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Bennett Family Provided the Foundations of Floyd County

By Kay Ellington

The Hesperian-Beacon

As you drive over the river and through the woods to Grandma's house this year for Thanksgiving, if you pass by a school, hospital or subdivision in Floyd County, the likelihood is that it has been worked on by a member of the Bennett family of Floydada.

C.W. "Wayne" Bennett started Bennett Building Materials in the late '40s in Floydada, according to his son Harold, who talked with the Hesperian-Beacon about his family's business and history. "Dad missed out on military service in World War II because he had looked at a solar eclipse when he was younger and had a sun spot on his eye. He couldn't pass the physical," said Bennett.

Instead, the elder Bennett went to work, in trucking, hauling hay and grain. Then, he started hauling 8x12 building blocks, and saw a unique opportunity in

these.

He bought a machine and started making the blocks himself behind the old blacksmith's shop.

"Then, he bought an old Army truck with a yard and a half mixer," Bennett said.

Harold graduated from Floydada High School in 1947, married a fellow FHS student, Geneva in 1948 and worked in the grocery store business for a couple of years, but by 1949, his father's concrete business had grown to the point where Harold went to work for his father.

In the fifties Bennett Building Materials bought a five-yard mixer, one of the biggest in the area, and they poured the concrete work and foundations for schools, hospitals and subdivisions.

"I got out of the concrete business for a little while from '52 to '62, and went into farming," Bennett said, "but I got back into it in the sixties."

By 1978 Wayne Bennett was ready to sell the busi-



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The Bennett family of Floydada played a role in Floyd County construction for seven decades. Harold Bennett shared his family's history with the Hesperian-Beacon.

ness to his son Harold, but Harold had other plans and so the business was sold to

another family. "I worked at the post office from 1980 to 1995," Bennett said, "but I still did concrete on the side."

See BENNETTS, Page 10

Sanders, Barnett and Cisneros are winners in annual football contest

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon's annual football contest ended at the end of the regular high school football season.

The rules changed four years ago with the grand prize going to the top three winning entries of the 10-week contest. In addition, the other seven top 10 finishers will also receive a prize consisting of a year subscription to the Hesperian-Beacon.

Three points separated the first, second and third place winners this year.

Brent Sanders of Floydada garnered the first-place prize of \$100. Lanny Barnett of Lockney will received the second place prize of \$75 and Raul Cisneros placed third and will get the prize of \$50.

The other eight finishers Coy LaBaume (4th), Pam Fulton (5th), Renee Armstrong (6th), Ricky Ascencio (7th), Boyd Lee (8th), Diego Ascencio (9th), and Paul Lopez (10th)..

If your name is listed here, you will be receiving a one-year subscription. If you already have a subscription, it will be added to the end of your current

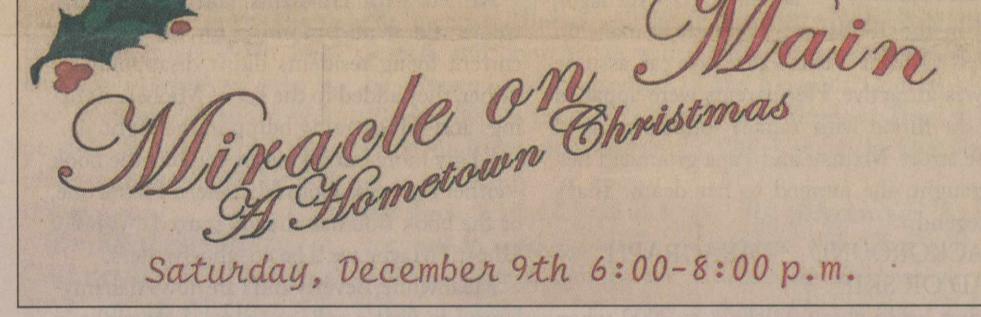
one. The subscription will be mailed to the address listed on your football contest entries. If that is not the correct address and it needs to be changed, please contact the Hesperian office as soon as possible.

We would like to say thank you to all the other entrants that participated in this contest.

We would also like to thank our sponsors that make this contest possible. Without their support this contest would not be possible. They are Robin's Nest Photography, Stapp Paint & Body Shop, Providence Farm Supply, Muncy Elevator, Lighthouse Electric Coop, Wright's Auto Service, First National Bank of Floydada, Adams Well Service, Quality Body Shop, KFLP 106.1, McCoy Gin, Helena Chemical Company, D & J Gin, Floydada Power & Light, Payne Pharmacy, Cogdell Clinic/Mangold Memorial Hospital, Floydada Coop Gin, Lockney Coop Gin, Assiter Insurance Agency/Assiter Punkin Ranch, Crop Production Services, Davis Lumber Company, R.K. Hunt Photography and J & K Insurance.

See the football contest standings chart on page 7.

Lockney's 'Miracle on Main' celebrates Christmas Dec. 9



Saturday, December 9th 6:00-8:00 p.m.

By Kay Ellington

The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY—It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas in Lockney.

Holiday plans are underway for Miracle on Main, a local Christmas shopping celebration Saturday, Dec. 9 in downtown Lockney.

From 6 to 9 p.m., downtown merchants will be open for shopping, and local vendors will set up booths.

There will be Christmas music, hot chocolate and opportunities for kids to make ornaments.

The tree lighting will be held at the Wall of Pride. Santa Claus will arrive on

the scene at 6:15 p.m. and families can have photos of the children taken with St. Nick inside Garden's Gate. (Be sure and bring your own camera.)

For more information or if you would like to have a booth, contact Brittany Duniven with the Lockney Chamber 806-584-4761.

