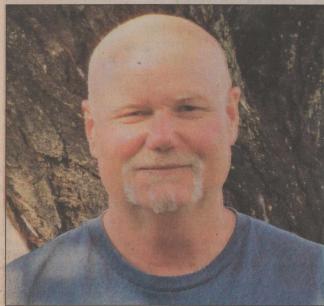
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# Gooch Named City Manager

"Another Opportunity to Serve"

**By Deon Fincher** 

The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada City Council appointed Darrell Gooch to serve the City of Floydada as City Manager. Gooch leaves his position as Chief of Police, to move into the post. Gooch has been serving as the Interim City Manager.

I caught up with Darrell as he was leaving to attend a training in

"I'm excited!" he stated. "I've been with the Floydada Police Department for the last 35 years. This is just another opportunity for me to serve this community.'

Gooch has been busy working on finishing up the documentation for grants that will benefit different projects within the city. "We are already working on the parks projects, and that work will be ongoing," said Gooch. "We've been tying up a Block Grant which will allow us to make improvements to the water system within the city." His crew has been testing fire hydrants and water lines, determining the extent to which these need to be repaired or replaced.

"We are currently working on upgrading the electrical system in parts of the city," added Gooch. The city crews are focusing on replacing outdated equipment in an effort to standardize the city's electrical transmission system.

"I am enjoying this!" stated Gooch. "Working on the grants, getting to work on improvements, and seeing the results of those efforts is rewarding.'

Mayor Bobby Gilliland discussed the manager position search. "We had a few applicants, but Darrell was doing a great job as Interim manager. He had already completed the Certified Public Manager's course, which was an advantage in several different ways, plus he knows the community already—both the good and the bad."

"We are thrilled to give this appointment to Darrell," stated Gilliland, "and we (the Council) are eager to turn him loose so he and his staff can continue making headway on projects within the com-

# Marquez attends 'Explore STEM' program

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian Beacon

Brandon Marquez, an incoming 9th grader in Floydada, attended the National Youth Leadership Forum's Explore STEM program earlier in July.

Mr. Payen, Brandon's Science Teacher, nominated him to attend the weeklong program. The NYLF Explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program is a unique learning experience for bright, forward-thinking middle school students who will evolve into our next generation of innovators, engineers, doctors, forensic scientists, mathematicians, and physicists.

According to the organization's website, "Future innovators, engineers, doctors, and investigators will start building their path to success and get real, hands-on STEM experience at NYLF Explore STEM. Over six impactful days at one of our ten university program locations, students explore career opportunities, gain increased confidence and leadership skills, and Envision their future on a 'Mission to Mars,' all among likeminded and aspirational middle school students from around the country."

NYLF Explore STEM is built on a multidisciplinary curriculum designed to help students find their passion through hands-on activities



Brandon Marquez, standing outside the St. John's University Gate in New York, NY. Marquez was nominated to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum's Explore STEM program, one of which was located on the St. John's University campus.

in forensics, robotic programming, medicine, and engineering design. The program provides an invaluable opportunity for curious and high-achieving students to explore the frontiers of 21st century science and technology.

Brandon attended the NYLF at St. Johns University in New York, NY. Floydada Lighthouse Reagor-Dykes Electric, Chevrolet and 4:13 Design and Photography in Amarillo sponsored Brandon's

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#### **FHS YEARBOOK**

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#### DUNCAN ELEMENTARY INPORTANT INFO

See the "Duncan Elementary Registration" and "Meet the Teacher" info on the Floydada School page in this week's issue.

#### LOCKNEY ISD STRENGTH & CONDITIONING CAMP

Lockney ISD coaching staff will hold their "Longhorn Champions Camp" (strength and conditioning) the Longhorn Fieldhouse from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. All High School/Middle School athletes can participate. Dates camp will be held are: July 23-26.

#### **LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**

The Lockney Senior Citizens Center will hold a "Pancake Supper" on Monday, July 30th from 5-8 p.m. Donations welcome.

#### FLOYDADA HIGH LITTLE CHEER CLINIC

"Little Cheer Camp 2018" will be held August 6 -August 8 from 9 a.m. - 12 noon. The clinic will be held at the Whirlwind Gym. Ages Pre-K thru 6th grade are welcome to attend. Parents are invited to watch performances at 11:30.

For more info contact Tania Pesina - tpesina@ floydadaisd.esc17.net

# C of C's Business of the Month

Floydada's Police Department



The Floydada City Police Department is the Floydada Chamber of Commerce's July "Business of the Month." Floydada's Department went viral with their 'Lip Sync Challenge' videos on Facebook. Sgt. Ramon was featured on KMACTV, Lubbock, for his submission. The Police Department works diligently for our community. The Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to recognize them this month. Pictured (L to R): Patrolman Joel Martinez, Chamber Manager Kortney DeBock, and Interim Police Chief Sgt. Reuben Ramon.

# Floydada G8TRZ Grab 2nd



Don't count out these girls! This past weekend, they played in The Field Of Dreams tournament in Levelland. Initially, they were placed in the loser's bracket. That didn't discourage the team. They weathered the heat and ended up playing for the championship, taking 2nd place. Madison Pyle was selected at MVP for the tournament play. G8TRZ 8U Team (L to R): Madison Pyle, Brooklyn Pyle, Malori Havens, Karah Cavazos, Abigail Reyes, Jenna Martinez, Bailey McHam, Layla DeLeon, Bella Perez and Karenn Torrez. G8TRZ Coaches are Erica and Ray Perez; Assistant Coaches are Andrew Cavazos and Justin Martinez. The girls will play in the Midnight Madness Tournament in Levelland's Oxy Sportsplex, August 10-12.

#### Correction

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**By Deon Fincher** 

The Hesperian Beacon

The Lockney City Council was called to order Tuesday morning, July 17, 2018 at the City Hall. Members in attendance: Mayor-Michael DeLeon, David Cole, Tyler Dunivan, Aaron Wilson, Dart Carthel, and Donnie McLaughlin. Also present: Manager Buster Poling, City Attorney Lanny Voss, and City Secretary Laurie Garcia.

There was no one present to offer public com-

Bobby Moudy, General Manager, Mackenzie, Municipal Water Authority presented to the council the 2018-2019 Budget and Related Information. No changes were proposed. No action was needed.

County Judge Marty Lucke presented to the council a schedule proposing the County incorporate a turn-key agreement to provide law enforcement for the City of Lockney. It was decided to review the numbers and evaluate the costs for options. Action to be taken at a later

Sheriff Paul Raissez presented the County's recommendation for Stop signage for the City of Lockney, based on the council's request. After some discussion, the council approved the Stop-signage proposal. The following intersections will be undergoing installation in upcoming weeks:

Four-Way Stop Signs: West College St & SW 6th St

West College St & SW 4th St West Bryant St & SW 1st St West Popular St & SW 2nd St West Willow St & SW 1st St

West Spruce St & SW 2nd St West Spruce St & SW 6th St Two way Stop Signs:

West Bryant St & SW 4th St for traffic traveling East & West

West Bryant St & SW 6th St for traffic traveling East & West

Replace Yield sign:

West Willow St & SW 5th with a Stop sign Manager Poling offered dates to be considered for Budget Workshop session. The council members chose to schedule the workshop for August 2, 2018.

