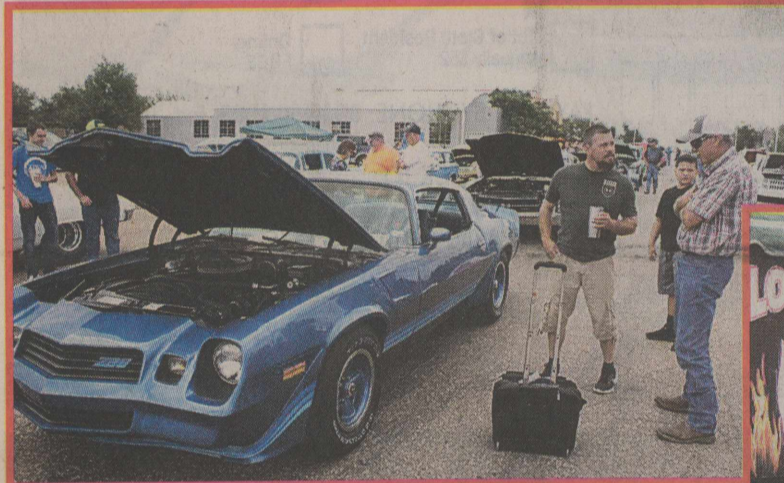
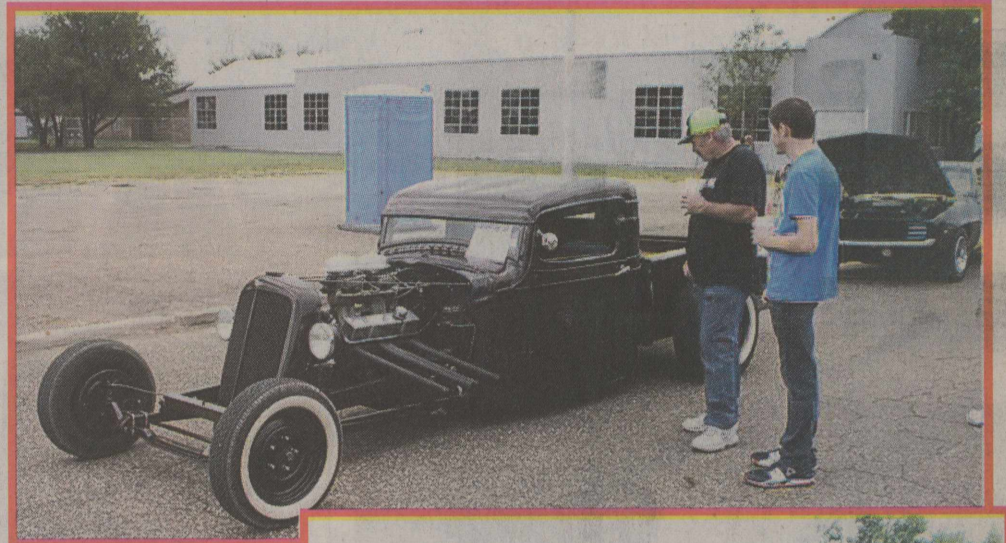
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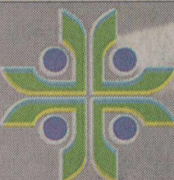


