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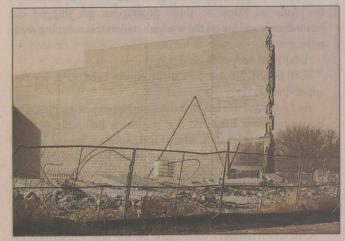
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Winds topple school's wall



Deon Fincher/Hesperian Beacor Winds that blew through Floydada, Friday afternoon, toppled the eastern wall of the new school campus.

The north wall of the Floydada high school building was ripped from the eastern wall when high winds blew through Floydada, Friday afternoon. Superintendent **Trevino assures** no slowdown in construction timetable.



Past Floyd County leader honored by **Texas Farm Bureau**

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

(CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas) — For his longtime leadership and service to area agriculture, the late Louis Warner Pyle of Floyd County was honored with Texas Farm Bureau's (TFB) prestigious Pioneer award at the organization's annual meeting in Corpus Christi.

"Louis was truly a pioneer in Floyd County. He not only established non-traditional crops in the county, he served in several leadership roles in Farm Bureau that helped shape the organization," TFB President Russell Boening said.

Pyle started his career in agriculture on four sections of land in Southeast Floyd County. He started in the vegetable business in 1956, first planting potatoes. In 1982, he planted the county's first grapes, pioneering an agribusiness still thriving today.

Pyle and his grandson planted five acres in pumpkins in 1991, a humble beginning that has matured into Pumpkin Pyle, a family-owned and operated



The late Louis Warner Pyle, TFB's 2018 Pioneer

pumpkin wholesaler.

He joined Farm Bureau in 1950 and served as director and president. Pyle volunteered many hours on the Cotton, Beef and Vegetable committees. Pyle was a leader of the Texas Soybean Board for 17 years, and he served six years on the United Soybean Board and the Floyd County Agricultural Stabilization and

Conservation Service. TFB's Pioneer Award

honors one outstanding Texas farmer or rancher in each of the organization's 13 districts, as well as one staff member. Winners are chosen annually by a caucus of County Farm Bureau Presidents for their exceptional contributions to agriculture and Texas Farm Bureau.

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

Upcoming

Events are listed free of charge

LOCKNEY BOY SCOUTS FOOD DRIVE

Lockney Boy Scouts will be picking up cans and nonperishables for the Salvation Army on Saturday, December 8th from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Please leave your cans in a sack on your porch in a visible location. Salvation Army is critically low on food.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

Every Tuesday in December we will be having a \$3.00 meal. The next Bingo night will be held on Dec. 11 at 5:30 p.m. Our progressive cash bingo "pot" is now at \$94.00. Join us for a chance to win the progressive bingo money and other prizes. For more info see our article located on the society page of this week's issue.

COVENANT MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY

The Covenant Mobile Mammography exam unit is scheduled to be at the Lockney Elementary School, 310 SW 8th Street (elementary parking lot), performing screening mammograms on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 We accept most medical insurance plans, Medicare and Medicaid. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify. To schedule an appointment, please call: 877-494-4797 or 806-725-6579

MANGOLD MEMORIAL **TOY DRIVE**

The WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital is a collection site for the TOY DRIVE for the Lockney Salvation Army. Unwrapped toys will be accepted for babies up to children in the 5th



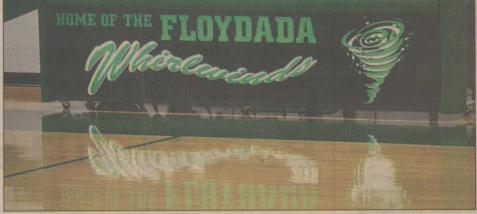
blew through, showing the progress on the construction site.

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian-Beacon

The eastern wall of Floydada's new high school campus crashed to the ground around 2:45 last week. According to Weather Underground.com, wind gusts in Floyd County reached well over 50 mph Friday afternoon, with sustained winds at 48 mph. It's no wonder that wind damages were reported at the construction site of the Floydada High School.

As soon as photos of the damage appeared on Facebook, Dr. Gilbert Trevino, FISD Superintendent, placed a comment on the FISD Facebook page: The high winds this afternoon caused damage at the construction site for the new Floydada High School Building. Most importantly, no one on site was injured. The winds caused a section

of the east exterior wall along with a section of the north exterior wall to the building to come crashing down. The sections did not have enough bracing, and the steel columns to support the sections had not been placed yet in those areas. While this is unfortunate, it's not uncommon. Walls are not constructed to stand alone and are part of an entire system that provides support and stability to a building. This part of the construction project is in its infancy, so it lacked the support needed to withstand the high winds we experienced this afternoon. An engineer will be on site early next week to assess the damage and check the sections that were not blown down for structural integrity. The cost of the damage is covered by the construction management company's in-See WALL, Page 10



Whirlwind Gym goes High-Tech

Deon Fincher/Hes

Floydada's Whirlwind Gym is featuring a new sideline interactive video table on the margins of the gym floor this year. This new device allows for digital advertising streaming, utilizing space which normally would feature the underside of the table and the scorer's chosen shoes for the day. The eye-catching screen is a definite upgrade to the gym--these types of additions instill pride in our school and the facilities which are on display for out-of-town visitors. Athletic Director, Todd Bandy, encourages businesses to advertise on the display. For more information, contact FISD offices.

Courtesy Photo

PCE Fuel Station **Re-vamping**

Producer's Co-op is hard at work rebuilding the fuel station. The interior of the structure has been gutted, but a visit last Friday revealed drywall going up on the framed walls and duct-work being completed. The fuel station is open for business through construction--just go around back to the tire shop!



grade. The deadline to donate toys will be Friday, Dec. 14, as Santa will be at the Salvation Army on Saturday, Dec. 15 to give the toys to children in our community. Last Christmas, 180 children received toys from Santa from the Lockney Salvation Army, so be sure to drop off your toys by Friday, Dec. 14! See NOTES, Page 10

Corrections

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

News on the go



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Congratulations to Pumpkin Pyle for being voted November's Business of the Month! Pumpkin Pyle has established themselves as a pumpkin empire and employ numerous people every year. They are large supporters of the community and the epitome of a thriving, local business. Congrats and thank you for all you do! Pictured left to right-Jason Pyle, Lindsey Pyle, Paula Pyle, Robert Pyle, Kember Rainwater, Mathew Rainwater. --By Kortney DeBock, Mgr. Floydada Chamber of Commerce.

Floyd County Memorial Library

New and soon to be released Titles

DECEMBER 2018

The Enemy of My Enemy by W.E.B Griffin The Boy by Tami Hoag Verses for the Dead by Douglas Preston **Of Blood and Bone by Nora Roberts A Delicate Touch by Stuart Woods**

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About town

T am not too proud to admit when I am wrong...and I was, and I apologize. Let me explain--

I was driving toward Floydada's downtown square Friday morning. Well into a new week with the paper, I had a lot on my mind and several places to go that day. Stopped at the stop signal, my eyes caught movement on the corner of Missouri



Courtesy Photo

and Main Street. City workers were in a bucket putting Christmas decorations on our gorgeous light-poles! Woo-hoo!! My first thought was an image of Darrell Gooch, our City Manager, reading the most recent paper and agreeing with my "Floydada needs Christmas Decorations!" article. By George! Print media really does work.

Somewhere in the back of my mind, the DEON fact that the paper just hit the streets two FINCHER short days ago made a flag go up.

That just embellished my imaginings. In them, not only is Gooch pouring over the paper, but he is sitting down in front of his computer and pulling up CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS on Amazon. With a satisfied 'click' he sits back to relax--much like Santa does the day after Christmas.

Still lost in my vivid imagination, our City Manager has Amazon Prime so those decorations get shipped out immediately and are on the worker's trailers this morning ready to be put up!

A car horn beeped behind me.

"Oh! Sorry!" I move forward from the light on to my first appointment.

