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Lockney School Board shows appreciation

Teachers honored with full dinner



Courtesy Photo

LISD School Board and C Neil Easter cooked ribs and all the fixin's for the teachers and staff of Lockney schools last Friday. A great start to the new year!

50th Reunion for FHS's Class of 1978



Courtesy Photo

Top Standing L-R: Atha Blake Sue, Jim Potts, Jill Poage Jones. Back Row L-R Shannon Norris, Jim Finley, Monty Smitherman, Sheldon Sue, Rick Strange, Susan Stovall Ball, Teresa Stewart Lutrick, Donna Reid Kraybill, Kelli Lyons Reddy, Shawnda Heflin Greer, Kelly Hagood Fischer, Valynnda Chandler, Mitzi Hale Nixon. Seated L-R Kerry Pratt, Beverly Black Collins, Roijon Adams Johnson, Rosemary Hardin Finley, Bill Starkey, Kathy Davis Calvin, Terry Gilmore, Kenneth Cox, Lori Young King, Jack Carthel. Seated floor L-R: Larry Jones, Jon Jones

By Deon Fincher
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amid much laughter. Saturday allowed for different activities including Golf and Shopping. The group reunited for a catered dinner Saturday night. Rick Strange presented the official Toast. Those classmates that have passed were recognized. According to attendees, laughter, fellowship and good memories flowed unchecked during the weekend.

The FHS Class of 1978 gathered together this past weekend in Lubbock to commemorate 50 years since graduating from Floydada High School. The group dined on barbeque at Cagle's Steakhouse, Friday night, at which time pictures were presented

Girl Scouts "lend a hand" to SOS



Courtesy Photo

Girl Scout Troop 6210 delivered canned goods that they gathered from the community to fill the shelves at SOS. (L to R): Sierra Snowden, Zaybree Back, Emily Williams, Mia Snowden, Ella Snowden and Cindy Rodriguez

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Hear a need, and GS Troop 6210 dives into action. The Girl Scouts heard the SOS was running low on canned goods, so they put together an action plan to help meet this need. The troop held a Back-to-School pool party for family and friends where admission was a canned food item per person. They were

able to collect over 50 canned food items. Then they asked local businesses to allow them to set out collection boxes. The girls made collection boxes and posters and set them up for donations at Lowe's, Dollar General, and First Baptist Church Floydada. After two weeks of collecting they gathers the boxes to deliver to SOS on Thursday, August 16, 2018.

FBC Kick-starts School Year

Members 'adopt' educators



Courtesy Photos

Teachers Jennifer Emert, Tasha Hughes, Nancy Trevino, and Laura Zepeda pose in the "photo booth" provided during the Teachers' Breakfast at the First Baptist Church.

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A new ministry, G.I.F.T.S. (Godly Imitators For Teachers and Students), has been initiated by different classes within Floydada's First Baptist Church congregation. Each Teacher and Teacher's Aide within the district was 'adopted' by different classes within the congregation. Those class members will provide encouragement and prayers to

the teachers throughout the school year.

To kick-off the program, Administrators, Teachers and FISD staff were all invited to breakfast at the First Baptist Church last Wednesday morning. Church members provided the 'pot-luck' style meal and acted as servers during the event. Community businesses and organizations donated a multitude of different door-prizes that were given to the 114

educators that attended.

"Everything was a donation--from the food, to the school-supply centerpieces, to the time and effort," state church staff that assisted with the event. The 'school-supply' centerpieces were donated to the teachers sitting at each respective table.

A colorful school box was given to each attendee labeled, "Teacher's Emergency Stash." Upon opening the 'stash,' it was found to be full of candies significant to any educator's survival.

This ministry doesn't stop within the city limits of Floydada. Class members have 'adopted out' every educator within the church's membership--whether teaching in Ralls, Abernathy, New Deal, Lockney, or any other district within the area--in order to provide complete coverage to those individuals that work, diligently, throughout the year to educate our youngsters.



Teachers' Survival Kits given by members of the First Baptist Church through their G.I.F.T.S. ministry that focuses on providing support to our teachers, administrators, and staff.

Floydada Community Blood Drive Monday, August 27-Lowes Market



United Blood Services

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United Blood Services will be hosting a community blood drive Monday, August 27th between

2:15 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at Lowes Market on 2nd Street.

Everyone that donates will receive a \$10 Lowes gift card.

Schedule your life-saving appointment by logging onto www.bloodhero.com; sponsor code: floydadalol or call 806-797-6804.

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Upcoming

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

FISD NEWS

The Whirlwind varsity football scrimmage vs. Ralls will be Thursday, August 23 at 6 p.m. The FHS cross country team will run in the Lubbock Christian University Relays on Saturday, August 25.

LISD NEWS

The Longhorn varsity football scrimmage vs. Springlake will be Thursday, August 23 at 6 p.m.

BOOK CLUB MEETING

The Book Club will resume on Friday, August 24, at 4:00 in the Lockney Library Meeting Room. Please come and share what you have been reading.

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LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

On September 6th you are invited to attend the 90th birthday reception from 2-4 p.m. for Thurman Davis. Cards are welcomed but no gifts please. The 31st Annual Fundraiser will have auction, silent auction and Fajita Lunch being served from 11:30-2:30 p.m. Also John Robison will be here again and will bring his famous pecan pie for auction. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to donate an auction item please notify Renee at the Center.

Correction

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

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County Commissioners Meet

Extensive improvements without tax-rate increase

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian-Beacon

The Commissioners Court of Floyd County met August 17, 2018. Commissioners present were Tanner Smith, Nathan Johnson, and Amado Morales. Also present: Judge Marty Lucke. Judge Lucke presented proposed budget adjustments of a total budget increase of \$270,023. The increase would cover the capital acquisition of purchases of new motor graders for Precincts 2 and 4 in the amount of \$244,602. The District Court Reporter's salary was placed in the County's budget, causing an increase of \$25,412. State law requires that county budgets be balanced, thus the revenue increase was matched to the budget. A transfer from the General Fund of \$233,669 was made to facilitate the reconciliation of accounts. The meeting contained a public hearing on the 2018-2019 Floyd County

Budget. No public comments were offered. Judge Lucke recommended that the budget as presented, be approved and that there be no tax rate increase. The motion was made, and all commissioners voted in favor. Lucke presented the following accomplishments achieved over the past four years: 1) The County paid off almost \$2,000,000 in debt; 2) Will have traded eight motor graders, purchased two motor graders, three backhoes and a dump truck. 3) Upgrades and improvements have been made in and around the courthouse. The old jail was completely removed, and the lot cleaned. The basement was remodeled. Upgrades were made to the electronic/data capacity infrastructure. Computers and office equipment were upgraded. Offices have been repainted. Some furnishings have been replaced and updated. 3) Purchased the new location for the Agri-Life Extension offices, allowing for bet-

ter use of the Sherriff's office. 4) Purchased new voting machines and required software. 5) Provided a 5% salary increase to all elected officers and all staff. "I am especially proud that we have been able to increase salaries to the point that we are competitive with other employers, and that the county has taken over 100% of insurance premiums for all participating employees," stated Lucke. "This has translated into higher moral for those individuals that work for us." Lucke stated that these improvements and upgrades have been made without raising taxes on Floyd County residents. To continue the County's debt-free status, cash was paid for the above items. The projected year-end fund balance is \$1,544,754, which, with the judge's oversight, is an increase of \$70,604 over the fund balance four years ago, when Lucke was voted into office by the residents of Floyd County.

The 501: Care Mouse

If you buy a car and it comes with a mousetrap, let that be your first clue. One came with my new 2006 Santa Fe. I didn't see it until I'd lifted one of the backseats. The trap looked unused. No fragments of cheese. No peanut butter. No mouse parts. Should I keep it? In a brief moment of extravagance, I tossed it.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

My mother once told me that in "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" the girl in the story felt good every time she tossed the morning's coffee grounds because she never got to throw anything away otherwise. Times were hard. Or maybe it was pouring out the extra morning coffee that gave her the thrill. Either way. For me the equivalent is throwing away a perfectly good mousetrap. I should have kept it. Once I realized the resident mouse was still in the car, unfazed by recent road trips, I bought a replacement trap, meaning four. (Sometimes I wonder if somewhere there is a backward country where you can buy just one of something instead of a package of four. Probably not.) I baited the traps with peanut butter and left them in the car. If you set mousetraps in your car, check them often. Or just roll up (you know what I mean) all the windows, depart and let the car bake indefinitely in the Texas heat. Yep, I

left the car at the farm, albeit within our rat-proof (so far) enclosure. Mice are bad enough; I didn't want rats too. Days later I returned to the farm at eventide, not checking the traps before retiring. Lightning flashes awakened me at midnight. Radar and the weather forecast showed an imminent threat of hail and high winds. I had only liability coverage on my new car. What to do? Evade the storm. I know the last thing you're supposed to do in severe weather is get in a car to escape it. That's if you want to save your own skin. I was trying to save the car. How's that for logic? Meanwhile, in my scramble to leave I saw the car mouse, his head in a trap. A clean kill. He was decomposing. I tossed him, trap and all, before heading south, chased by the storm. The dead-mouse smell prompted me to roll down (you know what I mean) my window to catch fresh air. In town, parked under the canopy of an old service station, I found my in-car Febreze and doused the mouse death site, thereby creating a heady mix of Febreze and dead mouse smell. I sat out the storm. I could have simply parked the car in our barn, but I didn't want to risk a rat invasion. As soon as possible I called my insurance agent to add comprehensive coverage to my policy. She told me I already had it. Sometimes it's a choice whether to feel smart or dumb. I've decided on smart. If only I could choose which odor to smell.