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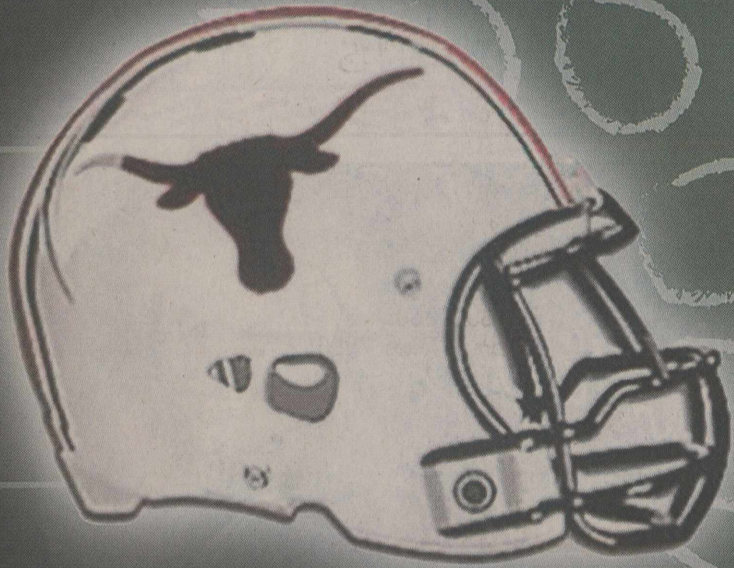
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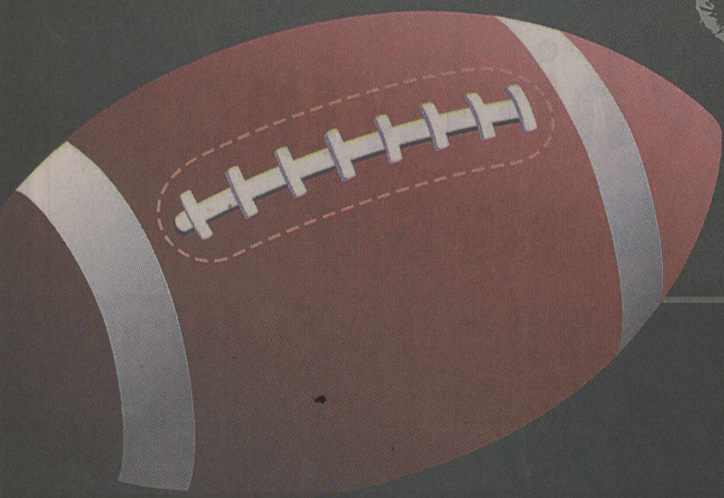
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# 2017 Floydada Whirlwind Varsity Football

# 2017 Floydada Whirlwinds Football Roster



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NO.	NAME	POSITION		HT./WT.	CLASS
		OFF.	DEF.		
2	Rosendo Reyna	RB	LB	5'11" 155	SR.
4	Emanuel Torres	WR	LB	5'10" 145	JR.
3	Noah Mendez	WR	DB	5' 8" 145	JR.
8	Andrew Vega	QB	DB	5' 8" 150	JR.
10	Jeremiah Johnston	WR	OLB	5' 9" 140	SR.
11	Angel Cervera	WR	DB	5' 8" 140	JR.
12	Michael Delafuente	QB	ILB	5'10" 175	SOPH.
19	Devan Perez	WR	OLB	5'10" 145	SOPH.
20	Marcus Perez	WR	DB	5' 6" 135	SOPH.
25	Miguel Pena	WR	DE	6' 170	JR.
26	Jose Lira	WR	ILB	5' 7" 165	SOPH.
27	Cutter Smith	RB	LB	5' 8" 150	JR.
43	Eric Johnston	WR	LB	5' 8" 145	SOPH.
55	Arnaldo Martinez	OL	DE	5'10" 165	SR.
60	Ethan Smith	OL	OLB	5'10" 155	JR.
63	Ethan Ibarra	OL	LB	5'6" 180	SR.
64	Daniel Cervera	OL	DL	5'10" 240	SR.
66	Hunter Smith	OL	DL	6' 2" 175	JR.
67	Juan Gonzales	OL	DT	6'0 180	JR.
72	Cardell Wickware	OL	DE	5'10" 165	JR.
84	Gerry Reyes	WR	DB	5' 9" 145	JR.
87	Caden Britt	WR	DB	6' 4" 180	JR.