As I analyzed the fact that decorations were being placed on Friday morning, I realized that my article had nothing to do with the achievement. In truth, I had assumed, like the last few years that I've been in town, there would be no holiday cheer on our square. Now, I was going to have to 'eat crow' because, clearly, City Hall had also seen the need, and had acted.

I called the City offices. "Is Darrell in? Can I possibly talk to him?"

Our city Manager's voice came on the line. I described my stop-light daydream to him, in Techni-color, I might add. I applauded him for taking my article to heart, then humbly declared (Is that an oxy-moron, or what?) that I had reevaluated the situation and realized that I had expressed my opinion BEFORE checking on the possibility of any changes made with the new team at City Hall.

"I haven't read the paper this week," was his response. AND...to really make me feel worse, the team at City Hall had obtained the decorations months ago.

With that, I apologize to City Hall and all of our readers. I made known my complaints without doing my homework. Also, it was apparent, that I put too much stock in the possibility that what I write in these columns is actually applicable...or read and taken to heart.

The decorations are elegant and simply gorgeous! A hearty applause to each and every one from the City that truly 'dressed up'our downtown for this holiday season.

The 501: Got lights?

hank the Germans. They're the folks who decided to put candles on their tannenbaums to honor Christ as L the Light of the World. The rest is history. Candles morphed into electric lights, and now we have a spectacular Christmas scene in Technicolor. The Christian theme gets

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Floydada ISD Christmas Open House

LOCKNEY, TEXAS (806) 652-3386

As we celebrate the joyful Christmas season we would like For you all to join us for a Christmas Open House: Friday, December 14, 2018 8am - 1:00pm At 795D Central Office 226 West California Hope to see you there!



Daughter of War by Brad Taylor

Miracles Christmas Parade 2018

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK...The 14th Annual Miracles Christmas Parade is Saturday, December 8, 2018, and all indications point to the largest parade ever in the history of the event. The parade has a record 50 separate parade units registered for the Saturday night event, according to Parade Chairman Jason Davis. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. at 34th Street and Avenue Q at the Byron Martin Center and move westward through Indiana Avenue. The parade is free and open to the public.

Participants in the parade include the Texas Tech Masked Rider, Raider Red, Texas Tech Pom Squad, Antique tractors, marching bands from Coronado. Monterey, and Lubbock High School, beauty queens, and Santa Claus riding the United States Marines truck. Other participants include church groups, various youth groups, the AMBUCS horses and riders, and several individual family groups.

"Interest for this year's parade has been the highest seen in recent years," said Davis, one of 20 Wranglers who produce and host the annual free parade for the benefit of parade views in Lubbock and across the

entire South Plains.

The parade theme for 2018 is "Fairy-Tale Christmas" and each parade unit is expected to have at least 1,000 lights illuminating their float or group.

Since the free parade draws more than 30,000 spectators down the twomile parade route, many observers set up their individual spots along the route and even bring grills, hot chocolate, coffee, and have cookouts while waiting for the parade to pass their location. The purpose and goal of the parade is to bring cheer to every spectator, participant, and organizer while providing families and individuals an event that will build lasting holiday memories for everyone.

The Marines will be walking along the sides of their truck carrying Santa and will be available to pick up the unwrapped toys from spectators who are urged to bring toys to the parade in support of this year's Toys for Tots drive.

The parade appears to be heading towards a record number of parade participants and may well host the largest crowd in parade history. It is free, fun, family oriented, and open to anyone to come watch and enjoy Saturday starting at 6pm.

somewhat lost amid all the wattage, but so it goes

Thank the Chinese for manufacturing all the cheap lights. Check yours for the country of manufacture if you want. Irresponsible me, I just made the China statement of the top of my head. I've been wrong about

HANABA MUNN WELCH

Sure enough, I'm right. Made in USA Christmas lights apparently don't exist. But that's OK. It means my string of vintage lights is an attic treasure. I just have to find them.

The nice thing about cheap Chinese Christmas lights? Everybody can afford them - even lowincome families. In fact, the poorest neighborhoods seem to have some of the best outdoor holiday displays, both for Halloween and Christmas.

Think of what Jesus said: "The last shall be first." (Look up Matthew 20:16 if you prefer not to read things out of context.)

Tack up enough twinkling lights, and a run-down rent house can sparkle and shine along with the mansions on a millionaires' row.

If you cruise around on a December night, mix blue collar with upscale for the richest experience. My opinion.

That's looking at the bright side of things. The dark side? Easy access to glitz cheapens the scene. When lights shine at me from everywhere, dazzling and sparkling and even blinking to music, I think back to that single strand of my childhood. They'd be lost in today's world.

One year my parents suggested we put the lights up on the pine tree at the front of the house, not that anyone would see them. We lived way off the road.

But that's what we did. They looked great outside, but that meant our indoor tree had no lights. The lesson for me was that you can't always have your cake and eat it too. You have to choose. And we weren't even poor. In those days, the definition of poor was no lights at all.

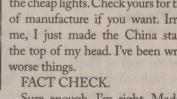
My late friend Lupy (I always have to say she really spelled it that way) spent part of her childhood on our farm. Her dad, Domingo, was our chief farm worker. Lupy, as an adult, was delightfully given to exaggeration, but when she told me she and her seven siblings thought gifts at Christmas were just a white kid thing, I think she was telling me straight. They knew they were missing out, but that was life.

Ah deprivation. Sometimes you grow up anyway.

Hmmm. Were Lupy and her family living on our farm when we put our lights on that pine tree? Maybe that's why Daddy suggested doing it that way just for once - for Domingo and his family.

That sounds like a sugary Christmas tale, but it could be true.

Daddy was like that.



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SOCIETY

"Miracle on Main" set for Dec. 13th

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian Beacon

Lockney will be celebrating "Miracle on Main, A Hometown Christmas" on Thursday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. This date was changed from the original schedule of December 8, due to forecasted stormy weather.

The Chamber of Commerce sponsors this downtown activity and will be

providing holiday cheer \$5.00. Santa will be greetwith Christmas music, Kids' ornament making, and warm cups of hot chocolate. Many of the downtown businesses pledge to be open, celebrating the holiday season with Lockney residents.

The highlight of the evening will be the arrival of Santa shortly after 6:00 p.m. Parents will be offered keepsake pictures of their children on Santa's lap for

ing kiddos inside Garden's Gate.

Originally, a horse-drawn carriage was scheduled to attend to provide carriage rides, but with the date change, this service will not be available; however, by some Christmas miracle, the Christmas ponies may be able to make the trip so the kids can pet and love on them throughout the evening festivities.

Arrington donates Capitol flags



Senator Jodey Arrington shows the certificate of authentication that accompanies a U.S. Flag flown on top of the Capitol in Washington, D.C. Two of these flags were auctioned off at the Christmas Ball, Saturday evening. The two flags raised \$1,400 of auction proceeds that are distributed to local Fire Departments and First Responders.

1956 Study Club

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The 1956 Study Club met November 13th at the home of Virginia Stringer. The table and home were beautifully decorated in a fall theme. We ate a buffet of pimento cheese and ham sandwiches, crackers and veggie tray. We enjoyed desserts of Italian creme cake, toffee and pumpkin creme cheese muffins.

The program was a live auction. Proceeds will fund scholarships to Floydada senior girls selected in the spring by club members. Many homemade and store-bought items were sold to make this fund-

raiser a success!

Those members attending were Sheryl Back, Terri Bush, Sheree Cannon, Anne Carthel, Dana Crossland, Sherry Hacker, Linda Harbin, Charline Hendrix, Terry Jackson, Janet Lloyd, Linda Matsler, Snow Payne, Susan Simpson, JenniSu Smith, and Virginia Stringer.

FUMC Christmas Cantata

By Linda Matsler

Special to the Hesperian Beacon

Good Christian friends rejoice, for there is to be a song in the air at First United Methodist Church, Floydada, on Sunday, December 16, at 9:30 a.m. There, away in a manger, at 203 West Kentucky street,

angels we have heard on high will also include a cast of young shepherds, the angel Gabriel, an inn keeper, the Holy family and their donkey. The Bright Star will be guiding Kings who will also be present to bring joy to the world.

