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A Tale of Two Dairy Queens

Lockney DQ closes

By Roxanne Martin
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Vasari, LLC, the parent company of the Lockney Dairy Queen announced last week that the Lockney DQ will be closing as a part of a bankruptcy proceeding.

On Thursday a sign on the Lockney DQ drive-through window said, "Closed until further notice."

Lockney residents expressed a range of thoughts about their DQ's departure.

"I hate it for their employees and Lockney," said Cynthia Bybee. "They were always a place to go during harvest. I'm really saddened by this for our little community."

David Foster said, "It always hurt to lose a business in your community."

But Elizabeth Hernandez said, "I never went there that much. I usually go to Tastee Burger."

Vasari was the operator of the country's second-largest Dairy Queen franchise, owning 70



Kay Ellington/The Hesperian-Beacon

Irving-based Vasari, LLC, the parent company of the Lockney Dairy Queen, has announced plans to close more than 20 of the 70 DQ locations it owns—including Lockney.

Dairy Queens. The company cited the loss of jobs in Texas and Oklahoma, where most of its restaurants are located, after oil prices dropped as the reason for its bankruptcy as they closed 25

of its locations.

Its original closure list included Idalou and Crosbyton, but the company sent out an updated list that indicates that those two stores will remain open.

Floydada DQ to Re-open



Kay Ellington/The Hesperian-Beacon

The Dairy Queen in Floydada is owned by William Hall & Company which also owns four other locations. The Floydada DQ has been remodeled and renovated throughout the summer and fall and is expected to reopen before year's end.

Bill Hall Franchise owns five Dairy Queens in Texas—including Floydada. Locals have seen them add new signage and outdoor seating, and many have

seen Facebook photos showing the newly remodeled interior.

According to a company spokesperson, they were almost ready to re-open but

decided to re-do the parking lot as well.

Company officials expect the Floydada DQ to open before year's end.

Lucy Dean Record



Courtesy photos

The Lockney Post Office will be honoring Lucy Dean Record with a special postmark on Thursday, Nov. 9. Record is being recognized for her many accomplishments including being chosen as the Academy of Western Artists Instrumentalist of the Year. The special postmark will be available all-day Thursday at the Lockney Post Office only. Refreshments will be served from 10:00 A.M. until 11:30 A.M. Record will be there to autograph the cancellations.

Floyd County Schools to Honor Vets Nov. 10

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada and Lockney schools continue a long-honored tradition this Friday, Nov. 10 with two special programs to honor active and retired men and women in all branches of the military who have served our country.

In Floydada the program begins at the Whirlwind Gym at 9 a.m. Valet parking will be available for the veterans.

According to Wayne Mor-

ren, Floydada High School principal, "This has been a tradition for 17 years, and we send out invitations to Floyd County veterans, but it's open to all veterans, and we'd like to recognize their service."

There will be refreshments afterwards.

At 10:30 a.m. on the Floyd County courthouse square, there will be a laying of the wreath to pay tribute to the ultimate sacrifice that many Floyd County veterans have made

for their country.

Across the county at Lockney according to superintendent Jim Baum, veterans' recognition gets underway with an 8:15 a.m. reception in the gym, and it will include student participation, a speaker and music.

Baum noted that if someone has a family member or friend that they would like recognized at the ceremony they can call the school office and get their name on the list.

Floydada man pleads guilty in court to federal marijuana charge

Compiled from media reports

A 33-year-old Floydada man faces up to five years in a federal prison after admitting Friday to trafficking marijuana in Lubbock.

Amado Morales Jr., who is out on bond, pleaded guilty before Magistrate Judge D. Gordon Bryant to a count of possession with intent to distribute marijuana.

As a part of his plea, prosecutors will dismiss a count of possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime and unlawful use of and addict to a controlled substance in possession of a firearm and ammunition.

Bryant allowed Morales

to remain on bond while he awaits a sentencing hearing before U.S. Senior District Judge Sam Cummings.

Morales was arrested Sept. 20, 2016, in connection with a May 2016 Lubbock County Sheriff's Office investigation that began when investigators were tipped off that he was trafficking marijuana in Lubbock.

A search of Morales' home in the 5500 block of 104th Street yielded six bricks of marijuana weighing about 9 pounds, 32 grams of cocaine and a 9 mm handgun and ammunition. As part of his plea deal with prosecutors, Morales is forfeiting the weapons.



Courtesy photo

Amado Morales faces up to five years in a federal prison after pleading guilty Friday to trafficking marijuana in Lubbock.

Morales reportedly told investigators he was receiving about 50 pounds of marijuana every two weeks from Esteban Garcia, who

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Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Please submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST FLOYDADA - REVIVAL

First United Methodist Church of Floydada will be having a Revival on Sunday, November 12 thru Wednesday, November 15. Reverend Ruby Moultrie will be the guest. Sunday worship will be at 6 p.m. Monday thru Wednesday - Meal at 6 p.m., Worship at 7 p.m.

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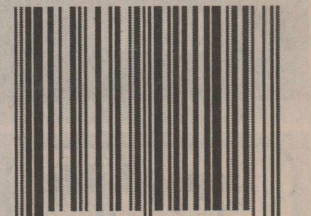
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Mangold Becomes 'Safe Baby Site'

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

W.J. Mangold Memorial Hospital is putting into place a new policy which designates the hospital as a safe baby drop-off point for new parents of infants less than 3 months old.

According to Trina Wilson, RN and Quality Assurance Assistant, "The Texas Legislature has strongly encouraged specific caregivers—fire departments, hospitals, and EMS services to provide this service."

If the parent, or caregiver, relinquishes the infant voluntarily and the child has suffered no injuries, then no charges of

abandonment are filed by law enforcement.

Mangold is posting signs at the ER entrance and at the front of the hospital which state "SAFE BABY SITE" and have a picture of a child being cradled in someone's arms. The sign means that a child's caregiver can bring the child into the facility and give the child to a nurse and the nurse will then follow hospital policy regarding the child.

"Hospitals can now contact CPS (Child Protective Services) within one day, and CPS will take over and place the child with CPS," Wilson said.

The "Safe Baby Site" policy is effective immediately at Mangold.

Lockney Salvation Army in need of donations

By Denise Doucette
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Lockney Salvation Army food pantry is needing donations for the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas season. All different kinds of canned goods, cereals, and soups,

would be appreciated.

You may bring your donation of canned goods to either Happy State Bank in Lockney or you may bring it to the Lockney Salvation Army Store, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

We are also needing warm

coats, sweaters and jackets for both adults and children as well as blankets.

The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 19th at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney at 6 p.m. Please come and enjoy this evening of fellowship.

The 501 Odometers are magic

It's not easy to get video footage of an odometer turning over from 99,999 to 100,000 - not if you're driving. In fact, if it's illegal for Texas drivers to text and drive, taking pictures with a cellphone probably is too - especially movies. So don't try it.

Yes, I've done it. Years ago my '66 Chevy truck was about to hit the six-digit mark somewhere out west on a semi-lonely stretch of US 287, and I just had to celebrate the moment. It's a family tradition.

Daddy always noted such milestone events by telling Mother and me when the odometer was about to roll over. Unrestricted by seatbelts, we'd slide toward the steering wheel to watch it happen in real time. If I was in the backseat, I'd stand and lean over his shoulder, my eyes on stems. Typically the row of numbers didn't turn neatly. They were like a marching band with a few players not quite in step, making me think it wasn't easy for the line of digits to execute a number they'd never done before. And then there it would be: 100,000, viewable for only a minute, assuming we were going sixty. We usually were.

Back to the old pickup. I was probably going about that speed when the odometer reached all nines. I slowed down some. Now that I think about it, my phone didn't take pictures back then. I had to use my

digital camera to shoot the important video. Safety-conscious, I pulled over onto the shoulder and stopped. That's when I realized I couldn't get the footage unless I kept rolling. Duh. So I started up again and managed to shoot 100,000 when the number dutifully rolled into view. Whew!

If I get that old truck to the 200,000-mile mark, I plan to have someone with me to take the perfunctory video. No doubt my own odometer will be past 100 at that point. It'll be hard enough to drive, much less multitask.

BACK TO THE PRESENT.

The odometer on our Ford pickup - old enough to be non-digital - reached a remarkable number last week. It went from 168,887 to 168,888 - remarkable only because the pickup wasn't running. In fact, we couldn't even get it started.

Amid clicking noises, the needle on the speedometer was going sporadically from zero to sixty in less than a second. Not bad for a diesel. Accordingly, the odometer was ticking off the mileage in tenths - six in all. The clicking and antics continued after we took the key out of the ignition switch. They only way to get the strange stuff to stop was to turn the ignition on. Odd.

And the truck still wouldn't start. Caught by surprise, I didn't get any video. Otherwise, I'd be posting it on Facebook and competing with all the cat stuff.

My theory is that the truck was observing Halloween. That's the day it happened. Maybe the mechanics will have a different idea. Or maybe some good voodoo.

After all, odometers are magic.

Western Texas College Announces "Quanah Parker" Dedication Ceremony

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

SNYDER— Western Texas College announced today that it will hold an official ceremony for the dedication of the bronze sculpture "Quanah Parker" by Abilene artist Terry Gilbreth on November 16, 2017, at 2 p.m. The ceremony is scheduled to take place at the sculpture located on the front of the Western Texas College campus near the flagpoles. The public is invited to attend.

The bronze sculpture was made possible through the Diamond M Foundation and the Western Texas College Foundation.

"We are grateful and humbled by this gift," said

Kat Neilson, Western Texas College Director of College Advancement.

Guests of honor at the ceremony will include members of the Parker family and artist Terry Gilbreth. Representatives from Western Texas College, the Quanah Parker Trail Committee, the Scurry County Historical Commission, and the Texas Heritage Trails Program will also be in attendance. A reception in the Scurry County Museum will follow the dedication.

A Comanche blessing will be offered by Bruce Parker and Don Parker during the ceremony.

"Placing a statue of Quanah Parker at Western Texas College materially manifests in

bronze the historical fact that Snyder and Scurry County were once part of Comancheria. Quanah Parker himself, a war chief of the Kwahada band and regarded by government officials as chief of the Comanche people, stood on the grounds of present-day Scurry County and in the vicinity of Snyder, Texas," noted Holle Humphries, facilitator for the Quanah Parker Trail in the Texas Plains Trail Region, a cultural heritage trail of the Texas Historical Commission.