## 2017-2018 Floydada Whirlwind Coaches



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2017 - 2018 Floydada Whirlwind Coaches - (back row, left to right) Pake Freeman, Scotty Bruington, Cody Dean, Tyler Wilke, Adam Zepeda, Aarrhon Flores, Michael Wickware; (front row) Athletic Director/Head Football Coach - Todd Bandy.

Superintendent: Dr. Gilbert Trevino  
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## 2017-2018 Floydada Whirlwind Varsity Cheerleaders



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2017 - 2018 Floydada Whirlwind Cheerleaders - Azalea Garza, Ruth Ramirez, Brianna Casillas, Marissa Valdivia, MASCOT Angel Fipps, Allison Muniz, Kylie Ricketts, Kortney Campbell, Hannah Morales, Natalee Romero

## 2017 Floydada Whirlwind Junior Varsity Football

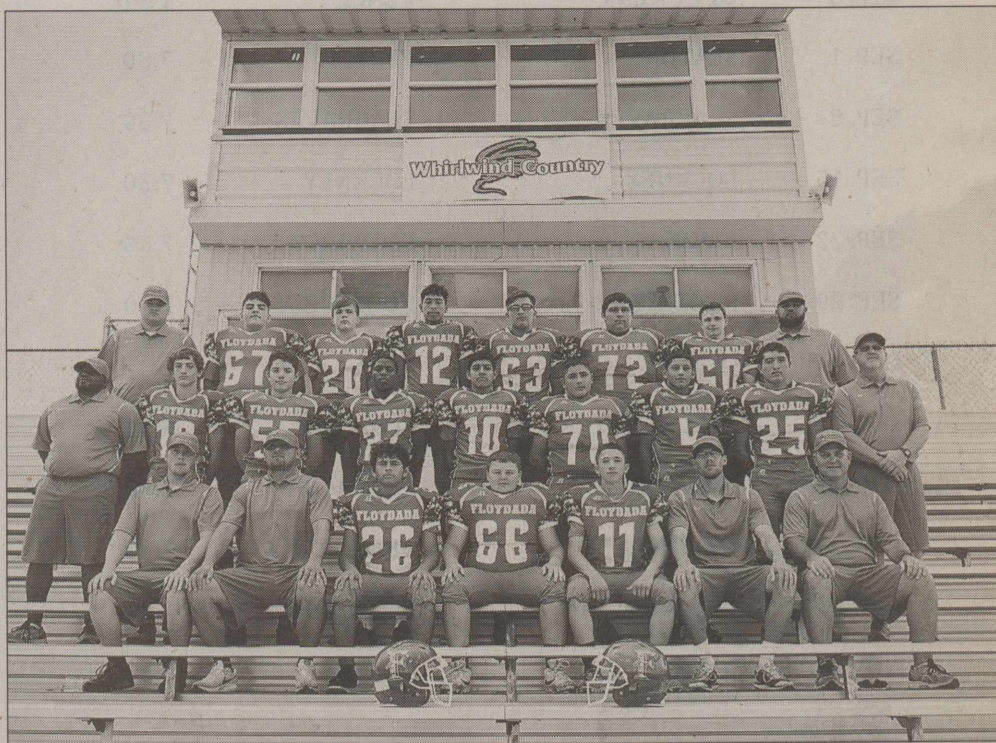


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## 2017 Floydada Whirlwind Junior Varsity Roster

- |                       |                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| #4 Justin Delgado     | #52 Michael Perez  |
| #10 Alexyz Alvarado   | #55 Alex Carmona   |
| #11 D.J. Saenz        | #60 Cole Pitts     |
| #12 Quincy Gonzales   | #63 Martin Garcia  |
| #19 Kyle Bruington    | #66 Ryder Glass    |
| #20 Tyson Snell       | #67 Jacob Johnston |
| #25 Hermilio Martinez | #70 Lorenzo Reyna  |
| #26 Andrew Gonzales   | #71 Julian Jaime   |
| #27 Josh Cooper       | #72 George Rosa    |
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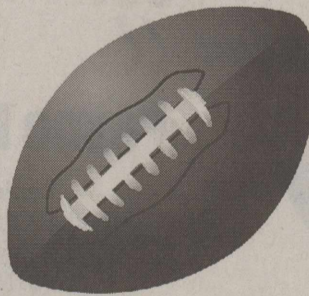


