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23rd Annual Floyd County Friends Gala Expect Record Number of Guests

By Segayle Foster

Floyd County Friends
Secretary/Gala Coordinator
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The 23rd Annual Floyd County Friends Benefit Gala has already broke a record before the event even begins. In less than 2 days of going on sale, we SOLD OUT and expect 600 guests to attend this year's gala. The 23rd Annual Floyd County Friends Benefit Gala will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at the Unity Center in Muncy. The doors open at 5:15 p.m. and the gala begins at 6:00 p.m.

The past couple of years we have broken record after record and this year will be no exception. A lot of our success so far is because of this year's entertainment. The opening band is a wonderful local talent Jason Nutt. He is born and raised in Floydada and we know he will be fantastic. However this year's Headliner is our biggest artist to date and is 3-time Grammy nominee, PAT GREEN! Pat Green has become a cultural force across the country that has sold out venues from Nokia Theater in Time Square and House of Blues Los Angeles to the Houston Astrodome in Texas. Respected by his peers, he has co-written with artists ranging from Willie Nelson and Chris Stapleton to

Jewel and Rob Thomas.

Green's explosive live shows have made him a fan favorite and a hot ticket landing tours with Willie Nelson, Kenny Chesney, Keith Urban and Dave Matthews Band. Named "the Springsteen of the South West" by People, Green has sold over 2 million records and has released 10 studio albums. He has a string of 15 hits on the Billboard Country Radio Chart and twelve #1 hits on the Texas Radio Chart including his latest single "Drinkin' Days," which spent an impressive seven weeks at #1.

He has been praised by Esquire, NPR, Rolling Stone, People, Billboard, USA Today, American Songwriter, Paste, The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times and has appeared on Jimmy Kimmel Live!, Austin City Limits and Late Show With David Letterman. His album "What I'm For" made its debut at #2 on the Billboard Top Country Albums Chart, which was followed by his critically acclaimed love letter to his fans "Home. Pat Green is also married to Kori Green (Kellison) who was born and raised right here in Lockney!

We are so excited to have the famous Jeana's Feedbag Catering on board to cater the sirlino steak dinner. There will be a cheese and fruit display for appetizer, salad, loaded mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, along with an Italian



JASON NUTT



PAT GREEN

Rum with Chocolate cake for dessert. For adult beverages, we will have liquor, wine or beer and drink tickets will be \$5 per ticket. Happy State Bank's portable ATM will also be on site to fill all your cash needs.

There are some exciting changes to this year's

gala. One of them is our raffle!! Our raffle has always been such a hit but we decided to change it to a cash raffle this year. What does that mean you ask? Well it's exactly as it sounds all prizes this year will be CASH! 1st Prize is \$10,000;

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Floydada Senior Citizens Center seeks donations for March 23 fundraiser

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada Senior Citizens Center is seeking donations of eggs, cake mixes, cabbage, carrots and fish for their March 23 fundraiser.

Their fish costs \$48 a box, and they will use three boxes. A cash donation would be appreciated.

Doors open for the fundraiser at 4:30 p.m. and they will stay open until everyone

is served. The menu will be fish, French fries and coleslaw. Eat in or carry out.

Minimum donation of \$7.

Call 806-983-2032 for delivery.

April 5 last date to register to vote in council, school board elections



By Kay Ellington

The Hesperian-Beacon

If you'd like to vote in the city council races for either Lockney or Floydada, or the school board race in Lockney, the deadline to register to vote is April 5.

Candidates running in Floydada's contested council races includes Ismael Vega, Jr. who has filed to run for the District 4 position now held by Gail DuBois.

The other Floydada contested races are the at-large positions which has three candidates running for two positions. Those candidates

are incumbent Cory Speed and challengers Tanner Batey and Gabriel de la Fuente.

District 1 councilwoman Bettye King is running unopposed.

In Lockney, the mayor's race has three candidates. Michael DeLeon will be running against incumbent Archie Jones and another challenger Joe Smith.

District 4 will have also have a contested race-- Loren Lee St. Dennis has filed to run against David Cole in District 4.

District 5 incumbent Tyler Duniven has filed once more, and he is running unopposed.

The Lockney Independent School District has only one contested race for school board. Melinda Morales has filed to run in place 2, currently occupied by Mike Lass.

In Place 2 Charles Keaton is unopposed. Both positions serve for three years.

For the Floydada Independent School District the District 1 position currently held by Roger Hughes and the District 2 position currently held by Dr. William Dean drew no opponents, so FISD will not hold a school board election this year.

The election will be held Saturday, May 5.

Lockney chamber banquet set for April 7



By Kay Ellington

The Hesperian-Beacon

The Lockney Chamber has set the date for its annual banquet for Saturday, April 7 at 6 p.m. in the Lockney elementary cafeteria.

The chamber will honor a Lockney Business of the Year and a Lockney Citizen of the Year. Mexican food will be served.

For more information, message the Lockney Chamber of Commerce on their Facebook page.

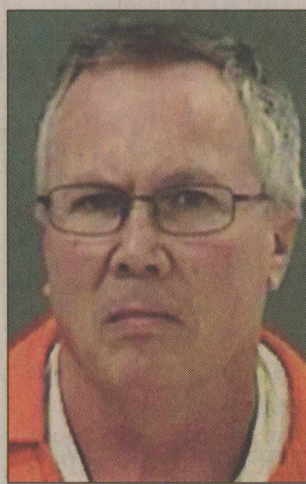
Sex offender receives life in prison in Floyd court

Compiled from media reports

57-year-old Kenneth Stilgebouer of Oregon was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for Continued Sexual Abuse of a Child in 110th District Court by Judge William Smith.

Stilgebouer was originally found guilty by a Floyd County jury on Feb. 15, but was formally sentenced last Monday and is currently being held in the Garza County Detention Center.

However, this is not the first time Stilgebouer was convicted of a child sex crime. He has been in the sex offender registry since



KENNETH STILGBOUER

1996. This newest charge and case is the second documented incident he has been involved with.

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.

VETERAN RESOURCE MEETING

A Veteran Resource Meeting will be held this Thursday evening, March 22, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Plainview Elks Lodge located on North bound I-27 service road, behind Reagor-Dykes Ford Dealership West Highway 70. For more info contact Mr. Loren Lee C. St. Dennis, TSgt, USAF, Retired, Military

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Correction

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

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PRESS RELEASE

Allsup, one of New Mexico's largest privately-owned companies, announced today that all full-time, non-executive employees that have been employed at least one year with the company prior to 2018 will receive a \$1,000 one-time bonus as a result of the recent Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed in December 2017.

The new tax reform legislation provides tax cuts for individuals and companies and should result in positive economic growth. "Mark and I are pleased to announce this special, one-time bonus to our hard-working employees", said Barbara Allsup, co-founder and owner with her late husband, Lonnie D. Allsup who had endorsed the plan shortly before his death.

Allsup's operates 317 convenience stores throughout New Mexico, West Texas, and Oklahoma and employs more than 3,200 full and part-time employees. All stores are open 24-hours per day and 365 days per year. "We have what our customers want, when they want it" the late Lonnie Allsup would say. "Thanks to our loyal employees, we fulfill that promise each and every day" said Mark Allsup, President and Chief Executive Officer.



Congressman Beto O'Rourke, the Democratic nominee for US Senate will appear in Dickens at a town hall on April 7.

Beto O'Rourke to hold town hall in Dickens April 8

By Kay Ellington
The Hesperian-Beacon

The Democratic challenger to incumbent US Senator Ted Cruz will appear at a town hall meeting

in Dickens Sunday, April 8. Congressman Beto O'Rourke of El Paso will appear in Dickens, a town with a population of 252 about 39 miles from Floyd County. O'Rourke

captured the Democratic nomination in the March 6 primary.

The congressman will appear at J&M Caprock Café at 186 W US-82 from 10 to 11 a.m.

The 501: State Song and Bookcovers

"Texas our Texas, all hail the mighty state."

If you know that state song, you probably went to school in Texas back when we all had to learn it. What happened to that law? I've asked a few young Texans if they know the song. They don't.

And what about that other law - the one that required us to put covers on our textbooks?

PAUSE TO TEXT TEXAS GRAND-DAUGHTER.

Meanwhile, do Oklahoma students still have to learn the names of all 70-plus counties, Adair to Woodward? Back to Texas.

The book cover law apparently is not enforced. Why not? Textbooks are passé. Students instead are issued "online log-ins" - at least where my granddaughter goes to school. It's one of those beyond-the-suburbs schools where people buy houses to be sure their offspring get to enroll there. But I'm guessing the same situation prevails at my rural alma mater.

Does an online log-in provide access to online books and course information?

"Haha yes!" my granddaughter replied. The "haha" part means she's smiling at my naïveté, I think. The exclamation points are the standard sentence ending in today's world. I recently told her I was rebelling against exclamation points and would not be using them except in dire circumstances. She told me she uses enough for both of us!

Back to Oklahoma.

My husband and I are headed to an

Oklahoma lumberyard. I'll ask random strangers if they can recite all the Oklahoma counties. I'll have to distance myself from my husband to do it. No problem.

