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## Through strong faith and determination Main Street Pizza was born

By Teresa Bigham  
 The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - For Michael DeLeon, a dream of being a business owner started back in high school. A dream he made come true through hard work and the guidance of the Lord.

DeLeon was born and raised in Lockney. He is the son of Manuel and Melida DeLeon.

"I'm proud to be a Longhorn," he said. "There's no better place to call home. The people in our community are simply awesome."

DeLeon recalled how his grandfather moved to Lockney to work in the fields.

"That's how my dad met my mom," said DeLeon. "My granddad on my mom's side worked the gin at Lonestar. They settled down and started a family of their own. They had my brother David, me and my little sister Marilyn."

Once DeLeon got into high school he began to think

about his future and what he wanted to do with his life. Being raised in a strong Christian home, he knew the Lord would guide him in the direction he should go.

"It all started between my junior and senior year," DeLeon explained. "One night at dinner my parents asked me what I planned to do with my life once I graduated. I told them I wanted to be a business owner. My parents asked how I was going to do that, and where was I going to get the money. I told them I wasn't sure, but I'd be a business owner within one year of graduating. I had no idea, but I did know that if you speak in faith and trust in the Lord, He'll lead you to where you should follow."

While going to high school DeLeon worked part time for Mr. Gamage at Phillips 66.

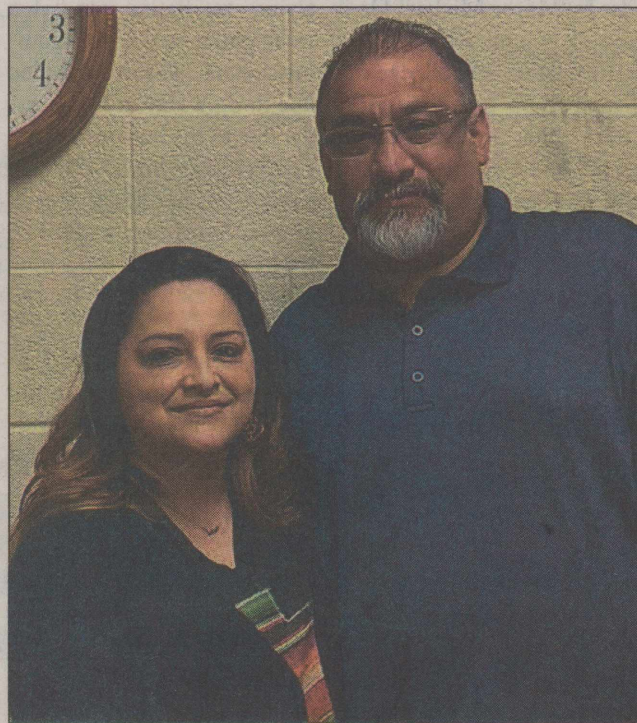
DeLeon took a class his senior year. He just needed three credits to graduate, to be able to play in the band and play football. He signed up for a

new class that was being offered. It was called Management and for the semester the teacher had the students manage their projects which was opening a small business.

"My classmates and I convinced our teacher to let us set up a business," recalled DeLeon. "That teacher gave our classroom a loan of \$500, and we bought pizzas. The class was right before lunch, so it worked out perfect. For a week we'd go into class, cooked the pizzas and sold them by the slice. Within three days we sold all the pizzas. We paid the teacher back for our loan, and with the profits we paid for caps, gowns and graduation invitations."

After graduation in May 1989, Tim McCain at Consumers service station gave DeLeon his first full-time job.

While DeLeon loved working at Consumers he needed at job that provided more benefits. He started working for Walmart Distribution Center



Amy and Michael DeLeon are the owners of Main Street Pizza. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

in Plainview on Oct. 6, 1989.

"I hadn't made it to my 90-day trail when I had car problems," DeLeon said. "Craig Ellison, owner of Dick's Auto, helped me out. He fixed my

car and only charged me the price of my flywheel, so I could finish my trail period at my new job. Had he not helped me out I would have

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## FISD remains closed; prepares for next school year as a collegiate district



Shining hope for new beginnings in Floydada. #BeTheLight, #AllInEveryDay. (Courtesy photo)

By Yelena Serrato  
 FHS Correspondent

FLOYDADA—Following Governor Greg Abbott's announcement about Texas schools closing, the Floydada ISD school board of trustees met on April 20 to discuss the remainder of the school year through distance learning.

Teachers will continue communicating and teaching their students through Google Classroom, and the meal service program, which has helped feed roughly 580 students through meal de-

livery at their home at no cost, will also remain.

"It was a tough transition at first, but having our technology really helped us," said Superintendent Dr. Gilbert Trevino. "Moving forward we now know what we are doing. It is a great opportunity for teachers to utilize Google Classroom and use it for kids who are out for various events. We can continue using this as an avenue to educate our kids in the future as well."

Although the 2019-20 academic school year did not go as many students

hoped for, they sure are in for a surprise next school year. Students will not only be introduced to a new school building and field but with new and exciting opportunities.

FISD is preparing to transition into a collegiate school district, which means students will be able to obtain an associate's degree, and Floydada will be able to diversify the certificates offered such as the opportunity to graduate as a certified mechanic, welder and drone operator.