Oh, come all ye faithful for this delightful presentation of

the Christ Child's birth.

This holy happening is directed by Lou Burleson and her assistants. The choir is directed by Trina Wilson.

This presentation does not promise a silent night.

Go, tell it on the streets of Floydada and Lockney! All are invited to attend.

beans, dessert, tea or water will also be available. The price is right on this meal. We tenderize and bread the meat ourselves, none of that preformed meat for us! Where can you get Chicken Fried Steak for the price of \$5.00 for members, \$6.00 for non- members? Answer: Floydada Senior Citizens! Tuesday in December we will continue the \$3.00 meals. Pinto beans, BBQ on Bun, and Chili. We will also serve tossed salad, dessert, and tea or water. Remember that anyone of any age can be a member. If you

By LuAnn Collins

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FLOYDADA - Our menu

for December will feature

Chicken Fried Steak every

week, either on Wednesday

or Thursday. Tossed salad,

mashed potatoes, green

bring you a meal.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

be the second Tuesday of De- the Center. cember 11. Our progressive two bingo cards is \$5.00. All morials. other cards, one for \$1.00, and 3 for \$2.00. Join us for a chance to win the progressive bingo money and other prizes.

Freida Dunn, BSN, ET, is present the 4th Thursday of the month for a blood pressure clinic at 11:30. Our next clinic will be Dec. 27. November clinic will not be choose not to be a member, held due to Thanksgiving holiday.

meal delivered, we ask that horse/cattle water troughs you call us before 11 am, that we can use as garden 983-2032. We deliver your containers, so the bottoms meal between 11:15 and can be rotted out. We grow 12:00 at no extra charge. a garden each year to offset Our delivery drivers, Mike the cost of food and beand Roger, will be happy to cause fresh vegetables are delicious. If you can help us Our next Bingo night will with this project please call

Our mailing address is cash bingo "pot" is now at P.O. box 573, Floydada, Tex-\$94.00. The doors will open as 79235. Our phone numat 5:30 and we begin play ber is 983-2032. Thank you at 6:00. The Bingo Special, for remembering the Center sandwich, chips, drink, and with your donations or me-

MENU December 10–14

Monday - Salisbury steak Tuesday - BBQ on bun -\$3.00 Wednesday - Chicken & dressing Thursday - Chicken fried steak w/gravy Friday - Fish fry

Mueller doesn't need special protection,

he needs oversight and accountability

Opinion

By Robert Romano

IRetiring Sen. Jeff Flake (R-Ariz.) is gumming up the work on judicial nominations during the lame duck session before Christmas, promising to vote no on any judges nominated by President Donald Trump on the floor and to vote block any brought out of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Flake is demanding action on legislation that would shield Special Counsel Robert Mueller from being fired by an Attorney General unless a three judge panel agrees, in effect unconstitutionally conferring executive powers to approve firings of executive branch officials on the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

Why are those executive powers? Because the Special Counsel is appointed by the Attorney General or his designee, and are officers of the executive branch under Article II of the Constitution. He reports to, in this case, Acting Attorney General Matthew Whitaker.

Courts have zero role under Article III of the Constitution to make staffing decisions for the executive branch. Zero. Judges and justices' job is to say what the law is in cases of constitutionality. They can hear appeals. They can try cases. But they do not step in and conduct the oversight that is supposed to be handled by the heads of departments or the President himself.

A court is no position to determine what constitutes "misconduct, dereliction of duty, incapacity, conflict of interest, or other good cause ... " as under the bill, which provides no definitions for what constitutes. misconduct. But even if it did, it would not obviate the fact that the executive branch determines staffing of its own branch. Period.

Besides that, all executive powers under the Constitution are vested in the President under Article II. That includes the implied power to fire executive branch officials, even ones that have been confirmed by the Senate. That same legal authority extends to the heads of departments via statute, including the Justice Department, to remove executive officers for insubordination or misconduct.

The Special Counsel, which is in essence a political appointment when the Attorney General recuses himself, is not above the same oversight or accountability. And it would be foolish especially in this case to make such an exception.

There are now allegations that the Special Counsel is demanding false statements from witnesses. Former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn was coerced by Mueller into pleading guilty to lying to investigators when the investigators in the case never thought he was lying in the first place.

Paul Manafort, Jerome Corsi and other targets of the Mueller's investigations and prosecutions have refused to, in their eyes, lie to courts to appease Mueller.

One-time Trump campaign advisor George Papadopoulos similarly pleaded guilty to lying to investigators about what his start date on the Trump campaign was, even though the questioning had to do with contacts he had that were supposedly Russian agents that now Papadopoulos is now spectacularly alleging were undercover Western intelligence operatives who set him up.

The entire investigation appears to have originated from a Democratic National Committee and Hillary Clinton campaign paid for opposition research by Fusion GPS and former British spy Christopher Steele, which the FBI used as evidence to gather a Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) court warrant. The origins of the dossier were hidden from the court

The FBI and the Justice Department were getting bad information about the Trump campaign and colluding with Russia. For example, former

who is now pleading guilty to making false statements to Congress, was said by Steele to be in Prague in the summer of 2016, allegedly meeting with Russian intelligence officers to clean up the Wikileaks mess. There's only one problem. Cohen was never to By Renee Armstrong Prague. He even showed his passport to Buzzfeed to prove it. And now Cohen lawyer Lanny Davis confirmed that Cohen had "never, ever" been to Prague. Finally, the new plea deal has nothing to with the Prague trip that never happened, it had to do with when Cohen says a potential real estate deal in Russia that never happened was being discussed.

Well, if Steele was wrong about Cohen being Prague, then Cohen couldn't have been there colluding with Russian agents, either. Steele had accounts of conversations that having been there, the conversations could not have happened either. It Page and others as having conspired with Russia to hack the DNC and John Podesta emails and put them on or a real investigation into espionage? Wikileaks.

administration officials and associates Rosenstein should have reined it in have actually made the case that they long ago. But he didn't. Now it falls on had anything to do with hacking Acting Attorney General Whitaker the DNC or Podesta. Manafort was and eventually the new permanent convicted on unrelated bank and tax Attorney General to conduct oversight. charges. Page has not been charged Mueller is not a free agent. with anything. There was no collusion as Steele alleged. That should have crimes originally tasked to Mueller to been the end of it.

trying to find out when Wikileaks Evidence tying Trump directly to the might be publishing some of that hack have been sought but could not

Trump attorney Michael Cohen, you are still welcome! If you would like your

The Center is in need of

p.m.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

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LOCKNEY-Sunday Lunch has been moved to December 16. Fajitas are on the menu.

Breakfast is served here at the Center from 5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Monday thru Friday only. Lunch is served Monday thru Friday from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30

Center by 9:30 a.m. if you games afterwards. would like to eat lunch at the Center. Our phone number is 806-652-2745.

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

is from 5-9 p.m. Bring a Be sure and call the dish and a friend and enjoy

MENU December 10–14

Monday-Manager's Special Tuesday - Tacos Wednesday – Lasagna Thursday - Sloppy Joes Friday - Pork chops (Menus subject to change without notice)

statements charge.

What is this, a memory quiz show, Department if anything.

This witch hunt far exceeds the investigate, which was the alleged hack Corsi appears to be accused of and election interference by Russia.

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Thank you!! There are not enough words to say THANK YOU to describe all the kind words, deeds, food, flowers and donations in Memory of Craig "Grumpy" DuBois. Our family has been so blessed to live in area that's still neighborly and caring.

Thank you to the Fire Departments for the wonderful service for the Chief. It was wonderful to see how the firefighters bind together when they lose one of their own. Thank you Chad Guthrie for taking care of this for us.