Meanwhile, did you know "Texas, Our Texas" was written in 1924 by William J. Marsh, who was born in Liverpool, England, and apparently got to Texas as fast as he could, and Gladys Yoakum Wright of Fort Worth? In 1929, after a statewide competition, the legislature named it the official state song, per my cursory research. That means my Texas mother didn't have to learn it. She graduated in Electra in 1927. All she had to learn was Latin.

LUMBERYARD INTERVIEWS.

No surprises. An Oklahoman about my age said he had to memorize all 77 counties.

"But that was 50 years ago," he said, guessing that students are now no longer required to do so.

Other interviewees of varying ages gave conflicting answers. One guy said he had to learn them for 4-H. One 21-year-old said he had to learn the list as a high school freshman.

"I done forgot 'em," he added.

Another guy roughly the same age, who went to the same school, was absolutely certain he didn't have to learn the counties.

To all that I sing "You're doing fine, Oklahoma" for keeping the tradition at least halfway alive.

As for Texas, I love the Lone Star State and even believe in the all-but-forgotten concept of states' rights, but I'm protesting that new little state flag pledge all the kids learn. I'm not learning it. I'm not saying it. Arrest me. I'll serenade you with "Texas Our Texas" all the way to the jail.

SPC to offer NRA Personal Protection Inside the Home course

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND - South Plains College will offer the NRA Personal Protection Inside the Home course on March 24 (Saturday) and March 25 (Sunday) in Room 115 of SPC's Law Enforcement Technology building.

The class times are 9 a.m.

to 6 p.m. on March 24 with a one-hour break for lunch. The class will meet from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on March 25. Participants are responsible for their own lunch for both days.

Students should expect to shoot approximately 150 to 200 rounds of ammunition. Students will learn basic defensive shooting

skills; strategies for home safety and responding to a violent confrontation; firearms and the law; how to choose a handgun for self-defense; and continued opportunities for skill development. Additionally, students should use their own guns to develop skills in this course. Students are required to supply a minimum of 200 rounds of ammunition.

The cost is \$100. Students need to register and pay in advance. Due to the range requirements, space is limited to 15 students.

The Paperboy Cooler sun could ruin socialistic scam

What will the worshipers of climate change do if the planet cools substantially because of a cooler sun?

In case you've been in a cave for the past 20 years, former Vice President Al Gore warned the world that New York, Miami and Houston would be under water by 2015. That was back around 2000 and Global Warming would be to blame when this happened.

Gore made millions and his prophecy was obviously wrong. When it was clear that the prophecy would be wrong, Global Warming became Man Made Climate Change.

Again, suckers around the globe bought the replacement scam and leftist governments, the U.S. included, made this scam one of the top priorities which needed to be addressed before we all died.

How would they address it? By signing agreements which meant sending our hard-earned tax dollars to poor countries. Wealth redistribution would surely save us from ourselves, right?

Now I'm not one to say that man has no bearing on the climate. I'm sure we do. However, I contend that whatever impact man has on the planet is small in comparison to many factors which cannot be controlled, such as volcanoes and the sun itself.

For instance, there have been eruptions throughout history which have cooled the planet significantly.

In 1991, the eruption of Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines cooled the planet for over two years.

In 1880, the eruption of Krakatoa cooled the planet for four years.

In 1815, the eruption of Mount Tambora in Indonesia, caused the "Year Without a Summer" in 1816. It snowed that summer in New England and there was frost in New York in June.

Obviously, a single eruption can do more to change the climate than man can do in decades. That doesn't mean we should not be conscience of the effect we have and it certainly does not mean we shouldn't be good stewards of the planet. Of course we should.

What it does mean, at least to me, is that we are insignificant compared to nature itself.

Which brings us to the sun.

As reported this week, a "Solar Minimum" is expected to begin in 2019. Some scientists are even predicting a new "Grand Solar Minimum" for the next 200 years.

If these scientists are correct, our planet will experience colder winters and cool summers for the majority of the next 200 years.

In other words, the climate is going to change in the opposite direction predicted by Gore and the left and it has nothing, exactly nothing, to do with man.

Earth's climate has, is, and always will change. It changed before man and will continue to change when we become extinct.

Let's take care of the planet and continue to find efficient ways to power the country. What we don't need is for our elected officials to act like God and take OUR money and give it to third world countries to waste in the name of Man Made Climate Change.

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Personal Protection Inside the Home is a vital course for anyone who keeps a pistol at home for self-defense, and is an excellent tactical follow-up for anyone who has a License To Carry. It is also a recommended course for teachers and staff whose school is considering allowing them to be armed. It requires that the participant can handle a firearm safely and shoot with some degree of accuracy. It is not a Basic Pistol course for beginners.

The instructors will be Steve and Audra Dyer. To register, call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant for the Division of Continuing and Distance Education, at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.

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SOCIETY

The Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society of Floyd County

March 1, 2018

By Mary M. Carter
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Razzle Dazzle Red Hat Society met on March 1, 2018 at The Apple Orchard in Idalou, Texas for lunch. The time was 11:30 a.m.

The Apple Orchard had a hearty meal. They had Chicken Spaghetti, Italian Bread, Salad, and German Apple Cake. We enjoyed it! The Queen Mother, Virginia Taylor, called the meeting to order. She took care of the business and announcements.

Remember this is the month for the Cross View Camp "Festival of Tables" on March 24, 2018. If you find that you may be able to go. Call Virginia or someone you know who has tickets and see if there is still room. It is worth a try.

Sue Daniels shared about Ethelyn Vernon, her sister, health issues. Pray for Ethelyn. She has had quite an experience for the last weeks. She is now in the Plainview Rehab. Also there was a report on Mary M. Carter. She is doing better. Keep all the sick in your prayers because they need every one of them.

They are felt and I'm sure each person sends their "Thank You's" for each prayer.

Mr. Tucker Crawford was introduced. He and his wife, Tanya, are the owners of the Apple Orchard. Their family helps them in the business. He gave a very interesting talk about the Apple Orchard. Two of the most popular apples are the Pink Lady and the Honey Crisp. There are many other varieties that are delicious. They distribute to grocery stores Albertsons and HEB and to schools.

There are many changes ahead in the future. They have added peaches, grapes, sweet cherries, and tart cherries. They are taking out old trees and planting new. They are the ONLY Certified Organic Orchard in Texas. Also, they are starting BBQ and trimmings.

Here are some things to remember. There are tours with Hayrides and Apple Picking. You can order their German Apple Cake. Yummm. In September you can plan to visit them, again, for the Apple Butter

Festival. Fun is to be had during the many activities. You can buy lunch and dessert. There is a cost to get in and parking is free. You'll have a good time. The address is 12206 E. Hwy 62, Idalou, Texas. The phone # is 1-806-892-2961. They are open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Sunday and Monday.

Everyone had a good lunch and a good day. They missed the ones not able to be attend.

Our hostesses were Donna Pernel, Gloria Fannon, Margie Sue, and Carolyn Cheek. Carolyn was unable to be there.

Those attending were Virginia Taylor, Donna Pernel, Mary Lou Zinck, Sandy Turner, Joy Turner, Gloria Fannon, Margie Sue, Virginia Coker, Betty Jean Williams, and Sue Daniels.

NOTE: This is Mary and I wanted to give a big THANK YOU to Donna Pernel for take notes for me. I couldn't be there. Just let me say, I sure miss the ladies and their happy, loving, and fun selves!!!!



About Town . . .

By: Deon Fincher

By Deon Fincher

Shoelaces. I know! Who even thinks of shoelaces? Apparently, some young entrepreneurs have put a lot of thought into producing shoelaces and are making quite a success of the ventures. Not just "shoelaces" but, specifically, colored dress shoelaces for men.

Now, I understand that here in Floydada, that wouldn't amount to many sales; however, I have children that would think that was the best product EVER! I immediately "messengered" my daughter. Finally, I had come up with the perfect gift for my son-in-law.

I "googled" several different companies, pulling up

their websites to glean some information about their products. They all had one thing in common—the shoelaces were made from 100% cotton. Wow! Not that cotton shoelaces are new; but that they are being marketed as "the style in men's wardrobe today." I want some of the ingenuity of some of these entrepreneurs.

We need one of those factories in Floydada. Just think—Cotton shoelaces manufactured in Cotton Country. As I have mentioned in the past, production enterprises, much like these, would fuel our community's economics. Unproductive real estate would come to life. Jobs would need to be filled. Young families would make Floydada their

hometown. Dollars from out-of-town would be incoming to be spent with our own retailers.

How many products are out there—that we don't know about...that we haven't thought about-- that could fill that same need, here in Floydada? I suspect a whole bushel of them! We need to pull together as a family to come up with products, industries, any opportunities. Then, share that knowledge with neighbors, city leaders, and civic groups. With the mind-set that we are going to fuel life back into our town as opposed to sitting back and letting it die, we can do wonders. These products get manufactured somewhere—Why not Floydada, TX?

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY –DATES to mark on your calendar for March and April:

MARCH CALENDAR:
26th - Pancake Supper 5-8 p.m.