Motion was made to approve the Consent Items. Motion passed, the vote was unanimous.

Mayor DeLeon requested individual input regarding goals, visions and directions for the city. Council members requested that the discussion of specific items be tabled until the city has concluded with the ongoing audit, at which time, all members will have a clear understanding of the City's finances and can better plan for the future. All agreed.

The meeting was adjourned.

# Floydada's Budget gets Balanced

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada City Coun-

cil met Tuesday, July 17 at the Council Chambers in Floydada. Those present were Councilwoman-Bettye King, Councilman Steve Lloyd, City Attorney-Karen Houchin, City Secretary-Selia Arellano, Mayor-Bobby Gilliland, Councilwoman-Dana Crossland, Councilwoman-Gayle DuBuois, At-Large Member-Gabe DelaFuente, At-Large Member-Tanner Manager-Darrell Gooch.

There were no individuals addressing the council in the Public Forum.

Bobby Moudy, General Manager, Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority presented to the council the 2018-2019 Budget and Related Information. No changes were proposed. No action was needed.

Discussion on the bid received for the 400 block of East Tennessee and East Georgia streets was opened. Motion was made to sell lots per bid. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Flat on the edge of normal

Nick had a flat. He knew I was headed

If I ever get a tattoo, I think it'll be

AAA. I'm just not sure where I want it.

Not to complain, I viewed the experi-

ence as one more adventure. My husband

was totally unavailable miles away, mes-

y friend Nick (an alias) lives on the edge. I

do too, but compared to Nick, I'm normal.

My friend Trudi (also an alias; she prefers

anonymity) really is normal. Such types come in handy

his way, so he called me.

Maybe across my forehead.

The Council began discussion installing speed bumps on the 600 Block of West Georgia Street, regarding comments received concerning speeding vehicles. Gooch reported that he met with several residents to gather input. The residents decided that they would prefer LED/Solar powered warning signs versus speed bumps. After some discussion, the council chose to defer to the recommendations for lit warning signs. Gooch was asked to investigate options for the signs.

19 Operating Budget for the

Information that Gooch had received from grantors requires a minimal increase of property tax rates. Discussion took place regarding a minimal rise in rates. Mayor Gilliland estimated a quarter-cent raise. According to grant information, that amount would be sufficient to stay competitive for new grants and to comply

with current grant require-

Councilman Lloyd inquired as to what specific grants with which the city was benefitting. Gooch stated that the city is in line for a HOME grant and a Block grant. The HOME program assists with low-income housing. The Block grant is being sought to replace muchneeded replacements of city

Discussion regarding increasing fees for the City Dog Pound and increasing the fees to the Landfill. No action was taken at this time.

The Council dismissed into Executive Session to discuss the City Manager Applications. Upon resuming the meeting, no comment was made regarding a decision.

Motion was made to approve last meeting's minutes and the consent items. The motion was seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

A special meeting to discuss the management of the city farm contract with Austin Campbell. The meeting is scheduled.

Having no new business, Mayor Gilliland adjourned the meeting.

#### Interim City Manager Dar-Battey, and Interim City rell Gooch reported that 2018-

City of Floydada was close to being finalized. With the benefit from the insurance reduction, he stated that his team was within \$5,000 of balanc-

# Trying to be slow to anger

he other day, my soon-to-be 5-year-old great nephew, which is about as cute as can be, was horsing around in my closet and tore a clothes bar support out of the wall.

Well, what are you supposed to do about that? My first thought was to snap him up for some punishment. I did

> not do that though. I remembered back to when I was his age and I crushed one of my grandmother's "priceless" porcelain and gold thimbles. I could tell by her reaction that she was angry, but also heart-

She had picked the thimble up in Italy and it

She did not punish me. But, she told my grandfather. And when he got home, he administered a most severe punishment. Probably the worse punishment I ever received.

As a rambunctious child, it was not the last time I wreaked havoc at their house. I once stripped off all

of the walnuts off of my grandfather's walnut tree. Oh my lord was he mad! My friends and I had a walnut war and upon

For me, instead of coming unglued, I thought of how such a harsh and swift punishment was not the way to go. Instead, he was made to reflect on what he did and his reaction was pretty sad and pathetic. His little heart was broken and he felt remorse. I guess you could say he was

reflection, it was a very dumb thing to do. Anyhow, he again flipped out

I'm not sure how he'll remember this day, or even if he'll remember the incident at all. But I do know that I did not want him to have a memory like I do about the thimble and the walnuts. Those are rough memories concerning a man whom I thought, and still do think, was the greatest man I ever knew.

It wasn't very long after my misdeeds that my grandfather took me fishing for the first time. From there, our relationship changed. I guess you could say we became best friends. I begun seeing how he thought and he began gaining respect for me as well. I also stopped acting like a hyena on crack, which undoubtedly helped my cause.

As I grow older, I'm trying to be more slow to anger. It sure doesn't always work, but I'm seeing improvement. I think it's the best thing for

In our society, I disagree with those against corporal punishment. I think there are times when a spanking is not only called for, but is also necessary. But I also think those situations are rare.

About the angriest I get at my sons are when they're disrespectful of their mother. For some reason, that crosses the line. But today, given their age, and their size, the way to go punishment-wise is to deprive them of their phone and/or game system. That's my friends, works like a charm!

There is something to be said of wisdom and age. This time, my wisdom won the day. I hope it continues to.

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## **About Town...**

The dog-days of summer are here! This heat makes me want to find a rocking chair and sit on someone's porch with a glass of lemonade and just visit. Well, maybe I'd rather go inside where there is air condi-

tioning!



DEON FINCHER

As I scoot around Lockney and Floydada, it seems as though everything is closed up. There is very little movement of any kind. This past week had many people out of town--coaches were at trainings, cheerleaders were at workshops, kids were at camp...and, based on Facebook, a multitude of families were on vacation.

In the newspaper business, these weeks are dreadful. Just because nothing is really happening, doesn't mean that the newspaper is allowed to shrink? We still get to fill all of that empty space.

Which explains why I am popping in to the City Halls and asking if anything is going on; why I've been seen walking through parks taking random photos of flowers...or bugs; and I believe that every one of my phone's contacts has been, either, called or texted.

As Monday morning rolls around, a few weekend events were shared. Softballers had been playing. Basketballers had been winning. Kids had been church-camping.

Still, there are a lot of pages to fill. I hear that a four-foot rattle snake was killed in someone's garden. Yikes! I'm certain that I don't want that story. But...

I decide to look through past issues of the newspaper for this week, hopefully to get a spark of an idea of a story. I find that most of those editions are filled with engagement and wedding announcements.

It is becoming clear that this week-the fourth week in July-has got to be one of the slowest news-weeks in the year.