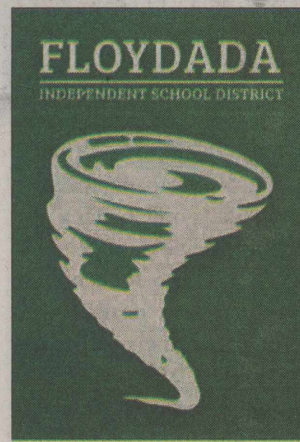
The certifications avail-

able will be based on student interests. Students can take advantage of all this at no cost to them or their parents. For students who plan to pursue a post-secondary education, an opportunity like this will help shed two years off their education. As for students who plan to join the workforce right out of high school, a certification in any of the given categories will help them find a job easier and quicker.

When asked what his goal and vision is moving forward as a collegiate school district Trevino said,

"The main thing is to be able to offer more. We will be able to open up doors where kids can graduate

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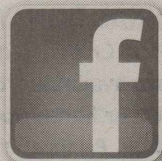
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# Lockney City Council held emergency meeting

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - In accordance with the Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Texas issued March 31, the City Council of the City of Lockney conducted an emergency meeting under authority of Texas Government Code Sec. 551.045.

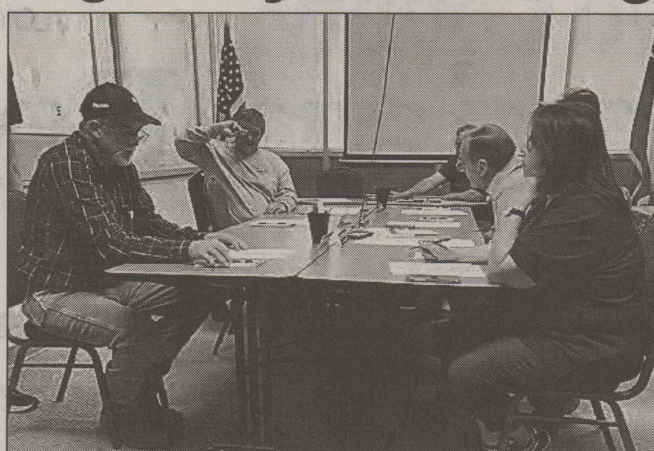
The meeting was held on Wed., April 15 at 5 p.m. in the City Council room, at City Hall located at 218 E. Locust St.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael DeLeon at 5 p.m. followed by the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Item three on the agenda was public comments, which there was none.

"The cases in Floyd County, both positive and pending, seems to be getting worse, City Manager Buster Poling stated. "I think per capita we have a pretty worse situation than Lubbock. If I'm not mistaken the information that I have been given leads to believe that we probably have four cases, and there's a high likelihood our nursing home may have been exposed."

County Judge Marty Lucke spoke next. He stated, "I have been on the phone with DSHS (Department of State Health Services) today, and we had a problem with



Lockney City Council held an emergency meeting April 15 at the Lockney City Hall. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

one in Floydada. We were trying to figure out what we're going to do. The Commissioners Court decided not to do a stay at home order due to the businesses outside the city limits that are needing to apply for federal grants. According to DSHS, we have two cases right now, but who knows how far behind they are."

City Manager Buster Poling said, "Businesses are not to be opened but curbside services are encouraged for those nonessential business."

Administrator of Mangold Hospital Vincent DiFranco stated the hospital is requiring every employee wear masks, the doors remain lock and patients must call beforehand.

"The letter to the citizens of Lockney is a good idea, and I will be happy to co-sign," DiFranco stated. "Peo-

ple are being tested in Lubbock now, and we are not seeing the direct result of those tests. We are on the waiting list to get the rapid test, but we are probably low on that list. The rapid test would be a big benefit. The test that is pending, the person was tested in Lubbock, but it just hasn't hit our statistics yet."

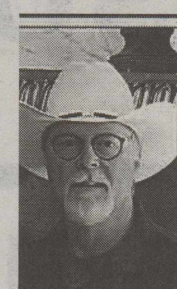
City Attorney Lanny Voss said, "The intent of this letter is to encourage stronger, more effective compliance."

A motion was made to approve the letter by David Cole and seconded by Aaron Wilson.

The meeting was adjourned.

The Council Members present were Tyler Duniven, Dart Carthel (present by phone), Aaron Wilson, Donnie McLaughlin and David Cole. Floyd County Sheriff Paul Raissez was also present.

# Between the lines Living in a world where donuts are more valuable than shoes



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The wait in the local donut shop drive thru line was 25 minutes this morning.

A block away stood a mom and pop shoe store closed by government edict. The donut shop sits in front of a strip mall with businesses shuttered for the same reason. It appears donuts are essential during global pandemics and shoes, and such, are not.

A nice lady who works at a local big box store told my wife a week or so ago, "we have never been busier."

Admittedly, the big box store sells electrical and plumbing supplies, and things like that, but this time of the year it mostly sells petunias, mulch and packaged manure. It appears that petunias are essential if toilet plungers are available as well.

A block away from the big box store stands a shuttered movie theater. A block beyond that is a pet store doing business as usual. It's good to know that while you can't go to a movie, you can still line up with other folks and watch your pet get puffed and fluffed at the pet store.

Most local retail shops are not allowed to open, at least the ones that desperately need to.