APRIL CALENDAR:
6th - Family Night Fish Fry
8th - Sunday Lunch - Turkey & dressing
14th - Spring Bazaar
16th - BINGO Night

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 num-

ber 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 March 26 - March 30

- Monday - Beef king ranch casserole
- Tuesday - Smoked sausage
- Wednesday - Beef stroganoff
- Thursday - Chicken Alfredo
- Friday - Hamburger steak

(Menus subject to change w/o notice)

Museum Archives

FLOYD COUNTY HISTORY FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

From The Floyd County Centennial May 24, 1990

By Jim Reynolds from an article published June 30, 1988

Indian Scares Around Lockney

Pioneer woman writes about 1890 Comanche fright

Indian scares in West Texas? Did they really happen?

Yes! Thanks to a spark of truth and much fantasy, Lockney area residents lived in fear for three days "in the fall of 1890."

Mrs. Josephine McGehee, in an April 1910 writing, explained that in the fall 98 years ago, "it was reported that the Comanche Indians had left their reservations and were going to Mexico." This prompted some local residents to "expect trouble as the Indians went throughout the country.

A Memphis, Texas, woman witnessed "some man killing a beef," so went to town as fast as her horse could carry her and reported that the Indians had killed a man. It was wired up and down the railroad.

Mrs. McGehee continued that by the time the news reached us, the brakes were full of Indians." Of course this rumor was unfounded.

She remembered that a neighbor came to our house late one evening very much excited and said that someone had just returned from the brakes and saw campfires and several Indians." The pioneer woman, whose husband was away from home at the time, wanted "to go for the night where some sod had been broken and hide. I thought they would not be so apt to find us there."

Her son Willie "tried to act very brave and said he was not afraid. (I will always believe he was). There was a 16 year old girl visiting us and he tried to make an impression."

Mrs. McGehee and her offspring "darkened the

house and spoke in whispers. I did not sleep," she remembers, "and thought I heard guns firing often."

A blacksmith at "old Lockney" fortified his sod blacksmith shop, sat up all night and moulded bullets. "We were kept in suspense for three days," Mrs. McGehee stated, "and some were so badly frightened they packed up and left the country."

ARRIVE IN 1890

Pioneer families such as the McGehees had a true pioneering spirit, but their endurance was tested and many early settlers returned to their former homes.

Mrs. McGehee recalled that she and her husband and their offspring arrived in Floyd County on June 10, 1890, and stayed the first night in Floydada.

"There were only three houses and a few camps at that place then," she recalls. "The next day we moved our home section, one and one-half miles northwest of the present Lockney. Mr. McGehee filed on this land in February 1890.

"There was nothing on our place to show there had ever been anyone on it, only half a load of wood—not a very inviting home. We lived in camps until we could get a dugout with a shingle roof, which was considered doing very well in those days.

"I remember well the first night. I slept in the dugout. It had rained and we moved in and put our beds on the floor. I was awakened the next morning by a waterdog crawling over my face. If the Indians had been there I would not have screamed any louder. The worst of it was I did not see only the one water-

dog but a dozen or more on the children's beds. I did not sleep in that dugout any more.

"While I do not think there is any harm in a waterdog, I do not like to come in contact with them in such a manner!"

While families today have only to drive a short distance to secure food, clothing and other needs, the pioneer Lockney family's supplies were hauled from Childress or Amarillo.

It was three months before the McGehee house was completed. Their nearest doctors were Dr. R. C. Andrews and son, of Floydada. The nearest Post Office was situated at Della Plain, a distance of nine miles.

Mrs. McGehee remembers that "The first sermon preached was in a dugout one mile east of the present Lockney."

EARLY KILLING

Not unlike today, "the first man buried in our cemetery was killed."

According to Mrs. McGehee, "two men fell in love with the same girl." The "killing" developed from this love triangle.

Although Lockney was one known as "the city of windmills," the pioneer woman recalls that "There were only two windmills in sight (in 1890). We hauled water three miles but some had a well and windmill.

The family would visit friends "10 or 12" miles away.

Only a few persons had buggies in those days. This meant that most young people rode horse back or, occasionally, in a wagon to a special occasion such as a party.

By LuAnn Collins

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - We will be hosting a Fundraiser on Friday, March 23. We will not serve a noon meal that day, instead we will open at 4:30 p.m. for an "all you can eat" Fish Fry. We will serve until everyone has been fed. The menu will include home style corn meal breaded fried fish, cole slaw, French fries, dessert, and drink. Dine in, carry out or call 983-2032 for delivery. We are asking for a minimum donation of \$7.00 per person, but any extra you can include will be appreciated. Proceeds will be used to keep the Center open and serving meals 5 days a week.

We are asking for donations for our fundraiser for eggs, cake mixes, cabbage, carrots, and fish. Our fish costs \$48.00 a box and we will use 3 boxes. A cash donation would be appreciated.

Floydada Senior Citizens is our business name, but anyone of any age is welcome to "eat in or take out, or have a meal delivered". Call us at 983-2032 for deliver service at no extra charge. We do have memberships available, at a cost of

\$25.00 per year. This membership allows you to purchase the meal for \$5.00 instead of \$6.00.

Freida Dunn, BSN,ET, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic, beginning at 11:30 a.m. weather permitting. Next clinic will be March 22.

The 2nd Tuesday Bingo, will resume on April 10 at 6:00 p.m. We will have sandwiches, drinks and dessert available at that time. We will also continue our progressive cash bingo game. Mark your calendars.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235. Our phone number is 806-983-2032. Thank you for remembering the Center with your donations or memorials.

MENU March 26 - March 30

- Monday - Crispy chicken salad
- Tuesday - Creamy mushroom pork
- Wednesday - BBQ ribs
- Thursday - Chicken fried steak
- Friday - Hamburger casserole

(Menus subject to change w/o notice)

Matches were an unknown commodity for South Plains pioneers.

In her 1910 writing, Mrs. McGehee recalled that, "We had a Christmas tree in 1890 at the school house and it was as well attended as one of today."

Sunday School and preaching services were held "most every Sunday. We would prepare our dinner on Saturday, have preaching on Sunday at 11 a.m. and at 3 p.m. Often in warm weather we would all stay and have preaching at night. We all enjoyed it. Those good old times are gone, never to return, but the recollection is pleasant."

The early Lockney community settler said, "The prairie was beautiful, and lakes were full of water.

Wild ducks were plentiful and you could look in any direction without seeing antelope."

Men cut and put up lake grass for winter feed. By 1891, "most everyone had a small field and raised feed for stock. In the year 1893

people planted oats and other crops."

GRASSHOPPER SEIGE

These crops were "growing nicely when the grasshoppers came and ate up See MUSEUM, Page 7

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CHURCHES

Monarch Numbers Down Again, Says Texas A&M Expert

By Keith Randall
Texas A&M University Marketing and Communications

COLLEGE STATION, March 6, 2018 – The number of Monarch butterflies is down once again this year, following a trend that has seen declining numbers of the colorful creature over the past decade, says a Texas A&M University Monarch butterfly advocate.

Craig Wilson, director of the USA Future Scientists Program and senior research associate in the Center for Mathematics and Science Education and longtime butterfly enthusiast, says early figures show fewer Monarch numbers for 2018. Early estimates show that their numbers are down almost 15 percent from a year ago in the breeding grounds in Mexico.

Cold weather and some winter storms may be to blame, he points out. Fewer Monarchs made it to the overwintering grounds.

Wilson says numbers of Monarchs passing through Bryan-College Station last fall in October 2017 seemed to be down and there were late arrivals even into December. This would seem to be supported by the latest figures released from Mexico showing that 2.48 hectares were used by overwintering Monarchs in Mexican reserves. "Estimating 50 million Monarchs per hectare would give a

total population of 124 million," he notes.

The low point occurred in 2013-14, when only 34 million Monarchs were estimated. Experts suggest that 6 hectares of overwintering monarchs by 2020 might allow the migration to be sustained in the long run.

Wilson says it is critical that Monarchs have access to milkweed, the only type of plant that Monarch caterpillars will digest as the multiple-generational migration heads north. Habitat in Texas is critical as the Monarchs funnel through the state in the spring and have to find milkweed on which to lay their eggs. Wilson says more milkweed is needed for the Monarch's long-term survival.

"Texas A&M is doing its part through Craig Coates, who teaches a Monarch butterfly service project that will engage 520 Texas A&M University students from 90 different majors in group projects to work on Monarch habitat restoration including planting milkweeds and related activities," Wilson adds.

In addition, both Bryan and College Station are taking the Mayors' Monarch Pledge seriously and making both cities Monarch-friendly environments, he says.

Wilson recommends the following sites for Monarch followers: Journey North, Texas Monarch Watch and Monarch Watch.

This story is on Texas A&M Today About Research at Texas A&M University: As one of the world's leading research institutions, Texas A&M is at the forefront in making significant contributions to scholarship and discovery, including that of science and technology. Research conducted at Texas A&M represented annual expenditures of more than \$905.4 million in fiscal year 2017. Texas A&M ranked in the top 20 of the National Science Foundation's Higher Education Research and Development survey (2016), based on expenditures of more than \$892.7 million in fiscal year 2016. Texas A&M's research creates new knowledge that provides basic, fundamental and applied contributions resulting, in many cases, in economic benefits to the state, nation and world. To learn more, visit <http://research.tamu.edu>.