According to Daniel Schlegel, Director of the Scurry County Museum in Snyder, Quanah Parker and his band of Indians now

The Paperboy Brazile rocks the DNC

"Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned."

I think that sentiment fits Donna Brazile concerning her new book, "Hacks: The Inside Story of the Break-ins and Breakdowns That Put Donald Trump in the White House."

Brazile has been on the warpath the last few weeks claiming the Democratic National Committee and the Clinton Campaign rigged the Democratic Primary last year.

Brazile went further saying Hillary Clinton highjacked the DNC monetarily.

She also claims President Obama had bankrupted the DNC.

Not only that, Brazile claims the DNC is filled with sexism and says her critics can "go to hell."

Last year during the Democratic National Convention Brazile said, "I'm feisty, and I'm ready to fight." If you've seen any interviews with her of late, she seems that way now more than ever.

Brazile left CNN last year when she was caught giving Clinton the questions to an upcoming debate. Something she said she was not sorry for.

Following the discovery that then DNC Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz was colluding with the Clinton Campaign, Brazile was tabbed to lead the DNC. That is when she discovered the secrets she revels in her book.

Brazile tells the story that many of us suspected all along - which was Bernie Sanders was ripped off and likely paid off to let Clinton break her glass ceiling.

However, as we all know, President Trump stunned the world leading to a change in government and most likely, massive changes to the DNC.

Democrats are angry and they're tired of losing elections. The problem is, they have no answers and no leadership.

Democrats have spent the last year playing identity politics and obstructing every facet of Trump's agenda. A complicit media has aided in their efforts.

Without a doubt, Brazile's accusations have thrown fuel on the dumpster fire that is the current state of the DNC. She even said she considered running Joe Biden and Cory Booker instead of Clinton-Kane after Clinton's fainting incident.

I'd like to know what Brazile's endgame here is. Is she making a leadership play? Is she trying to position herself for a White House run? Is she simply getting things out in the open so that positive changes can be made to the DNC?

Regardless of the answer, we continue to be entertained by the politics in Washington. This drama, complete with comedy, tragedy and suspense, is not going anywhere soon. Heck, Monday, I saw an ad about impeaching Trump over mental illness. I don't think that's an effective way to win. Perhaps Democrats would be better served finding more centrist candidates to run in elections.

You have to hand it to Brazile though. It takes guts to go against the Clinton machine. Right now, she seems fearless.

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Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

A true hero isn't measured by the size of his strength, but by the strength of his heart. —Hercules

Honor to the soldier and sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause. Honor, also, to the citizen who cares for his brother in the field and serves, as he best can, the same cause. —Abraham Lincoln

A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself. —Joseph Campbell

America's veterans embody the ideals upon which America was founded more than 229 years ago. —Steve Buyer

The battle, sir, is not to the strong alone; it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave. —Patrick Henry

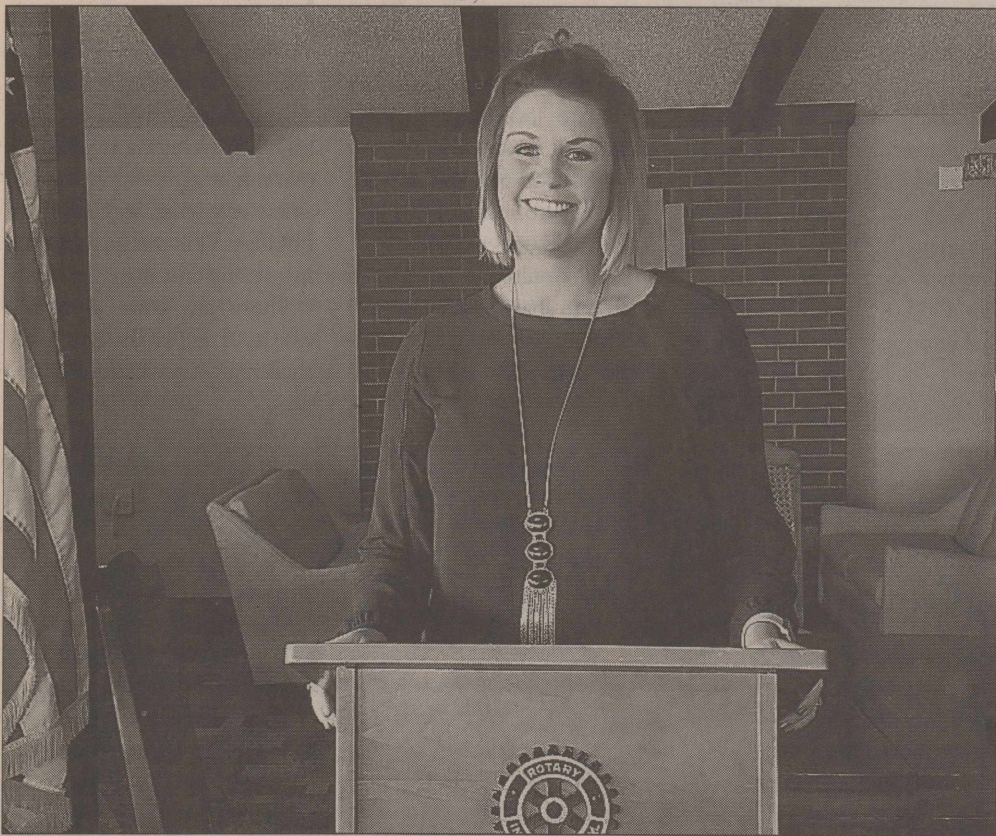
On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free. —Dan Lipinski

as Snyder for approximately a year after he eloped with Weekeah. Parker later wintered in the area while evading Philip Sheridan during the campaign to put Native Americans in camps in 1874-1875.

"At the turn of the century, Parker exemplified enlightened leadership by rising to meet the challenge of guiding his people to successfully survive and adapt to success straddling two worlds—that of the Comanche and that of the White Man," added Humphries. "It is only fitting that Western Texas College, an institution of higher learning, should see fit to honor such a leader of diverse ethnicity and background on its college campus in the hopes that its students can derive inspiration from seeing Quanah standing in their midst, every day."

SOCIETY

Floydada Rotary



Courtesy Photo

Rotarian Tom Farris brought Brianne Glasscock, President of the Caprock Hospital District to present the program on Wednesday, November 1. Mrs. Glasscock updated the club on the operation of the hospital district. The district is looking at building on to the current building to house another new ambulance. The hospital owns the clinic building also, which needs new flooring and parking lot paving. Long range goals are to build a building to house a minimum of three ambulances, and to tear down the old hospital building. The district is looking to take advantage of the windfall of the wind energy development. The hospital district was able to lower taxes this year.

Lockney Rotary



Courtesy Photo

Lesca Durham, of D & J Gin was asked by Keith Marble to present the program on October 27th at the Lockney Rotary Club. She shared that Lockney is a cotton town, "by that I mean Cotton plays a big part in our small community." Lesca also has taught swimming lessons in Lockney for 49 years. Being part of the marketing cotton business, a trade that is over 220 years old, is a job she has enjoyed for 28 years.

Healthy Cooking School Scheduled

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Are you looking for quick, easy, and healthy meals to serve your family? Then join us on Tuesday, November 14, for the Dinner Tonight Healthy Cooking School. This event will be held at the Ollie Liner Center, 2000 South Columbia in Plainview.

The cooking school is brought to you by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and will feature local county Extension agents demonstrating several recipes. In addition the event will showcase Celebrity Chef Jay Bendele, Executive Chef with Wayland Baptist University Dining Services.

Doors open at 5 p.m. and participants will have the opportunity to shop with a variety of area vendors. The cooking school will begin at 6 p.m. The cooking school will feature demonstrations of three easy and nutritious menus that can be prepared in 30 minutes or less. Each participant will be provided with recipe cards in the registration bags that are packed with a variety of items from our sponsors. The unique recipe cards contains 6 meal

plans, and all recipes include the entrée, sides, and dessert – perfect for busy families. They even come perforated so you can mix and match a variety of meal plans.

The registration fee is \$15 per person at the door. Please RSVP for the event by calling the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office in Hale County at 806-291-5270.

"While there are many groups that conduct cooking schools, we believe our Dinner Tonight Healthy Cooking School has a unique niche," states Amy Kress with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, a sponsor of the event. "Our recipes are cost effective, easy to prepare, and fit into a healthy meal plan. We are targeting busy people who still want to make time for meal preparation and feel good about what they are serving their families as well as themselves. Our goals are to promote family meal time and teach families healthy meal planning and food preparation techniques."

For additional information, contact Amy Kress at amy.kress@ag.tamu.edu, or call 806-983-4912.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Our 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!

MENU

- November 13 – 17**
 - Monday** – Smothered pork chops
 - Tuesday** – LuAnn's meat & potato casserole
 - Wednesday** – Meatloaf
 - Thursday** – Chicken fried steak
 - Friday** – BBQ chicken
- (Menus subject to change without notice)

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Here's important dates to mark on your November calendar.

November 12th- Second Sunday Lunch; November 20th- Bingo Night.

On November 18th, the Center will hold its 1st annual Fall Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Booths will include Sharp Edge – Sharpen scissors; Scentsy, Homemade soap and lip balm, Home décor, Bake sale, Photography, Pottery, Library, Homemade quilts, and much much more.

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

Not Available

Miracles Christmas Parade 2017

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Lubbock—The National Champion Texas Tech Cheer and Pom Squads have been named the Grand Marshalls for the 13th Annual Miracles Christmas Parade on December 9, 2017, down Lubbock's 34th Street, according to an announcement by Parade Chairman Jason Davis.

The colorful and exciting 20-member Cheer Squad and the 30-member Pom Squad captured their respective National Championships in April. It is their first national championships in school history.

The free, family-friendly nighttime lighted parade will start at 6:00pm at 34th and Ave Q and proceed west down 34th Street to Indiana

Avenue, according to Davis, Parade Chairman for the Wranglers, the volunteer producers and hosts for the annual Christmas season event.

The parade theme this year is "March of the Toys" and a crowd of more than 30,000 spectators are expected for the colorful parade. The purpose and goal of the parade is to bring cheer to every spectator, participant, and organizers, and to provide families and individuals an event that will continue to build lasting holiday memories for everyone. Historically, families assemble early and even picnic and tailgate as part of this event.