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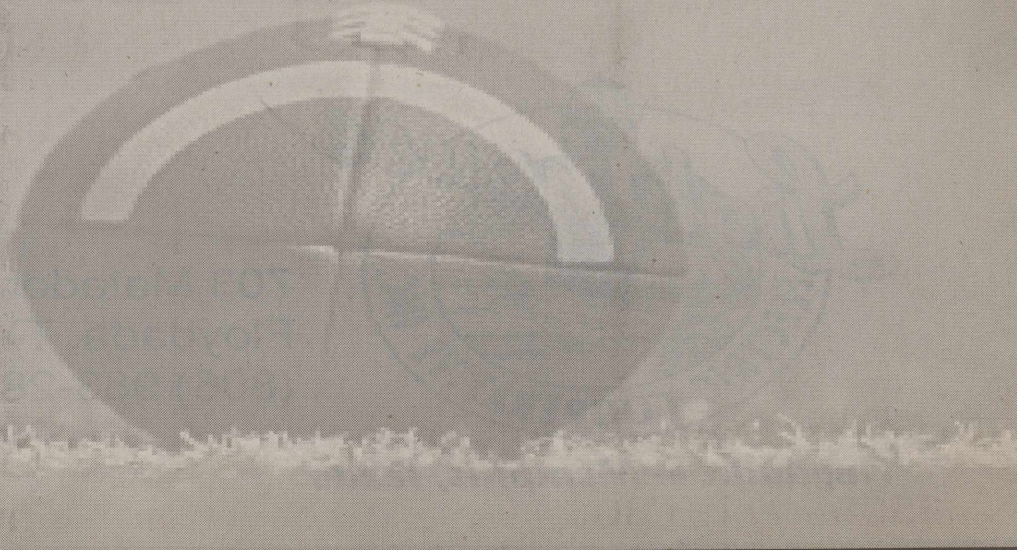


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## 2017 Floydada Whirlwind Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
SEP. 1	SLATON	FLOYDADA	7:30
SEP. 8	SEAGRAVES	SEAGRAVES	7:30
SEP. 15	LOCKNEY	LOCKNEY	7:30
SEP. 22	FRIONA	FLOYDADA	7:30
SEP. 29	ROOSEVELT	ROOSEVELT	7:30
OCT. 6	OPEN		
OCT. 13	*HALE CENTER	FLOYDADA	7:30
OCT. 20	*NEW DEAL	FLOYDADA	7:30
OCT. 27	*ABERNATHY	ABERNATHY	7:30
NOV. 3	*^SUNDOWN	FLOYDADA	7:30
NOV. 10	*OLTON	OLTON	7:30

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## 2017 Floydada Junior Varsity Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
AUG. 31	SLATON	SLATON	6:00
SEP. 7	SEAGRAVES	FLOYDADA	6:00
SEP. 14	LOCKNEY	FLOYDADA	7:00
SEP. 21	FRIONA	FRIONA	6:00
SEP. 28	ROOSEVELT	FLOYDADA	6:00
OCT. 5	OPEN		
OCT. 12	*HALE CENTER	HALE CENTER	6:00
OCT. 19	*NEW DEAL	NEW DEAL	6:00
OCT. 26	*ABERNATHY	FLOYDADA	6:00
NOV. 2	*SUNDOWN	SUNDOWN	6:00
NOV. 9	*OLTON	FLOYDADA	6:00

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AUG. 18 1<sup>ST</sup> - WELLINGTON WELLINGTON  
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# Whirlwinds look to return to playoffs with new offense

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Head Coach Todd Bandy enters his ninth year at the helm of the Floydada Whirlwinds with the expectation of returning to the playoffs after a disappointing 3-7 campaign in 2016. Seven seniors will lead the way for the Whirlwinds.