Texas Tech Hosts Higher Education Think Tank for Autism Educators, Professionals

The Texas Tech University Burkhart Center for Autism Education & Research will host its second Higher Education Think Tank Conference on April 4-5 at the McKenzie-Merket Alumni Center, 2521 17th Street, Lubbock, Texas.

The Think Tank is a gathering for professionals working with campus-based programs that support degree-seeking college students with autism and related learning differences. Discussion will focus on successful strategies, challenges and research related to the support of college students on the autism spectrum.

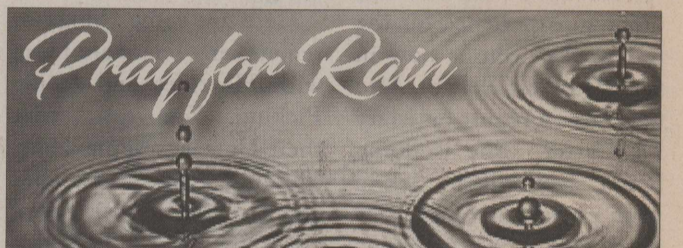
Discussions will be led by professionals from Texas Tech, the Burkhart Center and universities outside of

Texas and will include topics like academic success, employment and relationships. There also will be an interactive panel of state, community and campus partners for post-secondary programs.

Registration for the Think Tank is now open and can be found online. The registration fee is \$200 if registered by March 23 and \$250 after this date.

Find Texas Tech news, experts and story ideas at Texas Tech Today Media Resources or follow us on Twitter.

CONTACT: Kelly Golden, program coordinator, CASE Program, The Burkhart Center for Autism Education & Research, Texas Tech University, (806) 834-0779 or kelly.j.golden@ttu.edu



CHURCH DIRECTORY

Looking or Seeing?

The psalmist wrote, "Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law . . . do not hide your commands from me."
—Psalm 119:18-19 (NIV)

Trying to remember where I'd put my keys, I ran from room to room. Surely they had to be nearby! I checked coat pockets, the kitchen table, and the small desk near the phone. I didn't want to waste more time, but I needed those keys! My teen daughter's question stopped me in my tracks. "Mom, have you prayed about finding the keys?" I had not. I sat down on the stairs, bowed my head, and asked God to help me. As I opened my eyes and raised my head, I looked right at the keys. They were hanging beside the door. In my search, I had walked past that door many times, missing what was in plain sight.

Sometimes we read the Bible and it just doesn't make sense to us. Jesus appeared to the disciples after his resurrection and reminded them of what he had told them earlier and "opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures" (Luke 24:45). If the ones who traveled with Jesus needed his help to understand scripture, it's not surprising that we would need to seek this help through prayer. Every time we pause to spend time reading scripture, we can pray that the Holy Spirit will open our eyes and guide us to new insight.
—Pat Gerbrandt (Manitoba, Canada)

Prayer for the day:

Dear heavenly Father, help us to take the time to listen for your guidance so that we may understand what we read in the Bible. Amen.

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

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Bible Study - 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel
Service Every Sunday
Morning Worship - 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Church of Christ
West College & Third
Lockney
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ
Matthew Benfield, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Floydada
Mark Snowden, Pastor
Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship
Ashley Adams, Minister of Music
Ludustria Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Lockney

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

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

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

Grant Chapel Church of God In Christ
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - 8 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

Main Street Church of Christ
Lockney
James Blair, Minister
Bible Study - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:00 p.m.

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

New Salem Primitive Baptist Church
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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
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Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church

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

Power of Praise Full Gospel Church
Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 B Main, Lockney
Sunday Services - 10 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 5 p.m.
Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

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

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

San Jose Catholic Church
Lockney
Fr. Arockia Dhas 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

South Plains Baptist Church
Dan Beaty, Pastor
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Templo Getsemani Assembly of God
701 W. Missouri
Joe M. Hernandez
983-5286 (Church)
Sunday School
English - 9:45 a.m.
Spanish - 11 a.m.
Worship
Spanish - 9:30 a.m.
English - 11 a.m.

Evening Service 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church
Floydada
Rev. Ruban Selvaraj
983-5878
Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m.
Mon. & Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m.

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

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

Templo Nueva Vida
Rev. Herman Martinez
Co-Pastor Gilbert Flores
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School - 10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday Service - 7:00 P.M.

Trinity Assembly
500 W. Houston
Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors
983-5499
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church
Providence Community On Fm 2301
293-3009
Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
983-2672 Or 470-0950
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

AGRICULTURE

Head of TSCRA Special Ranger Force Set to Retire

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FORT WORTH, Texas — The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) today announced the retirement of its chief law enforcement officer, Larry Gray. His retirement is set for May 31, 2018.

Gray's planned departure comes after more than 37 years of distinguished service to TSCRA, where he is currently the executive director of law enforcement and theft prevention services, a position he has held for the past 11 years.

"On behalf of TSCRA, our leadership and every member, past and present, I would like to thank Larry for his enormous contribution to the association and wish him the very best in his retirement," said Richard Thorpe, TSCRA president. "In his long and distinguished career Larry

has exhibited tremendous leadership and talent that will be deeply missed."

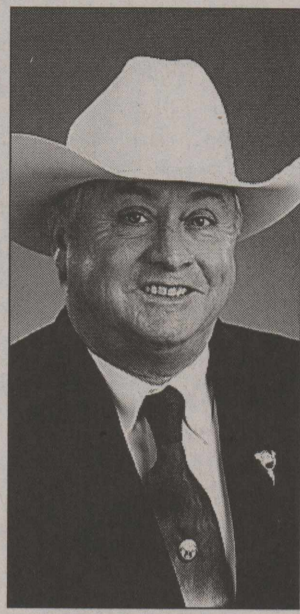
The association has 30 Special Rangers, led by Gray, who are stationed throughout Texas and Oklahoma. An elite group of law enforcement officers, TSCRA Special Rangers have extensive knowledge of the cattle industry and primarily investigate cattle theft and other agricultural crimes, though they are well-trained in all facets of law enforcement. All are commissioned as Special Rangers by the Texas Department of Public Safety or the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.

Gray joined TSCRA in 1981, following a career as a Fort Worth police officer. He was initially hired as a field inspector, the precursor to today's Special Rangers. He rose quickly through the ranks and was promoted to his first man-

agement role in 1995.

"For more than 37 years, Larry has demonstrated, on a daily basis, his dedication and commitment to TSCRA, and more importantly, to the cattle raisers of Texas and Oklahoma," said Eldon White, TSCRA executive vice president and CEO. "He has earned the respect and trust of staff, fellow Special Rangers, industry leaders and law enforcement officials across the country and internationally. The remarkable reputation enjoyed by TSCRA's law enforcement division is largely due to Larry's steady leadership."

Gray will be honored during the Closing General Session of the 2018 Cattle Raisers Convention on Sunday, March 25, 2018 at the Fort Worth Convention Center. For more information on how to attend, visit cattleraisersconvention.com.



LARRY GRAY

TSCRA is currently accepting applications to fill the position. Interested individuals are encouraged to send their resumes or questions to Eldon White, TSCRA, 1301 W Seventh Street, Suite 201, Fort Worth, Texas, 76102, by April 16, 2018.

Cattlemen Announce Annual Convention Details

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FORT WORTH, Texas — The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) on Tuesday announced details of their annual Cattle Raisers Convention and Expo, to be held March 22-25, 2018 at the Fort Worth Convention Center.

The 2018 Cattle Raisers Convention and Expo is the largest ranching event of the year in the Southwestern United States. It will feature programs and activities of interest to cattle raisers, landowners and the general public, with opportunities for everyone to participate.

"If you own land or livestock in Texas or the Southwest, the Cattle Raisers Convention is an excellent investment of your time," said TSCRA President Richard Thorpe. "I am confident you will find opportunities to further your education, gain industry information, make useful business connections and have some fun."

For cattle producers, professional development opportunities abound with practical education for beginner and advanced producers alike. This year's School for Successful Ranching will offer learning sessions and live demonstrations on topics including cattle health, legal issues, range and pasture

management and marketing. New for 2018 are two special workshops. The first, on Thursday evening, features in-depth livestock handling instruction from stockmanship and stewardship expert Curt Pate. On the following evening, the Ranch to Retail Workshop will showcase how beef carcasses are transformed into the retail cuts valued by consumers.

This year will feature the largest Expo in the history of the Cattle Raisers Convention with more than 250 booths offering a vast array of ranching supplies, services, jewelry, clothing, local food and more. For the first time ever, the Expo will also include an indoor shooting range, where attendees can test a wide selection of firearms.

Industry experts will also be on hand for a variety of information sessions on current issues that have a direct impact on cattle raisers, landowners and consumers. Included in these sessions will be updates on federal and state legislation, NAFTA and international trade, changing consumer preferences, and efforts to reform Texas' eminent domain laws.

Much more is on the agenda, and registration is now open. Visit www.CattleRaisersConvention.com for more information and to register to attend. Discounts are available for early registrants.