Gail DuBois, Christie & Talon Cruse, Cindy DuBois, Melinda & Shawn Dawes and grandkids

Cohen supposedly had there, but not information, when the entire country be found, and so the Special Counsel was trying to figure out what Wikileaks swept in and dug up unrelated might publish next-and in any event allegations and crimes to justify was a fabrication, calling into question that's not illegal. The plea deal that continuing the investigation. That's Steele's other claims about Manafort, he was offered was just another false not justice, that should have been the work of the politically overseen Justice

Nobody elected Mueller. Yet some The point is that the investigation in Congress would make him an None of the charges brought by has gone far beyond its mandate. extraconstitutional officer whose job Mueller against Trump campaign and Deputy Attorney General Rod it is to take down this administration.

That's not his job. The American people make political decisions about who sits in the White House, not the Justice Department.

This is a runaway investigation. And the only effect the legislation that Flake is supporting would have is to ensure that it never ends.

Robert Romano is the Vice President of Public Policy at Americans for Limited Government.

Pumpkin Pyle wholly support our community's students, athletes, teachers and administrators.

The Families of

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

The Real Appeal of Heaven

I would like to tell you a little bit worth of vegetable matter for my

Obituary

Randy Pernell

On Tuesday, November 27, 2018, our Husband, Dad, Grumpy, Son and Brother, Randy Pernell, was called to the Lord at the age of 61 surrounded by his closest family. He's been a fighter for the last 2 years and fought until the very end to make sure everyone he loved was by his side to send him home.

He was born April 22, 1957 to Jessie and Donna Pernell, and was a lifetime resident of Dougherty, Texas. He married the love of his life, Denise, after a 6-week romance, on March 5, 1983 in Brownfield Texas. Together they had three children, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, but he was known all over town and by all his family as "Grumpy." He was fiercely loved, and will be remembered for his tractor train rides, one-on-one lunch dates, movie outings and driving lessons around the gin.

He was co-owner of the Darty Gin with his son, Rance Pernell. He began work at the gin in 1973 when he was 16 years old and continued until five days before followed the service his death. His customers and employees have held a special place in his heart, and the feeling was mutual. Over the course of his illness, they were often the first visitors when he was hospitalized.

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Randy was a quiet leader in the community and in his church. Since his diagnosis, we have been blessed by countless stories from people that he has helped in one way or another.

Randy was preceded into Glory by his father, Jessie Pernell.

He is survived by his wife, Denise Pernell; his mother, Donna Pernell; one son, Rance Pernell and wife, Marijon of Dougherty; two daughters, Reagan Howard and husband, Richard of Mineola and Reagan Williams and husband, David of Celina; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; one sister, Nona Pernell; and one brother, Rick Pernell and wife, Donna.

The family received friends at the City Park Church of Christ on Friday, November 30, 200018 from 6-8 p.m.

A celebration of his life was held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, December 1, 2018 also at City Park Church of Christ in Floydada. A graveside service at the Dougherty Cemetery immediately

The family suggests donations to White River Youth Camp at Ranch, Road 2794, Spur, TX 79370 or City Park Church of Christ, 129 W. Tennessee Street, Floydada, TX 7923



RANDY PERNELL

Dale passed from this life on Monday, November 26,

Dale Gallaway

Celebration of Life Services for Dale Gallaway, 70, of Plainview was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at the First Baptist Church in Lockney. Bro. Joseph Tillery officiated and Chad Cook assisted.

2018 in Plainview. Crema-

tion arrangements were entrusted to Moore Rose Funeral Home of Lockney.

Dale was born on August 12, 1948 in Plainview to A.C. and Georgia Lee (Smith) Gallaway. He graduated from Lockney High School in 1966. He married Debbie Anne Lee on August 16, 1975 in Lockney. From this union they had three daughters, Lee Anne, Gallaway Mitchell and hus-Mandy, and Alana.

to enlist in the United States Army. He served for 18 the 173rd Assault Helicopwas Robin Hood 19. Dale Lubbock. was honorably discharged farmer for 40 years. He loved fishing, cooking and spendknew him.

memory are his wife, Debbie Legion Post# 141 in Lock-Gallaway of Plainview; his ney, or to a charity of your three daughters, Lee Anne choice.



DALE GALLAWAY

band, Tim of Tucson, Ari-In 1967, Dale volunteered zona, Mandy Gallaway Lacey and husband, Shaun of Westerly, Rhode Island, and months during the Vietnam Alana Gallaway Bernal and war as a helicopter pilot for husband, Mike of Austin, Texas;, three grandchildren, ter Company and attained Gus Mitchell, Cora Mitchthe rank of Chief War- ell, and Miles Lacey, and one rant Officer. His call sign sister, Margaret Namken of

He is preceded in death by in 1972. Dale worked as a his parents, A.C. and Georgia Gallaway.

The family has asked that ing time with his family. He memorial donations, in honwill be missed by all who or of Dale Gallaway be made to the First Baptist Church Those left to cherish his in Lockney, The American

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



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[God's] way is perfect: The Lord's word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him. -2 Samuel 22:31 (NIV)

I have always been very confident in my abilities. When I finished high school, I was sure I would get into a state college; however I did not get a good enough score. Because my plans were not working out, I wondered if God still cared about me. But the Lord wisely led me another way: I was able to study in another college where I could work and live closer to my family. That, in turn, gave me opportunities to show them the word of God.

of soup to know what ingredients it contains. When I came back a few

days later to collect my pot, he told

me how really, really good the sour

was. It was then I told him what he'd

eaten including tomatoes, onions, dillweed, and a whole head of

cabbage! That was surely a decade

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alone. The opportunity of having the added years to deepen my relationship with my family and others allowed me to appreciate what is special in each one of them. Now, I thank God for not answering my prayer in the way that I had wanted. Not being able to fulfill my will at that time put me into better circumstances.

about a friend of mine. I suppose friend. there wasn't a whole lot – on the There are years of anecdotes to surface – that would have brought share, but the long story made short us together as friends. He was easily is that this man and his wife became old enough to be my father. My idea dear friends to a young preacher of a good time was reading a book and his wife, not because of all the or teaching a room full of students; parallels in our lives, but because of he wasn't much of an academic (in a single desire to know Christ better. fact, he never graduated from high On Tuesday, his body attacked school) and he'd sooner walk a mile by cancer, he crossed a threshold

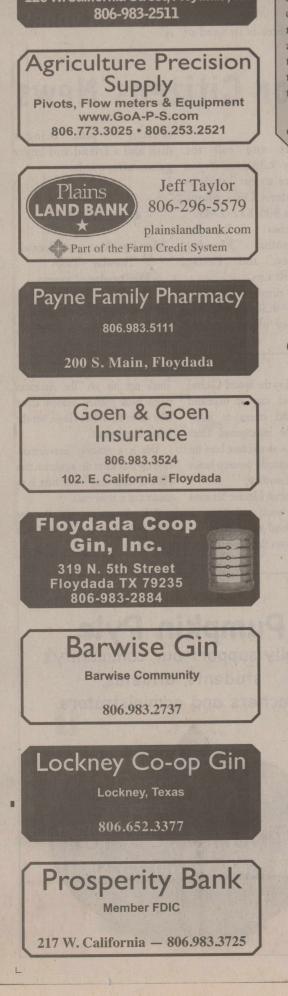
in the hot summer sun than do any into a more "real" (true? genuine?) kind of public speaking (he went embrace of the Heavenly Father, ahead and dropped himself out of His eyes closed on a hospital room high school when they told him that and they opened again to behold the he would have to take a speech class face of Jesus. The Spirit with whom in order to graduate). He liked to race he walked in this life translated him motorcycles; I've never touched one confidently into the next. I knew of those dangerous machines. He'd this brother's heart and I have no never lived outside of Floyd County, doubts or quibbles that his faith has Texas; by 11 years old I'd breathed conducted him safely home. What the air on three continents, lived you and I can only know by faith, my in a foreign country, and traveled friend now sees clearly.