Opinion

The swamp is determined not to let President Trump be President

By Printus LeBlanc

Don't let the John Brennan security clearance media uproar fool you; this is really about the President not being allowed to be President. While it may seem like Trump is the President, the mainstream media, and the swamp are teaming up to stop the President from fulfilling his most basic job requirements.

Last week the D.C. swamp let out a collective gasp as President Trump rescinded the security clearance of former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Director John Brennan. The media went apoplectic, decrying the move was intended to stifle the free speech of one of his main detractors. This is an absurd accusation by the media, which seems to be the par these days. Mr. Brennan does not need a security clearance to work as an MSNBC/NBC contributor. The only people that can stop Brennan from speaking his mind are his bosses in the mainstream media.

The media's cry about Brennan is in stark contrast to how it reacted to another security clearance pulled. Adam Lovinger had his security clearance pulled for being a whistleblower. Lovinger worked in the Office of Net Assessment (ONA) in the Pentagon. While there he noticed a few suspicious contract payments. One contract for \$11.2 million went to Long Term Strategic Group, a company owned by Chelsea Clinton's childhood friend, Jacqueline Newmyer.

One of the other contracts Lovinger questioned was a contract for none other than Stefan Halper. The name may sound familiar because the FBI outed Mr. Halper as the spy sorry, confidential human source, sent into the Trump campaign. Lovinger warned of, "the moral hazard associated with the Washington Headquarters Service contracting with Stefan Halper." Lovinger also believed his boss, James Baker, was using Halper to "conduct foreign relations." After submitting the complaints, Mr. Lovinger was denied a higher-level security clearance to join the National Security Council, despite having a stellar 12-year career. Media has raised zero fuss over this obvious political retribution. Another example of the media and swamp not fighting to not let President

Trump be President is the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Tired of not getting the amnesty he wanted, in 2012, President Obama announced the DACA program as a work around Congress, despite saying numerous times he didn't have the authority. DACA was followed up in 2014 with the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DAPA). Both programs were created by the executive branch with nothing to do with Congress. DAPA would later be ruled unconstitutional because it was amnesty without Congress passing amnesty, but the states that brought the suit held off in suing over DACA hoping Congress would do something. Once President Trump took office, and Republicans had full control it was believed a deal could be worked out. Once it became clear the Democrats and some Republicans wanted no deal, except full amnesty, lawsuits were launched to stop the President from ending the program.

The lawsuits were successful, and one judge has ruled the program President Obama started despite admitting it was unconstitutional must continue under President Trump even if the President doesn't want it to continue. The ridiculousness of the ruling is astounding. The judge is essentially saying if one President starts an unconstitutional program, the next President must continue it, regardless if he or she agrees with it. There was the attempt to stop Trump from implementing the travel ban and then just the Russia collusion nonsense. The list goes on and on. All the stories have a common thread, the mainstream media and the swamp are determined not to let President Trump be President. The swamp and media need to get over the loss of the 2016 election. Never in history has any President faced such a headwind for no reason. The Russia collusion story has been thoroughly debunked. The swamp is fighting back, and President Trump should not yield, but continue the fight.

Printus LeBlanc is the Legislative Director at Americans for Limited Government.

About Town...

So...the Hesperian-Beacon newspaper has to be complete by Monday, come 5:00 p.m. There are no 'ifs,' 'buts' or 'maybes'... because the printer is not flexible. Let me tell you about my Monday... As I got out of bed, the catch in the middle of my back reached out and yanked me back down. Ye a h... y o u know what I'm talking about. That meant that I was moving slow as I got ready to go to work. It was early because I was trying to make it to Duncan for the first day of school because I had seen a fleeting post on Facebook describing a 'welcoming' crowd of parents and cheerleaders. I glance at the clock—I'm going to make it!



DEON FINCHER

The cool air convinced me to put the dogs outside for the morning, so I dug into the bag in the closet and pulled out three tasty treats—Cody, Emma and Mazie were all enticed outside. Gathering up my bag and camera, my back shouted a warning at me again. I gingerly made my way through the house, grabbed my keys, locked the front door and headed to my vehicle. Carefully, I slid behind the wheel. I turned the key in the ignition. Whrrrr-stop. I turned the key again. Whrrr-stop. The battery refused to jump to life. "This is okay," I said to myself. "Someone will be taking pictures. I'll go in and write a few articles, ponder my options with my car, and get to the office by 10:00." I strap my bag and camera back over my shoulder and head inside. Phone rings before I get to the door. "Deon, are you coming in to the office? There is someone here wanting to talk to you," stated the voice on the other line. "Yep. I'm having some car troubles, but I'll get there as soon as I can." Turning around, I returned to my 'dead' car, slung my bag and camera into the back seat, popped the hood and headed back to the front door. A few minutes later, the car had been jolted back to life. The garage was locked, my hands were washed, and I was sliding into the driver's seat one more time—albeit, I bit later than planned. My work-day started out with me staring at the four files that made up what I had for the newspaper so far. My deadline is seven hours away. I make a few phone

calls to get names for pictures. Those phone calls lead to several emails, some of which, were leads on additional stories. As the day goes on, I gather more leads from Facebook posts. Phone calls to verify name spellings are made. Type. Type. Type. Type. By 2:30 p.m. there are a dozen stories in my newspaper file, but I am short on school news, I have a half-page that is still empty, and I have yet to write my weekly 'About Town' and 'What's Up?' columns. My phone lights up. It is Terry calling. Upon answering, no one is on the other end. While the phone is in my hands, I read a message regarding a new lead. "Do you have a picture? I will need names, left to right, please," is texted while answering an incoming phone call about the Duncan 'welcome' party. The clock ticks to 3:30 p.m. There is a debate going on as to whether we should cut the paper to eight pages, due to my lack of stories, or to keep pushing to ten. Going down to eight pages would mean that my day was finished—other than my two columns—which had yet to be inspired or typed. I vote to push to ten pages because I just got leads on two front-page stories with pictures. More phone calls are made. A needed picture is stuck on a camera...and the operator of that camera cannot be located. I reply, "Keep trying. I'll put the story together and hold a place for the picture and caption." Typing away, focused on creating stories with photos with cut-lines (there are always three parts to every article) I am engrossed in my work, and my stress level is well beyond safe. A soft noise comes from the outer office area, and in walks a dear friend. "I just wanted to let you that I appreciate your work. I know it can't be easy, but you are doing a good job. Keep it up!" For the first time during this day, I smile. As we visit, my stress seems to flow out of my body and mind. I relax into the comfort of my chair, and I breathe a sigh of relief. This is one of the most valuable reasons to live in a small town—in THIS small town: people still come in to visit and give encouragement. The day ended with me working later than expected, my car needed another jump (thankfully, I had tossed the jumper cables in the back), and my rambunctious family welcomed me home with open arms and an ice-pack for my back. No traffic. No road-rage. Just the peace that comes with small-town living.

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SOCIETY

Chamber's Business of the Month Floydada Senior Citizens News



Courtesy Photo

Script Printing was chosen as the Business of the Month for August. Congratulations go to Bobby and Barbara Gilliland for all of the service and support you give to the Floydada Community.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY- August is almost gone, school has started and we here at the Center are gearing up for a busy September.

The Board of Directors will meet on Monday, August 27th at 6 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to come.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR:

3rd- the center will be CLOSED for Labor Day

6th- You are invited to attend the 90th birthday reception from 2-4 p.m. for Thurman Davis. Cards are welcomed no gifts please

7th - Family Night Fish Fry 5-8 p.m. \$10 a plate... all you can eat.

*16th-31st Annual Fundraiser with auction, silent auction and Fajita Lunch serving from 11:30-2:30 p.m. Also John Robison will be here again and will bring his famous pecan pie for auction. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to donate an auction item please notify Renee at the Center.

17th- Bingo Night - 5:30-8:00 p.m.
(*Please note the second Sunday lunch has been replaced with the fundraiser.)

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only.

Be sure and call the Center by 9:30 a.m. if you would like to eat. Our phone number is 652-2745.

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

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

Thursday night pot luck. Bring a dish and a friend and enjoy games afterwards. 5 - 9 p.m. Hope you all have a great week.