Bicycle shops are an exception, so, fortunately, you can still purchase a \$5000 road bike with disc brakes. But you can't buy a dress for your baby at the local children's boutique. Bicycles are essential; baby clothes are not - unless you buy them at a store that also sells lettuce.

A variety of businesses, like some I have mentioned, are closed all over because they are "non-essential". Don't worry, you won't have to guess, the government will tell you if your business is essential or not.

Fortunately, the daycares on every corner are still open. Modern folks are obviously producing cleaner and more socially responsible kids than we did in my day.

I can't remember a day when my kids didn't produce an excess of saliva and snot, which they weren't shy about spreading around. For heaven's sake, I couldn't keep my little boys from urinating in public. So, they sure couldn't have been depended on not to sneeze and spread a communicable disease at a daycare. But things are better now.

No one is allowed to leave home to drive to a "non-essential" business, but anyone and everyone is free to go fishing at the nearby lakes. The areas around boat ramps currently rival the Walmart parking lot for available space.

Oh, yes, you can still be trusted to practice social distancing in a Lowe's, Home Depot, or Walmart, but you can't be trusted to do so at church. But, then, Home Depot's activities are protected by the United States Constitution. No, wait, I might have gotten that wrong.

Anyway, I am sure the government can be trusted to reasonably distinguish between crowds at First Baptist Church and Lowe's. Apparently, one is more essential than the other.

I understand President Trump and Governor Abbott have plans to reopen America and the State of Texas. I am glad to hear it, but I hope I can be forgiven for not being overjoyed at the benevolence of government in this instance.

I would feel a bit better if everybody would just come clean about the abysmal inaccuracies of the computer-generated mathematical models that were used in mid-March to scare us all to death (including massive spread, 2.2 million deaths in the U.S., and the White House even announced, "prepare for the next two worst weeks of your lives - including 100-240,000 deaths during that period").

These exaggerated figures came from those computer projections that were then used to justify all the things federal, state and local governments have since done in the name of slowing this global pandemic.

Turns out, the computer models were way off the mark. In fact, those models predicting the impact of the coronavirus make the National Weather Service look error free in predicting the fast-moving weather in the Texas Panhandle.

It was right to take those initial predictions seriously - until it wasn't.

It looks like now the mortality rates of the novel coronavirus are going to be much closer to those of the existing annual flu viruses. Admittedly, that is serious, and things like social distancing and good hygiene are having a very positive effect in preventing spread of the virus.

But, folks, here is my concern. I am very uneasy that the early panic generated by inaccurate computer models, may have left us in a situation more dangerous than a global disease.

We are now in the position of governments determining which businesses are "essential" and which businesses are "non-essential," in effect, deciding which businesses will live or die. And we are doing this for an extended period of time without data sufficient to warrant such extreme and lengthy measures.

This is not all. State and local governments have taken extreme actions to enforce the closure of churches and other places of worship (\$1000 fine or 180 days in jail). While the First Amendment is not absolute, even the slightest infringements on religion by government must be painstakingly justified, and then only for necessary durations.

I'm no healthcare expert. Heck, I couldn't even keep my boys from urinating in the backyard. But common sense tells me we might have gone too far in this virus thing, especially if it is going to take months to reopen a state and country that no longer have a justification for treating their citizens like idiot children.

Wash your hands, don't get too close to people for a while, and go to church as soon as you can without the government putting you in jail. bgreen@lknewsgroup.com

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# The 501: Nostalgic bananas



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Nostalgia is one way to escape the present. Or we can dwell in the future. Too uncertain.

Banana nut bread is a top-Google recipe. Hosts of a morning talk show theorize it's because we are all longing for comfort foods from our past.

They're probably right, not that people haven't also simply bought too many bananas. Toilet paper keeps; bananas don't. Overripe bananas make good banana nut bread. Suddenly it's the recipe du jour.

Now that we've switched to French, have you wondered how they are dealing with their COVID-19 quarantine? Are they galled? (That slipped out.) If Americans are sharpening their culinary skills, the French must all be turning into five-star chefs.

My friend Véronique is an artist. Her Coronavirus post:

For midday on the 43rd day of the quarantine, prepare one-half carrot, one onion, one celery stalk, one sausage, salt, pepper and 1,001 lentils ("1,001" is the name of her gallery). Cut the vegetables finely and fry them gently in an oiled pan. (Don't you love French?) Add the sausage, the salt, the pepper and the lentils. Cover with water and cook gently (there it is again) for 30 minutes over low heat. Serve immediately.

Her recipe for the 44th day: Eat the leftovers but vary the presentations.

French humor.

Here in Texas I'm wondering how to vary the presentation of my lentils (red beans) left over from Sunday. Maybe add more

bacon?

I'm glad I've got bacon and gladder I don't keep kosher and didn't have to shop for Passover groceries in New York City this year. Meanwhile, I've perfected my recipe for communion bread:

Take a tin from one of those little Walmart pies they sell two for a dollar, except when they're out. Eat the pie or save it tin-less. Put a tiny amount flour and water in the tin. Mix with a fork. Bake briefly in toaster oven. Voilà. A little round communion wafer. Eat whole or break, per you theological leanings. Or dip.

If you don't know what's kosher about communion bread, watch "The Ten Commandments" again.