Maybé it's because "streets of extensively. I love supreme pizza the more sauce, cheese, and toppings gold" and "crystal seas" sound cold the better; because he didn't eat (albeit opulent) and less appealing vegetables, his pizza was dry and and home-like to me than a dusty there was nothing to which his meaty west Texas street and a white cotton toppings could stick and they slid all field, but I don't think of heaven as a over the place. He was sure that if place to go because of what's there, he ever ate a vegetable it would be but who's there. Walls of precious the end of him. One year when he stones just don't excite me like the and his wife were very sick with the idea of seeing Jesus. And so, just like "winter crud," I made and brought that, heaven has become that much

> Levi Sisemore preached for the City Park Church of Christ in Floydada 2007-2014. He is currently is a minister at the Church of Chris in Fredericksburg, Texas. He can be contacted through his personal website at

www.HymnalCollector.com

them a pot of chicken stew. I didn't sweeter to me. When my day comes tell him what was in it and he's not - and it comes to each of us - I'll the kind of guy to analyze a spoonful get to see the Lord ...and Randy, too.



As I prepared to graduate after a course of study that I truly enjoyed, I realized that I could never have completed my education

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.

**** **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 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 Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell 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.

I have learned the power in using the gifts and talents God has given each of us to help others as much as we can.

-Bruna Messias Rodrigues de Souza (Minas Gerais, Brazil) TODAY'S PRAYER

Thank you, wise and loving God, for not acting according to our will but instead showing us your way. Help us to have open hearts to listen and obey. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

> St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church Floydada Rev. Renato Cruz Parachial Vicar - Jacob Powell 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 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.

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AGRICULTURE

The Evolution of Cotton Ginning PART II — Mechanized Ginning

By Deon Fincher The Hesperian Beacon

It wasn't until the 1840s that ginning manufacturing establishments, making gin stands, parts, and machinery in quantity, appeared in Texas.

In 1850, there were three cotton gin manufacturing concerns in Texas which employed five hands and had a combined capital investment of \$3,000. The largest of the three belonged to J.S. Alexander of Marshall, Texas. The Alexander gin stands featured fifty to fifty-six saws and cleaned three or four bales of cotton per day.

A decade later, the smaller gin manufacturers had disappeared, with others replacing them. Gin stands manufactured in 1860 were valued between \$7,500 and \$15,000.

The number of cotton gins in Texas increased from a half-dozen in 1825 to well over two thousand in 1860. The 1860 planter processed his cotton much the same way as did the pioneer cotton planter in the 1820s. Each planter still owned a gin and did his own ginning and baling. If a farmer owned no gin, he took his cotton to a neighbor, paying him a percentage of the yield as a ginning fee. The iron hoop, replacing the rope ties, was the only major innovation.

The 1860s saw Texas as one of the ranking cotton states of the nation. In little more than thirty years, Texas had advanced from a vast wilderness to a leading cotton producing state. Production had increased from a few bags in 1823 to well over 400,000 bales ginned in 1860.

The Civil war was a major break in the historical and economic evolution of the cotton industry. Small plantation gins declined in importance, and public ginneries gained acceptance during the latter part of the 1800s.

Changes in the plantation system were the most important of the factors that altered ginning



This photo appeared in the Dallas city directory of 1889. Because of R.S. Munger's relocation to Dallas and his products' massive success, the city became a national hub of agricultural machinery manufacturing and had a huge impact on Dallas' economic development.

ing communities. The existence of such a mill within the distance of five miles would be a strong inducement to the small farmer to engage at once in the planting of cotton."

Post-Civil War ginning saw additions of feeders, condensers, and steam engines, which saved labor; but cotton ginning still required much effort, and the typical public gin produced only six bales of cotton a day.

Robert S. Munger, of Mexia, Texas made the most important contribution to cotton ginning in the 1880s. He developed a "ginning system" whereby cotton was moved by air, gravity, and belts from the time it left the wagon



"The "four-stand" Munger ginning system easily produced twenty-four to thirty bales of See **GINNING**, Page 10



D&JGin

to the 1984 purchase of the dormant Hi-Plains Gin by David and Jody Foster, but the Fosters have kept detailed records of the improvements and updates implemented since that day, and that list is a long one. Too long for this column, but I will try to emphasize the BIG moments that have truly endeared this gin into the heart of Lockney.

One of the first things that caught my eye, was the year 1986. It's notation: David married Dar Lee! Jody married Shawnda! What a beautiful input into the history of this family-owned business. And although this doesn't seem to Elementary School for a Computer be something that should be on a gin's 'resume', events such as this--those involving human capital--are the things that really stand out. The detailed list of improvements to the machinery and facilities will have to wait.

1985-Rebuilt gin, added updated bale press and high-power heaters. Improved stage 1 and stage 2 cleaners. Purchased a 1982 Module truck to help out the 1979 module truck that came with the gin's purchase. Production: 6,800 bales; 7-10 bales per hour.

1989-Built the existing gin plant, installing new wire and controls. Production: 3,800 bales; 14-23 bales per hour.

1995-Purchased two module trucks, replaced gin stands with updated Lummus saws. Production: 17,266 bales; 23-26 bales per hour.

2005-Installed hydraulic tramper and pusher for press. Production: Re-

Not much history is known prior cord 47,754 bales; 28-24 bales per hour.

> 2007-Great year for dryland cotton. Production: 33,100.

2009-Lockney School Fire. D&J responded to assist the fire department with their Cat Telehandler allowing firemen to attach the fire from the 2nd story level. Ironically, one of the gins Module trucks caught on fire that night, completely burning the cab and engine compartment. This truck fire was unrelated to the school fire. Production: 23,033 bales.

2010-Donated \$3,000 to Lockney Integrated Dry Erase Board. Donated \$1,000 to Lockney Band for uniforms. Added reverse-osmosis and soft water system to humidifier. Hired Albert Thrasher to blade and pack 30 loads of caliche in and round the gin. Production: 41,814 bales.

2011 & 2012-Extreme drought conditions. Received 1st Round Cotton Modules from Foster Bros Farms cooperating with John Deere operating a prototype Round Bale Stripper. Continued testing J. Deere prototype Round Bale Stripper. 2011 Production: 21,98 bales. 2012 Production: 23,015 bales.

2013-Continuation of extreme drought conditions. Cooperating with Hi Plains Bag & Bagging to test experimental automatic bale bagging machine.

**11/11/2013-David and Jody's



dad, Eddie Joe Foster passed away. Big thanks to gin crew who kept things running smoothly.

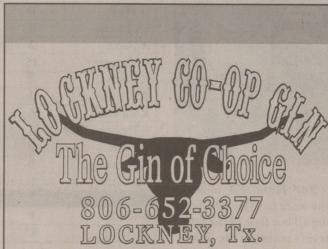
2014-Good rains in May. First Bale ginned October 15th from crops planted north of Lubbock. Cargill Beef closing in Plainview-resulting in more cotton planting. Last bale ginned 1/26/2015. Production: 31,290 bales.

2015-Rain in April-May. Late cotton planting. 1st bale-10/17/15. Last bale-1/25/16.Round modules ginned-7,812. Production: 26,656 bales; 23.89 per hour.

2016-Since 1984, 786,749 bales ginned at D & J. 1st bale-10/14/16, grown by Arnaldo Serrato on farm owned by D'Lee Marble, DeWayne Marble and June Wells. The total field yielded approx. 867 lbs of lint per acre. Started hauling rounds with two Dropdeck Trailers, saving approx. 107 loads with conventional module trucks. Last bale-1/30/2017. Production: 49,029 bales breaking the 2005 record of 47,754 bales. Since 1984, D&J Gin has baled 786,749 bales.

2017-Very dry harvest season. Installed new module feeder and new controls. Replaced grids and cylinders in inclines. Started ginning-10/2017. Finished ginning-1/27/18. Production: 50,823 bales--Another record-breaking year! Paid \$5.00 b/c to producers for Round Bales.