MENU

August 27 - August 31

Monday - Pork roast

Tuesday - Tacos

Wednesday - BBQ on bun

Thursday - Spaghetti

Friday - Fajitas

(Menus subject to change without notice)

Medicare steps up its fight against diabetes

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Diabetes affects as many as one in four older adults with Medicare. It costs hundreds of billions of dollars to treat and results in the loss of tens of thousands of lives every year.

If we could better control diabetes, we'd be taking a huge leap toward creating a healthier America.

Diabetes occurs when your body doesn't make enough insulin or doesn't respond to the insulin it does make. Insulin is what your body uses to process sugar and turn it into energy.

When too much sugar stays in your blood, it can lead to serious complications and even life-threatening problems, including heart disease, strokes and kidney damage.

Medicare is committed to fighting the diabetes epidemic.

If you're on Medicare and at risk for diabetes, you're covered for two blood sugar screenings each year at no out-of-pocket cost to you. Risk factors include high blood pressure, a history of abnormal cholesterol and triglyceride levels, obesity or a history of high blood sugar.

If you're diagnosed with diabetes, Medicare will help pay for blood sugar self-testing equipment and supplies, as well as insulin and other anti-diabetic drugs. In the event of diabetic foot disease, it will also help pay for therapeutic shoes or inserts as long as your podiatrist prescribes them.

Because living with diabetes can pose day-to-day challenges, Medicare covers a program to teach you how to manage the disease. With a written order from your physician, you can sign up for training that includes tips for monitoring blood sugar, tak-

ing medication and eating healthy.

If you'd like to learn more about how to control diabetes, visit Medicare's website at www.medicare.gov or call Medicare's 24/7 help line at 1-800-633-4227 and visit with a counselor.

In addition to the 30 million Americans with diabetes, another 86 million live with a condition known as pre-diabetes, where blood sugar levels are higher than normal but not high enough for a diabetes diagnosis.

Pre-diabetes is treatable. But only one in 10 people with the condition will even know they have it. Left untreated, one in three will develop the full-blown disease within several years.

Confronted with those statistics, Medicare is ramping up its efforts to prevent diabetes among the millions of Medicare beneficiaries who are at a heightened risk of developing it.

Several years ago, Medicare partnered with YMCAs nationwide to launch an initiative for patients with pre-diabetes. The pilot project showed that older people could lose weight through lifestyle counseling and regular meetings that stressed healthy eating habits and exercise.

About half of the participants shed an average of 5 percent of their weight, which health authorities say is enough to substantially reduce the risk of full-blown diabetes. Through adopting a healthier lifestyle, people diagnosed with pre-diabetes can delay the onset of the disease.

Based on the trial program's encouraging results, Medicare is now expanding its coverage for diabetes prevention. Using the pilot project as a model, it will help pay for a counseling program aimed at improving

beneficiaries' nutrition, increasing their physical activity and reducing stress.

If you have Medicare's Part B medical insurance and are pre-diabetic, you'll be able to enroll in a series of coaching sessions lasting one to two years and conducted by health care providers as well as community organizations like local senior centers. There will be no out-of-pocket cost.

Medicare is currently recruiting partners to offer the program so that it will be widely available to beneficiaries.

Diabetes can be a terribly debilitating disease. It can mean a lifetime of tests, injections and health challenges. Every five minutes in this country, 14 more adults are diagnosed with it. And in the same five minutes, two more people will die from diabetes-related causes.

If we can prevent more diabetes cases before they even start, we can help people live longer and fuller lives, as well as save money across our health care system.

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Our next Bingo night will be the second Tuesday in which is September 11. 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 planning on a blood pressure,

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 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 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.

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Monday - BBQ chicken

Tuesday - Roast beef w/ gravy

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Thursday - Chicken strips w/ gravy

Friday - BBQ brisket on bun

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Museum Archives

The Floyd County Historical Museum Memories 1979

JAMES ERVIN MERRELL

James Ervin (Doc) Merrell was one of the sons born to David Alexander and Mary Frances (Edward) Merrell on September 8,1889. He was born southwest of Floydada in a half dug-out on what they call Calahan Draw, back up against the hill. He was the first baby boy born in Floyd County after it was surveyed off. They had to cook their bread in a dutch oven. I don't know how long they lived there. From there they moved Hale Center, Texas. When Papa was two years old, Grandpa bought what was known as the Dire summer home southwest of Quitaque. Soon after they moved there my daddy found a silver sugar spoon which we have treasured down through the years. When Mama and Papa married, Grandma gave it to him. We kids argue over who would get the spoon, but when that time came, no one would say a word. We gave it to Othel, the oldest.

Papa would tell about the things that they would do when they were kids. While the school teacher was staying with them they would try to run them off, and sometimes they did. Papa and Uncle Earnest (his brother) would hurry and get home first and get up on Red Bluff and take their slingshot and hit them with rocks. He told about the time Uncle Will (His oldest brother) caught the baby bear and brought it home, the mama bear followed him home. Papa and Uncle Earnest and three of the Woods brothers were out hunting coons, and the dogs treed something under a big rock. When they got there they found an Indian grave. The skeleton was in a sitting position with his saddle, bridle, guns and other articles. I have the picture shown with Papa and the others with the articles. Papa is holding the pistol which is in the museum at Canyon, Texas. He told of the times he and the other boys would ride through town on their horses and shoot up the town. Then they would leave town, circle around and be in town when the sheriff came back. He never could catch the one that was doing it. John Rae was sheriff at that time.

Edna Ether Edens was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S.T. Edens. Born in Hood County, in east Texas, March 24, 1890. Her mother passed away when Edna was 12 years old. Later Grandad remarried. When mama was 18 years old, she came to Quitaque to live with her cousin, Mrs. John Rae;

Mr. Rae was sheriff of Briscoe County at that time.

On January 2, 1910, James Ervin and Edna Ethel were married in Quitaque, Texas by Mr. Ford in a big white house of Mama's cousin, Mary Askey. It stood where Frank Miller's home is today.

Papa was working for Uncle Oscar Stroup when Edna Othel was born May 13, 1911. Eldon Odell was born December 5, 1912. They were living in Plainview, Texas when Mary Elizabeth was born September 27, 1914. Papa worked for Mr. Erick on road contractor work. He helped dig the basement for Wayland College when it was built.

From there they moved down on the edge of the caprock, in Floyd County northeast of Lockney. Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Taylor live there now. I remember them taking down a house under the cap and moving it up on top of the plains and rebuilding it. My brother, Eldon, kept climbing on the porch and was told to stay down. When we saw Mama coming, we started running and got under the house, when Mama went by, I told Eldon to be quiet, and Mama couldn't find us. She heard me and we stayed off from then on.

While living there, Annie May was born, April 24, 1919. Thelma Genevieve was born February 9, 1921.

In 1919 Mountain View School was built one-fourth mile west from where we lived. The trustee let me start to school at the age of five so there would be enough children to qualify for a school.

Hanes Ervin Merrell lived all his life in and around Floyd County, except 9 months he carried the U.S. Mail in Kansas. Then December 1921 we

moved to Summerville County and farmed one year. Came back to Plainview and worked here 2 years. We then moved back to Grandma's place. We lived one mile north of the home place; we were there until Grandma passed away. He farmed for Mr. Russell a few years, then moved back to Plainview.

In 1946, he went to work for Lillie Hoffman Cooling Towers Inc., working there 20 years. He had to retire on account of Mama's health. Mr. Hoffman tried to make Papa shop foreman, but he wouldn't take it. Papa said he liked what he was doing, running a band saw. At the age of 76 when he retired the foreman said he could put out more work than any young man on the job.

Papa got his 4th grade education at a little school west of Flomot called Fairmont. In later years they built a church house and called it Fairmont Baptist Church. We lived about 3 miles west of there and walked a lot of time to church, so the horses could rest on Sunday. We went to school 3 miles north of where we lived, a school called Gray Mule, named after a school teacher who rode a gray mule to school. that was before my time. In the winter time we would ride horseback to school, but when Papa started farming in the spring we had to walk the 3 miles.

When the railroad came through, Papa would work with the surveyor while Mama and we kids did the farming; after that Papa helped build the gravel washer. Part of it still stands today.

Mama passed away January 10, 1971, and Papa passed away May 3, 1971. They were laid to rest in Plainview Cemetery, Plainview, Texas.

The Brown and Gilliland Families would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the people of Floydada and the surrounding communities for the kindness and generosity shown to us after the death of our beloved Butch.

We want to thank the many wonderful people and organizations who sent flowers, made and delivered delicious meals and desserts, made memorial contributions in Butch's name and attended his memorial service. You all made a very, very difficult time in our lives more bearable with your smiles, your warm gestures, your kind words and simply, your presence.

While we will never fully understand why he chose to leave us the way he did, we do know that the loss of his beautiful wife Edna 8 years ago left him heartbroken, and more recently, he struggled to get clear answers on several health issues he had been facing, which caused him great concern.