Parade information, participant rules and applications, are available on the web at See **PARADE**, Page 9

The time is now! Open enrollment is now in progress for all 2018 Medicare Part D prescription drug plans. Don't allow your choice to be persuaded by a sales person who is just looking to make a commission and doesn't have your best interest in mind. Call Justin at Payne Family Pharmacy in Floydada to get honest, accurate and complete information about the plan that is RIGHT for you. We have the best plan comparison tools in today's market. The deadline for signing up is December 7 so call today to set up a consultation, we look forward to helping you make the best decision about your prescription drug plan.

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CHURCH

UPCOMING

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LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

On November 18th, the Center will hold its 1st annual Fall Bazaar from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Booths will be 10x10 for \$25 each. If you would like more information on the booths please contact the Center 806-652-2745. There will be handmade crafts, retail vendors, much more!

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 19th at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney at 6 p.m. Please come and enjoy this evening of fellowship.

LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY

The Lockney Salvation Army food pantry is needing donations. Canned goods, cereals, and soups would be appreciated. Your donation of canned goods can be brought to either Happy State Bank in Lockney or the Lockney Salvation Army Store, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Also needing warm coats, sweaters and jackets for both adults and children as well as blankets.

ATTENTION!!! OLD SETTLER'S DATE CHANGE

The Old Settler's Association met and have voted on moving the Old Settler's Reunion to the 2nd Saturday of May. In 2018 the Old Settler's Reunion will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018.

First United Methodist Church Floydada to host Revival

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada First United Methodist Church will have a Revival each night beginning Sunday, November 12 through Wednesday, November 15 with Reverend Ruby Moultrie from Pampa, Texas. Sunday worship will start at 6 p.m. and Monday - Wednesday worships will begin at 7 p.m.

About Ruby Moultrie
Ruby has enjoyed loving and serving her Father God all of her life. She began singing in church at the age of three. She thought that would be her life of service forever. Because of that, she pursued music as a career receiving her Bachelor of Music degree from West Texas State University.

After only teaching two

years in Dimmitt, Texas, Ms. Moultrie enrolled at Southern Methodist University where she obtained a Masters in Vocal Performance as well as in Sacred Music.

After attending the Walk to Emmaus in 1995, she began another journey of service to her God. She answered the call into the spoken ministry in 2001. This "Call" has opened

several doors for her. But the one that she is most proud of is the door to love God more readily, to love yourself more easily, and to love others - anyone that God puts in her path. The ability to speak of this love is one filled with daily joy.

Rev. Moultrie is always so excited to share God's love and to remind others of the challenge that ends in HIS vic-

tory. "A call for revival," says Moultrie, "is always a time to celebrate who God is and to be reminded of HIS love for us." "We never know who it is that might get to know God in a new way when we dare share His love. Will this be your time to open up and share?"

Those are Rev. Moultrie's words. I guess she is already challenging us to come and see.

GUILTY

From Page 1

was arrested Sept. 7, 2016, in Lubbock on federal drug charges stemming from an investigation in El Paso. Morales also told investigators Garcia would supply him with ounces of cocaine on request.

Federal grand jurors in El Paso indicted Garcia, who owns a trucking company in Lubbock, in August 2016 on a felony drug distribution charge, according to court documents.

Court records show Garcia pleaded guilty on Jan. 13 at an El Paso federal court to a count of possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine and aiding and abetting and was sentenced on Sept. 23 to 70 months in federal prison. He was allowed to remain on bond and was ordered to surrender to the Bureau of Prisons by Nov. 17.



Courtesy photo

Seth Byrd, Texas AgriLife Extension cotton specialist at Lubbock, counts cotton bolls at his field trial in Halfway at the Halfway/Helms Farm.

West Texas cotton crop delayed but growers hopeful

By Shelley E. Huguley
Southwest Farm Press

Weather: It can be a producer's best friend or a worst enemy. For cotton producers on the Texas Plains, September and October's cool, cloudy, and for many, wet weather, may have temporarily damp-

ened hopes of a bumper crop, but forecasts for sunshine and temperatures in the 70s and 80s, had producers hopeful about the harvest.

"There's certainly some optimism about crop prospects now that we're getting a pretty decent October," says Texas AgriLife Extension Cotton

Specialist Seth Byrd at Lubbock. "So, whether it's maturing bolls or taking advantage of the weather to apply harvest aids, that's the kind of opportunity that presents itself with good weather."

But in spite of the sunshine, this fall's cloudy, wet spell has raised questions about the ma-

turity of the crop, especially in some of the northern areas of the High Plains, where temperatures dropped below freezing in early October.

"The big question is, what has this done to the ultimate maturity in the quality of the crop, especially in our north-

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

Finding a Friend

Jesus said, "I don't call you servants any longer, because servants don't know what their master is doing. Instead, I call you friends, because everything I heard from my Father I have made known to you." —John 15:15 (CEB)

While on an extended vacation, I made a point to visit an old Navy buddy I hadn't seen in years. I was surprised to find that we connected just like we had many years ago. Sharing our experiences was a joy.

Beginning a relationship with Jesus is something like that. It's like rekindling a friendship that we have missed for a long time. When it happens, we realize that we should have made this friendship long ago. Jesus is our friend, but he is so much more. He has walked where we walk and has experienced the

troubles that can enter our lives. Not only does he know what we are going through, he promises to fill us with a joy that we can find nowhere else.

But we can miss opportunities to connect with God through Jesus. There are so many things that can get in the way — the busyness of life, the draw of constant entertainment, a culture that often discourages thoughtful connection with God. Just as the visit to my friend required action, it takes action on our part to connect with God. Jesus has been seeking us from the very beginning, but it is up to us to look and listen to find him. Today's reading is a wonderful place to start.

—Dave Caswell (Arkansas)

Thought for the Day: I always have a friend in Jesus.

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| <p>Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>First Baptist Church Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Ron Montgomery, 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. *****</p> <p>First Baptist Church Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor Chad Cook, Youth Min. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.</p> | <p>Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>New Salem Primitive Baptist Church Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m. *****</p> <p>Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church 310 Mississippi Floydada Rev David Ramos, Pastor</p> | <p>Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible - 10 a.m. Morning Praise - 11 a.m. Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>San Jose Catholic Church Lockney Fr. Arockia Dhass Jeganathan Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study 10 a.m. - Mass Wed. - 6 p.m. - Faith Formation - CYO to follow Thurs. - 6:30 pm - Evening Mass *****</p> <p>South Plains Baptist Church Dan Beaty, Pastor Sunday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. *****</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>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. *****</p> <p>West Side Church of Christ Floydada 983-2672 Or 470-0950 Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.</p> |
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AGRICULTURE

Cotton harvest begins, low mic a concern

By Shelley E. Huguley
Southwest Farm Press

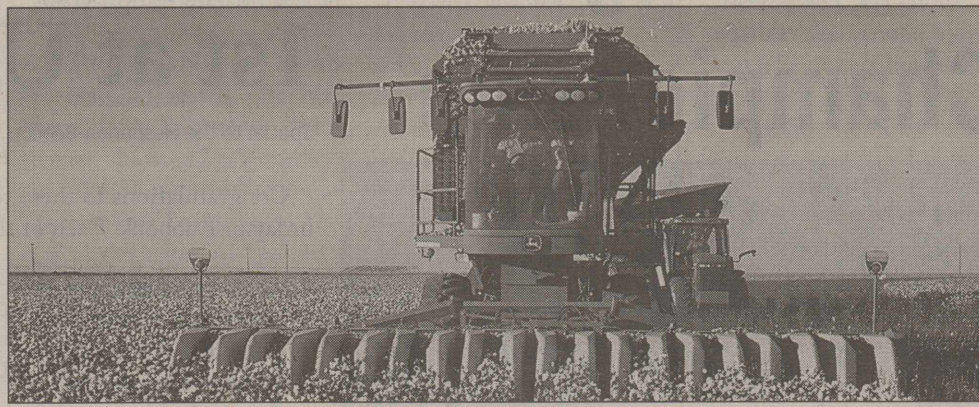
Cotton harvest on the South Plains is underway. The 2017 cotton season will easily go down as a roller-coaster year, with weather dictating some of the highs and lows growers have endured. What looked to be a promising crop in August was dampened by weeks of cool, cloudy and for many, wet weather, at the end of August extending into October. Concerns of the crop's maturity were somewhat silenced by mid-October's warmer temperatures and sunshine. But lower grades and gin turnout have some producers concerned—once again.

"Yields looked promising," says Preston Huguley, a Lamb County producer, who had his first cotton crop of the season stripped last week. "But, the micronaire on the cotton I've had ginned so far is lower than what I'd hoped for. Low mic is one of

the biggest problems we often deal with in West Texas, so it's been in the back of my mind, but I was hoping it would turn out better than it has so far."

Timing has been a major factor in the maturity of this year's cotton crop, whether that was the less than ideal weather or the premature application of harvest aids, according to Randy Redinger, location manager at Crop Production Services, Olton.

"Well, I definitely feel like the cool, wet weather that occurred in the last half of August and basically through the month of September, has had an effect on the maturity of the crop, at least what's been harvested so far," says Redinger. "I think there was some of this cotton that maybe harvest aids were applied a little too early, and I think that is affecting those producer's grades. Lack of maturity in cotton definitely affects their micronaire, and it's lower than what we would want as far as our base



Courtesy photo

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numbers."

Some of the earlier opened bolls aren't making the grade either. "Also, the open cotton that was out there during that cool, wet spell, some of it is coming back 'light spot' or 'spot,' which is staining from the wet weather. And that, of course, lowers the grade."

Redinger says another indicator of the immaturity of this cotton can be seen at the gin. "The gin turnouts have been lower than what we'd like them to be." An

acceptable gin turnout on burr-extracted cotton would be around 32-36 percent, but Redinger says growers are reporting 28-29 percent on some of the earlier harvested cotton, a deduction that is ultimately costing them money.

"So, those are all indicators of lack of maturity in the cotton," says Redinger.

But just as timing has been this crop's foe, it has also been its friend. Days of warm and sunny weather allowed for continued maturation of some of the crop, while also enabling for a more timely harvest aid application. Redinger expects grades, as harvest progresses from this point, to be better and gin turnouts to be higher.

As producers and cotton harvest crews continue harvest, Cotton Incorporated reminds everyone of the following safety measures:

Always read and understand the operator's manual for the equipment you are about to operate. Pay special attention to safety concerns and follow all safety procedures to prevent injury or death.

Operate harvesting machinery at appropriate speeds, taking into account ground conditions and slope.

Harvesting equipment is often "top-heavy." Do not dump harvesters on sloping ground, in high winds, near electrical lines, or while moving. Make sure the rear axle stabilizer system works before dumping.