2018-Planning to install 4th Gin Line, will increase gin stand motors See WHAT'S UP, Page 10



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operations. Under the prewar system, the slave work force had been closely supervised. With emancipation, a tenant-labor system replaced the slave system on cotton plantations.

In the 1866 "Report of the United States Commissioner of Agriculture" one correspondent commented: "Another radical modification of the former [prewar plantation] system, which ought to be made immediately, is the building of neighborhood ginhouses in well-chosen locations, so as to be central to large farm-

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until the bale of lint was "tied-out" at the press. To permit continuous ginning, Munger devised a revolving double-box press. When one box was filled with enough cotton



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Floydada Whirlwinds

Whirlwinds Fall in Opening Round of Nazareth Tournament

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NAZARETH – Despite a big game from Junior Garrett Hobbs, the Floydada Whirlwinds fell to Lubbock Chris-

tian on Thursday 81-78. Hobbs dropped in 29 points, including a perfect 6 for 6 from the free throw line in Floydada's first loss of the season. Lubbock Chris-

tian trailed for most of the game but scored 33 in the final quarter to get the victory in the first round of the Nazareth Invitational Tournament.

Lady Winds Claim Third in Meadow Tournament



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Lady Winds, but strong Zoe Hunt did most of the work for Meadow, scor-

Lady Winds Blow Past All Saints in **Meadow Tournament**

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MEADOW - Floydada girls tipped off in the first round of the Meadow Tournament against Lubbock All

Saints on Thursday. The Lady Winds went on a 32-3 run eight rebounds, while Kiki en route to a 41-12 victory.

Kylie Ricketts led all scorers with 13 points, five rebounds and four steals. Gina

Vega had nine points and Collins added another eight points and three rebounds as they improved to three and four on the season.

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Sands defeats Lady Winds in **Meadow Tournament**

state's #15 team in Class

1A on Friday in the 2nd

Round of the Meadow

Tournament. When the

buzzer sounded, the Lady

Mustangs had the 47-31

spot in the Championship MEADOW - Floydada game. (3-5) ran into Sands, the

Floydada got off to a strong start but a fierce Sands defense turned 19 first half turnovers into a big 23 point lead. Junior Lindsey Marquez led the Lady Winds with 15

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon victory and had secured a points, four rebounds and shot 7 of 10 from the line. Kylie Ricketts added six points, three rebounds and two blocks in the loss.

Floydada played in the third-place game on Saturday before returning home Tuesday to host the Lubbock Titans.

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Floydada	6	3	9	16	31
Sands	15	19	8	6	47
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H Morales	0	2	1	0	0-1
K Brown	0	1 ·	1	0	0-0
G Vega	0	3	2	0	0-0
E Cisneros	0	2	1	0	0-2
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L Marquez	15 .	4	1	0	7-10
K Collins	3	1	0	0	1-6
K Henderson	2	1	2	0	0-0
K Ricketts	6	3	1	2	0-0
E Trevino	3	0	0	0	0-0
D Green	0	0	0	0	0-0
H Hernandez	0	0	0	0	0-0
TOTALS	31	18	12	2	8-19

MEADOW - Floydada defeated Meadow and claimed 3rd Place in the Meadow Tournament Saturday.

Senior Kylie Ricketts had 14 points, five rebounds and four steals to lead the

Lady Winds to

play in the paint by Junior Lindsey Marquez shut down the Lady Broncos. Marquez had nine points, including 7 of 10 from the charity stripe along with 10 rebounds. Junior Gina Vega dropped in eight points and eight steals in the effort.

ing all but four of the home team's points in the loss

Floydada hosted the Lubbock Titans on Tuesday and open the Floydada Classic against Lubbock All Saints on Thursday.

SANDS	/P	R	S	В	FA/FM
TOTALS	47	19	21	0	11-19

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU December 10 – 14

Monday

Breakfast - Morning sausage roll, fresh fruit, milk Lunch –Popcorn chicken w/roll, peanut butter & jelly sandwich with string cheese, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast - Cocoa Puffs cereal bar w/graham cracker, fresh fruit, milk Lunch - Chicken Alfredo w/Rotini, hamburger, spiced green beans, curly fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast -Mini cinnamon waffles, fresh fruit, milk Lunch - Chicken fried steak w/roll, cheese pizza, seasoned mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Thursday Breakfast – Sweet apple frudel, fresh fruit, milk Lunch - Seasoned beef nachos, breaded chicken sandwich, seasoned refried beans, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

Friday

Breakfast - BIC chicken biscuit sandwich, fresh fruit, milk Lunch - Loaded beef lovers pizza, turkey & cheese sub, steamed baby carrots, curly fries, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

By Charles Keaton The Hesperian-Beacon

da Whirlwind Classic gets Hart and Motley County at underway on Thursday, Dec. 6 and runs through Dec. 8.

The Lady Winds will

P.M. on Thursday with loser going to the consolation FLOYDADA - Floyda- -bracket to face the loser of 9:30 A.M. on Friday, Dec. 7 while the winners will play at 6:30 P.M. on Friday.

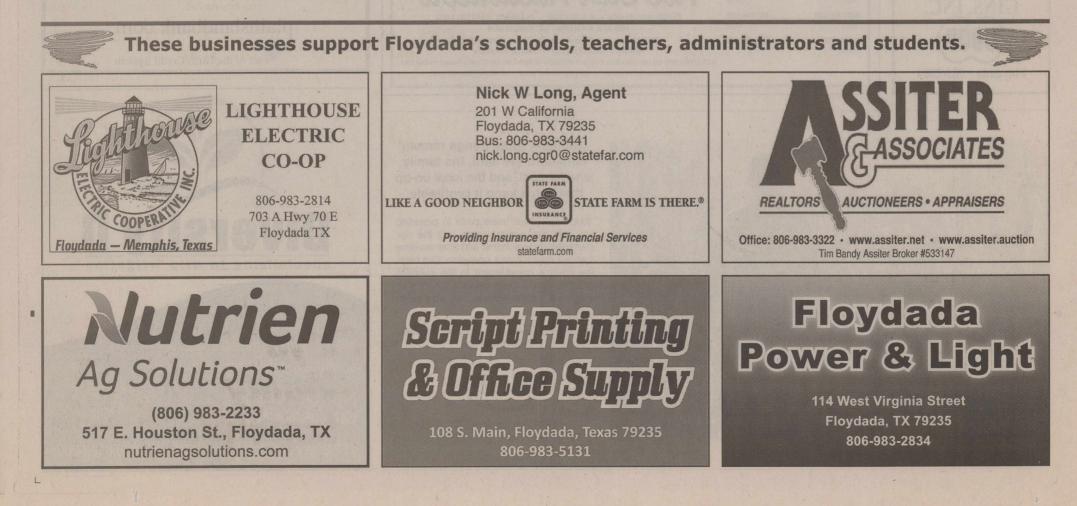
participate in Floydada

Whirlwind Classic

The Consolation (Third

play All Saints at 12:30 Place game) will be played at 12:30 P.M. on Saturday, Dec. 8 and the Championship game will be played at 6:30 P.M. Saturday.

Other teams competing in the Girls bracket are Morton, Valley, Plainview Christian and Floydada JV.