Arrington, Atherley scheduled to speak at PCG Annual Meeting April 6

By Mary Jane Buerkle
Plains Cotton Growers

LUBBOCK - Congressman Jodey Arrington is scheduled to speak to 61st Annual Meeting of the Plains Cotton Growers on Friday, April 6 in the Banquet Hall of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center the group. Bruce Atherley, executive director of Cotton Council International, will report on CCI's export promotion activities.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and the program will start promptly at 9 a.m. The meeting is held in conjunction with the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association Annual Meeting and Trade Show, April 5-6, 2018, in Lub-

bock. For more information on the TCGA Annual Meeting and Trade Show, visit <http://www.tcga.org/>.

Current PCG president Johnie Reed, who farms near Kress, Texas, will preside over the meeting and PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett will report on the status of PCG operations and activities. An award recognizing the 2017 High Plains Cotton Agent of the Year also will be presented at the meeting.

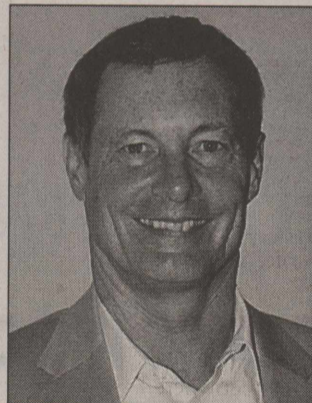
Tom Wedegaertner with Cotton Incorporated will report on that organization's latest initiatives. The program will feature an update on the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. PAC and an announcement about the 2018 Celebrate Cotton



JODEY ARRINGTON

Game. PCG staff also will present information on the new Seed Cotton program, and John Aldinger with the Lubbock Cotton Exchange will discuss the Texas International Cotton School.

Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m., sponsored by Monsanto/Deltapine.



BRUCE ATHERLEY

Lunch, sponsored by Bayer CropScience/FiberMax/Stoneville, will follow the meeting.

There is no charge to attend and no RSVP is necessary. Additional information about PCG and the Annual Meeting can be found at <http://www.plainscotton.org>.

Pet Talk: Why did the turtle cross the road?

Have you ever wondered why turtles cross the road? There are a few reasons why these slow-pokes venture into the street, but no matter their agenda, we should be cautious of their presence while driving.

"Turtles often cross the road after rain events," said J. Jill Heatley, associate professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences. "Additionally, many times they are female turtles seeking an appropriate place to lay their eggs."

If you come across a turtle in the road while driving, the turtle may benefit from a helping hand to get to safety; however, Heatley said to be careful in doing so.

"If you can pull safely off to the side of the road and traffic permits, you can safely move the turtle to the side of the road in the direction it was headed," Heatley explained. "If the turtle is injured, you can also take the turtle to a rehabilitator or veterinarian for care."

Even if traffic permits you to save a turtle's life, you should be careful handling certain turtles for your own safety. Heatley

said some turtles, such as the alligator and common snapping turtle, can injure a person by biting or jabbing at them with the rear of the shell.

"Only experienced individuals should handle these animals," Heatley said. "But in the case of box turtles, soft-shelled turtles, and slider turtles, they may be safely handled by grabbing the rear of the shell while wearing lightweight gloves."

If the turtle needs to be taken to a veterinarian, it can be placed in a cardboard box. Otherwise, Heatley said uninjured turtles should remain in the

wild to live their lives and breed.

Though wild turtles may need our help every now and then, you should not risk your own life to save a turtle. If you do see a turtle crossing the road, drive cautiously and stop to help, if needed.

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 vet.med.tamu.edu/pet-talk. Suggestions for future topics may be directed to editor@cvm.tamu.edu.

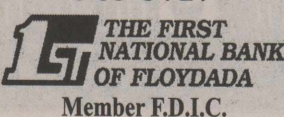
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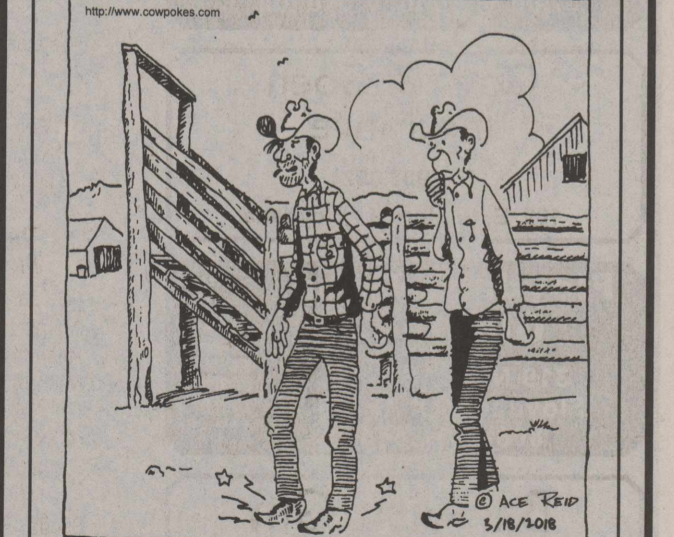
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everything green in the fields and gardens. Fortunately they left in time for feed stuffs to be planted and plenty made to do. I remember we had a good late garden."

However, the following year, "We had a severe drouth, then came our trying times. A great many left the country, never to return and others acted wisely and stayed. Those that could leave home went off and worked.

"Our land then was all taken up under the \$2 act, so it took money to pay our taxes and the state the interest. Most everyone had cattle enough that when they sold the yearlings in the spring they had money enough to make out on. We had no credit system then."

Life was simple in those early days of settlement in West Texas.

"We all lived at home, raised good gardens and some had orchards bearing," Mrs. McGehee pointed out. "Until we had fruit at home we would go to the breaks and get wild grapes and plums, which were very good to preserve for winter use."

Shortly after the turn of the century pioneers felt that the land had been tamed.

"Now we have our churches, school and railroad," she wrote in 1910. "We should not complain but be thankful, and try and beautify our homes by planting trees and improving and developing the country. Those that had come here of late years can profit by the experience of the earlier settlers.

Ours was mostly experience.

"This beautiful prairie should be to us what the land of Canaan was to the Israelites," she concluded.

UPCOMING
From Page 1

Veteran Peer Network, Peer Services Coordinator. Phone 806-291-4470.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS FUNDRAISER

The Floydada Senior Citizens will hold their next fundraiser on Friday, March 23, 2018. It will be "All You Can Eat" Fish Fry. The menu will be fried fish, French fries, and coleslaw. Eat in or carry out. We will open our doors at 4:30 p.m. and serve until we have fed everyone. Minimum donation \$7 per plate. Call 806-983-2032 for delivery. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!**

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St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church in Floydada will be having their Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 23rd. They will start serving at 11 a.m. until sold out. Cost is \$10 per plate. All plates include catfish, hushpuppies, French fries, coleslaw, tea. Dine-in, carry-out or have it delivered. For orders please call 806-983-5878 or 806-983-9639. 309 S. Wall,

Floydada, Texas. "Stations of Cross" will be held every Friday at 6 p.m. with Mass held at 6:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY EASTER SUNDAY

Trinity Assembly in Floydada will have an

The Panhandle Gives 2018 Registration is NOW OPEN!

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It's TIME! Time for what you ask? It's time to register your organization for the 2018 Panhandle Gives campaign! You can help spread the word by making sure your favorite nonprofit is participating.

Two years ago, the Amarillo Area Foundation started a giving day that coincided with #GivingTuesday, an international day of philanthropy on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. This year we're going bigger. We are excited to announce that the Amarillo Area Foundation has contributed \$100,000 to enhance your organization's fundraising efforts during this campaign. This means your favorite organization could qualify for a portion of this contribution by participating in The Panhandle Gives 2018.

Encourage your favorite nonprofit to register to learn how their organization can benefit from the \$100,000 contribution

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2nd \$3,000, 3rd \$2,500 4th \$2,000 5th \$1500 and the last prize will be \$1,000. Tickets are \$100/ticket and there are ONLY 400 and you do not have to be present to win. So contact a board member today to get yours before there all gone.

Also, due to maxing out the main arena we moved the silent auction to the Happy State Bank room where the buffet lines are and are pre-assigning bidder numbers to ensure check-in is faster. As usually, all ticket holders will be eligible for the \$1,000 giveaway sponsored by Reagor Dykes, Live and Silent auctions, as well as Gold Strip coffee bar sponsored by Happy State Bank.

For more information about the 23rd Annual Floyd County Friends Gala call Segayle Foster at (806) 445-2496. We are so excited to see all 600 guests for a spectacular night of raising money for a great cause and it's already gearing up to be a night to remember!

from the Amarillo Area Foundation.

Here's where to register: bit.ly/panhandle-gives. Complete the on-

line registration and return the agreement via email: thepanhandlegives@aaf-hf.org or mail to Amarillo Area Foundation, 801

S. Fillmore, STE 700, Amarillo, TX 79101 by 3/30/18. The \$75 registration fee is due by 4-25-18. Organizations with ques-

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All events are FREE for the community. Come and join us as we celebrate HOPE this Easter! 500 W. Houston Street (across from Dairy Queen), Floydada, Texas.



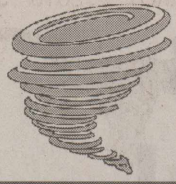
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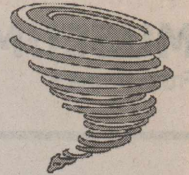
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Floydada Whirlwinds



Floydada Band wins sweepstakes



Courtesy photo

Congratulations to the Floydada band who won sweepstakes in competition on March 9.