We also know that Butch had a positive impact on a great many people during his life, including on all of us. He was a lover, a giver, a doer, a mover and a shaker, a laughter, a crier, and an all-around fantastic guy. It's hard to fully describe him in just a few short words - suffice it to say, we loved him very much and know he loved us. He was our hero and we miss him terribly, just as we know many of you do.

Thank you again, from all of us, for everything you have done to honor his memory.

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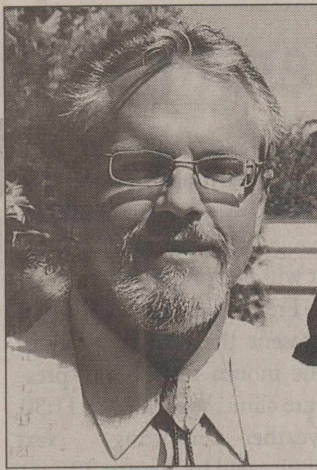
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OBITUARY/CHURCH

Obituary

Tony Dean Shipley



TONY DEAN SHIPLEY

A family graveside memorial service for Tony Dean Shipley, 50, of Ada, Oklahoma was held on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at Cedar City, Utah.

Shipley passed away on Sunday, July 15, 2018. He was buried at Cedar City, Utah on Saturday, August 18, 2018 next to his beloved wife, Emily Pittman.

Tony was a 1986 graduate of Floydada High School.

He is survived by his two children, Mirielle Shipley and Ian Shipley, both of

Cedar City, Utah; grandchildren, Autumn Shipley and Aiden Shipley; parents, Sharon and Billy Mac Shipley of Floydada; brothers, Mark Shipley of Evergreen, Colorado and Brian Shipley of Glendale, California and Austin, Texas.

Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton
The Hesperian-Beacon

If you refuse to be made straight when you are green, you will not be made straight when you are dry.

—African Proverb

When you have given nothing, ask for nothing.

—Albanian Proverb

Good habits result from resisting temptation.

—Ancient Proverb

Dwell not upon thy weariness, thy strength shall be according to the measure of thy desire.

—Arab Proverb

Examine what is said, not him who speaks.

—Arab Proverb

Make your bargain before beginning to plow.

—Arab Proverb

Don't make use of another's mouth unless it has been lent to you.

—Belgian Proverb

Seize opportunity by the beard, for it is bald behind.

—Bulgarian Proverb

Be not afraid of growing slowly, be afraid only of standing still.

—Chinese Proverb

Do not employ handsome servants.

—Chinese Proverb

If you want to be respected, you must respect yourself.

—Spanish Proverb

Never advise anyone to go to war or to marry.

—Spanish Proverb

Take hold lightly; let go lightly. This is one of the great secrets of felicity in love.

—Spanish Proverb

Whoever gossips to you will gossip about you.

—Spanish Proverb

Don't let your sorrow come higher than your knees.

—Swedish Proverb

Don't throw away the old bucket until you know whether the new one holds water.

—Swedish Proverb

Buy on the rumor; sell on the news.

—Wall Street Proverb

Be honorable yourself if you wish to associate with honorable people.

—Welsh Proverb

Complain to one who can help you.

—Yugoslav Proverb

If you wish to know what a man is, place him in authority.

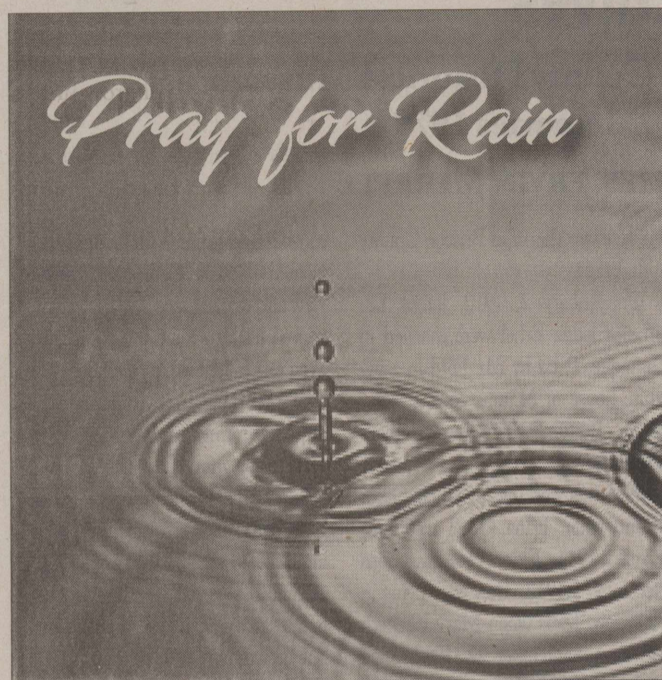
—Yugoslav Proverb

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Death notices are free, containing name, date of death, date of service and survivors.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

A Refuge for the Wounded

Let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy.
—Psalm 5:11 (NIV)

Several years ago I volunteered as a wildlife caretaker at a nature and science museum. My responsibilities included feeding and administering medication to the resident wildlife and cleaning their outdoor habitats. Several animals, including two bald eagles, had sustained injuries that hindered their survival in the wild. The birds were flightless because of bullet wounds to their wings. Whenever I entered their large, fenced enclosure, they'd lift their damaged, drooping wings and screech at me. Despite the wounds that altered their lives, the eagles survived because of the refuge of our museum.

In a spiritual sense, when wounds alter our lives, we, too, have a

refuge. Whether we're suffering from physical injuries or struggling with emotional wounds like grief, God is our refuge. God heals us when we're hurting. After my brother's death, when wounds of loss altered my life, God turned my "mourning into gladness" (Jer. 31:13) when I asked Jesus into my heart. And when my father died from cancer, God blessed a ministry I started in his memory. I found myself "sorrowful, yet always rejoicing" (2 Cor. 6:10).

God can mend our broken hearts. In the refuge of God's love we find solace that causes us to "sing for joy."

—Debra Pierce (Massachusetts)

TODAY'S PRAYER

God of comfort and healing, thank you for being our refuge when we suffer from life's wounds. Amen. (Isa. 49:5) Amen.

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-2578

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

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

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

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

San Jose Catholic Church
Lockney
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.

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
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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

West Side Church of Christ
Floydada
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Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.

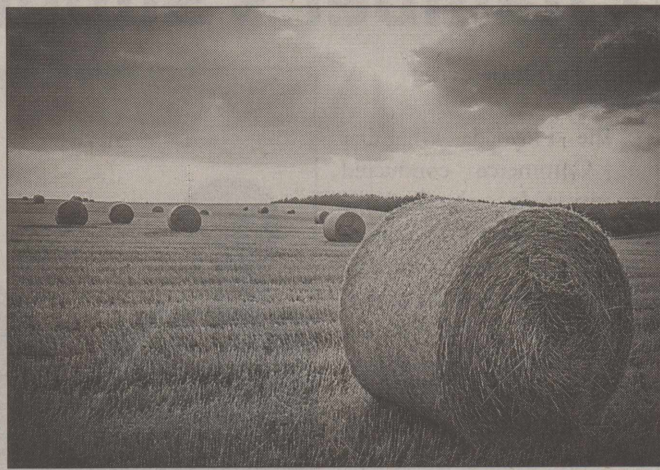
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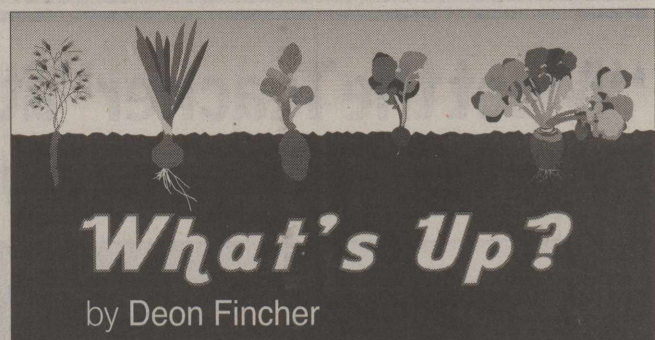
By Tony St. James
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(AUSTIN, TX) Compared to last report: All hay classes traded mostly steady. Trade was active on good demand. The Panhandle has benefitted from afternoon thunderstorms and cooler temperatures, but some fields have experienced hail damage. It's that time of year in late summer where there is plenty of hay available, but quality can be an issue. Coastal Bermuda producers in the East and South report having hay available from last cutting and demand is high. The Texas Department of Agriculture has Hay and

Grazing phone set up for Buyers and sellers looking for hay or grazing; the number is 1-512-787-9966. The website for the hotline is: <http://www.texasagriculture.gov/Home/ProductionAgriculture/HayHotline.aspx>
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What's Up?

by Deon Fincher

Some of the seeds that were planted for our winter garden are pushing their little heads out of the soil! It's just so exciting!