"We have 39 kids out for football," Bandy said, "22 on varsity and 17 on the JV."

Summer workouts had good attendance with the kids working together as a group, according to Bandy.

"Our kids are holding each other accountable, on the field, in the classroom and away from school," Bandy said. "They worked at trying to get everyone to summer workouts."

Floydada is installing a new offense this year, a run, pass, option to be run from the spread.

"The quarterback will make a read on every play," Bandy said, "and someone will be open on every play. We'll throw a lot of short routes, trying to pick up four or five yards at a time. The kids are getting it down, it's different for them but they are doing the work."

The Whirlwinds will primarily run a 4-2-5 defense that has been in place for several years.

"I brought this defense with me in the first year," Bandy said, "and everyone is familiar with it. We'll change out occasionally

but this will be our primary defense."

Floydada opens their season at home against Slaton on September 1. Bandy said they are getting better on offense and the challenge of playing a larger school will help us in the long run.

The Whirlwinds travel to Seagraves on September 2. Bandy said that Seagraves is Seagraves but with a new offensive coordinator, former Lockney Head Coach Jay Ragland, so they'll have some changes.

Week 3, September 15, the Whirlwinds travel to Lockney for the first Varsity game on Lockney's new field-turf at Mitchell-Zimmerman Stadium. This will be the 100th anniversary of the first known matchup between the two towns. The oldest records available show Floydada winning 12-0 on Oct. 5, 1917.

"This is a huge game for both towns," Bandy said.

"It's always a battle against the Longhorns."

Friona comes to town on September 22. Bandy said they are a division one 3A school so they will be bigger than the Whirlwinds.

On September 29, Floydada travels to 3A-D2 Roosevelt, another team Bandy said was bigger than the Whirlwinds.

Following an open date on October 6, the Whirlwinds open District 2-2A Division 1 play.

"This district will be tough," Bandy said, "when we start, everyone is 0-0 so we have got to do what needs to be done to get into the playoffs."

The Whirlwinds open with Hale Center on October 13 at home. Bandy said it will be a key game to start District. He said the Owls lack size on the lines but have good skill kids.

New Deal comes to Floydada on October 20. Bandy said they have lots of team

speed and size.

Floydada travels to Abernathy on October 27. According to Bandy, the Antelopes are loaded again after a state semi-final run in 2016. Bandy said the Daily kid at quarterback is going to be better than last year but they lost some key kids.

On November 3, Sundown visits Floydada. Bandy said they stamina from cross-country and mile relay teams gives them stamina and they'll have size to go with it.

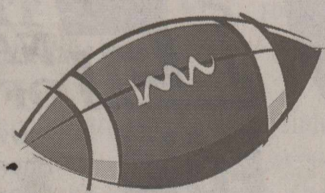
District play closes at Olton. Bandy said they continue to get better under Coach Ross Lassiter.

"This team is unselfish," Bandy said. "They play for the team and hold each other accountable for the success. We've got to stay healthy since we don't have a lot of kids out. I've got a good staff together. They are working hard with the kids and the kids are responding."