Always keep a fully charged fire extinguisher on harvesting equipment. If you detect a basket fire in time, dump the load on the ground and move the harvester away quickly. Never try to extinguish a fire from inside the basket.

At least once a day, clean seed cotton, lint, and trash from the engine compartment and other heat sources on your harvester. Keep these areas clean, and you will

greatly reduce the chance of machine fires.

Always install mechanical cylinder stops or blocks before you perform maintenance on row units, under raised baskets, or under other hydraulically controlled systems. Stops and blocks will prevent the systems from lowering unexpectedly.

Wear close-fitting clothing and pay close attention when you work around harvesting equipment. Before you get near any moving part, make sure the parking brake is set and the engine is shut off.

following summaries:
SOUTH PLAINS: Topsoil and subsoil moisture levels continued to be saturated due to overcast and wet conditions. The area received another 0.5 inch to 1 inch of rain. Cotton maturity levels slowed due to lack of heat units and a warm October is needed to finish the cotton crop out. Dryland bolls are mostly open. The peanut harvest continued to be delayed due to wet conditions. Planting for winter wheat was also delayed due to weather conditions. Sorghum continued to mature but the corn and sorghum harvest halted as over 2.5 to 3 inches of rain had accumulated over the past two weeks. Pasture and rangeland benefited from the recent rain and cattle were in good condition.

PANHANDLE: Temperatures were near normal for the most part and some moisture was received in most areas of the region at the first and last of the week. Soil moisture was rated mostly adequate. In Hall County the rains helped wheat farmers but hindered cotton producers as more heat units were needed. Cattle and pastures looked good, while terraces and county roads suffered due to record rains. In the Lipscomb County area, mycotoxin levels in corn was a problem. Ochiltree County rain halted pretty much all farming and harvest activities.

Early Freeze Threatens High Plains Cotton

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

A front packing a particularly cold punch moved through the Texas High Plains late Thursday night and early Friday morning, setting up the likely potential for the region's first widespread hard killing freeze of the 2017 crop year.

The average first freeze date for Lubbock is October 31, but thanks to a cool, cloudy late September and early October, boll development in many fields was slowed significantly. According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service's Texas Crop Progress and Condition report released Monday, only 80 percent of bolls were open statewide as of last week, compared with 89 percent in the previous year. Warmer temperatures over the past week likely helped boost that number some, but many growers still were hoping for a little more time to finish out their crop. In some years, a freeze hasn't occurred in the Lubbock area until mid-November.

However, for those with cotton that has finished maturing, a freeze could be beneficial and help some growers save additional input costs on harvest aid applications.

"The impact of this freeze remains to be seen, but it certainly could impact yield and quality," PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said.

In other weather-related impact news, hail and high winds damaged and destroyed cotton in fields in portions of the PCG service area last weekend. Photos posted to social media showed cotton completely dropped out of the burr and on the ground in the McAdoo area, in northern Dickens County. Damage also was reported in the Welch area and westward into Gaines County.

The season's first quality reports have been released from the Lubbock, Lamesa and Abilene offices. In Lubbock, 46,370 samples were classed this past week bringing the season total for this office to 49,661. More than half of the samples were color grade 31 or 32, indicating some light spotted color. For the season so far, average leaf is 3.1, average length is 35.87, and average micronaire is 3.64.

Efforts Continue on Cotton Assistance

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

Harvest is well under way and although discussion surrounding the next farm bill is beginning to intensify, cotton producers facing factors beyond their control are hoping for more immediate assistance for the 2017 crop year.

Texas Governor Greg Abbott was in Washington, DC this week and met with several members of Congress, the USDA and the Office of Management and Budget, and thanks to the efforts of Plains Cotton Growers and Texas Sen. Charles Perry, who serves as Chairman of the Texas Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs, Gov. Abbott carried a letter with him that outlined the need for disaster assistance, including a Cotton Ginning Cost Share Program for the 2017 crop year.

The letter specifically asked for the following:

--Additional flexibility for the Secretary to use Com-

modity Credit Corporation (CCC) and Section 32 funds to provide relief as has been successfully done in response to previous disasters;

--Adequate funding to fill the backlog of existing disaster programs such as Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-raised fish (ELAP), Emergency Conservation Program (ECP), Emergency Watershed Program (EWP), or other similar programs to aid producers recovering from Hurricane Harvey;

--Operation of the Cotton Ginning Cost Share Program (CGCS) for the 2017 crop year, as was used in 2015. A disproportionate share of direct losses were borne by cotton producers in the Coastal Bend due to Harvey and in additional cotton states as a result of other hurricanes. These negative impacts were felt across the entire industry, thus an industry-wide program would be appropriate, and;

--Consideration of retroac-

tive changes to existing programs where limitations have affected their efficacy or the provision for alternative methods of delivering assistance where current programs are insufficient to respond to this historic disaster event.

"Cotton growers across the Cotton Belt are dealing with numerous challenges to their operations, and we're doing everything we can to effectively advocate for them and work to secure some assistance," PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett said.

The letter was addressed to House Speaker Paul Ryan, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, USDA Secretary Sonny Perdue and OMB Director Mick Mulvaney. Copies also were sent to the Texas Congressional delegation.

Plains Cotton Growers greatly appreciates the collaborative work with Chairman Perry and Governor Abbott in advocating for much needed assistance for the agriculture industry and cotton producers in Texas.

Key Textile Customers Tour Cotton Belt

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon from the National Cotton Council

Textile manufacturing executives representing 15 countries visited the U.S. Cotton Belt to get a better understanding of why U.S. cotton is the cotton the world trusts. Twenty-five international textile executives, from 25 different companies, participated in this 40th COTTON USA Orientation Tour.

The purpose of the Orientation Tour is to provide participants with an overall understanding of the U.S. cotton industry and introduce them to new business contacts to grow their purchases of U.S. cotton. As a result of the Orientation Tour, 100% of the participants expect to purchase additional cotton in the next year. In total, they anticipate purchasing almost 930,000 additional bales of U.S. cotton.

CCI President Eduardo L. (Eddy) Esteve said this long-standing CCI event "provided our industry members the opportunity to enhance relationships with some of U.S. cotton's best global customers. These customers got a closer look at COTTON USA and saw how we are working

to grow the highest quality, cleanest fiber in the world in the most sustainable manner."

On post-event surveys, all of the respondents said they felt the Orientation Tour provided them an opportunity to learn more about COTTON USA and to learn more about the U.S. cotton industry. Some 95 percent felt the Orientation Tour provided them an opportunity to develop new business contacts and relationships.

When asked how familiar they were with COTTON USA, 62 percent of the participant responded they were very familiar (38 percent somewhat familiar). This is in contrast to 40 percent who responded they were very familiar prior to the Tour.

The Orientation Tour included executives from Bangladesh, China, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Pakistan, Peru, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and Vietnam. The manufacturers are expected to consume about 2.6 million bales in 2017, and the U.S. market share with them is estimated at about 43 percent. The countries represented on this year's tour consume about 100 million cotton bales per

year in their textile mills, which represents about 85 percent of the world's cotton consumption.

The Tour participants visited a cotton farm in West Texas, observed cotton research in North Carolina and Mississippi, and toured the USDA cotton classing office in Bartlett, Tennessee. They met with exporters in the four major Cotton Belt regions and got briefings from CCI; the NCC; Cotton Incorporated; the American Cotton Shippers Association; the Texas Cotton Association; the Lubbock Cotton Exchange; AM-COT; the American Cotton Producers; the Delta Council; the Southern Cotton Growers Association; Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.; the Western Cotton Shippers Association; and Supima.

Nearly 900 textile executives from more than 60 countries have participated in CCI's biennial Orientation Tour, which was initiated in 1968. Major Tour objectives are to increase U.S. cotton customers' awareness of the types/qualities of U.S. cotton, help them gain a better understanding of U.S. marketing practices and enhance their relationships with U.S. exporters.

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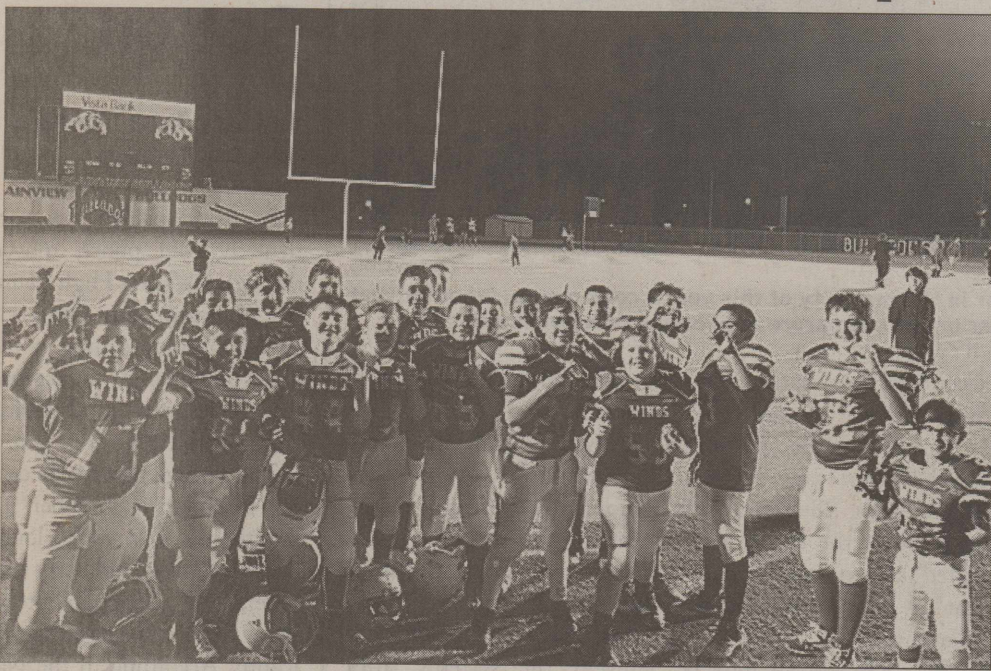
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SCHOOL NEWS

Floydada Wins Tiger League Championship



Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

The 5th/6th grade Whirlwind Tiger League team won the Plainview YMCA League championship by defeating the Plainview Cornhuskers by a score of 30-6 on Saturday

night at Bulldog Stadium.

They finished the year with a record of 9-0. This is a great group of young men who worked hard to bring home the championship to Floydada!