Me, I can't help but think of the time my octogenarian Jewish landladies in New Orleans invited me to supper one particular night for matzos. They seemed more pleased than usual to include me. I envisioned something like matzo ball soup.

Surprise. We sat down to ordinary matzos, albeit with butter and jelly. If you've never eaten matzos, they're unsalted crackers with extra character and snap.

When I told Blanche and Rose the kosher matzos were like our communion bread at church, they were surprised, having previously been aware only of the precise wafers of the Catholic Church variety. We all learned something that evening.

Fast-forward 50 years. I miss them both. I've got butter and jelly and the extra ingredient: nostalgia. I can make my own matzos.

For true (New Orleans expression), across miles and time, we are all in this together.

Some good news:

There's no shortage of nostalgia. Serve it freely. You're making more.

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# SOCIETY

## Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon



Julia Child said, "Try new recipes, learn from your mistakes, be fearless, and above all, have fun!"

That is exactly what Kaileigh Cook has been doing since she was about four years old. She stayed with her great-grandmother Juanita Henderson during the days until she was old enough to go to school.

In the kitchen in that little farmhouse is where Kaileigh fell in love with cooking. Juanita would pull up a chair and let her help make whatever was for lunch. Over time Kaileigh would help her Mom Katie and Dad Chad cook as well.

One day she saw a post on social media about a lady in Lubbock who taught a few classes. Katie decided to call this lady and ask if she would teach private lessons. And as they said...the rest is history.

Kelle of Kelle B Jammin in Lubbock took Kaileigh on as a student and has been teaching her different things for the last two years. Below you will find one of Kaileigh's all-time favorite recipes from her lessons with Kelle. It is stuffed bell peppers.

This recipe can be made with an Italian flare or more of a Mexican food taste. She prefers the Mexican food. Spending time in the kitchen is a great way for Kaileigh to wind down from a stressful day, and she loves to whip up new things all the time.

### Stuffed Bell Peppers Kaileigh Cook's Way

- 6 bell peppers, any color
- 4 tablespoons olive oil, plus more for drizzling
- 8 ounces ground beef or shredded chicken
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 1 onion, finely diced

- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 can of red or green enchilada sauce (Kaileigh likes red)
- Red pepper flakes, as desired
- 1 cup cooked Spanish rice
- 1 ½ cups grated pepper jack cheese
- Beans, spinach and/or potatoes can be added if you like (Kaileigh likes to add beans and spinach)

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
2. Cut the tops of the peppers. Remove and discard the stems, then finely chop the tops; set aside. Scoop out the seeds and as much of the membrane as you can. Place the peppers cut-side up in a baking dish just large enough to hold them upright.
3. Heat 2 tablespoons of the olive oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the beef, season with salt and pepper and cook. Breaking up the lumps, until the meat is cooked through and just being to brown, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove and drain.
4. Wipe out the skillet and add the remaining 2 tablespoons olive oil. Add the onions and chopped peppers cook for 3-4 minutes until soft. Add garlic, beans, spinach and the can of red enchilada sauce. Cook until everything is heated through, and then stir in the beef (or shredded chicken) and rice. Taste and adjust the seasoning. Stir in 1 cup of the cheese.
5. Fill the peppers with the rice mixture and top each with a sprinkle of the remaining ½ cup of cheese. Pour a small amount of water into the bottom of the baking dish and drizzle the peppers with a little olive oil. Cover with foil and bake for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake until the peppers are soft and the cheese is melted and lightly browned, another 15-20 minutes.

\* Kaileigh would love for you to check out and support Kelle B during this hard time for Small Business owners. You can like Kelle on Facebook at Kelle B Jammin' or on Instagram @kellebjammin.

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## City Hall Social Distancing



Lockney City Secretary Laurie Garcia got a very special social distancing visit from her nieces. L-R: Janae, Aliyah, Jailee, Zoey and Jayla Zavala. These five young ladies are sisters and could not wait to visit their aunt outside of City Hall through the drive through window. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

## 1 in 54 children will be affected by Autism

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - Autism is a spectrum disorder. It ranges from very mild to severe, and it can occur in all ethnic, socioeconomic and age groups.

Males are 4.5 times more likely to have an autism diagnosis than girls the same age. However, recent research suggests girls may not show autism in the same way as boys and might go undiagnosed because of that.

In 2018, the CDC issued its ADDM autism prevalence report. The report concluded the occurrence of autism had risen to one in every 59, which is twice as great as the 2004 rate of one in 125.

The demands of living with a person with autism can be great, and stress levels can run

high at times.

Autism is a neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by:

- Social impairments
- Cognitive impairments
- Communication difficulties
- Repetitive behavior.

Developmental screening is a short test to tell if children are learning basic skills when they should be or if they might be having some delays. According to the National Autism Association, all children should be screened for developmental delays and disabilities during regular well checks at nine months, 18 months and 24 to 30 months.

The child's doctor may request additional screening if the child is a high risk for developmental delays due to preterm birth, low birth weight or having a sibling

with ASD.

Early signs of autism are:

- Not responding to their name
- May not point at objects or things of interest
- They may not play "pretend" games
- Avoid eye contact and may want to be alone a lot of the time
- Have difficulty understanding and may have no speech or a speech delay
- Repeat words or phrases over and over
- They may give unrelated answers to question
- The child may get upset by minor changes
- Obsessive interests
- Have low to no social skills
- The child may have extreme anxiety and become very upset by minor changes
- The child may have a short attention span and may show aggression.