A.B. Duncan to host family literacy night

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Families are invited to attend the A.B. Duncan Family Literacy Night March 26. They are planning many fun and educational games for you and your children.

The goal is for this to be a family event, so students

will not be allowed to attend without at least 1 adult over the age of 18.

Families are welcome to stay in the Cafeteria from 3:35-4:00, rather than go home. The school will be playing videos for you to watch during this time.

Please fill out the form

that your child brings home and return it to your child's teacher ASAP. If you plan to attend the event, school officials will send your student to the cafeteria to meet you there to enjoy the event. Otherwise, they will send them home the way they usually go home.

Whirlwinds squeeze by Longhorns

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Floydada scored on a walk-off passed ball to claim a 4-3 victory over the Lockney Longhorns in District 2-2A baseball action on March 17.

Floydada struck first in the bottom of the second inning. Devan Perez led off with a double and Jeremiah Johnston came in to run. Johnston moved to third on a passed ball then scored on an error that allowed Mike Delafuente to reach base. Marcus Perez and Arnie Martinez walked to load the bases. Andrez Suarez singled to drive in Delafuente and M Perez, giving the Whirlwinds a 3-0 lead after two innings.

Lockney tied the game at 3-3 in the top of the third. With one

out, Ashton Urrutia reached on an error. With two outs, Clay Moore was hit by a pitch then Nick Rendon walked to load the bases. Shawn Marquez singled to drive in Urrutia and C Moore. An error allowed Rendon to score, tying the game at 3-3.

Neither team was able to score until the bottom of the seventh when D Perez doubled with one out. An error allowed Delafuente to reach base and move Perez to third. Perez then scored on a passed ball to end the game and give the Whirlwinds a 4-3 district victory over Longhorns.

For Lockney, Marquez went 1-3 with two RBIs, C Moore went 1-2 with one run scored and Rendon went 0-2 but scored a run. Marmolejo pitched six innings, allowing three runs on four hits while striking out nine and waling four and Marquez

pitched two-thirds of an inning, allowing one run on one hit.

For Floydada, D Perez went 2-4 with one run scored, Delafuente went 0-3 with one RBI and one run scored and Suarez went 1-2 with two RBIs. D Perez pitched seven innings, allowing three runs on two hits while striking out one and walking two.

Floydada and Lockney are both 1-1 in district play. Olton is 2-0, New Deal and Abernathy are bot 1-0, Hale Center and Ralls are also 1-1 and Crosbyton and Springlake are 0-2.

Lockney played New Deal on March 20 and will play Crosbyton in a double-header on March 24 before an open date on March 27. Floydada played Crosbyton on March 20 and will play Abernathy in a double-header on March 24 then will play Springlake on March 27.

Whirlwinds drop district opener to New Deal

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

NEWDEAL – Floydada opened district play losing a close one, 9-7, to the New Deal Lions on March 13. The Lions used a four-run fifth inning to take control of the game, then held on as the Whirlwinds plated three runs in the top of the sixth to make it a one-run game.

Floydada scored first with two runs in the top of the second inning. With two outs, Jose Lira tripled then Mike Delafuente singled to drive in Lira. Jaiden Blakey and Andrez Suarez walked to load the bases. Delafuente scored on a passed ball to make it 2-0. New Deal got on the board when Layton Reed doubled to lead off for the Lions then moved to third on passed ball and scored on a single by Deandre Rios. New Deal was unable to score in the bottom of the inning as Floydada held a 2-1 lead after two innings.

In the bottom of the third, the Lions added two more runs. Tanner Seely led off by reaching on an error. A double by Jett Whitfield scored Tanner Seely then with one out, Marino Ramirez doubled to drive in Whitfield and gave the Lions a 3-2 lead after three innings.

Floydada retook the lead in the top of the fourth with two more

runs. Delafuente led off with a walk, then Suarez singled. Jordan Mendoza grounded into a fielder's choice that moved Delafuente to third while Suarez was forced out at second. Angel Cervera walked to load the bases then a single by Alex Glass drove in Delafuente and Mendoza to make it 4-3, Floydada. New Deal tied it in the bottom of the inning when Aric Mares singled with one out then was forced out on a fielder's choice by Brandon Coronado. Coronado moved to second on a balk then stole third. A passed ball allowed Coronado to score, tying the game at 4-4 after four innings.

After sitting the Whirlwinds down in order in the top of the fifth, the Lions scored four runs to take an 8-4 lead. Whitfield doubled to lead off the inning then moved to third on a passed ball then scored on a sacrifice fly by Kyle Reed. Ramirez singled then reached second on an error. A fly out to right allowed Ramirez to advance to third. Tyler Seely came in to run for Ramirez. Rios was hit by a pitch then Tyler Seely scored on an error as Rios moved to third. Izik Adams singled to drive in Rios. A double by Mares drove in Adams and game the Lions an 8-4 lead after five innings.

In the top of the sixth with two outs, Jordan Mendoza singled then

Cervera singled. A single by Glass loaded the bases. Mendoza scored on an error as Cervera moved to third and then scored on a balk as Glass moved to second. Devan Perez singled and moved Glass to third. Marcus Perez came in to run for Glass then stole home but strike out ended the top half of the inning with the Whirlwinds trailing 8-7. New Deal added a run in the bottom of the inning as Whitfield singled with one out, then with two outs, Ramirez singled to drive in Whitfield, giving the Lions a 9-7 lead after six innings.

Floydada was unable to score in the top of the seventh and the New Deal Lions collected the 9-7 district victory.

For Floydada, Glass went 2-3 with two RBIs, Delafuente went 2-3 with one RBI and two runs scored and Mendoza went 1-4 with two runs scored. Glass pitched six innings, allowed nine runs on 12 hits while striking out four.

For New Deal, Ramirez went 3-4 with two RBIs, Reed went 2-4 with one scored and Whitfield went 3-3 with one RBI and three runs scored. Ramirez pitched four innings allowing four runs on five hits while striking out five and walking five and Reed pitched three innings allowing three runs on five hits while striking out four.

Lady Winds shutout Lockney

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Floydada Lady Winds pitching threw a six-hit shutout to take down district and county rival Lockney, 4-0 in a District 2-2A softball contest on March 13.

Neither team was able to push across any runs in the first two innings, but the Lady Winds managed to score twice in the top of the third. With one out, Hannah Morales singled then Alexis Hernandez doubled to advance Morales to third. Kylie Ricketts hit into a fielder's choice that allowed Morales to score the games first run. Dora Cervera followed with a bunt single that allowed Hernandez to score and give the Lady Winds a 2-0 lead.

Until the top of the sixth, both teams were scoreless but in the top of the sixth, Floydada added a single run. With one out, Allison Orr walked then with two outs, Angela Vega walked then Emily Cisneros doubled to drive in Orr and make it 3-0 for the Lady Winds after five and a half innings. Lockney went three up and three down in the bottom of the inning.

In the top of the seventh, Floydada added another run. With one out, Hernandez walked then with two outs, Cervera walked

Hernandez then stole third before stealing home to give the Lady Winds a 4-0 lead. Lockney was able to put runners in scoring position in the bottom of the seventh but failed to score as Floydada claimed the 4-0 victory.

For Floydada, Morales went 2-4 with one run scored, Hernandez went 1-3 with two runs scored and Dora Cervera went 1-3 with one RBI. Morales pitched seven innings, allowing no runs on six hits while striking out seven and walking none.

For Lockney, Madai Chavira and Tatyana Cienfuegos both went 2-3. Chavira pitched four innings, allowing two runs on six hits while striking out three and walking two and Reagan Nuncio pitched three innings, allowing two runs on one hit while striking out six and walking four.

Floydada was scheduled to play Abernathy on March 20 and will play New Deal Saturday, March 24 and Crosbyton on Tuesday, March 27. Lockney played Hale Center on March 20 and will play Abernathy on Saturday, March 24 and New Deal on Tuesday, March 27.

Floydada is in first place in district with a 4-0 record followed by Abernathy and Ralls at 3-1, Lockney and New Deal at 2-2, Crosbyton a 1-4 and Hale Center at 0-5.

Lady Winds take down Hale Center

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – Floydada scored five runs in the third inning to overtake the Hale Center Lady Owls then added nine more runs in the next three innings to take home the 14-4 District 2-2A softball victory.

Hale Center struck first with a single run in the top of the second. Marissa Rodriguez singled with one out then Katy Huffhines singled, but Rodriguez was thrown out trying to move to third on the hit. Kaylee Hendricks singled to move Huffhines to third where an error allowed Huffhines to score, giving the Lady Owls a 1-0 lead.

In the bottom of the third, Floydada struck for five runs. Alyssa Obregon was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning then with one out, Alexis Hernandez walked, and Kylie Ricketts was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Dora Cervera walked to force in Obregon. Siobahn Garza grounded into a fielder's choice that allowed Hernandez to score. Allison Orr singled to drive in Ricketts and Cervera then Angela Vega singled to drive in Orr and gave the Lady Winds a 5-1 lead after three innings.