The future is bright for Floydada football!

Floydada Students Win 1st at UIL in Lubbock

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Congratulations to these teams that competed at the Willie McCool UIL Meet last Saturday in Lubbock. Each of these teams were 1st place winners.

Calculator Applications

Whitley Nutt - coach
Jose Lira
Steffani Chavarria
Kianna Brown
Lindsey Marquez

Computer Applications

Tasha Hughes - coach
Allison Orr
Kortney Campbell
Javier Olvera

Current Issues & Events

Tommy Rambo - coach
Jonah Trevino
Dylan Zavala
Dusty Prisk

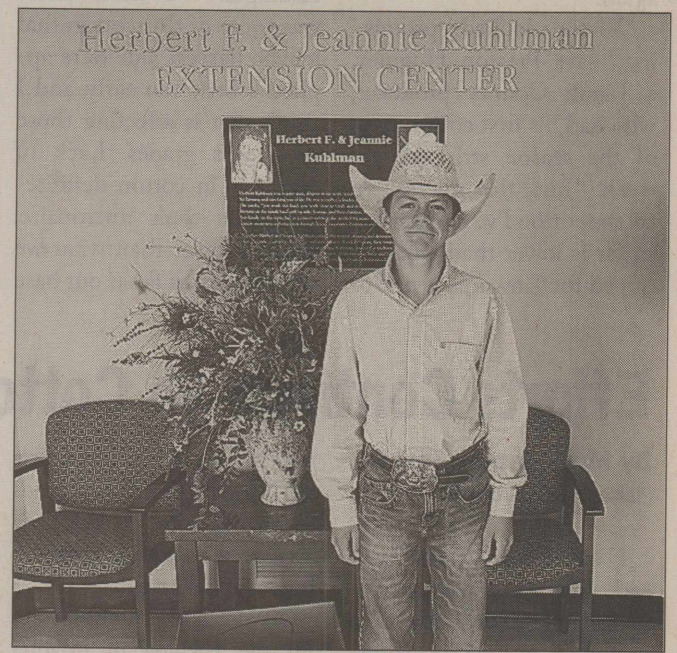
4-H'ers recognized at Big 5 Horse Show Banquet

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Congratulations to Jack Brooks, Preslie Brooks, McKinzee Scott and Madison Scott on being recognized at the end of year Big 5 Horse Show Association Banquet on October 15th at the Randall County Extension Office.

These exhibitors showed in at least three Big 5 Horse Shows in order to earn year end points. Jack earned Champion and Reserve Champion Stock Horse in the 12-14 age division on his horses "Bug" and "Bear." These kids competed in various events including speed classes, stock horse classes and western classes.

Also, congratulations to Jack Brooks for placing 13th All Around Youth at the



JACK BROOKS

Stock Horse of Texas World Championship Show in Abilene in October.

This marks the end of the

horse show season for 2017. Congratulations to all Floyd County horse participants on a job well done.

Longhorns keep playoff hopes alive

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

RALLS - Lockney needed a victory over the Ralls Jackrabbits to keep their playoff hopes alive and they held on to secure a 28-21 District 2-2A-D2 victory and force a showdown with Crosbyton for the final spot in the playoffs.

Ralls lit up the scoreboard first when Jerry Flores scored on a 50-yard run to make it 7-0 with 11:00 left in the first quarter. With 7:02 left in the quarter, Chris Emert hit Israel Cuellar for an eight-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at 7-7. With 5:24 left in the quarter, Emert connected with Bryson Walker for a 22-yard touchdown pass to make it 14-7 after one quarter.

In the second quarter, Ralls scored with 11:06 left in the half when Abel VanGundy connected with Abraham VanGundy for a 21-yard touchdown pass to make it 14-13 in favor of Lockney at the half.

Lockney struck early in the third quarter when Emert

hit Walker with a 20-yard touchdown pass to make it 21-13 with 11:00 left in the quarter. With 5:13 left in the third, Noel Cenicerros scored on a three-yard run to give the Longhorns a 28-13 lead headed into the final quarter.

In the fourth quarter, Ralls tried to make a comeback when Abel VanGundy scored on a one-yard run to make it 28-21 Lockney with 9:16 left in the game. The Longhorns managed to hold off the Jackrabbits the rest of the way and claimed their first district victory of the season, winning 28-21.

Offensively, Lockney had 285 total yards including 193 passing yards and 92 rushing yards. Ralls had 304 total yards including 86 passing yards and 218 rushing yards.

Individually for Lockney, Emert was 18-31 passing for 193 yards and three touchdowns. Emert had eight carries for 43 yards, Cuellar had 12 carries for 43 yards and Cenicerros had two carries for six yards and a touchdown. Walker had six catches for 65 yards and two touchdowns, Cuellar had six catches for

58 yards and a touchdown, Shawn Marquez had four catches for 31 yards, Sebastian Perez had one catch for 23 yards and Alex Garcia had one catch for 16 yards.

Individually for Ralls, Abel VanGundy was 7-17 for 86 yards and one touchdown. Flores had 20 carries for 122 yards and a touchdown, Abel VanGundy had nine carries for 41 yards, Kaleb Salazar had 11 carries for 30 yards and Xerekk Yocom had two carries for 25 yards. Abraham VanGundy had two catches for 47 yards and a touchdown, Salazar had four catches for 38 yards and Yocom had one catch for one yard.

Lockney improves to 2-7 overall and 1-3 in district and Ralls falls to 3-6 overall and 0-4 in district. In district action, Clarendon (9-0, 4-0) defeated Memphis (5-4, 2-2) 22-8 and Wellington (8-1, 4-0) defeated Crosbyton (4-5, 1-3) 56-13.

Lockney hosts Crosbyton with the winner claiming the fourth district playoff spot. Ralls travels to Memphis and Clarendon travels to Wellington for the district title.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU November 13-17

Monday

Breakfast - Breakfast on a stick, cereal, fresh fruit selection, milk
Lunch - Chicken nuggets w/roll, cheeseburger, Crispy tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Cinnamon Toast Crunch, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Beef nachos, pepperoni pizza, seasoned refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast - Whole grain apple frudel, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Savory meatball sub, classic pepperoni pizza, crispy Tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday

Breakfast - Egg, cheese, turkey sausage breakfast burrito, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Chicken alfredo rotini, cheeseburger, spiced green beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast - Sausage breakfast pizza, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch - Country fried steak potato bowl w/roll, cheese pizza, mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU November 13-17

Monday

Breakfast - Early Bird Sandwich or Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Enchiladas or Taquito, Charro Beans, Corn, Salsa, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Crisp, Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Breakfast - Chicken & Biscuit or PBJ, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Meatball Sub or Chili Cheese Combo, Veggie Cup, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 15

Breakfast - Biscuit & Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon or Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Apple Slices, Milk

Thursday, Nov. 16

Breakfast - Pancake Wrap, Yogurt or Graham Crackers & Cheese Stick, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Pizza & Corn or Fiesta Bowl, Garden Salad, Cherry Tomatoes, Fruity Gelatin, Milk

Friday, Nov. 17

Breakfast - Cinnamon Roll or Biscuit or Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Hamburger or Frito Pie, Garnish, Salsa, Cucumbers, Carrots, Applesauce, Cookies, Milk

AREA TEAMS WRAPUP & SCHEDULES

DISTRICT 2-2A-1

Week 10 Results
SUNDOWN 49, FLOYDADA 14
HALE CENTER 29, OLTON 24
NEW DEAL 41, ABERNATHY 20

| District 2-2A-1 | OVERALL | | DISTRICT | |
|--------------------|---------|---|----------|---|
| | W | L | W | L |
| #New Deal | 9 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| #Abernathy | 8 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| #Sundown | 8 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| Floydada | 3 | 6 | 1 | 3 |
| Hale Center | 6 | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| Olton | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 |

#Clinched Playoff spot

Week 11 Schedule

FLOYDADA vs CROSBYTON
SUNDOWN vs NEW DEAL
ABERNATHY vs HALE CENTER

AREA TEAMS

Week 10 Results
Canyon Randall 35, PLAINVIEW (3-6, 2-4) 7
SILVERTON (5-3, 1-1) 53, Hedley 0
VALLEY (8-1, 2-0) 60, Groom 0
MOTLEY COUNTY (7-2, 2-0) 67, Wilson 0
PETERSBURG (4-4, 1-1) 46, Southland 0
Ropes 54, LORENZO (7-2, 1-1) 6
PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (5-5) 81, Holy Cross 36

DISTRICT 2-2A-2

Week 10 Results
LOCKNEY 28, RALLS 21
WELLINGTON 56, CROSBYTON 13
CLARENDON 22, MEMPHIS 8

| District 2-2A-2 | OVERALL | | DISTRICT | |
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| | W | L | W | L |
| #Clarendon | 9 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| #Wellington | 8 | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| #Memphis | 5 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Crosbyton | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Lockney | 1 | 8 | 1 | 3 |
| Ralls | 3 | 6 | 0 | 4 |

#Clinched Playoff spot

Week 11 Schedule

LOCKNEY vs CROSBYTON
WELLINGTON vs CLARENDON
MEMPHIS vs RALLS

AREA TEAMS

Week 11 Schedule
PLAINVIEW (3-6, 2-4) vs Canyon
SILVERTON (5-3, 1-1) at Groom
VALLEY (8-1, 2-0) vs Hedley
MOTLEY COUNTY (7-2, 2-0) at Southland
PETERSBURG (4-4, 1-1) at Wilson
PATTON SPRINGS has forfeited the season
LORENZO (7-2, 1-01) vs Meadow
PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (5-5) at WF Wichita Christian

Roughnecks rough up Whirlwinds

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Sundown capitalized on five Floydada Whirlwinds turnovers as they took home a 49-14 District 2-2A-D1 victory, securing the Roughnecks at least third seed in the District.

Sundown scored first, with 10:42 left in the first quarter, Zach Smith score on a seven-yard run to make it 7-0. With 5:41 left in the quarter, Christian Huey scored on a three-yard run to make it 15-0. Floydada scored their first points of the night when Rosendo Reyna scored on a seven-yard run with 1:10 left in the quarter to make it 15-7 in favor of the Roughnecks.

In the second quarter, the Roughnecks scored with 5:57 left in the quarter on a two-yard run by Huey to make it 22-7. With 57 seconds left, Huey hit Isaac Hernandez for a 36-yard touchdown

pass to make it 29-7. Huey scored on a 23-yard run with 32 seconds left in the half to give Sundown a 36-7 half-time lead.