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.

FLOYD COUNTY LIBRARY

The Floyd County Memorial Library will be closed Wednesday, Nov. 22 through Friday, Nov. 24 for the Thanksgiving holidays.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH LOCKNEY

First Baptist Church Lockney will present a city wide concert on December 3, 2017 at 6 pm. The church is located at 401 S Main, Lockney, Texas. For additional info about other Christmas events call 806.652.3361 or www.fbllockney.com

SANTA ON THE SQUARE FLOYDADA

Santa on the Square in Floydada will be held on Saturday, December 9th from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Free booth spaces are available. Santa will be at the First National Bank Lobby. Bring your own camera.

MIRACLE ON MAIN LOCKNEY

Miracle on Main in Lockney will be held on Saturday, Dec. 9th from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Downtown business will be open for shopping. Tree lighting will be held at the Wall of Pride. Santa arrives downtown at 6:15 p.m. Pictures with Santa will be inside Garden's Gate (bring your own camera).

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZEN'S FUNDRAISER

The Floydada Sr. Citizen's Center will have another "Chicken Fried Steak Fundraiser" on Sunday, December 10 with serving time starting at 11:30 a.m. Donations of green beans, eggs, potatoes, lettuce, tomato, and cake mixes would be appreciated. For more info see our weekly news article in this week's issue.

See UPCOMING, Page 10

Correction

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

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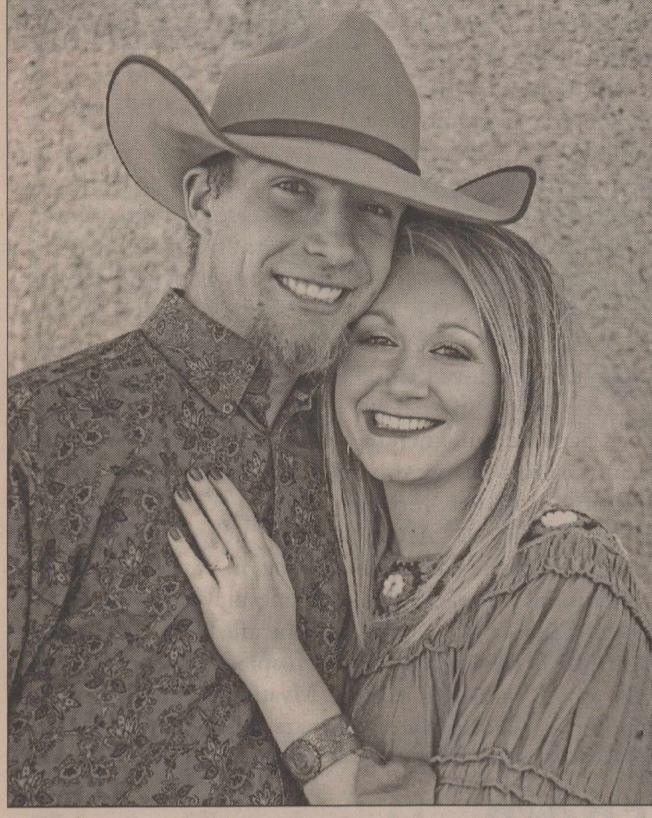
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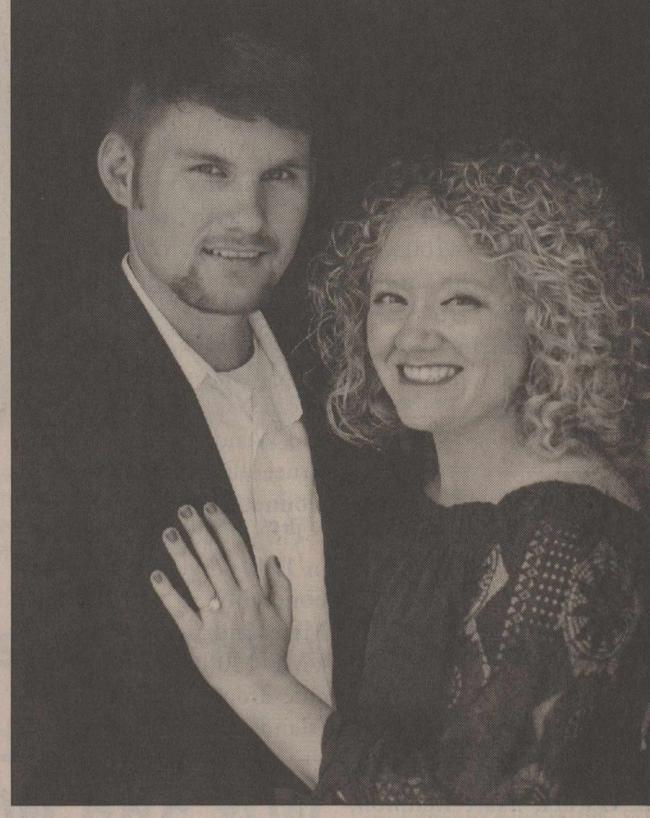
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*Williams
and Everett
to marry*



DIXIE KAY WILLIAMS AND LOGAN CHASE EVERETT

*Williams
and Raulston
to wed*



SUNNY JEAN WILLIAMS AND BENJAMIN ROBERT RAULSTON

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Williams of Plainview, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Dixie Kay, to Logan Chase Everett, son of Ms. Leshay Everett and Mr. Rob Everett, both of Floydada, Texas.

Dixie, a graduate of Lockney High School, currently attends Texas Tech University where she is pursuing a degree in Early Childhood Education.

Logan, a graduate of Floydada High School, is engaged in farming in Floyd County.