## 2017 Floydada 7th and 8th Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
SEP. 14	LOCKNEY	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
SEP. 21	FRIONA	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
SEP. 28	ROOSEVELT	ROOSEVELT	5:00/6:15
OCT. 5	SLATON	SLATON	5:00/6:15
OCT. 12	*HALE CENTER	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
OCT. 19	*NEW DEAL	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
OCT. 26	*ABERNATHY	ABERNATHY	5:00/6:15
NOV. 2	*SUNDOWN	FLOYDADA	5:00/6:15
NOV. 9	*OLTON	OLTON	5:00/6:15

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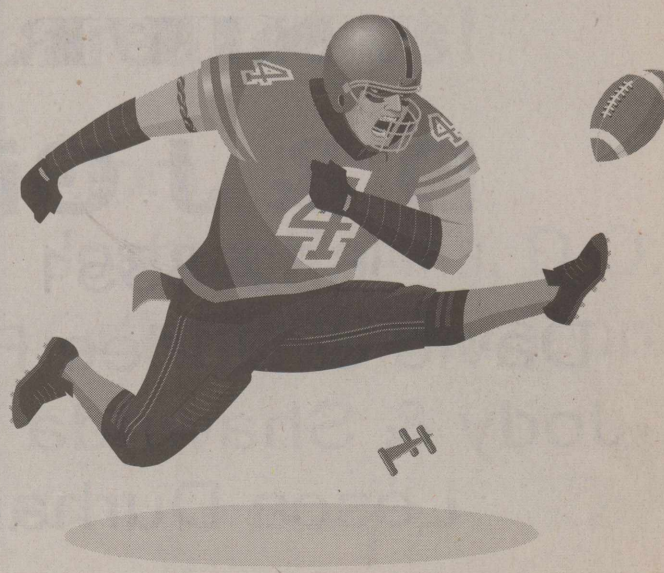
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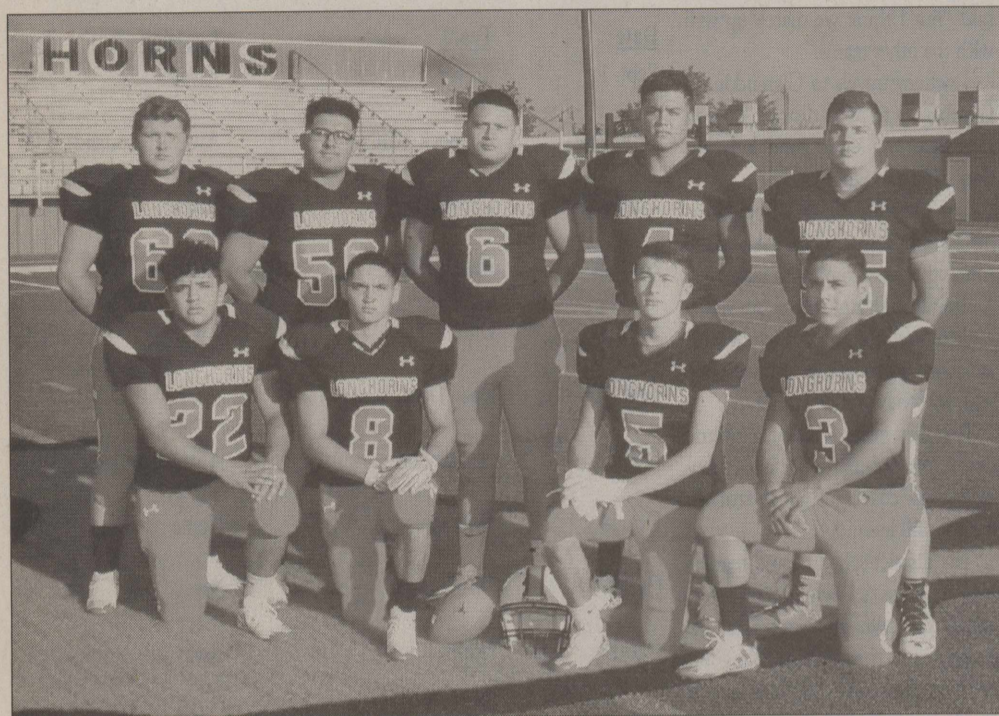
## 2017 Lockney Longhorns Varsity Football Team



2017 Lockney High School varsity football team

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## 2017 Lockney Seniors



2017 Lockney High School senior football players

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## 2017 Lockney Longhorn Varsity Football Roster