Floydada added four more runs in the bottom of the fourth. Emily Cisneros was hit by a pitch to lead off then with one out, Hannah Morales and Hernandez walked to load the bases. Cervera drew a two-out walk that forced in Cisneros, then Garza walked to force in Morales. Orr was hit by a pitch that forced in Hernandez then a single by Vega drove in Cervera and gave Floydada a 9-1 lead after four innings.

In the top of the fifth, Hale Center added three more runs. Jaci Garcia reached on a dropped third strike, then with two outs Ariel Ramon singled to drive in Garcia. Gracie Quintero doubled then Ramon stole home before Rodriguez reached on an error then Huffhines singled to drive in Quintero as the Lady Owls closed to the gap to 9-4. In the bottom half of the inning, the Lady Winds added four more runs. Vega led off with a single then Obregon walked

with one out and Morales was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Hernandez doubled to drive in Vega and Obregon. A single by Ricketts plated Morales then Cervera walked to load the bases. A fielder's choice by L Marquez drove in Hernandez to make it 13-4 after five innings in favor of Floydada.

In the bottom of the sixth, the Lady Winds score a single run to give them the run-rule victory. Vega led off with a single then Cisneros walked before Obregon singled to drive in Vega with the winning run. Floydada improved to 3-0 in district with the 14-4 victory over Hale Center.

For Floydada, Vega went 4-5

with two RBIs and two runs scored, Obregon went 2-3 with one RBI and two runs scored and Hernandez went 2-2 with two RBIs and three runs scored. Morales pitched six innings allowing four runs on 11 hits while striking out six and walking none.

For Hale Center, Huffhines went 2-3 with one RBI and one run scored and Ramon went 1-4 with one RBI and one run scored. Natalie Jimenez pitched 3.2 innings allowing nine runs on four hits while striking out five and walking eight and Garcia pitched 1.1 innings allowing five runs on six hits while walking three.

#MeToo Movement



By Catharine Kemp

FHS Journalism Class

Tarana Burke originally founded the Me Too movement back in 2008. Its main purpose was to encourage women to speak out about sexual violence and harassment. The movement spread virally in October of 2017 when Harvey Weinstein was accused of committing sexual assault to Alyssa Milano. After seeing Milano's straight and courage, women around Hollywood started coming out about being sexually harassed in their workplace.

Since many different female icons or celebrities stood up and admitted what had happened to them, it lead many other civilian women to do the same, causing a movement. This movement swept through the nation quickly escalating and currently around every 1 in 5 women in the U.S. in 2018 have been either sexually assaulted or harassed. That statistic is nowhere the stopping point. With the accordance of sexual

violence rising, the numbers of victims will rise as well. Before we know it these occurrences will be a normal aspect of our society.

The normalcy that is already associated with sexual violence or harassment is appalling. Most people could easily put an end to sexual harassment, especially in the workplace. In our society we are blind to most actions that take place right in front of us. By using our skills of observation we are able of witnessing when someone, of any gender, is being harassed or harmed. Furthermore when we whiteness something of this nature, we must act appropriately; by either confronting the enforcer or notifying the proper authorities based on the situation. If these actions take place the numbers of sexual violence will decrease dramatically. Thus no longer have the need for such movements as the #MeToo Movement and others related to it. Doing this would also assist in bettering our society for future generations.

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Lockney Longhorns

Longhorns hold on to defeat Ralls in district opener

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Lockney used a four run fourth inning then held on to defeat the Ralls Jackrabbits, 9-8, in the first District 2-2A baseball game for both teams.

Ralls struck first with one run in the top of the first inning. With one out, Abel Van Gundy doubled then scored on a single by Devin Salazar to give the Jackrabbits a 1-0 lead. In the bottom half of the first, the Longhorns answered with two runs. Israel Cuellar led off with a single, stole second and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt. A sacrifice fly by Nick Rendon drove in Cuellar. Shawn Marquez walked then Noel Cenicerros. Ruben Marmolejo singled to drive in Marquez and give the Longhorns a 2-1 lead after the first inning.

In the top of the second, Ralls added two more runs. Jacob Bartlett singled to lead off the inning and moved to second on an error. Joe Sanchez walked then Isaiah Zavala reached on a fielder's choice as Bartlett was thrown out

at third. A single by Justin Delgado loaded the bases. Van Gundy singled to drive in Sanchez and Zavala, giving Ralls a 3-2 lead. In the bottom of the inning, Lockney tied the game as Darin DeLeon reached all the way to second on an error to lead off the Lockney at bat. Brett Moore singled to move DeLeon to third. With one out, Cuellar reached on an error that allowed DeLeon to score. After two innings, the game was tied at 3-3.

Ralls retook the lead in the top of the third. Tyrique Ortiz walked to lead off the inning then with one out, Ortiz scored a single by Bartlett as the Jackrabbits regained the lead, 4-3. Lockney answered in the bottom of the inning with a single run to tie the score again. Marmolejo hit a one-out home run to center field and after three innings, the score was tied at 4-4.

In the top of the fourth, Van Gundy led off with a home run to center field to give Ralls the lead again. With one out, Kobe Harris reached on an error then Ortiz walked. Bartlett singled to drive in Harris and give Ralls a 6-4 lead.

In the bottom of the inning, Lockney retook the lead with four runs. Cuellar led off with a single, Clay Moore followed with a single then Rendon was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Cenicerros walked to force in Cuellar. C Moore scored on a passed ball then DeLeon doubled to drive in Cenicerros and gave the Longhorns an 8-4 lead after four innings.

Ralls did not score in the top of the fifth, but Lockney added a run. Ashton Urrutia was hit by a pitch to lead off the Longhorns at-bat. Urrutia moved up on wild pitch then a fielder's choice allows Urrutia to reach third. Rendon reached on an error that allowed Urrutia to score, giving the Longhorns a 9-6 lead after five innings.

Ralls scored a single run in the top of the sixth. Harris singled to lead off the inning then with two outs, Bartlett singled then J Sanchez to singled to drive in Harris, making it 9-7 in favor of Lockney. The Longhorns failed to score in the bottom of the sixth but held a 9-7 lead.

In the top of the seventh, the Jackrabbits added

a single run, but it wasn't enough as the Longhorns claimed the 9-8 victory. Van Gundy singled then Salazar tripled to drive in Van Gundy but that was all Ralls could manage as Lockney took the victory.

For Lockney, Marmolejo went 3-3 with two RBIs and a run scored, DeLeon went 2-3 with one RBI and one run scored and Cuellar went 2-4 with one RBI and two runs scored. Marquez pitched three innings, allowing five runs on seven hits while striking out three and walking three and Marmolejo pitched four innings, allowing three runs on seven hits while striking out five and walking two.

For Ralls, Van Gundy went 4-5 with three RBIs and three runs scored, Salazar went 2-5 with two RBIs and Bartlett went 4-4 with two RBIs. Van Gundy pitched three innings, allowing seven runs on seven hits while striking out three and walking four, Bartlett pitched two innings, allowing two runs on two hits while striking out three and walking two and Ortiz pitched on inning, allowing one hit and walking one.

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU March 26-30

Monday, Mar. 26
Breakfast – Pancakes, Bacon or Muffin, Yogurt, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Steak Fingers or Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot Coins, Roll, Strawberries, Milk

Tuesday, Mar. 27
Breakfast – Sunrise Sandwich or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – French Bread Pizza, Marinara, Salad, Vegetable Blend, Fruit Cup, Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Mar. 28
Breakfast – French Toast, Sausage or Cereal, Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch – Boneless Wings or Chili, Cornbread, Celery, Carrots, Oranges, Brownie, Milk

Thursday, Mar. 29
Breakfast – Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast or Strudel, Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Mexican Combo Plate or Quesadilla, Corn, Beans, Salsa, Fruit, Milk

Friday, Mar. 30
Breakfast – Breakfast Burrito, Hash Browns or Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Popcorn Chicken, Broccoli Bites, Oven Fries, Fruit, Milk

District 2-2A Baseball Standings

2-2A BB	W	L
Olton	2	0
New Deal	1	0
Abernathy	1	0
Lockney	1	1
Hale Center	1	1
Floydada	1	1
Ralls	1	1
Crosbyton	0	2
Springlake	0	2

District 2-2A Softball Standings

2-2A SB	W	L
Floydada	4	0
Abernathy	3	1
Ralls	3	1
Lockney	2	2
New Deal	2	2
Crosbyton	1	4
Hale Center	0	5

Apply now for 2018 Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program

LUBBOCK TX (March 7, 2018) – Students within the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) service area are encouraged to submit applications for the 2018-2019 Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors program. Deadline for submissions is May 20.

Each year, high school age youth are selected to join the program which provides knowledge about management of water resources in Texas.

"HPWD is proud to be among the supporters of the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors program. This is a great opportunity to mentor future water leaders for our state," said Carmon McCain, HPWD Information/Education Supervisor. HPWD provided grant funding for the program, which began in 2017.

Those chosen will participate in a summer 4-H2O Youth Leadership Academy. This tour, set for July, allows students to meet with statewide water professionals and observe conservation practices. The group will visit the HPWD office in Lubbock during their tour of the Panhandle-South Plains region. In addition, the students will view rainwater harvesting installations at Samuel Jackson, Inc. in Lubbock and Bob Durham's ranch at Abernathy.