The couple will be married on July 21, 2018 in Idalou, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Williams of Plainview, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sunny Jean, to Benjamin Robert Raulston, son of Mrs. Carol Goins of Meridian, Texas and Mr. Melvin Levon Raulston, Jr. of Blum, Texas. Sunny, a graduate of Lock-

ney High School and Texas Tech University.

Ben, a graduate of Blum High School and Texas Tech University, is an assistant project manager for AirCo. Mechanical of San Antonio.

The couple will be married on April 21, 2018 in Lubbock, Texas.



Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture

By Deon Fincher
Chamber Manager

The TV show 'American Pickers' is coming to Texas this winter. They are looking for large private collections through which the guys can dig all day. For those not familiar with the show, early era bicycles, unique tools or machines from days gone by, business signs and antique toys are all favored. Mike and Frank only pick from private collections. The

show does not feature collections in stores, malls, flea markets, museums, auctions, businesses or anything open to the public. If you have a lead for the team, please contact them at 1-855-OLD-RUST (1-855-653-7878) or through email at AmericanPickers@cinemaflix.com.

Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be arriving in Floydada, Saturday, December 9, at 4:00 pm. They will settle in at The First National Bank

lobby and will be available for kiddos to give them their Christmas Wish List and for parents to snap a few pictures. Vendors will be able to set up outside, please call the Chamber for instructions.

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture's 2017 Annual Meeting will take place Thursday, November 30, at 6:30 pm at the Massie Activity Center. All Chamber members, spouses and employees are welcome

to attend. In addition to the meeting, dinner will be served, and door-prizes will be drawn and presented. Please take advantage of this opportunity to come together as one body. We encourage your feedback and look forward to working on improving your Chamber for years to come.

It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving is upon us! May the blessings of this Thanksgiving fill your heart and home.

Museum Archives

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LOGAN KENNEDY FAMILY

Written by Ruth Kennedy Gautier with information supplied by Joe Kennedy

Logan Kennedy and Ethel McGehee were married Jan. 19, 1902. Logan, a native of Limestone County, Texas had come to Lockney in 1898. Ethel was one of seven children of J. H. and Josephine Aiken McGehee who came from Bell County, Texas and had homesteaded on four section of land two miles north of Lockney in 1888. After their marriage, Logan and Ethel moved to their two-room house a mile and a half south of Lockney. Logan was in the well-drilling business. During the first decade of this century he drilled water wells for many of the early day settlers, including the Bobbitts and the Fowl-

ers. He often took part of his pay in range cows, which he traded for a half section of land in Lamb County, Texas in 1906.

Six children were born to the Kennedys at Lockney. The second child, a daughter, lone, died in June 1905 and is buried in the Lockney Cemetery.

In the middle of the night in early June 1908, a cyclone blew the house over two and one-half times, landing on its back. The family including three small children were in the house. The oldest child, a five year old son, Joe, received a gash on his head, but the others escaped injury. With the help of relatives, neighbors, and friends, the house was rebuilt, also a storm cellar. About a month after the family moved back in, another cyclone blew the chicken house away. A

week later, another storm blew the windmill away. The out-house and a tub of rainwater in the yard were never disturbed.

After a few years, Logan began farming. His greatest pride was in the fine Poland China hogs that he raised.

During the time the Kennedys lived in Lockney, they were staunch supporters of the church, schools and anything for the betterment of the community. Logan served on the school board for a number of years.

In the fall of 1917 the Kennedys decided to improve their land at Olton in Lamb County and move there. Ethel didn't want to take old furniture to a new house. She kept a few treasured pieces, but sold a wagon load to a second-hand dealer for \$15.00.

But he would not take the walnut organ for any price. Watkins man came by and offered to take the organ in exchange for a pound can of black pepper. The family had a new Victorola which they took with them to begin their new life in Olton.

A seventh child was born the year after the Kennedys moved to Olton, but she died in 1922. Logan and Ethel died in 1965, having been married 63 years. The three of them are buried in the Olton Cemetery.

At the time of this writing the other five children are still living. Although it has been sixty years since they left Lockney they still have a warm spot in their hearts for their native Floyd County and the "Salt of the Earth" people there.

THANKS FOR READING!

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The Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society of Floyd County

October 5, 2017

By Mary M. Carter

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society met on October 5, 2017 at the Country Café in Claytonville, Texas for lunch. The time was 11:30 A.M.

Each person ordered their lunch. They enjoyed their eats. The Country Café is a cute café and they ate in a room that was very good for their meeting. They were going to eat outside but the weather didn't cooperate. Rats! That

would have been fun. Everyone had a good time visiting.

Virginia Taylor, our Queen Mother, called the meeting to order. Virginia took care of business.

There were 13 in attendance.

The hostesses were Sandy Fuston and Virginia Taylor. I think this is neat! Remember, "Cracker Jacks"? That was the hostesses' table favors. Take us back to the memories, doesn't it?

Just a reminder about this month. I wasn't there, but good friends gave me the information. Thanks!

The South Plains Hobby Club

October 11, 2017

By Mary M. Carter

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the communities, but also get to see each other face to face and catch up with each other. To see who needs prayer. This to me is important. Ethelyn Vernon did a reading called, "What's in a name". These readings are just hitting the spot. Thank you, Ethelyn. For fun we all brought or sent birthday cards, as a surprise, for Char. Her birthday was the 9th of this month. I'm sure she was pleased. Char made door prizes. They were "Fall Center Pieces". They were lovely. The winners were Sue Daniels and Ethelyn Vernon. Congratulations! The favors we received were pretty writing pens.