As I sit at my computer and stare at the screen, I realize that, ironically, next week I will be going at full-speed. Schools are in the first stages of re-opening, which is always a boon for printed news.

Until then, I think I'll just blame the heat.

HANABA merized by World Cup Soccer. He might

as well have been watching in Russia. Anyway, I knew he'd expect me to help WELCH Nick. So I purchased some off-brand Fixa-Flat and drove onward to render aid. FIX-A-FLAT PLUG (PUN INTENDED):

Fake Fix-a-Flat is cheaper. Spend more for the real stuff. The off-brand fix proved sluggish. Maybe I didn't shake the can enough. Even after two cans the tire was still low. But Nick managed to drive a few miles to a

place where carpoolers

Poor Nick had to report to work the next day a hundred miles away. I loaned him my secondary car. He's new on the job and needs to keep showing up. In essence, we traded vehicles. He got the better deal.

Next day:

Enter trusty normal Trudi.

We two drove to where Nick's truck was parked. The tire was still holding air, but only because we'd parked it with the puncture spot on the ground. If you have a tire with a hole in it, park it hole down. Aren't you glad you've

We drove to a country service station a few more miles down the road, but only after I'd put more air in the tire from a portable tank. At the station, as we were about to get more air, the tire went totally flat because I didn't stop

The man who had flipped the breaker to get the air compressor going told me his tire machine was broken. Fixing the tire was not an option. But at that moment a man and woman drove up in a quintessentially on-theedge truck. He said he was a tire guy. Using a pair of pliers from handy Trudi and part of the jack assembly from Nick's truck, the tire man managed to extract the spare unofficially park cars. We tire from under the truck. Nick and I had tried in vain unofficially left his truck to remove it the night before. Things are easier by light there. Did I mention it of day. Even more important, things go better when the

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right guy comes along. Profusely tattooed, the tire man and his companion looked to me like they had overcome a difficult past. I tried to give them \$20 (borrowed from Trudi, of

course). "Pay it forward" is what

they told me. As they drove off, I got a few tears.

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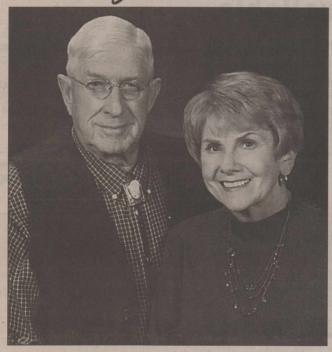
# Leatherman's Celebrating 60 Years





On July 30, 1958, these two lovebirds said, "I do." Jerry and Martha Leatherman, of Floydada, are more in love now than they were 60 years ago. They have shared six decades of Togetherness; 720 months of Laughter; 3,130 weeks of Happiness, 21,915 days of Friendship, 525,960 hours of Joy; 31,557,600 minutes of Love; and 1,893,456,000 seconds of Wonderful Memories with many more to come! They also share three children, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren so far. Congratulations Mother and Daddy! We love you! Thank you for being a great example of love and marriage.

# Smith's Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Choise Smith of Floydada celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering in Spearman. Their children and grandchildren hosted the celebration. They are the parents of Jodie and Keith Height of Spearman, Hunter and Kristi Smith of Wall and Dean and Tanya Smith of Sunray. Smith and Kay Dean Jackson married on July 4, 1968 at West Texas A&M Chapel in Canyon. They have seven grandchildren.

# Floydada Senior Citizens News

**By LuAnn Collins** 

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our next Bingo night will be the second Tuesday in which is August 14. We open the doors at 5:30 p.m. and play from 6 to 8 p.m. We will have sandwiches, drinks and dessert available at that time. We will also continue our progressive cash bingo game. Our" Money Pot" for the progressive blackout bingo is up to \$50.00. We also play for a cash prize each time. Mark your calendars and join us.

Accolade Home Health is

cholesterol, blood sugar clinic once a month on the first Wednesday of the month. As we gather more information, it will be announced.

Freida Dunn, BSN,ET, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic, beginning at 11:30, weather permitting. Next clinics will be July 26 and August 30.

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 delivery service at no extra charge. Please try to call before 10:45 so that planning on a blood pressure, we can prepare for delivery

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.

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

**MENU** July 30 – August 3 Monday - Baked ham Tuesday – Salisbury steak Wednesday - Fried chicken Thursday - Meatloaf Friday - Taco salad

(Menus subject to change without notice)

### **Museum Archives**

#### The Floyd County Historical Museum Memories 1979

THE H. ALLEN BINGHAMS

I was born in Floydada, Lejeune, North Carolina. Texas to Clarence and Cleo (Andrews) Goins. I was named for my grandmother Floren and Nina Bingham and grandfather Andrews, in Milford, Utah. He at-Josephine (Jo) and Varney (V) by a dear friend and upon graduation from and neighbor of my family, high school he enlisted in Mrs. Jennie Crum. We left Floydada when I was about 18 months old. My father worked for the old Panhandle Lumber Company, which later sold to Higginbotham-Bartlett Company. We lived in Lokney and Matador, and then I started school in Hart and attended school in Dimmitt and Muleshoe, where I was graduated from Muleshoe High School in 1939. I attended Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Texas in 1939 -40, then Holmes School of Shorthand in

1941 in Amarillo, Texas. I worked for Marsh Electrical Supply in Amarillo, then returning to Muleshoe to work for Higginbotham-Bartlett Company. I moved to California and worked for one year, then returned to Muleshoe and enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1943. I was stationed for my tour of duty at Camp

Allen is one of seven children born to the union of tended school in Milford, the U. S. Marine Corps and was stationed at Camp Pendleton, California before being sent overseas to the island of Midway, where he was at the time war broke out in the Pacific.

We met in 1943 while we were both statioined at Camp Lejeune. Allen returned overseas where he saw service on Guam and Iwo Jima, and I continued as a driver in the Marine Corps Motor Transport Division. At the war's end in 1945, we were married in Jacksonville, North Carolina. We moved to Milford, Utah, and it was here that our only child, Sharon Lynne, was born in 1946. In 1947 we moved to Texas and lived for a short while in Floydada and Quitaque, returning to Floydada in 1949. Allen was working for Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. during this time, but in 1957 he went to work for

Lubbock Sash and Door Company as a salesman an has been with this company from that time. I went to work for the Federal Land Bank Association of Floydada in 1950 as office assistant, and still hold this position.

Allen and I are members of the First Baptist Church in Floydada, where I teach an adult Sunday School Class, and Allen tapes the church sermons for radio broadcast. I am a member of the 1934 Study Club, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Baptist Women's Circle. Allen is also a member of The Order of the Eastern Star and a Mason.

Sharon married Roy Kinard in 1972 and they have three children, Terri, Sherre, and Eddie. The family moved to a farm north-east of Lockney in 1977. They are all members of the First Baptist Church in Lockney, Texas. Sharon attended all twelve years of school in Floydada and attended McMurray College. She is musically talented, playing both the piano and organ, and she sings in the church choir and also as a soloist.