For those who have a child who is young and suspect there might be something wrong, visit with a health care provider.

## Helping nursing home residents

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### ADOPT A NURSING HOME

AUSTIN—The Texas Health Care Association (THCA) announced the Adopt a Nursing Home initiative to connect willing Texans with a local nursing home to safely communicate during the COVID-19 outbreak to send words of comfort to both residents and their caregiving staff. "In a time when we must protect residents by restricting visitors, human connection is more important now than ever. This initiative will help boost morale and support the emotional and mental health of our residents and those staff caring for their daily needs," said President and CEO of THCA Kevin Warren.

The initiative allows Texans to visit an online portal (adoptanursinghome.com), enter basic information and

identify local nursing homes where they can then send letters, emails, artwork, crafts, needed materials and more. While offering a method to send electronic words of encouragement, support for mailing through USPS is available to give residents and staff something they can touch, hold or even hang. For additional prevention, facilities are encouraged to hold mail for 24 hours before distributing to residents.

The COVID-19 outbreak has particularly affected nursing home residents, who look forward to regular visits from friends and family. Concurrently, nurses, administration,

housekeeping, dietary and other essential staff are also struggling, working even longer hours now to provide care for these residents in the absence of outside visitors, community groups and family.

"With more Texans sheltering in place, we hope to move hearts of the local community through a safe and creative outlet for them to connect and provide comfort to our seniors and the amazing staff caring for them every day," Warren stated.

To learn more and get involved with the Adopt a Nursing Home initiative, visit the website or reach out to Cara Gustafson at 561-797-8267.

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## Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins

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We are in need of 5 more deliveries or take-outs per day. We are doing our best to stay open to deliver to those who cannot leave their homes. Everyone is still eating, even if self-quarantined. So, if you can help us please order a meal to be delivered or come by for a take-out.

The prices of our meals are \$6 for members, and \$7 for non-members. Anyone that is breathing is eligible to eat with us, or right now for a carry out

or delivery.

We are in need of a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. You will receive a delicious meal as payment for your time. The driver will report to the Center at 11:15 a.m. The deliveries take about 30 minutes.

Remember, Tuesday meals are \$4 meals. Check the menu to see what is offered each Tuesday.

Call us at 983-2032 for home delivery by 11 am. Our delivery drivers will begin delivering at 11:30 a.m.

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

### MENU

April 27 - May 1

Monday - Stuffed baked potato

Tuesday - Tacos - \$4

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak

Thursday - Chicken w/gravy over rice

Friday - BBQ on bun

(Menu subject to change without notice)

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY—We are suspending activities here at the Center from March 20- April 30. These activities include BINGO, Breakfast, Exercise, Thursday Night Pot Luck/ Game Night, and Afternoon Dominoes.

Monday through Friday noon meals will be carry-out or delivery ONLY. NO DINING IN.

We want all of our senior citizens to be safe and healthy. Please stay at home! If you are in need of something, please call the Center and we will do our best to get it to you. The Center's number is 806-652-2745. Please call if you have any questions. We are here to serve you and help where we can.

Please call the Center for menus since they are changing continually and it is hard to set an exact menu. So sorry for any inconvenience.

# OBITUARIES/CHURCH

## Brenda Green Atteberry

Brenda Green Atteberry, 69, of Floydada passed away on Friday, April 3, 2020 in Nacogdoches, Texas surrounded by her family.

Brenda was born on December 6, 1950 to Maurice "Monk" Green and Leila Price Green.

She came to Floydada in

1966 where she met and married Paul Atteberry on March 18, 1967. Brenda worked for the United States Postal Service until she retired.

Brenda was preceded in death by her parents and her husband.

She is survived by her

daughter, Dawn Ryan and husband, Greg of Nacogdoches and three grandchildren, Tristan, Jasmine, and Brianna Ryan, also of Nacogdoches.

Memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.

## Lester Claude Brown

Lester Claude Brown, 99, of Lockney, Texas, passed away at home on Saturday, April 18, 2020.

He was born on a farm near Muncy, Texas, on April 2, 1921, to J.M. and Lee Brown.

He graduated from Lockney High School in 1939. Claude married Wilma Juanita Holcomb on April 12, 1942.

During World War II, Claude served in the Army Air Corps as a parachute packer. His unit was deployed to the Pacific theater.

After the war, Claude and Wilma opened a dry-cleaning shop in Lockney that became Brown's Department Store, which served the community for 48 years. Besides being a small businessman, Claude raised cotton on his farm outside Lockney. After the store closed each day, he would head out to his farm to hoe weeds for a few hours in the evenings.

A businessman and farmer, Claude's life was characterized by service to others. He had a vision for the successful future of his community and worked hard to bring it to fruition. He served as mayor of Lockney for 16 years (1965-1981),

Chamber of Commerce president, chairman of the Lockney Housing Board, Lockney ISDS School Board member, and Water District Board member. As a long-time member of the Rotary Club, Claude served two terms as its president and was honored with the prestigious Paul Harris Fellow award.