The only points in the third quarter came when Huey hit Z. Smith with a 21-yard touchdown with 4:56 left in the quarter to make it 43-7.

In the fourth quarter, with 6:44 left in the game, Reyna scored the Whirlwinds last points of the night on a two-yard run to make it 43-14. With 5:52 left in the game, the Roughnecks scored the final points of the game when Hernandez scored on a 26-yard run to give the Sundown Roughnecks a 49-14 victory.

"Not being able to score at the end of the first half and giving up two scores late in the second quarter was the turning point of the game," Head Coach Todd Bandy said.

Offensively, Floydada had

324 total yards including 98 passing yards and 226 rushing yards. Sundown had 489 total yards including 283 passing yards and 206 rushing yards.

Individually for Floydada, Andrew Vega was 6-16 passing for 98 yards. Reyna had 39 carries for 180 yards and two touchdowns, Cutter Smith had eight carries for 20 yards, Vega had seven carries for 10 yards and Miguel Pena had one carry for six yards. Caden Britt had two receptions for 52 yards, Michael Delafuente had one catch for 26 yards, C. Smith had one catch for 10 yards and Gerry Reyes had two catches for 10 yards.

Individually for Sundown, Huey was 15-24 for 256 yards and two touchdowns and Z. Smith was 1-1 for 27 yards. Rock Thomas had five carries for 55 yards, Huey had

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11 carries for 51 yards and three touchdowns, Abraham Bocanegra had three carries for 37 yards, Steven Quintanilla had one carry for 32 yards, Hernandez had one carry for 26 yards and a touchdown and Z. Smith had three carries for five yards and a touchdown.

Floydada falls to 3-6 overall and 1-3 in district and Sundown improves to 8-1 overall and 3-1 in district. In other District action, New Deal (9-0, 4-0) defeated Abernathy (8-1, 3-1) 41-20 and Hale Center (6-3, 1-3) defeated Olton (3-6, 0-4) 29-24.

Floydada travels to Olton, Hale Center travels to Abernathy and New Deal travels to Sundown. A Floydada victory gives the Whirlwinds the fourth seed out of the district.

"We must come out and control the game from the beginning to the end," Bandy said.

Bandy recognized Reyna as the offensive player of the game for his 180 yards rushing which put him over 1,000 yards for the season.

"It's a credit to the entire offense for Rosendo to get 1,000 yards rushing," Bandy said.

SPC to offer new NRA Defensive Pistol course

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer the new NRA Defensive Pistol course Nov. 11 (Saturday) in the Law Enforcement Technology building on the Levelland campus. The class begins at 9 a.m. and includes breaks every hour as well as a one-hour break for lunch.

Space is limited, and students should pay in advance. The course runs eight to 10 hours, depending on the number and skill level of the students, and costs \$90. Students will need a pistol, strong-side holster, two extra magazines

or speed loaders, and 150 rounds of ammunition.

Participants will need a cover garment because all shots are fired after drawing the pistol from a concealed holster. Ear and eye protection is provided for students who do not have their own.

The goal of the course is to prepare students to carry and use a concealed pistol ethically, responsibly and with confidence. The course assumes that students have or plan to get a Concealed Handgun License. Students should have completed an NRA Basic Pistol Shooting, Basic Personal Protection in the Home or

License To Carry course to be eligible. This is not a course to teach beginners how to shoot a pistol.

Lesson modules include firearm safety and responsible, ethical use of the firearm; basic principles of concealment; presenting the pistol and re-holstering; mental awareness; techniques for avoiding life-threatening confrontations; the psychological and physiological changes that may occur during an attack; flash sight picture; the use of cover and concealment; reloading under stress; immediate action drills; moving off the line

of attack; as well as the pros and cons of pocket pistols for concealed carry.

The range portion will include at least 70 shots on targets at varying distances, and students must pass a final qualification course which includes reloads and immediate action drills. The course is completely objective based; students will pass or fail depending on how well they have learned what is being taught, not on the basis of a written test.

To register for the class, call Kasey Reyes at 806.716.2341 or email her at kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.

Football Contest Standings Week 9

THIS WEEKS TOTAL

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|-----------------|-------|---------|
| Brent Sanders | 18/25 | 166/224 |
| Lanny Barnett | 18/25 | 165/224 |
| Roel Cisneros | 17/25 | 164/224 |
| Pam Fulton | 16/25 | 162/224 |
| Coy LaBaume | 15/25 | 162/224 |
| Renee Armstrong | 19/25 | 159/224 |
| Ricky Ascencio | 14/25 | 157/224 |
| Boyd Lee | 17/25 | 156/224 |
| Diego Ascencio | 17/25 | 150/224 |
| Paul Lopez | 18/25 | 142/224 |
| Steve Stringer | 10/25 | 112/224 |

SPC Foundation announces new scholarship for business students

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – To the customers and staff at Aim-Bank Levelland, Juneta Hopper Mitchell was a treasure. Not only did she put the needs of her customers first, she knew the value of good customer service.

In recognition of her career in the banking industry, Aim-Bank Levelland recently gave \$10,000 to the Board of Directors of the South Plains College Foundation to create the Juneta Mitchell Memorial Scholarship in her memory. The scholarship will benefit South Plains College students majoring in banking related business. Preference will be given to graduates of Hockley County high schools.

According to Chad Alexander, Market President, Mrs.

Mitchell worked for more than 40 years in the banking business. In 1972, she started as a loan secretary at Levelland State Bank. She became a loan officer in 1974. She remained a loan officer for many years and through several ownership changes. She along with other local individuals formed a group in 2003 to purchase the former First National Bank of Littlefield in 2003 which was renamed AimBank. She served as Executive Vice President for AimBank in addition to serving on the Board of Directors for the bank and holding company of Aim Bancshares, Inc.

"AimBank is excited about establishing this scholarship in her honor," Alexander said. "It made sense to partner with South Plains College because she took classes there and the college has a wonderful reputa-

tion. She climbed the ladder of success and we want the scholarship to help somebody locally because she wouldn't have wanted it any other way."

Mrs. Mitchell grew up in Midland and graduated from Midland High School. She attended South Plains College. She studied banking and marketing at the University of Colorado. She later took education courses at Texas Tech University. She married Roger E. Mitchell in 1961. He preceded her in death. The couple had one son, Rann (Kellie) Mitchell of Levelland.

"My mother was always working," Rann Mitchell said. "She enjoyed spending time in the community, but her favorite hobby was 'work, work and more work.'"

Mrs. Mitchell was involved with many service organiza-

tions including the children's Protective Services, the Hockley County Senior Citizens, Levelland Chamber of Commerce, Levelland Ambassadors, the Salvation Army, the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association. Mrs. Mitchell died Aug. 15, 2017.

"I would like this scholarship to help somebody in business like banking or maybe Ag because she was an Ag lender," Rann Mitchell said. "She liked helping ranchers and farmers."

For more information on the scholarship, to make a donation or for more information about ways to support scholarships and students at South Plains College, please contact Julie Gerstenberger, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at (806) 716-2020.

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Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

Any subscriber or purchaser, age 7 or older, is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week, per person. Entrants **MUST** play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

There is NO COST to play in the contest.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form to the left.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries **WILL NOT** be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 5 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$100.

Second place will be awarded \$75.

Third place will be awarded \$50.

Floyd Co. Sheriff's crime report

September 1st

Sheriff Raissez was dispatched to a crash that occurred South of Muncy on US Hwy 70 where a vehicle struck a deer that was crossing the roadway.

Deputy responded to a two-vehicle crash that occurred in the 300 Block of SW 3rd Street. The vehicle that caused the accident made a sharp turn and collided with the second vehicle that stopped at a yield sign. The driver that caused the crash was issued two citations for No driver license and Failure to give one half of the roadway.

September 4th

Deputy was dispatched to a Crash that occurred on FM 97 and TX 207. The vehicle was traveling west on FM 97 when it drove straight through the T intersection and through a barbed wire fence.

September 2nd

Deputy arrested Chico Robert Gonzales 28, of Lockney on an outstanding warrant out of Hale County for Driving While Intoxicated. Gonzales was transported to the Hale County Jail.

September 7th

Deputy responded to the 100 block of West Washington Street about some vandalism that occurred to the Complainants vehicle during the night. The complainant advised the Deputy that someone had punctured the tires to her car. A suspect has been identified in this case.

September 9th

Deputy arrested Guadalupe Gonzales 30, of Floydada on an outstanding warrant for Motion to Revoke- Possession of a Controlled Substance

September 10th

Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 700 Block of FM 378 when the Deputy approached the driver side door he could smell a strong odor of marijuana. When the Deputy searched the vehicle, he located a useable amount of marijuana in a pill bottle in the passenger compartment.

September 12th

Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 400 Block of East Locust for a traffic violation. The driver of the vehicle exited the vehicle and was ordered to get back into the car but disobeyed the Deputy. The Deputy attempted to detain the driver. The driver pulled away from the Deputy. The driver was Identified as Leonardo Martinez 52, of Lockney and was arrested for Resisting Arrest.

September 15th

Deputy along with Lockney EMS responded to a crash that occurred on FM 2286. Where a vehicle collided with a horse that was on the roadway. The driver of the car was taken out by Lockney Fire and transported to WJ Mangold with moderate injuries.

Deputy was dispatched to a crash that had occurred on Shurbet Street and US Hwy 70. The motorcycle rider swerved to avoid colliding with a stray dog and lost control. The rider and motorcycle slid across US Hwy 70 and came to rest in the median. The motorcyclist was taken to WJ Mangold Memorial by private vehicle where he was treated and released.

September 19th

Deputy arrested James Jimenez 30, on a Child Support warrant out of Floyd County and taken to Lubbock County Detention Center for housing

September 24th

Deputy was dispatched to the 100 block of West Washington Street about some threatening text messages that the complainant was receiving from his girlfriend's ex-husband. This case has been turned in to the County Attorney.

September 25th

Deputy responded to the 300 block of East Houston Street about some vandalism that occurred at an abandoned house. Complainant reported that two windows had been broken sometime in the past month.

September 29th

Deputy arrested Joe Angel Gloria 38, of Lockney on a warrant out of Jones County for Driving While Intoxicated 3rd or more.

Deputy was dispatched to Aiken Community about a motorcycle crash that occurred on US Hwy 70. The rider of the motorcycle stated that he'd hit a slick spot in the roadway causing him to lose control of the motorbike. No injuries were reported.