# This week...1978



GRADUATE NURSES, Left to right: Kyla Warren, Joyce Owens, Mary Vickers, Bettye Baker, and Cheryl Bearden. Completed 12 months training and graduated Friday, July 28 from Plaininew Vocational Nursing School. They are eligible to take state board exam in October in Austin to become Licensed Vocational Nurses.

The Floyd County Hesperian July 27, 1978.





## DCHHS reports season's first human case of West Nile virus

DALLAS (July 10, 2018) - Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) is reporting the first human case of West Nile virus infection in Dallas County for 2018. The patient is a resident of the 75061 zip code of Irving and was diagnosed with West Nile neuroinvasive disease. For medical confidentiality and personal privacy reasons, DCHHS does not provide additional identifying information.

West Nile virus (WNV) is a disease that is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes can become infected when they feed on the blood from infected birds. The infected mosquitoes can then transmit WNV to humans and animals. Severe WNV infections can cause neurologic complications such as encephalitis. Milder symptoms include fever, headache and muscle aches. There is no vaccine or specific treatment for WNV.

The best way to avoid exposure to West Nile virus is to avoid mosquito bites. Residents should use the 4Ds to reduce their risk:

- · DEET All Day, Every Day: Whenever you're outside, use insect repellents that contai
- DEET or other EPA approved repellents and follow instructions.
- · Dress: Wear long, loose, and light-colored clothing outside. Drain: Drain or treat all standing water in and around your home or workplace.
- · Dusk & Dawn: Limit outdoor activities during dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most
- active.

For more information on (Menus subject to change without notice) mosquito prevention follow DCHHS on Facebook and Twitter or go to: www.dallascounty.org/department/bhs/ mosquito\_prevention.html.

For information on previously reported cases and zip codes impacted by WNV go to: http:// www.dallascounty.org/department/bhs/WestNileWatch.html



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# Lockney Senior Citizens

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

We will be having a "Pancake Supper" on Monday, July 30th from 5 - 8 p.m. Donations welcome.

The 2018 membership dues are due now - \$15 per person.

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 week. number is 652-2745.

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

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

Thursday night pot luck. Bring a dish and a friend

and enjoy games afterwards. 5 - 9 p.m.Hope you all have a great

**MENU** 

July 30 – August 3 Monday - Club sandwich Tuesday - Nachos Wednesday - Fried chicken Thursday - Cheeseburgers Friday - Pulled pork



## Obituary **Morris Graham**

Morris Graham, age 88, of Floydada, passed away on Sunday, July 15, 2018. held at 10:30 a.m., Thurs-First United Methodist Rance Young officiating.

Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery. Visitation was held from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements were unof Floydada.

Morris was born April 1, 1930 to JW Graham and Annie Laura Brown Funeral services were in Dougherty. He married Doris Bollman on day, July 19, 2018 at the September 29, 1951 in Carlsbad, New Mexico. Church in Floydada with He retired from the Texas Highway Department and was a member of the Wellness Today and the Silver Sneakers. Morris enjoyed life, friends, and his family.

He is preceded in death by his wife; Doris Graham on January 24, 2013.

Morris is survived by his der the personal care of daughters, Kathy Graham Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Lubbock and Margaret Tilley; granddaughters, made at www.moore-rose.com.



**MORRIS GRAHAM** 

Amy Malloy and husband, Marc of Granbury, and Angie Howard and husband, Bart of Lubbock; grandsons, Rusty and Kelly Kendrick; five great-grandchildren, Haley, Kaity, Ethan, Brandon and Christian and one brother, Wendel Graham of Corpus Christi.

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## Wit and Wisdom

**By Charles Keaton** The Hesperian-Beacon

You must keep sending work out; you must never let a manuscript do nothing but eat its head off in a drawer. You send that work out again and again, while you're working on another one. If you have talent, you will receive some measure of success - but only if you persist.

-Isaac Asimov

It is not a bad idea to get in the habit of writing down one's thoughts. It saves one having to bother anyone else with them.

-Isabel Colegate

Inspiration is wonderful when it happens, but the writer must develop an approach for the rest of the time... The wait is simply too long.

—Leonard Bernstein

I was working on the proof of one of my poems all the morning, and took out a comma. In the afternoon I put it back again.

-Oscar Wilde

You have to know how to accept rejection and reject acceptance.

-Ray Bradbury

It took me fifteen years to discover that I had no talent for writing, but I couldn't give it up because by that time I was too famous.

-Robert Benchley

Politics is not a bad profession. If you succeed there are many rewards, if you disgrace yourself you can always write a book.

-Ronald Reagan

I don't think anyone should write their autobiography until after they're dead. -Samuel Goldwyn

Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready man, and writing an exact man. -Sir Francis Bacon

You can approach the act of writing with nervousness, excitement, hopefulness, or even despair, the sense that you can never completely put on the page what's in your mind and heart. You can come to the act with your fists clenched and your eyes narrowed, ready to kick ass and take down names. You can come to it because you want a girl to marry you or because you want to change the world. Come to it any way but lightly. Let me say it again: you must not come lightly to the blank page.

-Stephen King



# Punkin Day Vendor Apps Available

By Deon Fincher

The Hesperian Beacon

The 2018 Punkin Days celebration is scheduled for October 13th this year. Applications for vendors interested in square.

participating are now available.

As in years past, the day's activities will include an arts and crafts show. Eighty-plus artisans/dealers will be situated around Floydada's downtown

In addition to arts and crafts, food 30, 2018. vendors of all kinds will be preparing

and selling their tasty delights. To hold your spot, vendors must fill out the applications and return them, along with payment, before September at (806)983-3434 or by emailing your

The Chamber of Commerce is unable to upload the 2018 applications. In order to obtain those necessary forms, contact the Chamber manager

request to manager@floydadachamber.

Additional information regarding events scheduled for that second-Saturday in October will be forth-coming.

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[God] will not forget your work and the love you have shown. —Hebrews 6:10 (NIV)

Driving through the summer-browned countryside of Romania, I heard one woman on my vacation Bible school team ask another, "What is God teaching you this week?"

That question clanged around my mind for several d was God teaching me? Surely God had brought me to Romania to show me some life-altering truth. Yet among all the VBS crafts and singing at meetings where most of the participants could not understand me, I couldn't see any lesson for me or any impact I may have had on them.

Until Wednesday. On Wednesday, a little girl handed me a daisy and a picture of bunnies and butterflies. Through a translator, her

mother said, "She comes to VBS because of you. She thinks you have a nice smile and that you sing pretty." My heart melted, and in my heart God whispered, "There's your lesson."

When we go on mission trips, serve at soup kitchens, or teach Sunday school for years on end, we might wonder if what we do matters. But that daisy and bunny picture reminded me that when we obey God in the seemingly small work. God expands its impact in ways we could never imagine. Our call is to do the work.

#### TODAY'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father, help us take delight in doing the work you have given us to do, no matter how small it seems. May all we do bless

**Aiken Baptist Church** Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m.

**Bible Baptist Church** 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor

983-2578 Sunday School....10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.

#### Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship

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

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

**Church of Christ** West College & Third Lockney

Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m.

Matthew Benfield, Minister Floydada Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m.

City Park Church of Christ

#### **First Baptist Church** Floydada

Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship Ashley Adams, Minister of Music Ludustia 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** Floydada

Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship -11 a.m.

> **Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church**

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

#### Power of Praise Full Gospel Church Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor

704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

#### Primera Iglesia Bautista Lockney

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

#### Primera Iglesia Bautista

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

#### San Jose Catholic Church

Lockney Fr. Arockia Dhass Jeganathan Sun - 9 a.m. Children Bible study 10 a.m. - Mass Wed. - 6 p.m.- Faith Formation -CYO to follow Thurs. - 6:30 pm- Evening Mass

#### **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.

-Kristen G. Johnson (Washington)

#### 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 **Go-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 Luthern 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

**By Deon Fincher** The Hesperian-Beacon

A special meeting of the Floydada City Council was called, Monday, July 23 to hear and discuss a proposal to add drip irrigation systems to the City Farms.

Austin Campbell, current leasee of the farms, informed the council that he had been given an opportunity to apply for funding that would cover a majority of the cost of a drip irrigation system.

the lease, he requested that the council extend the farm lease. With that extension, he could begin the application process for the grant.

After some discussion, a motion was made to accept Campbell's proposal so that he can move forward on the grant process. Campbell will be required to gather bids for complete systems and present those bids to the council before any work

# **Trends: Raising Crops & Livestock in Same Field**



This field is currently rowing sorghum for grain. Last season, it was grazed with a cover of rye, and was not tilled before the sorghum was planted. A trend called notill farming. Credit: Alan Franzluebbers.

By Tony St. James www.ALLAgNews.com

(MADISON, WI) Traditionally, farms included a variety of grazing animals, pastures, and crops. Mechanization and other factors prompted many farms to adopt more efficient systems. Why is the traditionagriculture just now getting a second look? Integrated for farmers whose distrilocal area. Alan Franzluebbers, USDA-Agricultural Research Service, Raleigh, NC, says it can make sense again. "Interest in re-integrating farms to take advantage of the synergies between crops and livestock has increased in the past few decades," he says. "Farmers can match the energy and nutrient flows of different enterprises (i.e. types of livestock and types of crops) to meet the desired outcomes."

Integrated systems have several benefits, he explains. Using nutrient-rich animal manures can reduce the need for chemical fertilizers. Forage and grazing land can improve soil health by returning carbon and, in the case of forage legumes, valued nitrogen to the soil. al approach to variety in Pastures can moderate the effects of drought and flood, due to their deeper agricultural systems (us- roots and variety of plants ing farmland for a variety in them. Crops grown in of purposes) made sense rotation with forages can be more profitable, with a bution was limited to the lower fertilizer cost. And, the diversity of income re- By Tony St. James duces the overall financial risk to the grower.

> "Diverse agricultural systems that include livestock, perennial grasses and legumes, and a wide variety of annual forages offer enhanced agro-ecosystem resilience in the face of uncertain climate and market conditions," Franzluebbers says. To read more, click here: https://wp.me/p9gkW1-2z

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Drip System for City Farms Ag Research Program This being the last year of Reauthorized by House



Photo is from the ARPA-E Research plot in Maricopa, AZ, the site of the world's largest robot. Funding for ARPA-E comes from the Department of Energy (DOE). This is research on sorghum as a bioenergy crop.

By Tony St. James www.ALLAgNews.com

(WASHINGTON, DC) The House passed a bill Wednesday that will expand the mission of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E), an agency tasked with promoting and funding research and development of advanced energy technologies. Rep. Frank Lucas (OK-R), Vice Chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee, sponsored the bill. The reauthorization con-

tinues to advance the application of cutting-edge, multi-discipline technology to agriculture. Breakthrough technologies like high throughput phenotyping and genotyping as well as related tools will significantly impact both plant breeding and farm management over the next several decades. With sorghum serving as the model crop, sorghum producers and breeders stand to benefit from these new discoveries early in their development. ARPA-E has spent almost \$100 million to-date on sorghum research.

by Deon Fincher IT'S HOT! But, you al- cucumbers on a daily ba-

line, advertisement, and is before they are eaten. the number one go-to topic and shopping line.

to get water to everything. bother with cooking. Talking to numerous farmcrops wet enough for sur-

drought tolerance and water conservation, but I had to go check on the water I

We planted corn, again this year. Terry brought in as it was, the kernels were half-way shriveled. Apparently, our corn wasn't getting enough H2O.

We are harvesting our spaghetti squash, which makes we have to soak the plants to for a quick and easy meal in the heat of the evening.

Terry's peppers are thriving in this heat. We are getting jalapenos, banana, a few bell peppers and I noticed pers were outgrowing their

We have started picking com.

ready know that. That fact sis. They are so crispy--not is splashed into every head- many get to the dining table

The yellow squash is still a at meetings, church services, quandary. Although I planted yellow straight-necks, if Terry has been spending not picked before they get most of his at-home hours to be about four inches, the out in the garden trying skin is too tough to even

My kale is growing me ers in the county, they, too out of house and home--and are hustling to keep their frankly, I haven't had time to go out and harvest it and get it put up. I did, however, It got me thinking about buy some kale at the grocery store to use in a juice recipe. I know...ridiculous!

Our watermelon and canhad seeping into my flower taloupe have struggled with the heat. I stumbled upon a few little orbs, each of them calling out for some moisan ear of white, yellow and ture. When you grow waterblue yesterday; and as pretty melon, but you lack water... what kind of melon does it

> My vining okra, and my regular okra, are both flourishing; although, every night revive them. Still not pods on them.

All in all, the garden is producing, but it is having a tough go of it in the heat.

What ways are you coping that the Anaheim pep- with the heat stress on your gardens? Email me at deon. floydcountynews@gmail.

## Drought Continues to Encompass Almost Half of State



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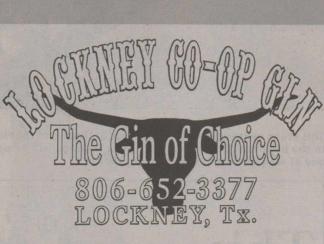
(AUSTIN, TX) The latest drought map shows a three percentage point decrease in the area of the state impacted by drought. Scattered rains brought scattered areas of im-

provement across the northern half of the state. But drought continued to grow in Central McCulloch, and Menard counpected to be drought free. ties. Drought conditions now encompass 46% of the state, down from both last week and three months ago (49%), but still much more than the eight percent one year ago. The latest seasonal drought outlook through the end of October 2018 anticipates continued drought persistence and development over most of Texas.