No.	First Name	Last Name	Class	Off Position	Def Position
3	Shawn	Marquez	SR	WR	DE
4	Kevin	Lopez	SR	RB	OLB
5	Chris	Emert	SR	WR	S
6	Efren	Nunez	SR	TE	OLB
7	Bryson	Walker	JR	WR	S
8	Israel	Cuellar	SR	WR	C
10	Andrew	Luna	JR	WR	OLB
21	Noel	Ceniceros	SO	RB	C
22	Ruben	Marmolejo	SR	QB	ILB
24	Bryce	Reese	JR	QB	DE
52	Devin	DeLeon	JR	G	ILB
55	Austen	Rexrode	SR	T	T
56	CJ	Perales	SR	C	T
58	Austin	Ascensio	JR	T	DE
64	TJ	Blackledge	JR	T	T
65	Andrew	Sanchez	SO	T	DE
66	Steven	Bazan	SR	G	T
80	Cesar	Cienfuegos	JR	WR	C
88	Diego	Tranadoc	SR	K	K

## 2017 Lockney Coaches



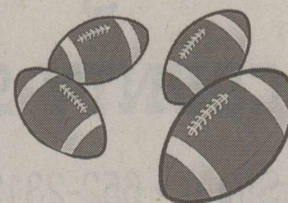
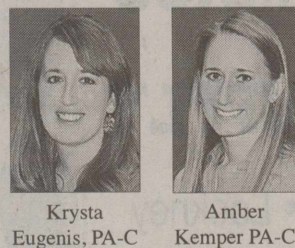
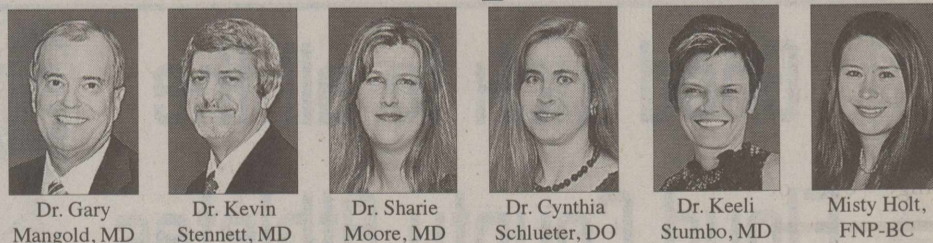
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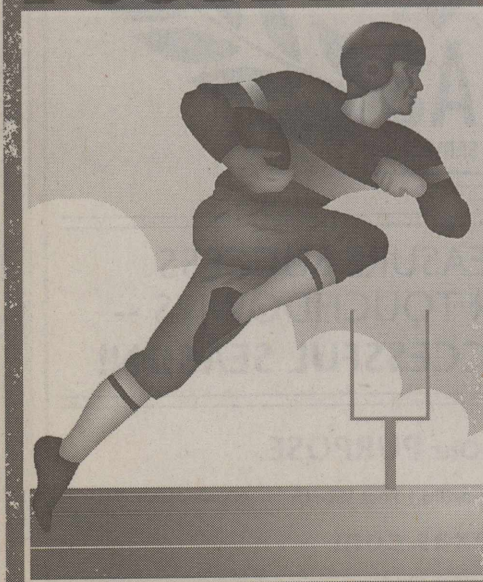
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## 2017 Lockney Longhorns Varsity Cheerleaders



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Back row left to right — Haliee Widener, Kristina Sanchez, Madai Chavirra, Ricky Cuellar, Tyra Rosales and Jose Gonzalez. Front row left to right — Sierra Landeros, Reagan Nuncio, Kassandra Ramirez, Nimsi Reyes, Anahi Ascencio, and Fette Jackson.