The hostesses were Char Baker and Virginia Taylor. You two do such a great party. Thank you for a great day!

Those attending were Ethelyn Vernon, Peggy Roberts, Nancy Marble, Carolyn Marble, Janie Julian, Lou Burleson, Virginia Taylor, Sue Daniels, Edith Muncy, Carolyn Baker, and Helen Teeple. Anita Moralez was our guest.

Just a reminder, I was not at this meeting. I explained in my last column. I received my information from good friends. Thank you!

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Dorothy - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:45 - 9:30 a.m.

Coffee time - Monday-Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.

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

5 - 9 p.m.

Hope you all have a great week.

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November 27 - December 1
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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Obituaries

Bertha Audine Appling

Bertha Audine Appling, 92, of Amarillo passed away on Thursday, November 16, 2017.

Graveside services were held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, November 18, 2017 at Floydada Cemetery. Lon Conner officiated. Arrangements were by Brooks Funeral Directors.

Bertha Audine Appling was born on December 23, 1924 in Crosbyton to Edward and Zilla Truett Wallace. She graduated from Ralls High School.

Bertha married Wayne

Appling on May 22, 1945 in Mt. Blanco Baptist Church and she loved gardening and cooking. She lived at The Craig and was involved in the many activities there.

Bertha was preceded in death by her husband, a grandson-in-law, Jody Burnett, and ten siblings.

She is survived by three daughters, Beverly Conner and husband, Lon, of Lewisville, Judy Sanders and husband, Don, of Bloomfield, New Mexico, and Phyllis

Farley and husband, Chuck, of Dallas; eight grandchildren; and eighteen great-grandchildren.

The family would like to send a special thank you to BSA Hospice of the Southwest and the staff at The Craig for their wonderful care.

Memorials may be sent to The Craig CEA Fund, 5500 SW 9th Avenue, Amarillo, TX 79106-4100.

Please sign the online guest registry at www.brooksfuneral.com.

Arthur Womack, Jr. "June"

Arthur Womack, Jr. "June" passed to eternal life on November 13, 2017.

Arthur was born on August 22, 1923, to Arthur and Idabel Womack of Floydada Texas, the second of eleven children. He grew up in Floydada and graduated from high school in 1941.

On August 2, 1946, Arthur married Jimmie D. Hicks, also of Floydada. Three children were born of this union; Jimmy Lane Womack (spouse Kathie Womack) of Los Alamos, New Mexico, Terry J. Womack of Niantic, Connecticut, and Wendy S. Elam (spouse Bruce Elam) of Niantic, Connecticut.

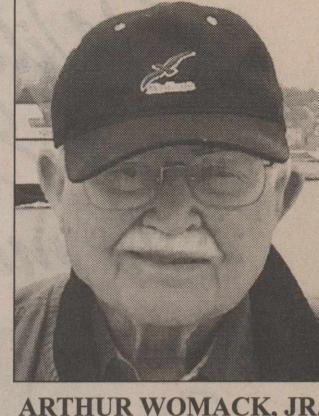
He joined the U.S. Navy in 1943 serving his country honorably as a Machinist Mate 2nd Class aboard an YMS 180 in the South Pacific around the Philippine Islands. Arthur worked as a

high voltage electrical engineer in Plainview, Texas before moving to Hot Springs, Arkansas where he was employed at the U.S. Air Force Base in Jacksonville. On November 20, 1986, he was awarded the 314th Tactical Airlift Wing Civilian Employee in a ceremony in St Louis, MO. Upon retirement, he moved to Niantic, Connecticut.

Arthur was a member of the Niantic Sportsman's Club and the 5th CT. Volunteer Infantry N.S.S.A

172 EN. He loved working with wood in the two story barn he built making furniture and many other beautiful treasures for his family and friends. Art was an avid fan of the Connecticut Huskies Women's Basketball Team.

Arthur is survived by his wife of 71 years, his three children (spouses), six



**ARTHUR WOMACK, JR.
"JUNE" APPLING**

grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Arthur is predeceased by two brothers and two sisters. He is survived by three brothers and three sisters.

The Womack family would like to thank the Mystic Masonicare hospice team for all their comfort and support.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Arthur Womack's name may be made to Masonicare Home Health and Hospice, 23 Clara Drive, Mystic, CT 06355 (masonicare.org/mcfc).

FBC Lockney to present city-wide concert

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

First Baptist Church Lockney will present a city wide concert on December 3, 2017 at 6 pm. The church is located at 401 S Main, Lockney, Texas.

For additional info about other Christmas events call 806.652.3361 or www.fbclockney.com

O Little Town of Bethlehem

On a quiet night in Bethlehem, heaven's Light

broke through the darkness with the birth of Christ.

Two thousand years later we reflect on how this single event in an humble stable would change the rest of history.

Join us as we take a journey back in time to this incredible story.

The narration by Sue Smith unfolds the wonder of the event that took place in Bethlehem and moves our hearts to songs of celebration of the greatest gift

ever known.

Songs by Bill and Gloria Gathen, Matt Redmon, Mark Harris and Dave Clark, and many traditional Christmas songs, as arranged by Russell Mauldin, make this a Christmas celebration for everyone.

This musical program is brand new for 2017 and will stir memories of Christmas in years past and will spread the hope of the return of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

How did it get so late so soon? Its night before its afternoon. December is here before its June. My goodness how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?

—Dr. Seuss

God gave us memory so that we might have roses in December.

—James M. Barrie

As a child, I was bonkers for Christmas. The entire month of December, I couldn't sleep at night from anticipation. —Rosecrans Baldwin

When I was a kid, my sisters and I used to get a little present in our stocking each day of December, usually an ornament, some sweets, or a little toy.