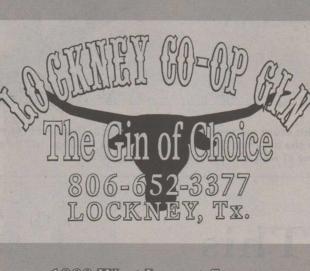
By the end of that time period, only coastal Texas, the northern tip of the Panhandle, and Texas, expanding into Concho, the area around El Paso are ex-

Nationally, relatively warm weather was common over much of the country, particularly in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Wisconsin, Washington, Oregon, and California. Widespread rainfall fell over parts of Pennsylvania and New York, Illinois, and from southwest Nebraska to the Michigan Up-

per Peninsula. Elsewhere across the central and eastern United States, rainfall, some moderate to heavy, was generally hit or miss. In the western United States, monsoonal rains fell over Arizona and New Mexico and parts of southern Utah and Nevada, keeping temperatures in the areas receiving rain near or cooler than normal. Most other areas, with the exceptions of eastern Wyoming, the Montana high plains, and parts of Colorado, stayed mostly dry.



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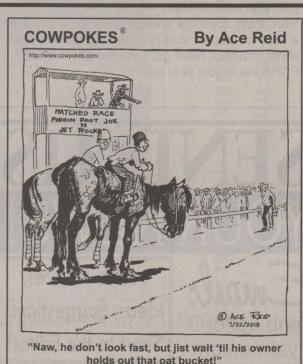
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



# **Kylie Ricketts Honored by Sports Writers**



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Congratulations to Floydada High School Junior Outfielder Kylie Ricketts who was named to the 2018 Texas Sports Writers Association's 2A State Softball Second Team on Tuesday. Corey Carr of Sanford-Fritch was the only other representative receiving recognition (First Team 2B) from the Panhandle-South Plains in 2A.

Savanah Basaldua (2B) of Tulia was named to the 3A State First Team while Kamryn Gibbs (SS) was named to the 3A Third Team.

#### **DUNCAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Duncan Meet the Teacher Nights - August 14th and 16th

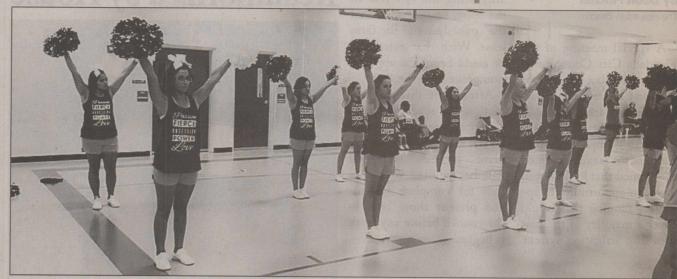
We will be having two types of informational sessions general and grade level specific.

Topics for the sessions will be:

General:

- Attendance
- Discipline
- Fundraising and End of Year Field Trip
- Before and after school support systems to help you child be successful Grade Level:
  - Classroom procedures and expectations
    - Positive contacts
    - Homerooms
  - Teacher contact information and conference times
    - Registration
  - \*\*\*We encourage you to attend these sessions with your child\*\*\*

# Kylie Ricketts Honored Winds' Cheerleaders Attend Camp



Courtesy Phot

Not everyone gets the entire summer off! The Floydada High School Cheerleaders attended the Lone Star Cheerleading Camp in Lubbock last week in preparation for the 2018-19 school year. The Jr. High Cheerleaders will be attending their camp in Lubbock, August 6-8.

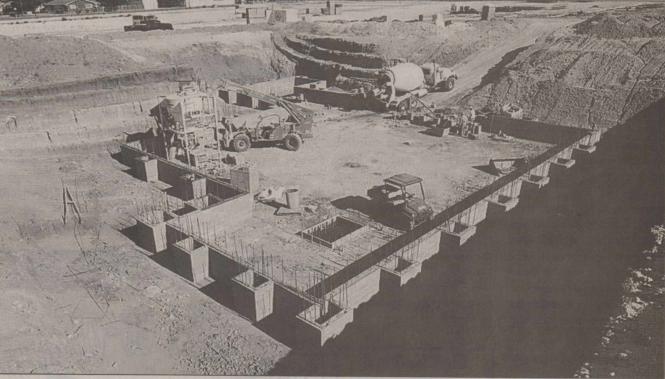
## 2018-19 FHS Cheerleaders



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The 2018-2019 Floydada High School Cheerleaders. Pictured (L to R): Katelyn Lechwar, Ruth Ramirez, Aliana Gonzales, Kylie Ricketts, Hannah Morales, Allison Orr, Azalea Garza, Kimberlee Ramirez Allison Muniz, and Natalee Romero.

## Floydada ISD



Courtesy Photo

This drone picture was taken last week at the site of the Floydada Whirlwinds new school and football field. Construction in the basement continues. Next week footings will be poured on the north end. The basement will be multi-purpose, one of which is a community storm shelter.

# 2018-19 School Registration Requirements for New Students

Floydada Independent School District announced the record requirements for new students to FISD for the 2018-2019 school year. All three of these documents must be taken to campus offices:

- Official copy of student's birth certificate (if under 12 years of age)
  - Copy of student's Social Security Card
     Student's most recent shot record
  - Student's most recent shot recordPast school records, if available

Campus offices are open during the summer months, Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with minimal staff.

\*Returning Students should make sure to have a copy of current shot records and the required shots. Athletes must get required physicals BE-FORE the school year begins.

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TWENTY-SEVEN FUTURE FHS CHEERI FADERS—These girls are "graduates" of the FHS Cheerleaders' Workshop. The girls holding ribbons won special awards at the pep rally given for their parents at the close of the week. Winners included [Front row, 1 to r] Adi Cluck, Best Boogier; Robin Galloway, Best six-year-old; JoLee Ellis, Best eight-year-old; Jane Willson, Best Tumbler; Devyn Neeley, Best Nine-year-old; Brandy Coleman, Best Over-All Spirit; Penny Bearden, Best Over-All Cheerleader; [second row, 1 to r] Amy Burns, Most Cooperative; Crystal Rowley, Best Voice; Kristi Cleveland, Best 10-year-old; Kim Ellis, Best 11-year-old, and Pam Woody, Best Jumper.



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# Lockney Longhorns

## **Mandatory State Immunization** Requirements

Please see that they are up-to-date on all immunizations BEFORE the new school year begins and take those updates by the school office.

The following is a highlight of adopted revisions to rules for school and child-care facility immunization requirements:

Meningococcal Vaccine-Beginning SY 2009-10,

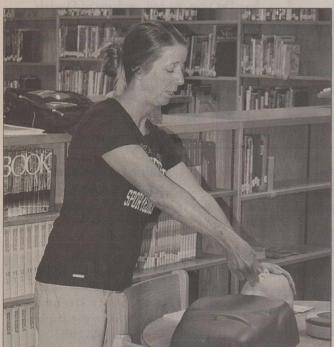
7th grade requirement

Varicella Vaccine-Beginning School Year (SY) 2009-10, 2 dose requirement for kindergarten and 7th grade entry.