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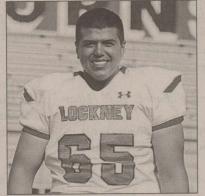
Lockney Longhorns

Lockney Longhorns receive football honors

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DEVIN DELEON SENIOR Second Team Defense - Linebacker



ANDREW SANCHEZ JUNIOR First Team Offense - Utility



ANSON RENDON SOPHOMORE Second Team Defense - Defensive Back



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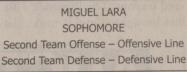
CESAR CIENFUEGOS SENIOR Honorable Mention Offense -Wide Receiver



JOSH JIMENEZ FRESHMAN Second Team Offense - Kicker







LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU **December 10 – 14**

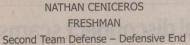
Monday, Dec. 3 Breakfast - Waffles & Bacon, Fruit, Juice, Milk Lunch - Steak Patty, Gravy, Roll, Mashed Potatoes, Okra, Strawberries, Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 11 Breakfast - Cheesy Toast or PBJ, Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch – Enchiladas, Salsa, Beans, Garnish, Cucumbers, Rosy Applesauce, Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 12 Breakfast – Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch – Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Garnish, Broccoli, Sweet Potato Fries, Crispy Cereal Treat, Mixed Fruit, Milk

Thursday, Dec. 13 Breakfast – Breakfast Taquito or Breakfast Crackers & Cheese, Juice. Fruit, Milk Lunch – Chicken Spaghetti & Breadstick or Pizza, Garden Salad, Carrots, Apple Slices, Milk







CRISTIAN GONALEZ SOPHOMORE Honorable Mention Offense -Offensive Line



PABLO MORALES

FRESHMAN

KALEBH COOK SOPHOMORE Honorable Mention Offense -**Offensive Line**

INTERNE

ANTHONY SALAZAR SENIOR Honorable Mention Defense - Linebacker

AREA TEAMS WRAPUP & SCHEDULESREGIONA DISTRICT 2-2A-1 NEW DEAL 67, Panhandle 49 West Texas 38, SUNDOWN 26 OUARTERFINAL ROUND: NEW DEAL vs. West Texas 7:00 p.m. Friday at Tulia's Hornet Stadium

AREA TEAMS Follett 48, MOTLEY COUNTY 18

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Longhorns fall to Muleshoe 64-54

By Charles Keaton The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Muleshoe went 8-8 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter and pulled away from the Lockney Longhorns as the Mules claimed a 64-54 victory on Tuesday, Nov. points. 27

The Longhorns held a 17-15 lead after the first quarter behind five points from Sebastian Perez. At halftime, Lockney was ahead 33-30 thanks to five points from Anson Rendon in the second quarter. In the third quarter, the Mules surged ahead with 21 points to take a 51-47 lead going into the final quarter. Muleshoe held the Longhorns to only seven points in the final quarter and

For Lockney, Rendon led the way with 13 points, Perez and Bryson Walker each had 10 points, Ashton Urretia had eight points, Noel Ceniceros had seven points and Josh Cienfuegos and Cesar Cienfuegos each had three

pulled way to the 64-54 victory.

For Muleshoe, Leal had 17, Vasquez had 14, B Barron had 13, A Barron and Astorga had seven each, Villa, Sierra and Del Toro each had two points.

Lockney was in the Nazareth Tournament Nov. 29 through Dec. 1 and traveled to Sudan on Dec. 4. They will travel to Tahoka, Friday, Dec. 7 and to Hart on Dec. 11 before hosting the Horns and Lady Horns Shootout, Dec. 13-15.

QUARTERFINAL ROUND: HEREFORD vs Decatur 7:00 p.m. Friday at Lubbock's AT&T Jones Stadium

Glen Rose 39, Lubbock ESTACADO 33

SHALLOWATER 56, Eastland 21

QUARTERFINAL ROUND: SHALLOWATER vs. Brock 7:00 p.m. Thursday at Sweetwater's Mustang Bowl

ABERNATHY 34, TULIA 20 CANADIAN 42, SPEARMAN 7 QUARTERFINAL ROUND: ABERNATHY vs. CANADI 7:00 p.m. Friday at Amarillo's Bivins Stadium

Hamlin 21, WELLINGTON 18



Friday, Dec. 14 Breakfast - Biscuit, Gravy, Eggs or Cereal & Toast, Juice, Fruit, Milk Lunch - Fish Sticks or BBQ on a Bun, Coleslaw, Green Beans, Oranges, Milk



Regan Nuncio, SR, hustles down the court in last week's contest against Muleshoe. Lady Horns fell 59-61 against the Mules.

These businesses support Lockney's schools, teachers, administrators and students.



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THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM | Wit and Wisdom **MEMORIES 1979**

C.F. AND MOLLIE MERRICK

C.F. Merrick and Mary a month to make the trip. Evelyn (Mollie) Davis Merrick were married in 1881 and lived seven miles north of Greenville, Texas. Both were born and grew up in Hunt County. They had been married two years when his health became a problem. The doctors finally advised him to try a change of climate.

Merrick, with some friends, came "West" to Plainview in 1890. It had rained in 1889 and 1890. The lakes were full of water, and grass and wild flowers made a beautiful carpet.

" I have found the garden spot of the world," he reported, when he returned.

In 1891, the Merricks moved to their "garden spot." A 160 acre homestead in Hale County.

They sold their farm in Hunt County and bought two sections in northwest Floyd County.

The family moved their household goods in covered wagons. The livestock was brought along. It took

They rented a half dugout on a nearby claim until their well was dug and a half-dugout was built.

The first three years were drought years. They could not break ground for farming or do anything. Merrick spent his time resting and amusing their acquaintances with his humor, and ever-ready wit. He regained his health.

Mrs. Merrick nursed sick neighbors and was so helpful. Dr. Wayland of Plainview often called for her to help him deliver new babies and other things.

She carried on her other responsibilities as well. Once when C. F. came home from a freighting trip to Amarillo in a snowstorm, he found Millie had of the First National Bank rounded up some of the cattle and gone after others. He hung the lantern lie Stevenson, Cameron on the windmill to guide them home. He rushed off to help bring them in, leaving the gate open. The penned cows drifted. Mollie was irked. He should have known that the horse

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would bring her and the cows in. He should have stayed home, kept the house warm, and opened the gates when she arrived. This happened after they moved to Floyd County. The two older children were attending school in Lockney.

Merrick helped newcomers find land and made loans to settlers who had crop failures, needed teams, or just wanted a loan to tide them over a bad time. He sometimes used his sense of humor on quarrels between neighbors. If he could make them laugh, they would forget their "mad."

The Merricks moved to Lockney in 1914 to send the "youngest" to school.

He was vice-president until he sold his stock.

Charlie Merrick, Wil-Merrick, who died before his second birthday, and Tommy Moran were the Merrick Children.

C. F. Merrick died March 16, 1924 and Mollie died March 21, 1942.

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

(On Dec. 7, 1941, 77 years ago Friday, the U.S. was attacked by the Japanese to begin the U.S. involvement in World War II.)

"Yesterday, December 7, 1941 — a date which will live in infamy — the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan."

- Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Before we're through with them, the Japanese language will be spoken only in Hell."

- Vice Admiral William F. "Bull" Halsey

"I fear all we have done is to awaken a sleeping giant and fill him with a terrible resolve.

- Japanese Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto

Pearl Harbor caused our Nation to wholeheartedly commit to winning World War II, changing the course of our Nation's history and the world's future. -Joe Baca

When reflecting upon it today, that the Pearl Harbor attack should have succeeded in achieving surprise seems a blessing from Heaven. It was clear that a great American fleet had been concentrated in Pearl Harbor, and we supposed that the state of alert would be very high.

– Hideki Tojo

When Pearl Harbor was bombed, young Japanese-Americans, like all young Americans, rushed to their draft board to volunteer to fight for our country. That act of patriotism was answered with a slap in the face. We were denied service and categorized as enemy non-alien. - George Takei

Everybody knows about Pearl Harbor. The thing that really fascinated me is that through this tragedy there was this amazing American heroism.

- Michael Bay

For all the failures of naval, air and army defense, the men who died at Pearl Harbor and in the Philippines would not die in vain. - Nigel Hamilton

My father pulled into Pearl Harbor four days after the bombing, and he said, everything was still burning. He said they never told the public how bad it was. It was really bad. - John Lasseter

But in 1941, on December 8th, after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, my mother bought a radio and we listened to the war news. We'd not had a radio up to that time. I was born in 1934, so I was seven years of age. - Sam Donaldson

Xcel Energy warns of additional disconnect scams

AMARILLO, Texas (Dec. 3, 2018) - Xcel Energy has re-

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon ceived calls from customers reporting attempted scams in the Amarillo area today.