—Birgitte Hjort Sorensen

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Unseen Gifts

Put on the full armor of God. —*Ephesians 6:11 (NIV)*

A few years ago, my wife and I traveled to Kenya to serve for two weeks at Kijabe Hospital. As I packed for the trip, I had to closely evaluate each item since our luggage had to hold personal items as well as medical supplies for the hospital. I hesitated to include my study Bible, a graduation gift from my parents. Maybe I could get by with an E-version instead, I thought. But then I realized that my two-pound Bible was more important than all the other items. Its worn cover and marked-up pages remind me that for the last 20 years I have carried it many places as my source of strength and wisdom. Although my mother passed away a few years ago, the impact of her gift has extended far beyond that graduation day in May 1996 to reach the other

side of the world — to the benefit of others whom she would never know.

In today's reading, Jesus instructed the disciples to take no belongings at all with them. Some things we carry are just baggage, but the Bible, God's word with us, is vital and non-negotiable.

Gifts from others have been equipping me all my life. We are equipped by our church, community, teachers, and family. Simply by taking God's word with us each day and giving

generously to others, we can help these unseen gifts grow beyond our imagination.

— Robert Boyce (Tennessee)

Thought for the day:

What gifts have others given me for my spiritual journey?

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Sunday School...10 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Wednesday - 7 p.m.

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Floydada

Armando Morales, Pastor

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Bible Study - 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel

Service Every Sunday

Morning Worship - 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ

West College & Third

Lockney

Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ

Matthew Benfield, Minister

Floydada

Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Floydada

Mark Snowden, Pastor

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.

First Baptist Church

Lockney

Joseph Tillery, Pastor

Chad Cook, Youth Min.

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

First Baptist Church

Lockney

Rev. David Ramos, Pastor

Morning Worship, 10:45 a

AGRICULTURE

Sandhill Cranes



Photo Courtesy of Deon Fincher

Native Floyd County resident, Rick McDowell of Top Hand Hunts (center), was back home this past week with clients from Baton Rouge, LA hunting sandhill cranes. Timing the hunt during mid-migration, the hunters took their bag limits. Fall hunting in Floyd County brings in a welcome cash-flow to farmers and local businesses.

Floyd County Farmers, Ranchers Encouraged to Consider Risk Protection Coverage

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada, Tx , Nov. 13, 2017 - In light of recent disasters, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) County Executive Director Gerry Summers encourages all Floyd County producers to take precautionary measures and review available USDA crop risk protection options, including federal crop insurance and Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage.

Federal crop insurance offers several products to help manage risk against crop losses from adverse weather, such as drought, hail and excessive moisture. NAP covers losses that result from damaging weather or adverse natural occurrence on eligible crops for which catastrophic coverage from federal crop insurance program is not available, including forage and grazing crops, fruits, vegetables,

mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, bioenergy and industrial crops.

The following crops in Floyd County have a NAP application for coverage deadline of December 01, 2017: Grass Grazing, Alfalfa Grazing, March 1, 2018; Pecans, Sunflowers, March 15, 2018; Pumpkins, Squash, Sorghum Forage, Cantaloupes, Guar, Millet, Watermelons.

"NAP policies allow producers to protect their investment by applying for coverage for noninsurable crops," said Gerry Summers. "Natural disasters are an unavoidable part of farming and ranching and FSA programs like NAP help producers recover when they experience a loss."

NAP basic coverage is available at 55 percent of the average market price for crop losses that exceed 50 percent of expected

production, with higher levels of coverage, up to 65 percent of their expected production at 100 percent of the average market price available, including coverage for organics and crops marketed directly to consumers. Crops intended for grazing are only eligible for the basic coverage.

Federal crop insurance coverage is sold and delivered solely through private insurance agents. Agent lists are available at all USDA service centers or at USDA's online Agent Locator at <http://prodwebnlb.rma.usda.gov/apps/AgentLocator/#>. Producers can use the USDA Cost Estimator at <https://ewebapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/costestimator/Default.aspx> to predict insurance premium costs.

For more information on NAP service fees, premiums and application deadlines, contact the Floyd County FSA office at 806-983-3763 or visit www.fsa.usda.gov/nap.

Lubbock District Game Wardens Announce Mule Deer Saturation Patrol

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Lubbock district Game Wardens will be dedicating extra patrol hours and manpower to the Mule Deer season which occurs in certain southwestern panhandle counties and runs this year from November 18 – November 26.

The west Texas mule deer attract hunters from across the state and around the country in hopes of harvesting a buck. The 9 day general season is open to hunters with a valid Texas hunting license and permission to hunt on property. Legal harvesting methods include the use of permitted firearms, or archery equipment. The bag limit is one buck per legal hunter, and does not allow the take of a mule deer doe unless a special MLD permit is obtained.

Lubbock district public information officer Aaron Sims says this is one of the busiest times of the season, and as such they are calling in reinforcements. "We receive numerous reports of illegal poaching activity leading up to and throughout the nine day hunting season. Due to the sharp increase in activity,

we are bringing in additional wardens from across the state to assist in patrol efforts. They will patrol during legal daytime hunting hours as well as late into the night to insure compliance." Sims also acknowledges that even with the additional assistance, illegal hunting may occur outside the presence of the wardens. Sims is asking the general public to be extra vigilant in the coming weeks. "A good sportsman knows the importance of protecting the resource, and we get numerous tips from hunters who are in the field and see suspicious activity. We also rely on assistance from area Sheriff's offices and we work as a team throughout the season to protect wildlife resources and private property rights."