Tdap Vaccine-Beginning SY 2009-10, a booster dose requirement for Tdap for 7th grade

MMR Vaccine-Beginning SY 2009-10, 2 dose requirement of MMR vaccine for kindergarten entry Hepatitis A Vaccine-Beginning SY 2009-10, 2 dose requirement for kindergarten entry statewide

# Coaches Re-Cert in CPR



Darla Greaves, Athletic Trainer, reviews the correct positioning of the head in preparation to administer CPR. Greaves facilitated the UIL required re-certification of CPR for the Lockney Coaches.

#### By Deon Fincher

The Hesperian Beacon

Lockney Coaches gathered in the High School Library on Monday, July 23, to complete their CPR re-certification. The UIL requires that the entire coaching staff of every school be CPR recertified. Usually a two-year certification, regular re-certification is easier to plan and implement if everyone is on the same schedule.

Darla Gleaves, Athletic Trainer from Brownfield ISD, facilitated the training as a favor to Lockney Athletic Director, Coach Stacy Ward. "In 21 years of coaching, Doc Gleaves is the best trainer I've ever worked with," stated Coach Ward. "Why did I get Gleaves to come do this training? Primarily, because we don't have an athletic trainer on staff, and we need to be more than familiar with these skills," commented the coach.

Gleaves reiterated the symptoms and treatments of the three heat illnesses: Heat Cramp symptoms-Look for sweating, brightred cheeks, cramps in calves or thighs. Treatment: Apply cool towels, stretch the muscle, give electrolytes. Continue to push liquids. Heat Exhaustion symptoms-Look for cramps, sweating, bright-red cheeks, the skin will be cool and moist or pale and flushed, the will complain of headache and they will be nauseated. Treatment: Move person out of heat, have individual sit or recline, apply wet towels, give electrolytes. Heat Stroke symptoms-Look for panting. Individual will be hot to touch, possibly vomiting, and/or passing out. Treatment: Get individual out of the heat, apply cool towels, give electrolytes and call 9-1-1.

Gleaves strongly warned that immersion into cold tanks or placing the individual into a cold shower could cause the individual's heart to stop. Such treatment is life-threatening.

After a review of CPR technique, participants began practice on the dummies. Re-certification requires that each participant demonstrate the required skills for correct CPR administration.

The last topic of the training was AEDs (Artificial Electronic Defibrillator). The units installed in the school facilities, including the athletic buildings, were located. Gleaves explained and demonstrated the proper use and implementation of the equipment in an emergency.

# Lockney's Maykala Hernandez becomes TX Region I FCCLA Officer



Texas FCCLA's Region I 2018-2019 Officers selected at the Summer Leadership Camp. Far right, top row: Maykala Hernandez, Vice-President Finance (Lockney High School).

**By Deon Fincher** The Hesperian Beacon

Maykala Hernandez, Lockney High School, was selected as the Vice- preparation. President Finance of the nity Leaders of America Officers during the FC-

ship Camp in June. Family, Career and Community Leaders of America is a national Cadent Organization that provides personal growth, and career preparation opportunities for students in Family and Consumer Sciences education. The mission of FCCLA is to promote personal growth and leadership development through Family and Consumer Sciences education. Focusing on the multiple roles of family member, wage earner and community leader, members develop skills for life http://fcclainc.org

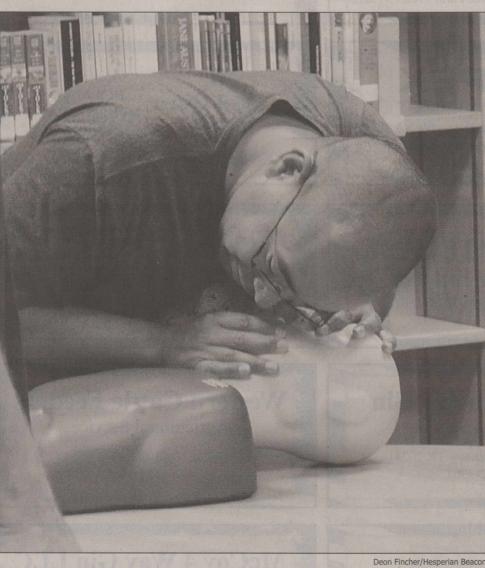
through: character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, practical knowledge, and career

Today over 160,000 Region I 2018-2019 Fam- members in more than ily, Career and Commu- 5,300 chapters are active in a network of associations in 49 states, in addi-CLA's Summer Leader- tion to the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Chapter projects focus on a variety of youth concerns, including teen pregnancy, reer and Technical Stu- parenting, family relationships, substance abuse, peer pressure, environment, leadership development, nutrition and fitness, teen violence, and career exploration. Involvement in FCCLA offers members the opportunity to expand their leadership potential and develop skills for life -- planning, goal setting, problem solving, decision making, and interpersonal communication -- necessary in the home and workplace.

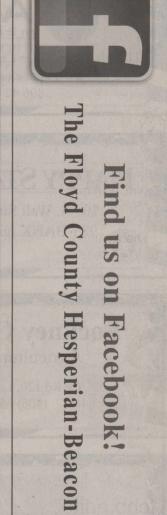
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Youth representing West Texas— Texas FCCLA's Region I 2018-2019 Officers selected at the Summer Leadership Camp. Pictured (L to R): Sarah Harbison-VP of Service Learning (Shallowater), and Maykala Hernandez-VP Finance (Lockney).



Coach Rosales demonstrates the correct procedure for administering CPR during training for the up-coming school year.



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# **AMEAA Kimberly Reyes DeOchoa**

**U.S. Navy-Aircraft Structural Maintenance Specialist** 

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian Beacon

The deployment orders stated "June, 2018."

AMEAA Kimberly Reyes DeOchoa would be reporting with the Carrier Strike Group attached to the U.S.S. Truman, deploying out of NAS Oceana,

DeOchoa is an Aircraft Structural Maintenance Specialist. Aircraft Structural Maintenance specialist maintain the high-quality structures for the Air Force aircraft. These professionals do everything from installing replacement parts to building a replacement from

scratch in order to restore the structural integrity of the aircraft and ensure the safety of the Airmen who fly them.

The U.S.S. Harry S. Truman is the eighth Nimitz-class aircraft carrier of the United States Navy. Aboard one of the largest warships ever put to sea, DeOchoa will be working and maintaining 90 fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters in the Mediterranean Ocean.

According to the U.S. Naval Institute News, when the Truman Carrier Strike Group deployed



**Kimberly Reyes DeOchoa** 

AMEAA Kimberly DeOchoa standing next to a jet, much like the ones that she maintains on a daily basis.

earlier this summer, the Navy announced, "...the plan was to conduct a variety of missions including precision strikes against ISIS targets in Iraq and Syria with exercises with NATO allies."

The U.S.S. Truman provides a wide range of flexible mission capabilities to include maritime security operations, expeditionary power projection, forward naval presence, crisis response, sea control, deterrence, counter-terrorism, information operations and security cooperation.