In addition, Claude served on the W.J. Mangold Hospital Board and First National Bank Board of Directors, as well as being a Mason. In 2013, he participated in the World War II Honor Flight to Washington DC in recognition of his military service.

During their retirement, Claude and Wilma enjoyed traveling to visit fellow veterans, fishing trips with their family, playing cards, and hosting family gatherings and celebrations.

In recent years, Claude's favorite pastime was attending dances twice a week with his daughter and many friends at the Senior Citizen Centers in Lubbock and Plainview.

Claude Brown is survived by his daughter, Ann Brown Race of Lockney; two grandsons, Karl (Sharon) Race of Levelland, Texas,



LESTER CLAUDE BROWN

and Randy (Robin) Race of Lockney; four great-grandchildren, Matthew (Heather) Race, Rayann (Maison) Ragland, Danae Race, Ryder Race; and one great-great-granddaughter, Rachel Race.

Claude was preceded in death by his wife, Wilma Holcomb Brown; son-in-law, Bill Race; brother, Marvin; and sister, Modelle.

A graveside service for immediate family was held on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at the City Cemetery in Lockney.

To share condolences, visit <https://www.moore-rose.com/obituary/claude-brown-lockney>.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 401 S. Main St., Lockney, TX, or to the charity of your choice.

## Margaret Inez Bartley Edmiston

Margaret Inez Bartley Edmiston, age 98, passed away on Wednesday, April 15, 2020.

Margaret was born in Floydada, Texas on November 1, 1921 to JB and Avis McCauley Bartley. She went to school in Plainview, Texas.

Margaret later married Kearney Eugene Edmiston on December 31, 1938. They moved to Waxahachie, where son Kearney Jr. was born and Perryton where daughter Sharon was born. They then moved to Floydada in 1946 where daughter Dorothy was born.

Margaret and Kearney had a plumbing and heat-

ing business together where she managed the office for 33 years in Floydada.

Margaret and Kearney moved from Floydada to Rockwall, Texas in 2006. She was an excellent cook, seamstress and loved to play bridge which she did until age 95.

She is preceded in death by her parents, JB Bartley and Avis McCauley Bartley, and her husband, Kearney Edmiston.

Margaret is survived by her children, Kearney Eugene Edmiston Jr (Vivian) of Denver, Colorado, Sharon Edmiston Seago (Bob) of Creede, Colorado, and Dorothy Edmiston



MARGARET INEZ EDMISTON

Allen of Rockwall, Texas; 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at [www.moore-rose.com](http://www.moore-rose.com)

## Peggy Janelle Hays Reeves

Peggy Janelle Hays Reeves went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at the age of 87.

She was born September 19, 1932 in Ryan, Oklahoma. She also lived in Littlefield, Levelland, and lastly in Plainview before marrying the love of her life, Robert Wilson

Reeves on November 17, 1951.

They then settled down on the family farm near Silvertown, Texas. She was a homemaker until later in life when she went to work at Wayland University for several years.

She accepted the gift of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ at a young age

and found great comfort in reading her Bible, the Word of God. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Silvertown for many years, and dearly missed attending Sunday School these last years.

In Heaven, she joins her husband, Robert (Bob),

son, Mark, parents, Jim and Juanita, sister, Grace Anna, as well as grandparents and dear friends.

She is survived by her son, Kerry and wife, Karen; daughters, Jean and Janette; grandchildren, Kellas and wife, Rhonda, Kristy and husband, Lamar, Kacie and

husband, Phillip, and Cally; great-grandchildren, Malachi, Brayden, Kylie, Kayla, Chloe, and Haley; sisters, Bert and Jo, as well as many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers family suggests a contribution to First Baptist Church of Silvertown.



PEGGY JANELLE HAYS REEVES

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

## Restoration

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. —1Psalm 51:12 (NIV)

It's been more than three years since my husband died at age 54. I thought I'd be better by now — with therapy, time, and serving my church. But my sorrow and grief linger like uninvited guests who won't leave.

To help reconcile my grief and find purpose, I have been collecting old, broken furniture and restoring it. Then, using words and photos clipped from recycled magazines, I decoupage the furniture, giving it a new life. This process has allowed me time to think, pray, and see that there is still beauty in all things, even in the brokenness of my heart.

Slowly I am finding small windows of joy reminding me that God is with me. God is the joy of my salvation and values and loves all of me, even the broken parts. Grief can rob us of many things, but it doesn't have to rob us of God's joy that enables us to walk through deep valleys.

—Malinda Fillingim (North Carolina, USA)

### TODAY'S PRAYER

God of joy, remind us of our beauty in times when we feel vulnerable and fragile. Guide us to be hands of healing to those experiencing difficulties, and give us a song of joy to sing even as we cry. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

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

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

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

**City Park Church of Christ**  
Bob DuPont, 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**  
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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  
Gary Boles, 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**  
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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  
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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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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**  
Priest - Sylvester Dsouza  
Sat - 4:30 p.m. Evening Mass  
Sun - 9 a.m. Mass  
Mon - 9:30 a.m. Mass  
Thurs. - 5:30 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 Magdalene Catholic Church**  
Floydada  
Rev. Renato Cruz  
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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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Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 - a.m.

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

# AGRICULTURE

## Lawn grubs – how to get rid of them

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – Knowing how to detect grub worms is the key to treating them.