The details vary, but in almost

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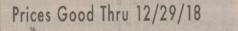
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all attempts, the scammer is impersonating an Xcel Energy agent and is telling customers that a serviceman is on his way to disconnect their electrical service for nonpayment. The scammer demands payment over the phone in order to prevent the disconnection, and almost always demands payment with a prepaid debit card.

The scam attempts today follow a rash of scam attempts reported almost a month ago across the area, both in Texas and New Mexico.

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surance. We have asked that additional crews be sent out to make up for the lost dime due to the wind damage. The project architectural firm is Stiles, Wallace, & Associates and the construction management company is Knox, Gailey, & Meador, both from Lubbock, TX.

Monday afternoon, Dr. Trevino stated that the insurance companies had requested that crews halt any work until damage could be appraised. Trevino stated that those adjusters were onsite Monday. Clen-up processes will begin on Tuesday, December 4th.



This architect's rendering of the school campus once completed. The arrow shows the wall that fell last Friday, due to wild wind gusts.

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to 200 hp and incline cleaners to 30 hp, widened module feeder bed by 2 more feet, and obtained two pad-mounted transformers from Excel Energy to ease electrical draw. Paid \$5.00 b/c to producers for Round Bales.

As stated earlier, understanding that this is a minute portion of the gin's history of improvements, it is impressive what the Fosters have accomplished through the years. The gin employs right at 35+ people during the ginning season. Additionally, area truckers are contracted to haul bales, burrs, and cottonseed. D&J employs a module tarping crew as a service to the gin's

D&J strives to trade as much as possible with the local businesses, and wholly supports the youth organizations in the Lockney area. Favorite programs include 4-H, FFA, Little Dribblers, Summer Baseball, The Floyd County Unity Center, Lockney Volunteer Fire Department, Baseball parks and city beautification projects. The gin supports and are members of several Cotton Associations: The National Cotton Council, Texas Cotton Gin-

ners Association, Texas Independent do with the 'business' of cot-Ginners Association, Plains Ginners ton ginning. Poverty, absence of Association, Plains Cotton Growers Association, Cottonseed and Feed As- the lack of sufficient supply of sociation, Lubbock Cotton Exchange and the Texas Cotton Association.

Those of you at D&J Gin, we salute each of you and all that you do for this area

GINNING From Page 5

cotton in the time it took the modified-plantation gin to revolution were so sweeping that process six.

ginning system had an impact invention, and improvement in on the number of cotton gins. the people had been revived and According to the 1899 US cen- that the entire method, includsus, the greatest number of ac- ing machinery and appliances tive cotton gins was reported in for preparing cotton for mar-1902 with 30,948 gins baling ket had been revolutionized." approximately 275 bales per Now, the most expensive item gin. Census records show that left in the production of cotton the number of gins declined was the cost of picking the firapidly, but the number of bales ber from the stalks in the field. ginned per gin increased expo- A mechanical harvester was on nentially.

One of the most significant changes at that time had to HARVESTING

adequate banking facilities and currency contributed to the development of a system of agricultural credit in which 'furnish merchants' advanced food, fertilizers, implements, and other necessities to farmers in the spring and took liens on crops as security. Through this system, the manufacture and sale of fertilizers became integrated with

public gin plants. Changes during the ginning some commentators claimed The introduction of the large that the "spirit of enterprise, the horizon.

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Xcel Energy also offers a free customer app that allows customers to check their account balances and make secure payments. The app also includes information on past usage and ways to track power outages. It is available through Apple Store and Google Play.

Horse rescue group rescues 1000th horse

time.

By Tony St. James www.ALLAgNews.com

November 20, 2018 - Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society (BEHS) rescues horses, ponies, donkeys, mules and miniature horses from bad situations. The organization recently took it its 1000th equine. And they're already looking forward to the next 1,000 needy equines.

"I really hate that we're needed," says the organization's Executive Director Dr. Jennifer Williams. "I wish every horse, donkey, mule, pony, and miniature horse in our state had loving homes. But since so many equines are starving, abused, and abandoned each year, I'm glad we can help them."

The 1,000th equine into the rescue epitomizes what Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society does. The gelding was removed from negligent owners by law enforce-

ment and placed with the rescue. When he arrived, he was emaciated: his skeletal structure was easily visible beneath his skin, and his hair coat was course and unhealthy. He is gaining weight and looking better each day. But recovery takes

In order to honor him and the other 1,000 equines they've helped and to prepare for the next 1,000 who need them, Bluebonnet has launched a campaign called 1000 Donors for 1000 Horses. The goal is raise funds to provide veterinary and farrier care as well as feed to the next needy horses who need them. Routine veterinary care for a single horse can cost around \$400 per year - and that doesn't include farrier care, feed, or other expenses.

For every \$10 donated to the 1000 Donors for 1000 Horses campaign, the donor will be entered into a drawing to get to name the 1,000th Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society horse. And each donor will be part of the team who helps needy horses get the care they need. Right now, Bluebonnet has recruited 155 of the 1,000 donors they hope to recruit.

"We know we've set an ambitious goal," says Williams. "But we want to be able to help as many horses as possible, and that's going to take a lot of help from the community. We hope that our campaign will not only raise donations to help more horses, but that we can also raise awareness and recruit more foster homes and volunteers. Working together, we can make a huge difference for needy horses." The organization is also launching a new blog: 1000 Horses and Counting. The blog, which can be found at http://1000horses andcounting.bluebonnetequine. org/, will highlight stories of the horses and other equines that the rescue has helped over the years. If you have a story about a Bluebonnet equine, they're also asking for more stories to share. BEHS is a 501(c)(3) equine welfare and protection organization that operates throughout Texas. Founded in 2005 by a group of horse enthusiasts, BEHS primarily works with law enforcement agencies to take in abused, neglected, estray, and abandoned horses. Rescued horses are placed in foster homes where they are rehabilitated by experienced horseman and professional trainers until they are healthy and ready for adoption to loving homes. BEHS achieves its mission through the generosity and support from fosters, donors, and volunteers. People interested in learning more about BEHS or getting involved can visit http:// www.bluebonnetequine.org.

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FLOYDADA FUMC CHRISTMAS CANTATA

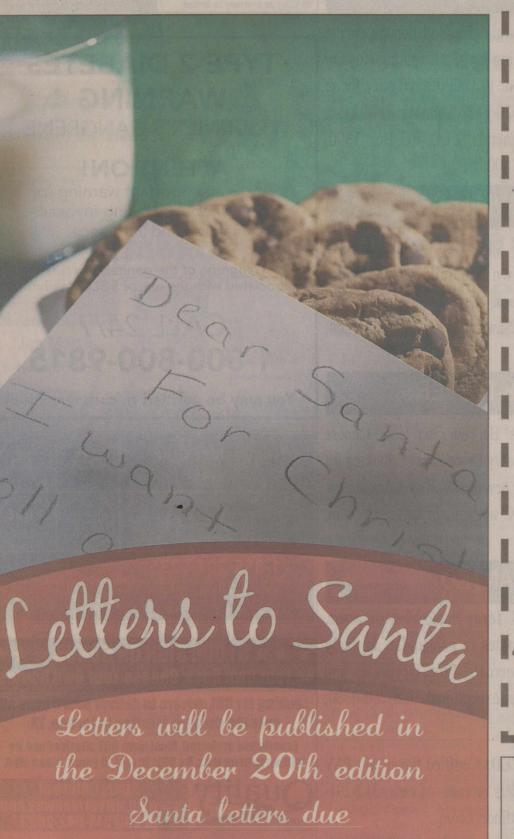
The First United Methodist Church in Floydada will be having their Christmas Cantata, directed by Lou Burleson and Trina Wilson, on December 16th at 9:30 a.m. All are invited to attend.

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