## Longhorns prepare for new season with new coach

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY — Following a disappointing 3-7 season in 2016, the Lockney Longhorns are looking to make a push to the playoffs with 10 seniors leading the way. Richard Jackson takes over the head coaching duties after Jay Ragland left for Seagraves. Jackson is starting his fourth year at Lockney.

“With 10 seniors, they have the knowledge of the offense and defense and are willing to learn,” Jackson said. “We will tweak some things but mainly stay with what we know.” Jackson said 31 kids showed up for the first day of workouts and with those numbers, they plan to run a varsity squad and a junior varsity squad.

“We’ll play a JV schedule as long as we can,” Jackson said, “to give

the younger kids more reps which is better than just standing on the sidelines.”

The varsity will also have five juniors and one sophomore on the squad.

“We’ll continue to run the spread as we done for the past five years,” Jackson said. “We plan to add a couple of wrinkles by using a tight end set like Auburn with the tight end in the slot. We’ll also run some pro set and treys but everything will start from the spread. We have good receivers so we’ll take advantage of that and run more play action.”

Defensively, the Longhorns will stay in a 4-4 but the coverage by the defensive backs will be simpler to slow things down a little.

“The kids worked hard this summer in the weight room,” Jackson said. “We had up to 50 kids coming out to the weight room for all the sports programs. For the football players, we worked more on explosion and quickness rather than strength. We’re not big but we are quick.”

Lockney opens their season on the road September 1 against Smyer. Jackson said the Bobcats are like Lockney, so it should be a good matchup.

On Saturday, September 9, the Longhorns travel to Levelland to play Lubbock Trinity. Jackson said they are a hard-working team but again matchup with the Longhorns.

Floydada comes to town on September 15 for the first Varsity game on the new field-turf at Mitchell-Zimmerman Stadium. This will be the 100th anniversary of the first known matchup between the two towns. The oldest records available show Floydada winning 12-0 on Oct. 5, 1917.

“This is the County Championship, it’s bigger than Homecoming,” Jackson said. “I think it will come down to the front fives but in the end, we can’t let this game define our season.”

The Longhorns take on Hale Center on September 22. Jackson said this is another good matchup for Lockney since the Owls are comparable in size.

The last game of the non-district schedule has Lockney traveling to

## 2017 Lockney Longhorns Junior Varsity Football Team



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2017 Lockney High School junior varsity football

## 2017 Lockney Varsity Football Schedule

Date	Team	Location	Time
Sept. 1	Smyer	Away	7:30
Sept. 9(Sat.)	Lubbock Trinity	Away (Levelland)	6:00
Sept. 15	Floydada	Home	7:30
Sept. 22	Hale Center	Home	7:30
Sept. 29	Olton	Away	7:30
Sept. 30	Open Date		
Oct. 7	*Clarendon	Away	7:00
Oct. 14	*Memphis	Home	7:00
Oct. 21	*Wellington	Away	7:00
Oct. 28	*Ralls	Away	7:00
Nov. 4	*Crosbyton	Home	7:00

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Olton on September 29, another similar team according to Jackson.

Following an open date on October 6, the Longhorns open District 2-2A Division 2 play.

“Our district is tough,” Jackson said, “but I think we match up well with the other teams.”

Lockney travels to Clarendon on October 13 to open district. Jackson said they lost some good kids but they will be tough.

On October 20, the Longhorns host Memphis who has a very good running back according to Jackson.

The Longhorns travel to state-ranked Wellington on October 27. Jackson said they have a huge lineman and they will be strong.

Lockney visits Ralls on November 3. According to Jackson, they have a new coach and a new attitude but are still learning.

The district schedule and regular season wraps up when Crosbyton comes to town on November 10. Jackson said they will still be good because they have big kids and a good running back even though their numbers are down for their new coach.

“It will all come down to execution,” Jackson said. “We, the kids and coaches, expect to be contending for a championship. We are playing for more than a fourth-place finish. The expectation of the kids is to be in the post-season.”

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