Lawn grubs live in the soil, living off grass roots, leaving lawns brown and unattractive. These pests can damage the lawn, plants and trees.

Visible lawn grub damage can be seen from summer to early fall. Look for irregular brown patches on the lawn. To determine the extent of the infestation, dig up a small section of lawn typically more than five grub worms per ¼ square foot warrants grub control.

The best time to apply grub treatment is in the late summer or early fall while the grubs are still smaller. They are also less susceptible to treatment in the spring.

When choosing insecticides for lawn grubs it is important to consider the various types. Consult a greenhouse for chemicals that are appropriate for your area, or there is a natural grub treatment.

For those choosing the natural way to treat these pests, there are several options available. All of which are considered safe and effective. These natural

treatments include milky spore, neem oil and nematodes. All of these should be available in most garden centers.

Milky Spore is a disease that can effectively treat lawn grubs and is environmentally safe. Spores are applied to affected lawn areas. When using this treatment, it infects lawn grubs as they feed. Once the grubs die and decompose, additional spores are released to help prevent further infections.

Neem oil is a botanical pesticide containing properties. Neem oil works more as a repellent against Japanese beetles and lawn grubs. This treatment inhibits egg laying, growth and feeding. Neem oil is mixed with water and sprayed onto affected lawn areas.

The other natural treatment is beneficial nematodes. These are tiny, soil dwelling worms that release bacteria into the soil that infects and kills lawn grubs. Nematodes are available in liquid form or mixed with water and sprayed onto affected areas.

Once residents know how to detect grub worms and how to get rid of them, they'll be better equipped to treat the problem more effectively.

## Mosquito season brings heartworms

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Five years ago, I adopted a senior dog, a Great Dane, and her name is Jazz. We now call her Granny.

At the time I adopted her, I was told she was about six years old. Great Danes' life span is anywhere between six to 10 years, so she was already old when she came into my life.

Along with hip problems she also had heartworms, which was very scary. When the disease is caught early and treated with heartworm medicine, it's not a death sentence for your beloved family pet.

Heartworms are worms that live in the heart, lungs and blood vessels of the infected dog. The adult worms are long white threads and they can grow up to a foot long.

Heartworms affect many mammals, but dogs are the actual hosts for filarial organism. They can infect other mammals, including wolves, coyotes, foxes, sea lions, otters, jackals, hyenas, red pandas, cats, ferrets and even humans and they exist in every state in the U.S.

Places that support populations of mosquitoes are more likely to have problems with heartworms being highly prevalent. That's because mosquitoes play a huge part in spreading the disease.

Mosquito bites is what causes heartworms in your dogs. Here's how those little bloodsuckers do their dirty work. A mosquito bites an

infected dog and ingests the blood that has the microfilariae, or baby worms circulating around in it. Those little babies grow into infective larva, at that point they then go into the mosquito's mouth parts. When that mosquito bites another dog or animal the infective larva are deposited on the surface of the animal's skin and enter the new host through the bite wound.

Once the larva is inside the host the pre adult heartworms continue to grow. While they move through the subcutaneous tissue and muscle fibers and into the animal's bloodstream toward the heart and lungs. The growing larva reaches their destination as early as 67 days after transmission. At this point the not so tiny worms measure around one inch to an inch and a half.

Around day 120 days the worms now can measure 10-12 inches in length. The worms have now matured into adults and have mated and started having babies. The entire process from that initial mosquito bite to adult maturation takes six to nine months.

What are the typical signs of heartworms? In the disease's early stages, the animal can remain asymptomatic for a time. Once the heart and lungs burden becomes large enough the animal can have a mild or persistent cough, fatigue and resistance to walking and exercise because they tire out so fast. The animal can have a diminished appetite and as a result of that, weight loss. They generally develop



Jazz "Granny" a Great Dane that has recovered from heartworms and has gone on to live a normal happy life six years after she finished her heartworm treatment. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

a large belly and can develop a syndrome called caval syndrome where the animal can collapse and suddenly die.

To diagnose heartworms in dogs who aren't on heartworm preventives or those who have stopped taking their preventives for a time your vet will perform two types of blood tests. The first one is an antigen test and a microfilaria test to confirm the findings.

The antigen test checks for certain proteins produced by adult heartworms. Because the antigen and microfilaria test usually doesn't detect heartworms until five to six months post infection it is important to remember that a negative diagnosis doesn't always mean the animal is heartworm free.

If there's a positive diagnosis your vet might confirm the finding with an x-ray or an ultrasound. The earlier they are detected the better the chances that the animal will

recover. The treatment for heartworms is a long and complicated procedure and is expensive. A dog's veterinarian will determine the best course of action for the heartworm infected patient.

My sweet girl made a full recovery and am so glad I did the treatment for her.

## Cotton Triggers Loan Deficiency Payment

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - Cotton producers in Floyd County may be eligible for loan deficiency payments (LDPs) from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA), which help producers under certain market conditions.

Marketing assistance loans (MALs) and LDPs are marketing tools available to producers beginning upon har-

vest. MALs help producers meet cash flow needs without selling commodities when market prices are at harvest-time lows.

Producers who are eligible for marketing loans, but choose to forgo the loan, are eligible for LDPs if the posted county price falls below the county loan rate. Producers also can purchase a commodity certificate that may be exchanged for the outstanding loan collateral. Producers can

check their daily LDP rates online at fsa.usda.gov.