During the week, I ran into some readers that were not familiar with 'winter gardening planting,' so I went into a lengthy dissertation regarding the practices, theories and benefits of a cool plot. But, I don't have that kind of space, here, so I will limit myself to just a few sentences.

Winter gardening is ancient...and thrilling. Due to its popularity, there have been numerous plant varieties that have been hybridized to tolerate cooler temperatures and there are other vegetables that naturally, grow well in the cold of winter.

Most brassica family vegetables can tolerate autumn and into-the-winter temperatures. As long as they are planted in mid-to-late August, so that the seeds have heat to germinate, your garden can be producing 'greens' throughout most of the winter here in Texas. Areas to the north of us, most often plant these varieties in cold boxes which keep the freezing temperatures and bay and provide plenty of heat on sunny days. Those greens that do well are broccoli, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, cabbage, turnips/turnip greens, collards, kale and bok choy.

This family provides oodles

of Vitamin C, Folate (Vitamin B9), and Vitamin K to the beneficiary that consumes them. The dark-green-leafy members provide some calcium and a bunch of antioxidants.

As I mentioned, a few of our seeds have sprouted and poked their heads through the soil. Those are our Siberian kale (which is absolutely delicious in winter soups and stews!). The other three plants that we sowed were salad fixings-corn salad (this is an old, old variety of cool-weather lettuce), yellow cabbage collards, and a variety of salad lettuces that will grow until a freeze comes.

We also have planted several varieties of green-onions which rely on warm temperatures for germination, then when cooler weather arrives, all of their effort goes into growing 'below the ground.' The turnips do the same thing, but they will also provide plenty of greens throughout the winter.

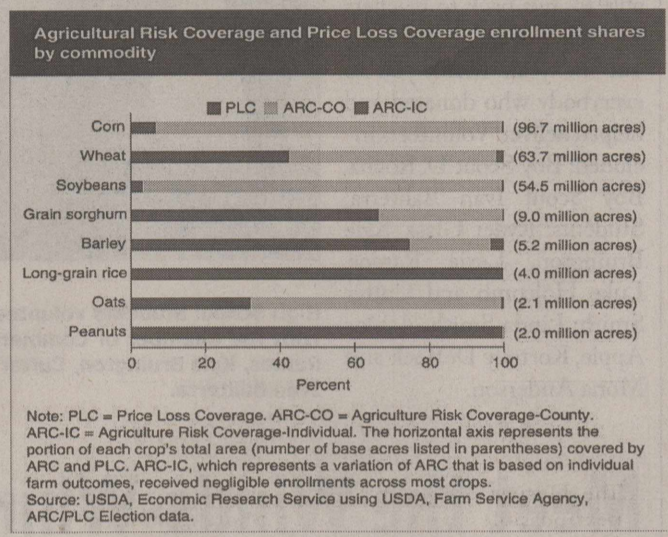
Terry and I love eating healthy; but, winter gardening is more psychological than physical for me. I like seeing green stuff all cozied up in the layers of straw and leaves while everything else is dead or dormant. It invigorates me! Try your hand at winter gardening. It might just be what you need to get through the upcoming cold season.

Future Expectations Lead to ARC or PLC Decisions

By Tony St. James
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(WASHINGTON, DC) The Federal Government operates a variety of programs that help crop producers manage risk due to unexpected changes in market prices and yields. These programs include Agriculture Risk Coverage-County (ARC-CO) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC), both introduced in the 2014 Farm Bill. ARC-CO and PLC reduce the downside revenue risk facing producers of corn, soybeans, wheat, and other covered commodities. Differences in the two programs' payment formulas can drive coverage selections for indi-

vidual crops. For example, ARC-CO payment formulas update annually and account for county level yield and prices while PLC refers to a fixed reference price for the life of the farm bill. Farmers choose which program to enroll their crops in, but the one-time decision lasts the duration of the Farm Bill. For this reason, farmers' beliefs about future prices along with the programs' different formulas likely explain the varying allocation of crops across the two programs. Higher corn and soybean prices around the time of the 2014 Farm Act likely led producers to enroll the vast majority of U.S. corn (93 percent) and



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Exports of grains in all forms on record pace

By Tony St. James
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(WASHINGTON, DC) Exports of grain in all forms (GIAF) are on track to set a new record in 2017/2018, with two months of sales left to report, according to data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and analysis by the U.S. Grains Council (USGC). During the first 10 months of the marketing year (September 2017 to June 2018), the United States exported 98.3 million metric tons (38.7 billion bushels) of grain in all forms, up 2 percent year-over-year from last year's record-setting pace. The feed grains in all forms calculation helps capture how much of U.S. coarse grain production is actually used in the world market by including the corn equivalent of co-products like ethanol and distiller's dried grains with solubles (DDGS) as well as beef, pork and poultry meat exports.

That achievement would come despite a tumultuous trade environment, serving as a reminder of the resiliency of U.S. exports and of the quality and price competitiveness of U.S. coarse grains and co-products. Trade with North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) countries and neighbors, Mexico and Canada, has increased GIAF purchases by 3.7 percent and 12.6 percent year-over-year, respectively. In Mexico, corn sales are up 8.9

percent at nearly 12.4 MMT (488 million bushels), and DDGS sales are up 4.2 percent at 1.76 MMT. In Canada, corn imports have nearly doubled to 1.25 MMT (49.2 million bushels), and ethanol purchases are up slightly at nearly 270 million gallons year-to-date. Notably, GIAF exports to the European Union have also risen nearly 84 percent year-over-year to 3.78 MMT (149 million bushels) thus far in 2017/2018.

By sector, U.S. ethanol exports accounted for the lion's share of the overall increase of GIAF exports in June, pushing exports up nearly 22 percent year-over-year to 1.36 billion gallons (12.2 MMT or 480 million bushels in grain equivalent), continuing a surprisingly strong pace of exports. As a result, the Council

now believes ethanol exports could reach 1.6 billion gallons (14.4 MMT or 568 million bushels in grain equivalent), setting another new record. Large customers including Brazil and India have continued to increase ethanol purchases, but other important trading partners including South Korea and Colombia have also realized large increases - up 41 percent and 194 percent year-over-year, respectively.

Overall corn, barley and sorghum exports remain down slightly year-over-year. But while corn exports are 1.4 per-

cent lower than last marketing year at this time, USDA's forecast of increased corn exports for the 2017/2018 marketing year signals the potential for a strong final two months of sales. Key trading partners including Mexico and Colombia have also purchased larger volumes of U.S. corn compared to this time last marketing year, with both markets growing around 9 percent year-over-year. This export growth reaffirms that U.S. agriculture continues to benefit immensely from access to markets provided by free trade agreements.



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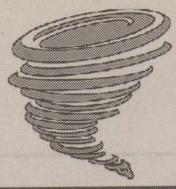
Out here, three things remain constant: the land, the family who farms it, and the local co-op that helps keep it profitable.

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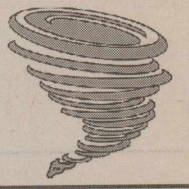
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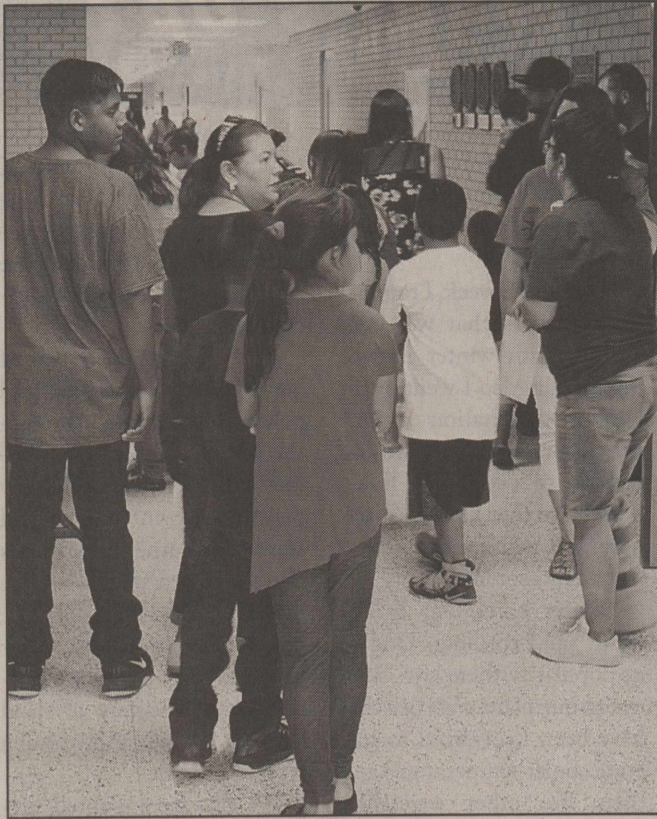
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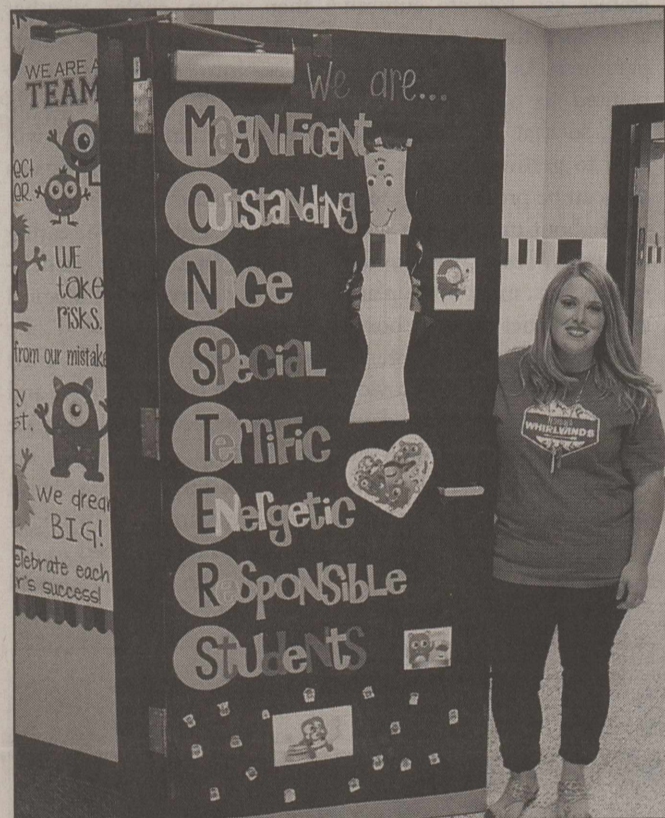
Floydada Whirlwinds