Similar to last year, the wardens will have the Texas Parks and Wildlife airplane to spot potential suspects from the air. He explains that having the eyes in the sky is important for the wide open rural topography. The pilot and spotter will be able to fly over the vast area and call out specific coordinates of suspected poachers to the wardens patrolling on the ground. The

If you'd like more information about this topic, or to schedule an interview with J. Aaron Sims, then please call/text at 806-773-3946, or e-mail Aaron at aaron.sims@tpwd.texas.gov

AgriLife Extension Sets High Plains Ag Conference Dec. 8 in Lubbock

By Steve Byrns

AgriLife Extension

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct the annual High Plains Ag Conference from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 8 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 1102 E. Farm-to-Market Road 1294, Lubbock.

The Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units offered will be two integrated pest management, one laws and regulations, and two general.

Individual preregistration, which includes lunch, is \$35

by Dec. 7 and \$45 thereafter with no lunch guaranteed. For more information, contact Scott at 806-775-1740 or rj-scott@tamu.edu.

Topics and presenters will include:

Sorghum, Wheat and Nitrogen Update, Dr. Calvin Trostle, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Lubbock.

Cotton Production Considerations: Review of 2017 and Preview of 2018, Dr. Seth Byrd, AgriLife Extension cotton specialist, Lubbock.

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Lunchtime 2018 Updates: Dr. Katelyn Kowles, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management agent, Lubbock, and Scott; and Angie Martin, Texas Corn Producers industry relations, Lubbock.

Corn Herbicide Trial Results, Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo.

Nematode and Disease Management on the South Plains, Dr. Jason Woodward, AgriLife Extension plant pathologist and state peanut specialist, Lubbock.

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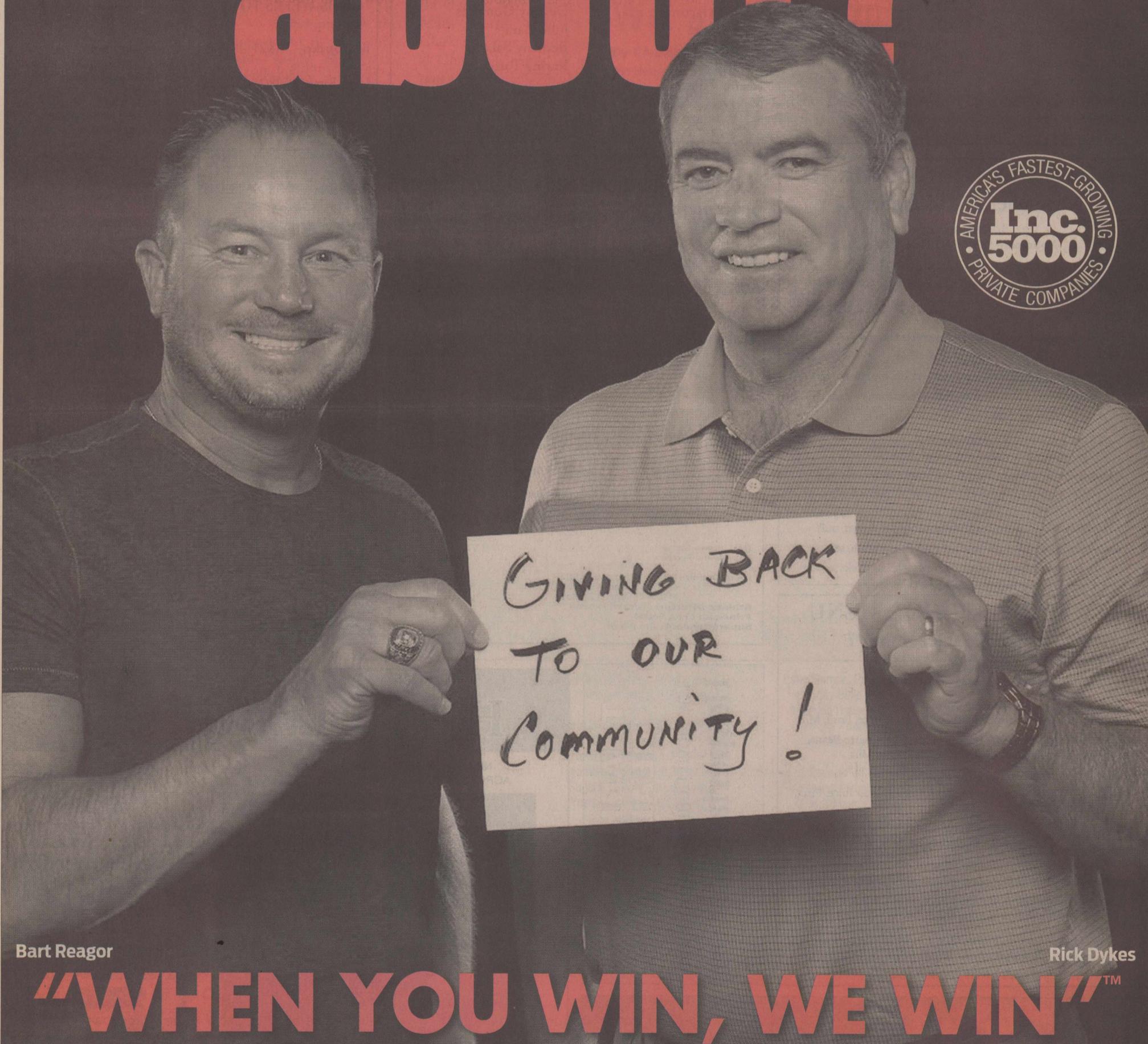
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LEGAL NOTICE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Consolidated Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Permit and Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision

Air Quality Standard Permit for Concrete Batch Plants Proposed Registration No. 112904L014

Application. Golden Spread Redi-Mix, Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Air Quality Standard Permit, Registration No. 112904L014, which would authorize construction of two temporary concrete batch plants located at the following driving directions: from the intersection of County Road 178 and County Road 241, go east on County Road 178 for 1.2 miles, the plants will be on the north side, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas 79235. This application is being processed in an expedited manner, as allowed by the commission's rules in 30 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 101, Subchapter J. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=34.08648&lng=-101.1662&zoom=13&type=r>. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter including (but not limited to) aggregate, cement, road dust, and particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on November 9, 2017. The executive director has completed the administrative and technical reviews of the application and determined that the application meets all of the requirements of a standard permit authorized by 30 TAC § 116.611, which would establish the conditions under which the plant must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the registration because it meets all applicable rules. The application, executive director's preliminary decision, and standard permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Courthouse, 105 South Main Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review at the TCEQ Lubbock Regional Office, 5012 50th St Ste 100, Lubbock, Texas. Visit www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cbp to review the standard permit.

Public Comment/Public Meeting. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting. See Contacts section. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments or meeting requests is 30 days after newspaper notice is published. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to consider in the permit process.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing. If a public meeting is held, the deadline to submit public comments is extended to the end of the public meeting.

Contested Case Hearing. You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. The deadline to submit a request for a contested case hearing is 30 days after newspaper notice is published. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. If no hearing request is received within this 30-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided, and the executive director may approve the application. If a hearing request is received within the 30-day period, then the time period for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to 30 days after the mailing of the executive director's response to comments.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. To request a hearing, a person must actually reside in a permanent residence within 440 yards of the proposed plant. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number; (2) applicant's name and registration number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility; and (7) a list of all disputed issues of fact that you submit during the comment period. If the request is made by a group or association, one or more members who have standing to request a hearing must be identified by name and physical address. The interests which the group or association seeks to protect must be identified. You may submit your proposed adjustments to the application which would satisfy your concerns. See Contacts section.

TCEQ Action. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The executive director's decision on the application, and any response to comments, will be mailed to all persons on the mailing list. If no timely contested case hearing requests are received, or if all hearing requests are withdrawn, the executive director may issue final approval of the application. If all timely hearing requests are not withdrawn, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled commission meeting. The Commission may only grant a request for a contested case hearing on issues the requestor submitted in their timely comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact or mixed questions of fact and law relating to relevant and material air quality concerns submitted during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

Mailing List. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive additional information on this specific application. See Contacts section.

Information Available Online. For details about the status of the application, visit the Commissioners' Integrated Database (CID) at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/cid. Once you have access to the CID using the link, enter the registration number at the top of this notice.

Contacts. Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040 or visit their website at www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/pep. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from Golden Spread Redi-Mix, Inc., P.O. Box 31660, Amarillo, Texas 79120-1660 or by calling Mr. Michael Mayfield, Quality Control Manager at (806) 373-4951.

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BENNETTS
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In 1995 Bennett got back into the concrete business and stayed in it until about three years ago when he hurt his back.

"My oldest son, Gary, did really good work in the concrete business," Bennett said.

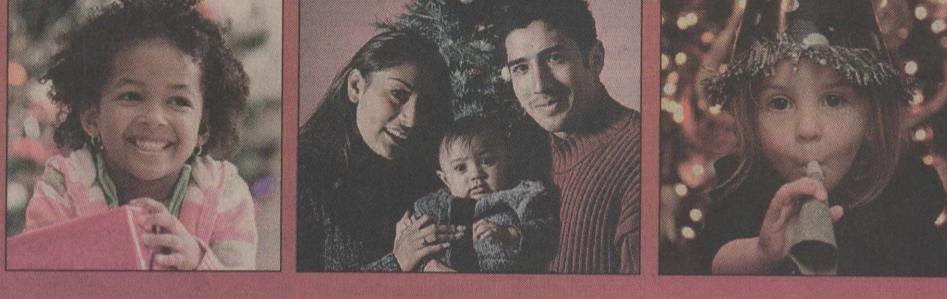
Sadly, Gary passed away from a heart attack working on a concrete job in 2015. But Harold, in his eighties at the time, after the funeral, went and finished the concrete job that his son had been working on.

In 2016 Harold and his wife Geneva celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary. Geneva had been in and out of hospitals and her health was declining rapidly, but they got to celebrate this special occasion before she passed away three weeks later.

These days Harold enjoys spending time with his two daughters, Rhonda and ValDonna, son Rick, and 15 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.



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Harold Bennett's family has been a part of the Floydada community for seven decades. Three generations of Bennetts worked in concrete building schools, hospitals and residences.