October 7th

Deputy conducted a traffic stop on US Hwy 70 for speeding. When the Deputy approached the driver side door, he could smell a strong odor of marijuana coming from within the vehicle. The Deputy had the two male occupants exit the car so that he could search the vehicle, during the search of the vehicle the Deputy found about two or four ounces of marijuana in the vehicle along with a Hi-Point 380. Jonathan Moreno 32, of Plainview, was arrest for Unlawful possession of a firearm by a Felon and Possession of marijuana >2oz<=4oz. Moreno was taken to Lubbock County for housing.

October 8th

Deputy responded to a two-vehicle crash that occurred on US Hwy 70 and FM 97. A Ford Mustang that was traveling West on US 70 collided with a GMC pickup that was turning onto East FM 97. The driver and three small children were taken to WJ Mangold Memorial by Lockney and Floydada EMS. The driver of the GMC pickup was issued a citation for Failure to yield the right of way.

October 10th

Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 800 Block of South 4th Street in the City of Floydada. Deputy deployed the K9 who indicated to the possibility of drugs in the vehicle. Deputy searched the car and found marijuana in a backpack in the front passenger compartment. The driver was identified as Robert Garcia 33, of Floydada. He was issued a criminal citation and released pending a hearing in County Court.

October 11th

Deputy conducted a traffic stop in the 300 Block of South 4th Street in the City of Floydada. Deputy observed Joe Manuel Delafuente driving a Blue Dodge Neon. Deputy had prior knowledge that Delafuente was wanted for a Failure to Appear on a Possession of Marijuana charge. While the Deputy and Floydada Police were conducting an inventory of the vehicle driven they located some brass knuckles in the front passenger seat. Delafuente 29, of Floydada, was arrested for the outstanding warrant and possession of a prohibited weapon. Delafuente was transported to Lubbock County Detention Center for housing.

October 14th

Deputy was dispatched to a one-vehicle rollover that happened on FM 2286 East of the Sterly Community. The Driver of the vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed when he came upon a curve in the roadway. The car drove off the improved shoulder of the road where the driver lost control of the vehicle causing it to overturn twice. The driver was transported to WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released. The driver was issued two citations for No driver license and Unsafe speed.

October 18th

Deputy arrested Christine Marie Thompson 46, of Lockney on a Motion to Revoke- Possession of a controlled substance out of Floyd County.

October 19th

Deputy responded to the Lockney High School about a student threatening to stab a Teacher with a pencil during class. Lajohnetae English 18, of Lockney, was arrested for Terroristic Threat and transported to the Lubbock County Detention Center for housing.

Deputy received a complaint that Means was driving around the hospital without any headlights. When the Deputy detained Means in the 300 Block of West Spruce, Means attempted to enter his residence as the Deputy was questioning him about driving his vehicle around town without a driver license and without working headlights. As the Deputy tried to keep Means from entering the residence, Means jerked away from the Deputy. Deputy arrested William Means 23, of

Lockney for Resisting arrest, Terroristic threat against a Public Servant and Driving while license invalid.

October 20th

Deputy issued two criminal citations to two men from Memphis for Criminal Trespass at the Lockney Football game, after they had been warned about staying off of school premises after an altercation on the property.

October 24th

Deputy arrested Eric Luna 39, of Floydada on a Child Support warrant out of Floyd County and a Parole warrant.

October 27th

Deputy arrested Juan Carlos Sarinana 36, of Lockney on a Child support warrant out of Lubbock County.

October 30th

Deputy arrested Joshua Keith Mullins 25, of Lockney for a warrant out of Potter County for Online Solicitation of a Minor.

The Sheriff's Office took a report of a Stolen Vehicle from Ceder Hill. Precinct 3 County Commissioner Nathan Johnson reported that one of his Precinct vehicles had been taken from the Ceder Hill Community. The car stolen was a White 2005 Chevy pickup with Texas exempt plates 1005724. The vehicle has damage to the driver side fender. It also has a front tow bar.

October 31st

Deputy arrested Michael Reyes Mendoza 52, of Floydada at the Floyd County House for an outstanding warrant out of Lubbock County for failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

Deputy arrested Deion Lester Mollette 19, of Lockney for Child endangerment. It was reported to the Deputy that the child was left unsupervised. When the complainant entered the residence, they found the child standing on a card table while Mollette was in bed asleep. Mollette was transported to Garza County Detention Center

Pet Talk

Mobile veterinarians provide care at home

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Whether you are taking your animal in for its regular check-up or making an emergency visit, being evaluated by a veterinarian is a critical part in your pet's health. What if an animal is too sick or injured to be transported to the clinic? Some animals, such as livestock, may even require a trailer for transport. Luckily for pet and livestock owners, mobile veterinarians are there to help.

Leslie Easterwood, clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, explained the important role mobile veterinarians play in animal health.

"The most common reason for an owner to use a mobile veterinarian is so that they do not have to transport their animal to a hospital," Easterwood said. "There could be a variety of reasons why having the veterinarian come to the

farm or home is better, such as situations where there are several animals to be treated or the owner does not have access to a livestock trailer."

Though mobile veterinarians are available for home-visits, they may also see patients in a clinic. With each day being different than the last, mobile veterinarians are kept on their feet.

"A typical day for a mobile veterinarian may include appointments in the office with a few farm calls and even surgeries," Easterwood said. "Some days a mobile veterinarian may not leave the office, and other days they may leave early in the morning and not return until after dark."

Despite mobile veterinarians' busy schedules, they are prepared to perform an array of procedures and surgeries for different species. Though some procedures and surgeries are best performed in the hospital setting, most routine work can be performed on the farm as well as in the hos-

pital.

Mobile veterinarians care mostly for large animals, but there are still small animal veterinarians who will make house calls. Easterwood added that there are also an increasing number of small animal veterinarians who are willing to make house calls for physical therapy and perform an at-home euthanasia.

Before you call a mobile veterinarian, ask about any additional charges, such as travel fees. Otherwise, Easterwood said the costs are generally the same.

No matter the species or condition of health, a mobile veterinarian can provide excellent care in the comfort of your animal's home.

Pet Talk is a service of the College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University. Stories can be viewed on the Web at vetmed.tamu.edu/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

CROP

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on micronaire?" Micronaire is a vital measurement in determining how easily cotton fiber can be processed, and a primary factor in determining potential quality.

When it comes to cotton color, he says, he isn't too worried, unless there's significant rainfall at harvest time. He expects much of the cotton to bleach out, which will take care of some of the grayness that might have been present when conditions were cool and cloudy. "It's mainly micronaire that the jury is still going to be out on."

Of the small amount of cotton that has been harvested and classed, Verett says, micronaire "has really been pretty good," but he adds that no official report had been issued because not much cotton had been classed. "We're keeping our fingers crossed on the quality side, for sure."

The USDA released its crop progress report Oct. 10, estimating cotton production at 5.44 million bales, 250,000 less than in its September report.

Another risk to quality this year, says Seth Byrd, is hardlock bolls. "We've seen this in years past, but certainly much more this year." The reasons for the increase in hardlock bolls is twofold, he says: disease pressure that has been greatly increased this year by the wet, cloudy conditions, and weather in general — high humid-

ity, rain, and cloudiness.

"We never really get the drying-out that we need for the carpal wall to pull back and the lint to fluff out. So, we end up with bolls that aren't completely open, and the lint never really fluffs out — it stays in that wedge shape. While we can get some of that out when it's going through field cleaners, a lot of times it will also kick some of those hardlock pieces of lint out, and can certainly lead to some yield reductions. If it does get into the basket and we get some staining, it can lead to color issues as well, if it's a large proportion of the field."

While weather conditions in the last month may not have been ideal, Verett says, they aren't the death knell for this crop. "Moisture is always needed in this region. The farther we get into harvest, the more harmful any kind of rain is. But whether we're planting wheat or just needing to replenish moisture in the soil profile, we need to get rain in the fall."

"We're much more into the heart of the harvest now, and we need for cotton to open up and to have as open weather as we can possibly get over the next couple of months. We need well into late November or early December to get all of this crop harvested." With the right

kind of weather, Verett says, producers can have harvesting done by then. "We have a lot of harvest capacity to get cotton off the stalks — if we just get the weather that allows us to do it."

The Rolling Plains is a much different story, yet similar to neighboring producers on the High Plains. "They had a really rough start — not a whole lot different than what [producers elsewhere] had with hail and high winds," Morgan says. "They lost quite a bit of cotton to begin with, but those fields they were able to keep looking really good. They may not top the 2016 cotton crop, but it will be another good year for Rolling Plains producers, assuming we can get it out of the field and to the gin."

The range of maturity on the Rolling Plains varies greatly, he says, with some producers about to begin harvest, while others only have 10 percent to 20 percent open bolls. "Three weeks ago, they had a really good rainfall event that caused some premature defoliation. Foliar diseases can often affect yields, but because most of the cotton was pretty mature, little yield impact is expected. But that's obviously worrisome to those growers."

U.S. upland cotton production for 2017 is expected to total 20.4 million bales, up 23 percent from last year.

PARADE

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www.miraclesparade.com. Fees and complete information is available on the site. Applications can now be submitted. Deadline for applications is December 1, 2017 at 6:30pm. Early applications for participants is encouraged from all groups.

One special guest will be a parade participant, The Texas Tech Masked Rider. The Masked Rider is always a big hit with families and children for whom the parade is produced each year.

This free parade features Santa Claus, who will be riding the final parade unit featuring the United States Marines. Marines will walk beside their trucks and collect unwrapped toys from spectators for their annual Toys for Tots campaign. In 2016, more than 8,500 individual toys were collected during the parade.

"We are expecting more than 40 parade units," said Davis, "which will include marching bands, riding clubs,

beauty queens, and many non-profit groups from Lubbock and area towns including school and church organizations." Each parade participant unit is asked to have at least 1,000 lights on their float or vehicle to illuminate it for the nighttime parade.

A mandatory meeting for parade participants will be held prior to the event and will be announced later as will additional details and information.

More Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for America's Veterans have served their country with the belief that democracy and freedom are ideals to be upheld around the world. —John Doolittle

My heroes are those who risk their lives every day to protect our world and make it a better place — police, firefighters, and members of our armed forces. —Sidney Sheldon

The willingness of America's veterans to sacrifice for our country has earned them our lasting gratitude.

—Jeff Miller

We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our gratitude.

—Cynthia Ozick

In valor there is hope.