“Meet the Teacher” at Duncan Elementary



Families crowded into Duncan Elementary's hallways last week as students hunted down their rooms and their teachers.



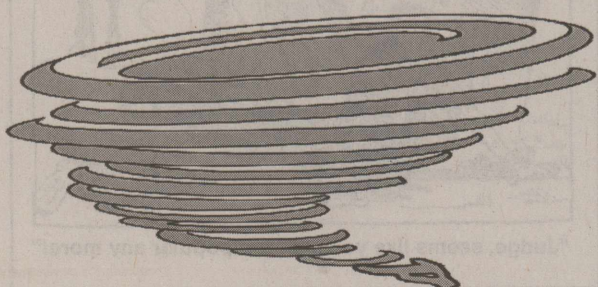
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Second-grade teacher, Mrs. Wells, welcomes her new students into a MONSTER-ly decorated classroom.

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU August 27 – August 31

- Monday**
Breakfast – Breakfast on a stick, fruit selection, milk
Lunch – Breaded beef fingers w/roll, breaded chicken sandwich, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast – Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Seasoned beef nachos, chicken salad wrap, seasoned refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast – Chocolate chip muffin, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Turkey chicken dog, grilled cheeseburger, crispy crinkle cut fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast – Cinnamon French toast, cereal, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Chicken Alfredo w/rotini, chicken corn dog, Spiced green beans, tater tots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk
- Friday**
Breakfast – Sausage breakfast pizza, cereal, graham crackers, fresh fruit, milk
Lunch – Loaded meat lovers pizza, fajita chicken wrap, seasoned peas & carrots, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

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School
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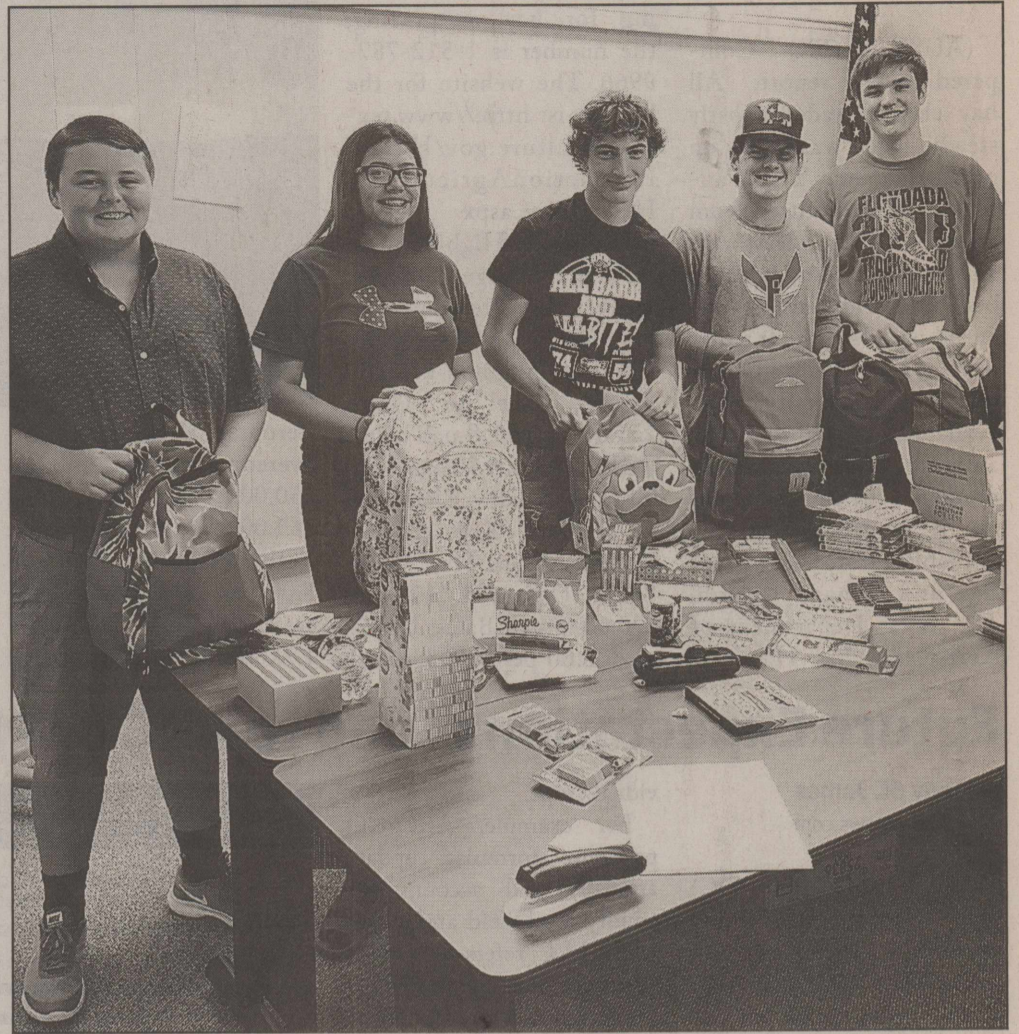
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Chamber's Supply Drive A Success

Special to the Hesperian

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce conducted a city-wide school-supply drive for the 2018 school year. A list was compiled from teachers and the school administration, and supplies were collected throughout the community. The First United Methodist Church of Floydada, The First Baptist Church of Floydada and the City of Floydada served as drop-off spots. For 3 weeks people in the community donated supplies and on Tuesday, the boy scouts, NHS and Chamber board members bagged and delivered the items to students' home. We had enough supplies to fill every bag and be able to give back to teachers for their classrooms throughout the year. Thank you to everybody who donated and helped deliver! Volunteers included: Boy Scout D. Rocha, Boy Scout Ivan Baliterra; Students: Ryder Glass, Kyle Bruington, Lexie Ramos, Luke Holcomb and Cutter Smith; Linda Smith, Ashley Apple, Kortney DeBock and Mona Anderson.



Courtesy Photo

High School Students volunteered to fill back-packs and deliver school supplies in connection with the Chamber of Commerce's School-Supply Drive. Pictured (L to R): Ryder Glass, Lexie Ramos, Kyle Bruington, Cutter Smith and Luke Holcomb. Boy Scouts not shown: D. Rocha and Ivan Baliterra.

Meet the Winds-Whirlwind Seniors



Courtesy Photo

The senior football players for Floydada join together during the Meet the Winds event that took place after the Friday night scrimmages. Pictured (L to R): Cutter Smith, Javier Olvera, Hunter Smith, Ethan Smith, Caden Britt, Andrew Vega, Angel Cervera, Juan Gonzales, Cardell Wickware, J.Q Williams, Cole Pitts, Emanuel Torres, Jerry Reyes and George Torres.

Winds' Scrimmage Quanah and Bovina Teams



Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon

The Floydada Winds' JV and Varsity teams met opponents on Wester Field, last Friday, for the first scrimmages of the season. Winds' teams pounded on Quanah and battled Bovina through rain and lightening delays, showing the teams' grit and determination. Friday takes the JV and Varsity teams to Ralls for the second week of scrimmages, beginning 6:00 p.m.