"The carrier is many things," Captain Nicholas Dienna said. "It gives us the operational freedom and latitude to work anywhere in the world and bring four and a half acres of sovereign U.S. territory wherever required to protect and defend America, and to advance America's national interests." Duty never ends for sailors at sea, and they all support one mission: flight operations. The Truman has one of the most active flight decks, as long as the Empire State building is tall. The flight deck is one of the most dangerous places in the world. Aircraft launch and land on the flight deck from sunrise to well past midnight. Each crew member has a specific role, carrying out a never ending, choreographed dance of flight op-

A news report broke as I did my research: "Truman, Carrier Air Wing 1, guided-missile cruiser USS Normandy (CG-60), and guided-missile destroyers USS Arleigh Burke (DDG-51) and USS Forrest Sherman (DDG-98) are expected back in Norfolk this weekend (July 22, 2018), according to U.S. Fleet Forces Command."

"All returning units are 100 percent mission capable and will remain in the sustainment phase of the Optimized Fleet Response Plan, which means they will sustain warfighting readiness and be ready to surge forward or redeploy when called upon," according to a statement released by Adm. Christopher Grady, the commander of U.S. Fleet Forces Command.

Knowing exactly what our servicemen and servicewomen face daily is incomprehensible to those of us that have only been beneficiaries of their service. As an interviewer, it is easy to take a statement and move forward onto other things; but I felt that, in this instance, when I was aware of the location of the U.S.S. Truman and its objectives,



AMEAA DeOchoa was, most recently, deployed on this impressive vessel. USS Harry S. Truman. (Wikipedia.org)

it was imperative that DeOchoa's deployment be explained and detailed. This young lady, one of our own, puts her life in danger daily, to support our independence.

Kimberly attended school in Lockney and Floydada, graduating from FHS in 2013. She joined Joseph DeOchoa-US Marine Corps, while he served his country. Joseph has since retired. Kimberly is an adoring mommy to Natalie, her daughter, and a loving wife to her husband, Joseph DeOchoa-USMC/Veteran.

"I wasn't surprised when she told me that she had enlisted," stated her mother, Alicia Castaneda Gomez, when Kimberly gave her the news in 2016. "Her husband is a huge influence for her, and she is such a loving, caring person. I think she felt that she needed to give her service, too." Gomez added, "Kimberly is very independent. She is capable of making good decisions and following through on them."

Kimberly had never "been to sea," and according to her mom, had only showed interest in dentistry. "I don't know why she went into aviation mechanics, but it's a really good field," stated Gomez.

Kimberly's husband, Joseph, and his brother, Juan DeOchoa, are both graduates of Floydada High School, as well.

Our Naval Fleet is actively fighting a silent war, more often than not, unbeknownst to mainstream America. These soldiers sacrifice so much to stand up for this country's freedoms.

AMEAA Kimberly Reyes DeOchoa, we salute you!

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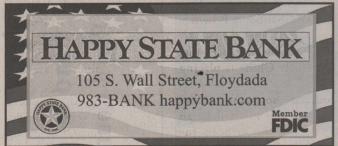


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## **Hero Day at Floyd County Library**



Courtesy Photo Katrinka Gooch, paramedic with Floydada EMS, gives kiddos "hands-on" learning during the Floy County Memorial Library's Hero Day.

ment took part in Heroes Day at Floyd County



# Vendors Wanted! Deadline Soon!

**By Deon Fincher** The Hesperian Beacon

Lockney's Chamber of Commerce is in full swing these days, gearing up for the 2018 Old Fashioned Saturday that is scheduled for Saturday, August 25,

Direct sales vendors, artisans, boutiques, home and patio décor, and food trucks are needed to fill Main Street and provide a diverse variety of booths. The application must be requested by calling (806)475-2083 or through email at raiderredttu@aol.com. That application and payment is due August 10, 2018.

Old Fashioned Saturday is an annual celebration of the "good old days" on which the Floyd County farming community was founded.

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Longhorn Lottery and other opportunities to contribute to local organiza-

The car show is a highlight of the event. Organizers are expecting well over 100 entries to be included

Additionally, the day will erredttu@aol.com.

include the Old Fashioned Saturday Sweetheart pageant, games and activities for all ages, and will culminate in a street dance that evening.

For more information, call (806)475-2083 or email your request to raid-

# **Little Cheer Camp**



2017 Little Cheer Camp participants practicing their cheers in preparation for the program for parents and families. This year's camp proves to be just as popular- August 6-8, High School Gym, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

By Deon Fincher

The Hesperian Beacon

Camp is scheduled for August 6-8. Future cheerleaders, age Pre-K to 6th Grade, are encouraged to attend. The camp will be held at the High 12:00 p.m. daily. High School Cheerleaders will be running the camp. Admission fee for

future Winds' Cheerleaders Cheer. You may leave the Floydada's Little Cheer awards, instructions (cheers, chants, and dances), and snacks! The week's end program for public viewing will be Wednesday at 11:30 a.m.

Pre-registration forms are School Gym, 9:00 a.m. to at the High School outside the front office. Please take correct amount or make checks payable to FHS

is \$35. Each participant will completed registration form receive a T-shirt, spirit stick, and payment with Leslie Florez in the school office. Keep the top half of the registration form as it has the camp information. Registration will also be held the first day of camp. Contact Tania Pesina for more information-tpesina@floydadaisd.

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The Floyd County Hesperian July 29, 1993.

# Soybean Industry Feeling the Pain of Tariff Cuts

By Tony St. James www.ALLAgNews.com

(WASHINGTON, DC) As the U.S. - Chinese trade situation continues to degrade, concern among the American soybean industry grows. "The best way President Trump can support and protect American farmers and the agriculture industry is to end this escalating trade conflict. Soybean farmers all across the U.S. are the ones who will end up footing the bill for tariffs, and it directly impacts their business and livelihoods. The U.S. is one of the largest exporters of soybean products, and the reality is that soybean farmers are being hurt, not helped, by tariffs" says Farmers for Free Trade Executive Director Brian Kuehl.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), soybean exports to China have actually seen a 136% increase over the last 10 years. Reuters is reporting that Shandong Sunrise Group in China has filed for bankruptcy due to unprofitable margins in soybean im-

port that Chinese crushers in the Shandong Province are losing almost \$7.40 per ton in soybean processing. Currently China is placing an import tariff on all U.S. sourced soybeans (25%) and has contributed to an 18% drop in soybean futures since May.

In 2014, U.S. agricultural exports achieved a record of \$152.3 billion, and global demand for U.S. agricultural exports is expected to repeat 2017's relatively strong value of \$140 billion in 2018. Farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses are expected to send nearly \$143 billion worth of products overseas this year, resulting in a trade surplus of about \$21 billion. Agricultural trade has more than tripled over the last 30 years with economic and population growth globally.



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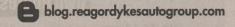
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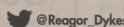
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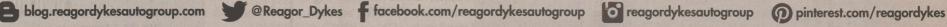
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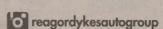


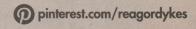
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# First Baptist Church Lockney Youth Camp





By Deon Fincher
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