—Publius Cornelius Tacitus

This will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.

—Elmer Davis

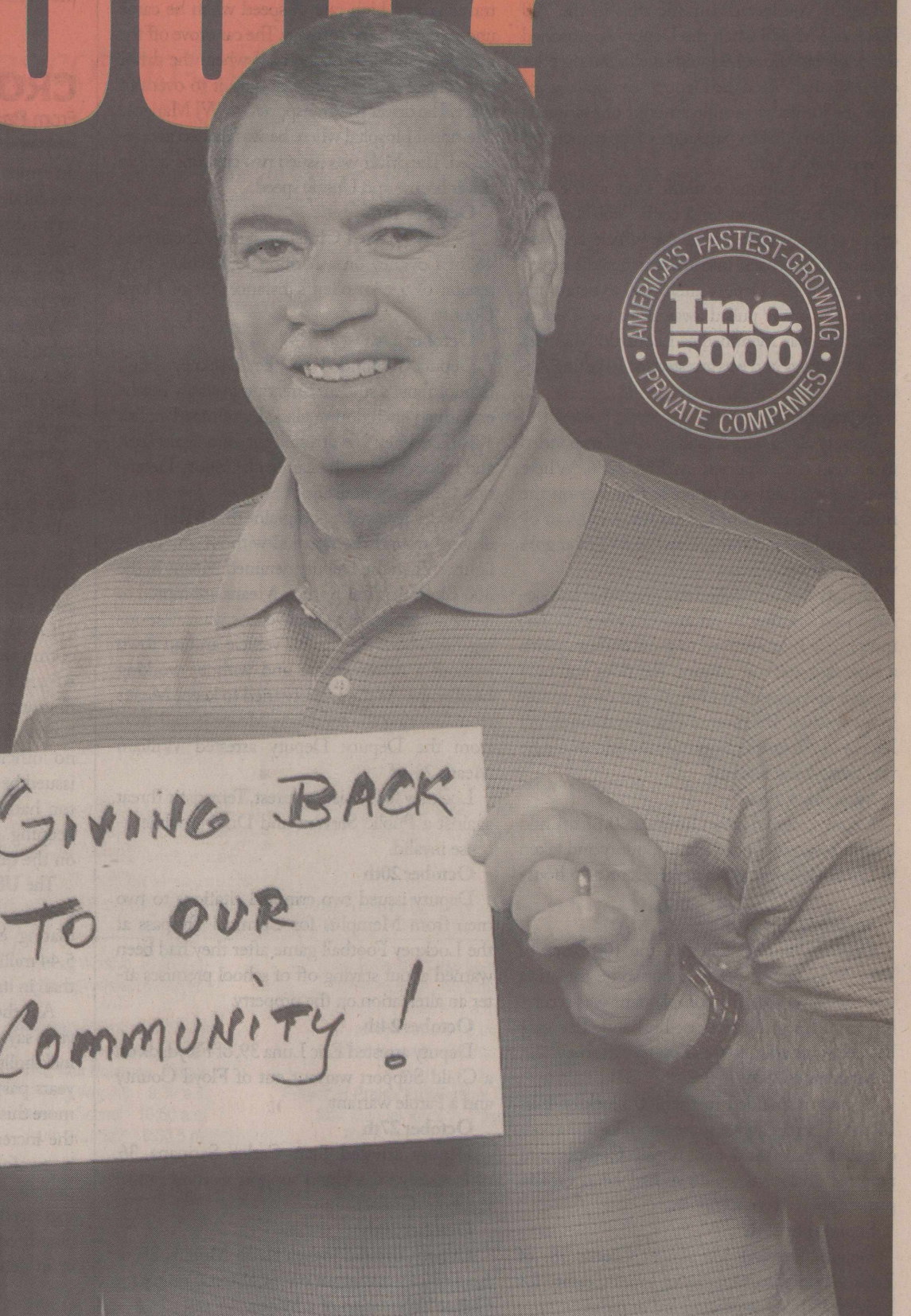
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TO: KARA ELISE SEGURA

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A petition was filed on the 4TH day of APRIL, 2016, in the indicated court of FLOYD County, Texas. You are directed to file a written answer to the petition on or before 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served with this citation and petition.

The suit is an action to establish paternity of and to enter appropriate orders for the conservatorship and support of the following child subject of the suit:

Name
KYRA ÉMERIE SEGURA

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest, which will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption. No property is involved in the suit.

The suit is entitled:

CAUSE NUMBER 10167

IN THE INTEREST OF § IN THE 110TH DISTRICT COURT
KYRA ÉMERIE SEGURA § OF
A CHILD § FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS

Other parties to the action: THE STATE OF TEXAS,
JENARO SEGURA
MARY SEGURA

ISSUED under my hand and seal of court this 31 day of October, 2017.

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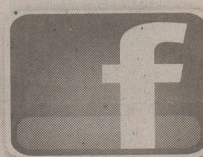
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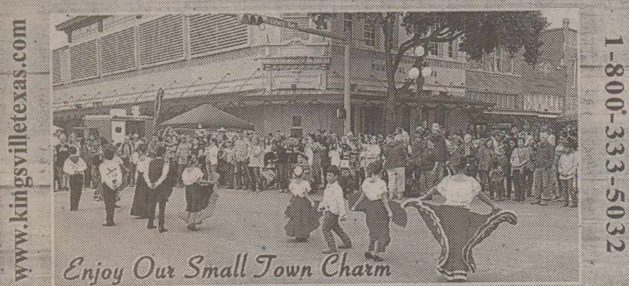
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Covenant Health Plainview launching weight-loss surgery program

By Homer Marquez
Covenant Health Plainview

PLAINVIEW--Covenant Health Plainview can now help you lose the weight and regain your life as the hospital is proud to announce it has started its new weight-loss surgery program.

"We are so excited to unveil this program and bring this life-saving service to the people of Plainview and to our surrounding neighbors," said Bob Copeland, CEO of Covenant Health Plainview.

Heading the program is Covenant Health Plainview general surgeon and long-time bariatric specialist, Dr. Paresch Rajajoshiwala.

"(Dr. Raja) is highly qualified and fully credentialed to perform these procedures. West Texas is truly blessed to have this caliber of surgeon in our area, especially with the experience he has in bariatrics."

"All of our caregivers in the hospital are as equally ecstatic to provide this new service line to the area. One of the best things about offering bariatric services is that after the procedure, patients will have a healthier and happier quality of life."

According to the Centers for Disease Control, more than one-third of U.S. adults are obese and run a higher risk for diabetes, cancer, hypertension, stroke, heart disease and a cavalcade of other complications.

"Studies are predicting, because of obesity, that the life expectancy of Americans will be 10 to 15 years shorter than that of previous generations," said Raja.

Raja began his general surgery practice in Plainview back in March 2017. Prior to that, Raja spent 15 years as a bariatric surgeon in San Antonio.

Raja explained that diet and exercise can work fine when you're trying to lose 10 to 15 pounds. However, when you are trying to lose

and keep off more than 100 pounds, it can be very difficult to maintain a healthy weight through diet and exercise alone.

"Multiple studies show that medical means of losing weight when you are morbidly obese doesn't work," Raja said.

Raja explained that one of the best options to lose the weight and keep it off is weight management surgery.

Raja can perform a spectrum of weight loss surgery procedures, but the physician prefers the tried-and-tested, Gastric Bypass Surgery as well as the relatively newer procedure, Sleeve Gastrectomy.

"The gold standard is gastric bypass surgery," said Raja, who explained the procedure has been performed for more than 50 years.

"And we still perform it because it's the most reliable operation. More than 70 percent of all weight loss surgery is gastric bypass."

Raja said the procedure essentially makes the stomach smaller.

"To give you an idea, a normal stomach is about the size of an American football.

In a gastric bypass, we are changing that to the size of a golf ball." The result: it takes less food to get you full and satisfied. The less food, the more weight you lose.

After the procedure, Covenant Health Plainview is providing an in-depth bariatric support system to help guide the patient through their new and healthier life. This includes diet and nutrition coaching as well as a support group.

"This is a very successful way to lose weight and keep it off," said Raja. "As people lose weight, they will become more healthy and energetic. Just imagine carrying around a 60 or 100-pound backpack everyday of your life. Imagine how tired that would make you. Now imagine taking that back

pack off; you're going to feel more energetic, you're going to enjoy life a lot more."

Though bariatric procedures have been around since the 1960's, the technology and surgical techniques have drastically changed since then.

One big difference is the introduction of laparoscope surgery.

A surgery, like weight-loss surgery, used to require a long incision from the pelvis to the chest. Now, laparoscope allows a surgeon to perform the procedure through just a few small incisions.

"Years ago you were going to spend 10 days to

two weeks in the hospital. On top of that, you would have to recoup for about six months. With laparoscopy, you're spending one to two nights in the hospital and you're back to work in two weeks," Raja said.

Raja added that he is also offering revision surgeries, which can help patients correct bariatric procedures that were previously unsuccessful.

This would include the rising number of complications related to gastric banding.

In terms of cost, Raja said a lot more health insurance companies are adding weight loss surgeries as a

benefit.

"Weight loss surgery is being recognized as a medical necessity and countless studies over the past four to five decades have shown that losing weight will help to improve a patient's overall quality of life and overall health," Raja said.

"Sometimes it's easy to get approved, and sometimes there are some requirements, including undergoing a period of medically supervised diets before you get the procedure."

Raja added that Medicare and Medicaid also include weight loss surgery in their benefits.

For those whose insur-

ance excludes weight loss surgery or for those who would rather pay out of pocket, the hospital does have an all-inclusive price, which includes surgical costs, physician fees and the first 90 days of post-operative care.

So far, Raja has already performed two bariatric surgeries in Plainview in October.

For more information you can contact Raja's office at 296-7881. Covenant Health Plainview will host a free bariatric seminar at 10 a.m., Dec. 2 inside the Max Gabriel Conference Room. Contact Raja's office to reserve your spot.

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The third annual Christmas Ball will be held at the Unity Center in Muncy on Saturday, December 16, 2017. This year's event will again benefit the volunteer fire departments of Lockney and Floydada. For tickets, call Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228, or Elaine LaBaume at 806-983-9153 or go to D&J Gin in Lockney or Payne Pharmacy in Floydada. Shown above at Dustee Sollis, Craig DuBois, Donny McLaughlin and Chad Guthrie. They were presenting Lockney and Floydada Fire Departments a check from the proceeds of the 2016 Christmas Ball.

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