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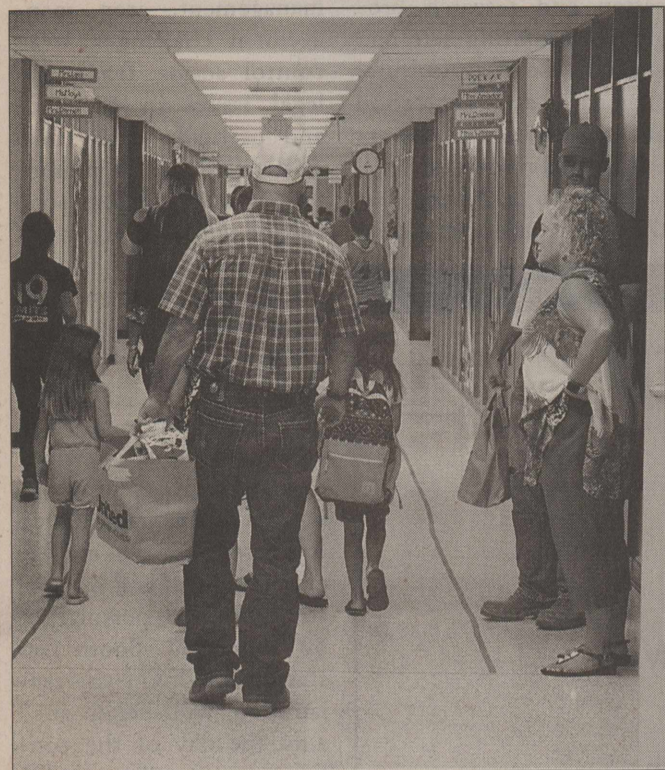
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Lockney Longhorns

Lockney "Meet the Teacher"



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Meet the Teacher night is a family affair, and all members get to carry the required supplies. Lockney Elementary hosted students and their families last Thursday to check-out the newly decorated rooms and to shake hands with their assigned teachers. School started Monday, August 20th.

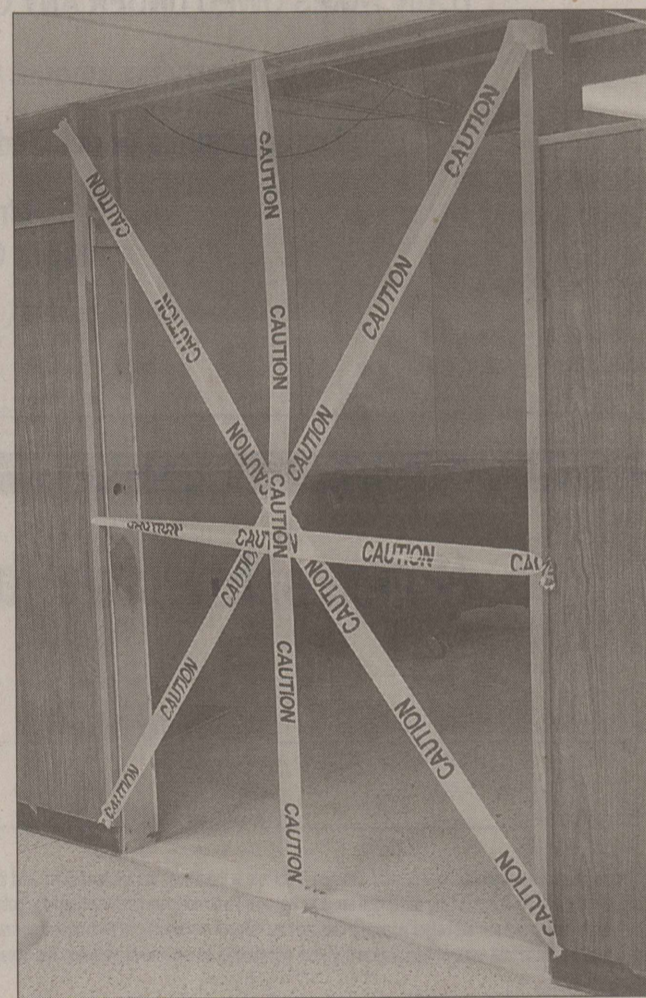
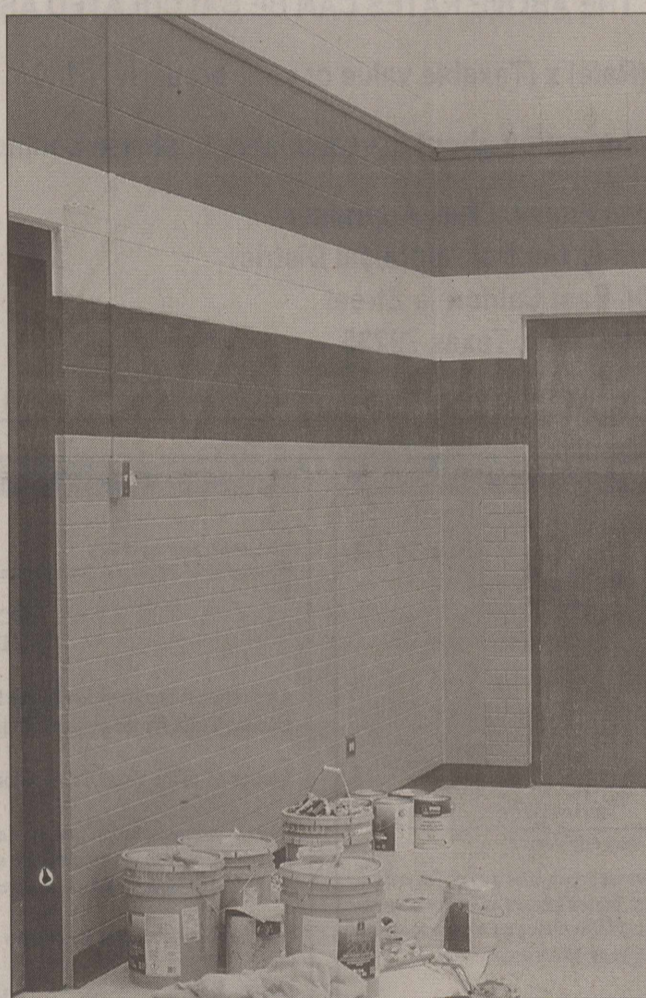
The 2018-2019 Lockney Longhorn Cheerleaders



Courtesy Photo


The 2018-2019 Lockney Longhorn Cheerleaders. Left to right standing: Tyra Rosales, Madai Chavira, Sierra Landeros, Reagan Nuncio, Brianna Rodriguez, Kaylee McInvale, Miranda Hernandez, Kaylee Berumen, Anahi Ascencio. Sitting left to right: Gissel San Martin, Aurelia Cruz.

Renovations on-going at LISD



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"Meet the Teacher" attendees side-stepped remodeling projects at Lockney Elementary that continue to be in the works. The Cafeteria has a fresh coat of paint, restrooms have been gutted with tile being placed this week, and office configurations sport yellow 'construction' tape. Principal Williams stated that the construction will not hamper the start of the new school year.



Lockney Band Boosters' 2018-19 Officers

- President - Kristy Lefevre
- 1st vice - JP Pena
- 2nd vice - Joe Torres
- Secretary - Crystal Guerrero
- Treasurer - Yara Poole

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU August 27-31

Monday, Aug. 27

Breakfast - Pancakes & Bacon or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Steak Fingers, Gravy, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot Coins, Strawberries & Bananas, Milk

Tuesday, Aug. 28

Breakfast - Cheesy Toast or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Spaghetti, Breadstick, Garden Salad, California Blend Veggies, Fruit Cup, Pudding, Milk

Wednesday, Aug. 29

Breakfast - French Toast & Sausage or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk
Lunch - Chicken Wings or Chili, Celery & Carrot Sticks, Cornbread, Oranges, Brownie, Milk

Thursday, Aug. 30

Breakfast - Oatmeal, Cinnamon Toast or Breakfast Cracker & Cheese Stick, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Chicken Quesadilla, Corn, Pinto Beans, Salsa, Garnish, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Friday, Aug. 31


Breakfast - Breakfast Burrito, Hash Browns or Muffin & Yogurt, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch - Popcorn Chicken, Roll, Broccoli, Oven Fries, Peaches, Milk



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Safety project begins Monday Pavement-Marker Install on Area Highways

LUBBOCK – The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will begin work Monday, Aug. 20, on a \$514,000 safety project to install reflective, raised pavement markers (RRPMs) to various roads in the Lubbock District's 17 counties. Project contractor Cross Plus Construction, of China Spring, Texas, will begin the work, of adding RRPMs to the area's interstates, US and state highways (SH), and advisory curves, in Lubbock County. RRPMs are designed to

increase the visibility of roadway striping during inclement weather.

No lane closures are planned during the moving operation, but motorists can expect slow moving equipment and are urged to use caution when driving through the moving work zone, since crews will be working in traffic, and should keep the following tips in mind:

Slow down and always follow posted work zone speed limits. Speeding is one

of the major causes of work zone crashes. Remember, traffic fines double in work zones.

Pay attention. Workers and heavy equipment may only be a few feet from passing vehicles.