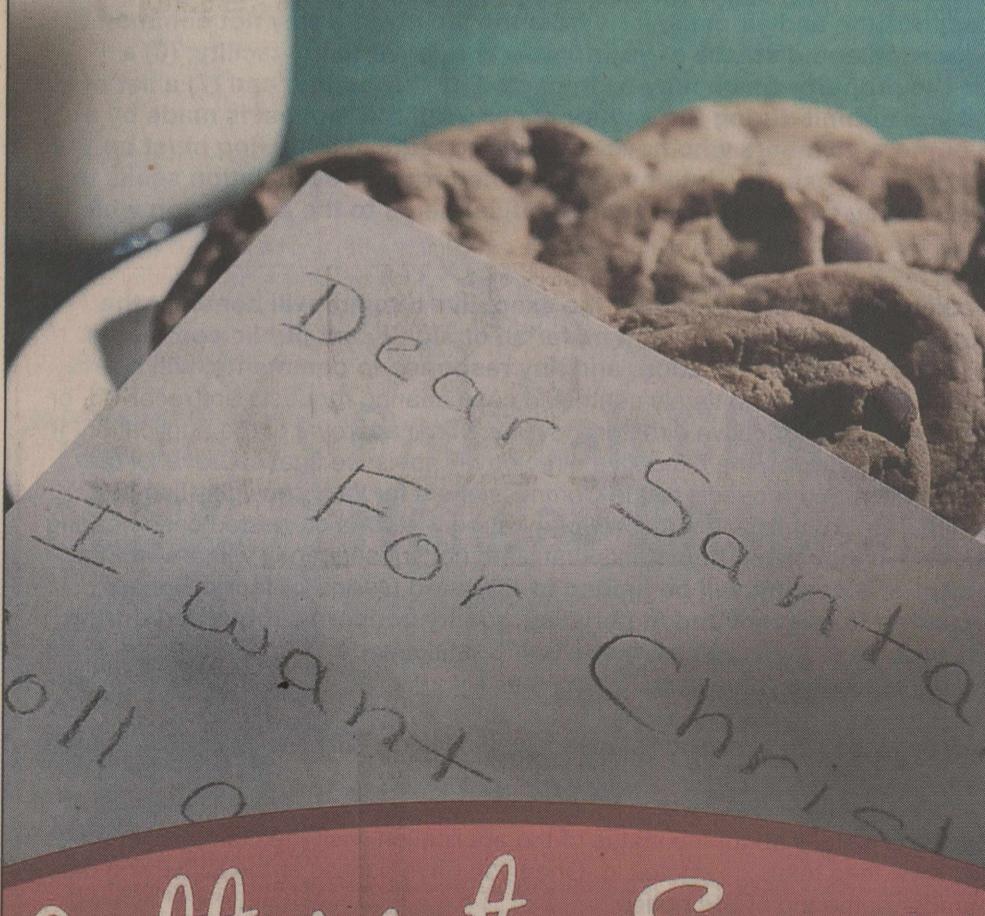
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Plainview Christmas Parade Returns Dec. 7



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Since 1992 the Plainview Christmas Parade of Lights has helped usher in the holiday spirit in this area. This year's parade will be Thursday, Dec. 7. Last year's parade had more than 90 floats.

By William Carroll

Plainview Herald

PLAINVIEW--A Plainview tradition since 1992, the Plainview Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade of Lights returns on Thursday, Dec. 7 and this year's theme is "A Gingerbread Christmas."

Registration for float entries are being accepted now until Dec. 6, and there is no cost to participate in the parade. According to Plainview Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Linda Morris, the parade has gotten bigger every year, last year there over 90 floats.

The parade is open to businesses, schools, churches, civic organizations and individuals. According to Morris, participants do not have to be members of the chamber, they just have to follow a few simple rules.

Since the parade is a parade of lights, all participants will need to have lights on their float entry. This requirement is also so that those attending the parade can see the participant's floats. One of

the other important rules is that while you can decorate your float as you see fit, no Santas are allowed. This is because the parade traditionally has only one Santa, according to Morris, who acts as the grand marshall of the parade and rides on the final float of the parade.

Guidelines require that if participants intend to hand out candy, they must have two adult walkers on each side of their float handing out candy. This is to protect children and make for a safe parade.

All floats and vehicles will be required to enter Broadway Park from Date Street or Southeast 4th Street, the parade will continue up Broadway to the old train depot.

There are five float awards which will be given out prior to the parade. For those who want their entry judged, the judging portion of the parade will begin at 5:45 p.m. on Dec. 7, just prior to the parade. Awards will be given out for: best representation of theme; best large entry; judges' choice; best small entry; and best decorated vehicle.

Morris said that the

Chamber has already received over 20 entries as of Friday afternoon. One of the entries is what is expected to be a large float from Amarillo that local veterans will be able to ride in.

Morris also said that West Texas A&M has signed up to bring its buffalo mascot as part of the parade.

"This is one of those parades where everyone participates," Morris said. "We have really good partnerships with our local businesses, churches, schools, and the city, which helps with blocking off the roads and ensuring the safety of the parade."

Morris recommended that participants to the parade make sure to meet prior to the parade to prepare their floats. She said no vehicles, except those involved in the parade will be allowed in Broadway Park.

Entry forms for the parade can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce office located at 1906 W Fifth St., and can be returned there or faxed to 806-296-0819.

PROPERTY

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highway."

Bethany Salazar, an officer with FCCLA addressed the Board about her duties as a regional officer and what the local FCCLA chapter is doing. The Board recognized senior Ryann Araujo for her achievements as a State Qualifier in Cross Country.

In other action, the Board approved the payment of bills and the financial report in the amount of \$5,425,488.94. The Board authorized the superintendent to commit and expend school in excess of \$50,000 for cafeteria renovation and remodeling. Areas of need in the

cafeteria include walk-in refrigeration and freezer units, kitchen appliances, kitchen furniture, mechanical, plumbing and electrical upgrades and cosmetic and structural upgrades.

The Board received a policy update regarding new changes approved by the latest Texas legislative session. Baum provided an update to various District activities. Baum said the current enrollment for the District was 447 students including 214 in Elementary, 103 in Junior High and 140 in High School.

The next Board meeting has been scheduled for Monday, Dec. 11 at 7:00 P.M.

UPCOMING

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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.

Happy Thanksgiving from