A leadership, mentorship, and community service component is included as part of the program. Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors commit to a minimum of 40 hours of service during a 12-month period. This is earned by presenting water education programs to local 4-H clubs,

schools, fairs, and other community events. In addition, the students may also assist their local water utilities, groundwater conservation districts, and County Extension Agents in their water outreach programs.

Applicants must be 14 years old as of Aug. 31, 2018 and must be entering the 9th, 10th, or 11th grade in the upcoming 2018-2019 academic year. A short essay and letters of reference are required.

There is a \$250 participation fee due by June 20. Applicants do not have to be a current member of Texas 4-H, but must agree to become a 4-H member and pay a \$25 annual membership fee, if selected.

Visit <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/water/> for applications and other program information. Questions should be directed to David W. Smith at (979) 862-1989. He may also be reached by email at davidsmith@tamu.edu

The 4-H Water Ambassadors program is led by Texas 4-H and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, and supported in part by the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 is charged with the responsibility of conserving, preserving, protecting, and preventing waste of groundwater within its 16-county service area. The High Plains Water District is the first underground water conservation district created in Texas.

South Plains College to offer phlebotomy class

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer a basic phlebotomy course from March 26 through May 4. The class will meet from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays in Technical Arts Room 124. Enrollment for the course is limited to 10 students.

The tuition cost is \$565. The textbook to be used is "The Complete Textbook of Phlebotomy" fourth edition written by Lynn B. Hoeltke, which costs \$163.13. Clinical Instruction (24 hours) will be on Monday

through Friday with the time, location and date to be announced. Most clinicals begin after 8 a.m. The course instructor will be Georgia Mulloy.

Classroom and clinical instruction in skill development of blood collection methods will be provided.

Students must provide proof of immunization for MMR, Tetanus no older than 8 years, Hepatitis B Series, and have a current negative TB test no older than 12 months, photo identification and social security card. A criminal background check will be performed for all students.

SPC to provide Certified Nurse Aide class

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LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer a Certified Nurse Aide course from March 26 through April 25 in the Technical Arts building in Room 120. Enrollment is limited to 10 students.

The class will meet from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday the first week of classroom instruction. For the second, third and fourth week, the class will meet from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. For the fifth week, the class will meet from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

Clinical Instruction will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursdays for the second, third and fourth weeks. For the fifth week, clinical instruction will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday. Clinicals will be conducted at the Levelland Nursing Home.

Students will use the textbook, "Skills and Techniques for the New Nursing Assistants" seventh edition by Barbara Gillogly, which is not included in the course fee. The textbook costs \$57. The tuition due upon enrollment is \$500. Additional fees not included are the responsibility of the student – State Exam Fee of \$104.50 and CPR fee

of \$15.

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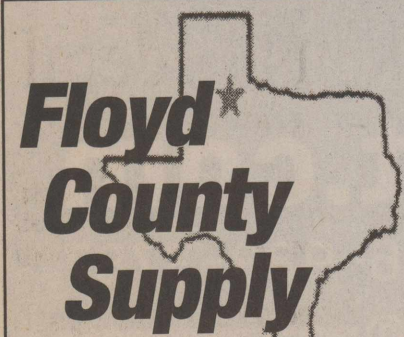
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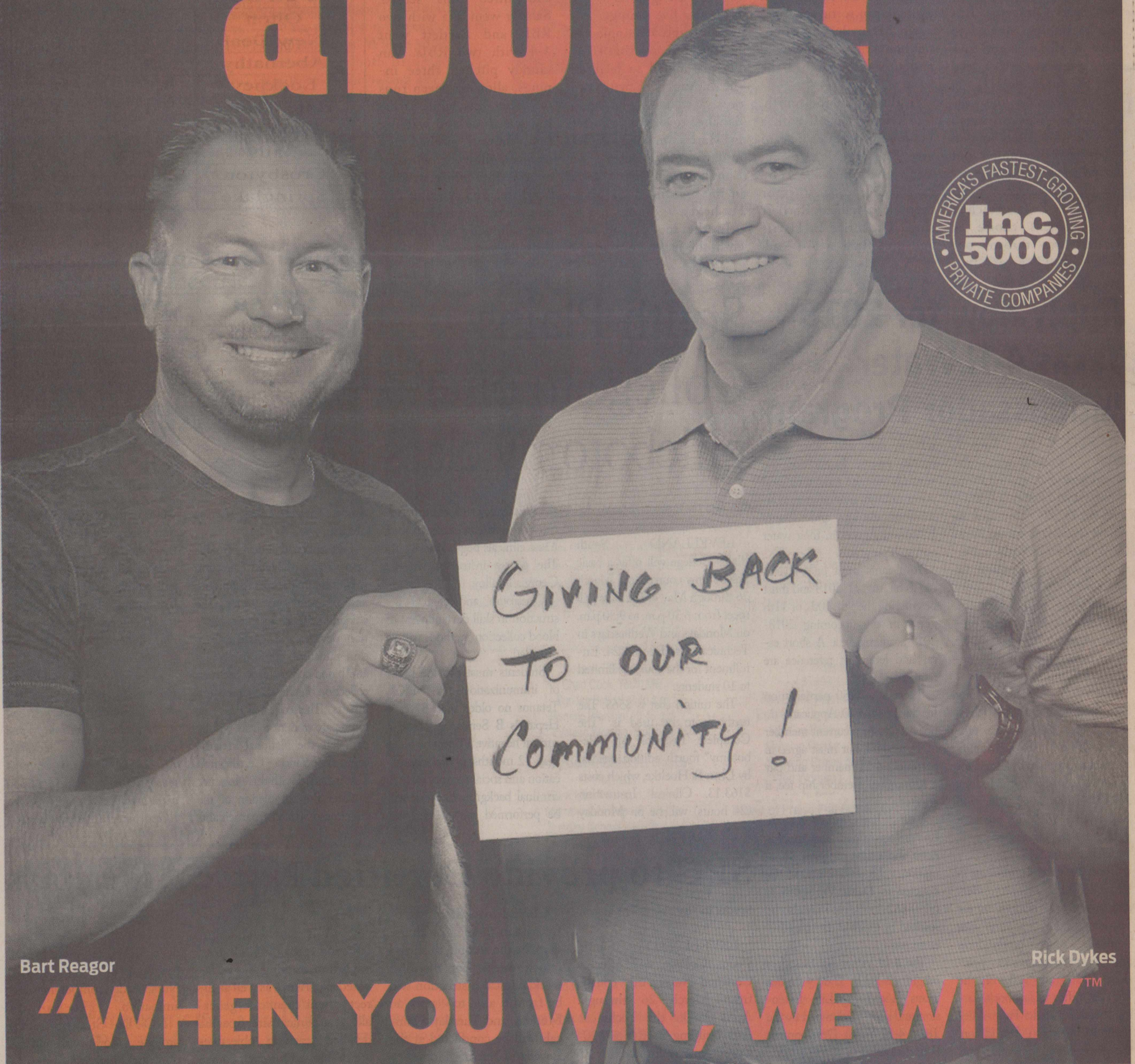
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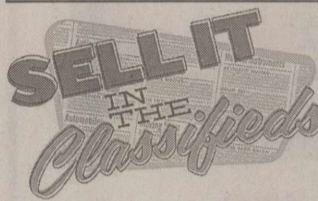
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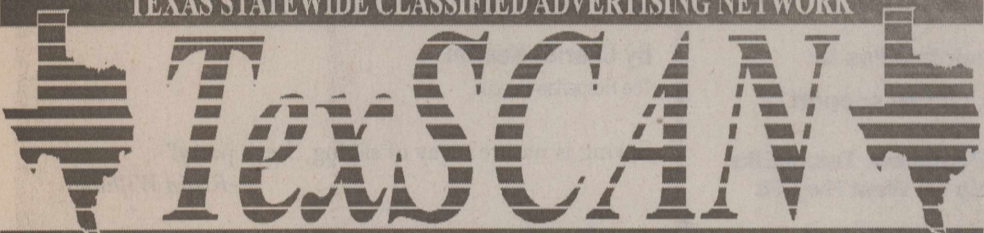
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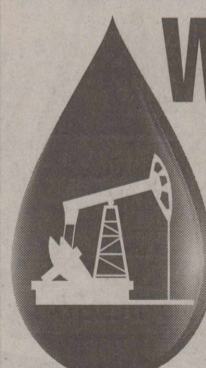


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By Charles Keaton
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Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's party!'
—Robin Williams

No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn.
—Hal Borland

I believe in process. I believe in four seasons. I believe that winter's tough, but spring's coming. I believe that there's a growing season. And I think that you realize that in life, you grow. You get better.
—Steve Southerland

You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep spring from coming.
—Pablo Neruda

I am going to try to pay attention to the spring. I am going to look around at all the flowers, and look up at the hectic trees. I am going to close my eyes and listen.
—Anne Lamott

Behold, my friends, the spring is come; the earth has gladly received the embraces of the sun, and we shall soon see the results of their love!
—Sitting Bull

In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt.
—Margaret Atwood

No matter how chaotic it is, wildflowers will still spring up in the middle of nowhere.
—Sheryl Crow

I trust in nature for the stable laws of beauty and utility. Spring shall plant and autumn garner to the end of time.
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