Be patient. Delays from roadway construction can be frustrating, but it only takes a few extra minutes to slow down for a work zone.

Work is expected to wrap-up late-October and will take place weather permitting.

West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute Annual Conference Set for September 11

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

The West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute will host their annual conference on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the Bayer Museum of Agriculture, located at 1121 Canyon Lake Drive in Lubbock.

This year represents the 66th meeting of WTACI, an unincorporated organi-

zation of dealers, industry representatives, agricultural producers, scientists, educators, and agribusiness members who support education and research programs promoting safe and effective use of agricultural chemicals and protection and preservation of the area's natural resources.

Topics to be discussed at the conference include ag

and regulatory policy, pesticide training and certification, pest management, chemical application, cotton quality and irrigation management, crop management challenges, weed control across Texas, and legal issues in herbicide and pesticide application. A detailed list of presentations and speakers soon will be available at <http://wtaci.tamu.edu>.

A total of at least 6 Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) CEUs are pending at this time.

Pre-registration is available online at <http://wtaci.tamu.edu/Registration.html>. On-line registration fees are \$75 for conference attendees and must be completed or postmarked by August 31. Booth fees start at \$300. On-site registration will begin at 7 a.m. the day of the conference and will cost \$95 for attendees and \$325 for booth sponsors. Lunch will be provided as part of the registration fee.

Opportunities also exist to contribute to the WTACI Scholarship Fund, which has provided more than \$60,000 in scholarships to students majoring in agricultural fields at many Texas universities.

Contact Shawn Wade at (806) 792-4904 or shawn@plainscotton.org for questions about the program and CEUs. If you have trouble or questions regarding registration contact David Pointer, 806-746-6101 or dlpoint@ag.tamu.edu.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF 2018 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR FLOYD COUNTY

A tax rate of \$0.72500 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Floyd County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.72500 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.72500 per \$100
<u>EFFECTIVE TAX RATE</u>	<u>\$0.73530 per \$100</u>

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for FLOYD COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2017 tax year and the 2018 tax year.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{Rate}) \times (\text{Taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Mr. Jim Finley, Chief Appraiser
Floyd County Central Appraisal District
104 East California Street
Floydada, Texas 79235
(806)983-5256

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Effective Tax Rate

Property Tax
Form 50-212

2018 <small>(insert year)</small>	Property Tax Rates in	Floyd County <small>(insert taxing unit name)</small>
2018 <small>(insert year)</small>	property tax rates for	Floyd County <small>(insert taxing unit name)</small>

This notice concerns 2018 property tax rates for Floyd County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 4,283,894.00
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0.00
Last year's total taxes	\$ 4,283,894.00
Last year's tax base	\$ 590,882,012.00
Last year's total tax rate	\$ 0.72500 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 4,289,744.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 583,400,551.00
= This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless taxing unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$ 0.73530 /\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$ 4,289,744.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 583,400,551.00
= This year's effective operating rate	\$ 0.73530 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$ 0.79412 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0.00 /\$100
= This year's total rollback rate	\$ 0.79412 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Floyd County adopts a 2018 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ 0.73530 per \$100 of value, taxes would N/A compared to 2017 taxes by \$ 0.00

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at:

Insert address 105 South Main Street - Room 105 Floydada, TX 79235

Name of person preparing this notice Marty Lucke

Title County Judge

Date prepared 08/13/2018

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ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION (ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on November 6, 2018 in Floyd County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI,

Sección 65 of the Texas Constitution.

(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una elección el día 6 de Noviembre, 2018, en el Condado de Floyd, Texas, con el propósito de elegir los siguientes oficiales del condado y del precinto como requerido por el Artículo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitución de Texas.)

(List Offices) (Enumere los puestos oficiales)

County Judge	County Commissioner, Pct. 2
District Clerk	County Commissioner, Pct. 4
County Clerk	Justice of the Peace, Pcts. 1 & 4
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(fecha)

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(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Floyd County Clerk Ginger Morgan

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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse no más tardar de las horas de negocio el:)

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Federal postcard applications must be received no later than the close of business on:
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Issued this the 20th day of August 2018

(Emitada este día 20 de August 2018)

Marty Lucke
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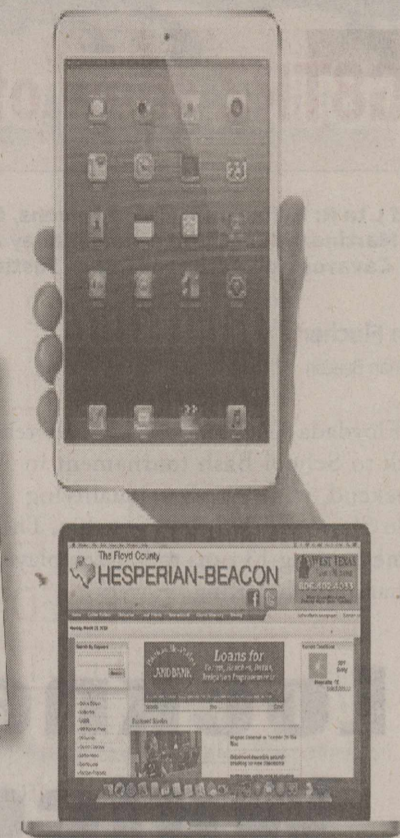
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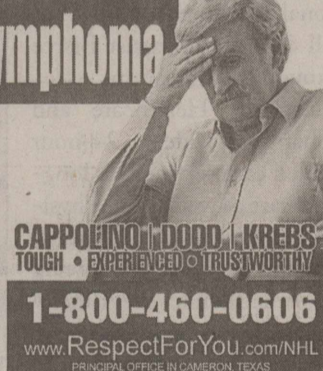
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G8TRZ Softball Team still winning



G8TRZ show off Championship Rings

Pictured L to R: Kylie Luna, Malori Havens, Bella Perez, Karah Cavazos, Madison Pyle, Abigail Reyes, Brooklyn Pyle, Jemma Martinez, Karen Torres and Mailey McHam. **Coaches:** Head Coaches Erica and Ray Perez, Assistant Coach Andrew Cavazos and Assistant Coach Justin Martinez.

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian Beacon

The Floydada G8TRZ 8U softball team played in the Back to School Bash tournament in Amarillo this past weekend, winning their qualifying game to play Amarillo Shine for the championship. They easily won that game, scoring 13 runs to 5. Each player received an NIT Championship Ring.

The team took home the 1st Place trophy and a Softball PowerNet Caddy. The next tournament is scheduled for September 21st in Lubbock. Congratulations girls, and thank you for representing Floydada so well this season!

Courtesy Photo
Congratulations to Karah Cavazos-voted Most Valuable Player for the Back to School Bash Tournament.



G8TRZ's Karah Cavazos MVP

Lockney Rehabilitation Center Welcomes New Management

By Deon Fincher
The Hesperian Beacon

The Lockney Health and Rehabilitation Center welcomed the community last Friday for an Open-house picnic on the front lawn. With sausages grilling, the kids enjoyed a 'cool' water slide while residents braced for the refreshing splashes of water.

Skyblue Healthcare, owners of the Lockney Rehab Center, announced that Lee Pierce had accepted the position as Administrator for the facility. Bryan Sullivan, Regional Manager for Skyblue, will continue to assist Pierce through the transition.

Lockney Healthcare and Rehab provides 24-hour Skilled care services for long-term care as well as full Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy for needs following major accidents. The Facility is Medicare and Medicaid certified and licensed by the State of Texas.



The Lockney Rehabilitation Center hosted a summer picnic last Friday to celebrate their newest addition, Lee Pierce-Administrator and to invite the public in to the facilities. Members from the community, Center staff and residents all enjoyed the food and fellowship.

Deon Fincher/Hesperian-Beacon

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1978 Pontiac Trans Am with 35200 Miles, 1972 Short Bed Chevy Pick Up,
Collectibles, Furniture, Signs, Coke Collectibles, Appliances, Antiques, Big Screen TV, King Bedroom Suites, Pocket Knives, Decoy Duck Collection, Washer Dryer, Weber Grill, Toy Cars Trucks Motorcycles, Knick Knacks, and Much More
ON SITE INSPECTION: FRI Sept 14 or by APPT



Floydada Personal Property
3451 S Ralls Hwy Floydada TX
Online Auction of Furniture, Glassware, Antiques, Figurines, Collectibles, Artwork, Chairs, Desks, Christmas Decor. Over 300 items
On Location Inspection August 25th with Bidding and Registration
Online Soft Close Thursday August 30 7 PM

PUBLIC NOTICE

BUDGET HEARING

The City Council for the City of Lockney will hold a public hearing to consider the 2018-2019 Proposed Budget on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 7:00 A.M. at City Hall located at 218 E Locust St, Lockney, TX 79241.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of \$0.419550 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$150,668.78.

If you have questions regarding this hearing or to receive a copy of the proposed budget, please contact Buster Poling at 806-652-2355.