LDPs are no longer subject to payment limitations, actively engaged in farming and cash-rent tenant rules.

### Eligibility Requirements:

For a commodity to be eligible for a loan, LDP or certificate, the producer must have beneficial interest in the commodity, defined as having title, possession and control of the commodity and responsible for loss of or damage to

the commodity. All related application forms must be completed at the local FSA office prior to loss of beneficial interest. Other eligibility requirements may apply; consult your local FSA office for more information.

Marketing assistance loans are available for the following commodities: wheat, corn, grain sorghum, barley, oats, upland cotton, extra-long staple cotton, long grain rice. See DEFICIENCY, Page 8

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# SCHOOL NEWS

## Cisneros selected as GenTX Shi Cochran Scholarship recipient

By Yelena Serrato  
FHS Correspondent

FLOYDADA – Floydada High School senior Emily Cisneros was recently notified of her selection as a South Plains Generation TX scholar.

Cisneros received a total amount of \$1,000 to aid her in her studies this coming fall where she plans to major in biochemistry with a minor in forensic science at Texas Tech University. She was chosen among a competitive poll of students across the South Plains based on her extracurricular activities, awards and her “how will you use your college education to make the world a better place” essay.

According to its website, GenTX is a statewide, grassroots movement promoting a culture of college and career readiness leading to the most successful generation ever. All over Texas, students are finding their voices, setting strong goals and fueling the movement called Generation Texas. Through both inspiration and information, Generation Texas connects



Emily Cisneros is shown alongside her parents Esmeralda and Roel Cisneros. (Photo Courtesy of Sonya Glass)

students to each other and clarifies the steps they need to take on the path to college and career education, from taking the right classes and tests to applying to colleges to finding the money to pay for school.”

Along with receiving this scholarship, Cisneros was

also invited to the annual scholarship breakfast which was canceled due to the coronavirus threat. Nonetheless, her selection as a GenTX scholar shows her commitment to her studies and promising future.

Congratulations Emily! Very well deserved.



15-year-old LHS Freshman Shi Cochran is seen practicing his trumpet while practicing social distancing. Along with schoolwork being done online, Cochran doesn't forget about band practice. "Band is fun," Cochran said. "I enjoy learning to read music, and I love learning to play different instruments. I play the French horn, trumpet and flugelhorn. It gives me a type of understanding that music today just cannot give, and it really brings out emotions unlike music today that talks about drugs and other things. Band music is so much deeper. It's calming and expresses deep emotions." (Courtesy Photo)

## Fipps finishes quilt



Angel Fipps finished her beautiful quilt as a surprise for her grandfather's birthday. Fipps had to finish her quilt at home due to distance learning. Way to go Angel! (Courtesy Photo)

## Important info for FHS and FJHS athletes

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Since school is now officially closed for the remainder of the year, all athletes will need to clean out their locker and turn in any and all athletic equipment at their houses.

They will meet on Thursday, April 23. This will be done on a rotating schedule so there isn't too many at the fieldhouse at any given time. The schedule is as follows:

- SENIORS – 10 a.m.**
- JUNIORS - 11 a.m.**
- SOPHOMORES – 1 p.m.**
- FRESHMEN – 2 p.m.**
- 8th GRADE – 3 p.m.**
- 7th GRADE – 4 p.m.**

Only three students will be allowed in the fieldhouse at a time to adhere to the guidelines of social distancing.

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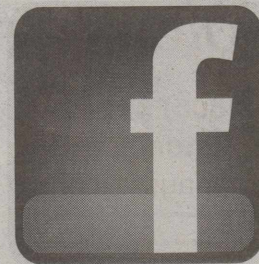
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## TDA extends applications for Family Land Heritage recognition to July

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller announced the 2020 Family Land Heritage application deadline has been extended to July 1. With many county offices closed to the public in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, this extension is intended to allow families additional time to gather the documents necessary to apply.

The Texas Department of Agriculture's (TDA) Family Land

Heritage (FLH) program pays tribute to families who have kept their land in continuous agricultural production for at least 100 years.

Eligible farms and ranches must be owned and operated by the descendants of the original founder, either through blood, marriage or adoption. At least 10 acres of the land must have been in continuous agricultural production for the past 100 years or more.

Necessary documents to apply include land ownership docu-

ments that prove continual possession by the descendants of the founder of the property and a completed Family Land Heritage application. Families are encouraged to contact their county clerk to locate supporting documents needed.

In addition, a family's completed application and supporting documents must be submitted for certification to the county judge where the property is located. Applicants are encouraged to contact the county judge to arrange the verification of their application and supporting documents by email, mail or fax. TDA will accept a scanned copy or the electronic signature of the county judge in place of the original wet signature.

FLH applications may be submitted to the Texas Department of Agriculture in either digital or hard copy form.

For more information or to apply for FLH recognition, go to <https://www.texasagriculture.gov/NewsEvents/FamilyLandHeritage.aspx>.

## PIZZA

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lost my job and my discount to Village Pizza. I owe Craig a lot. I hold him very dear to my heart."

On Dec. 3, 1989, Michael married the love of his life Amy. The two would eat at Pizza Hut every weekend. While the couple enjoyed eating there, they both had a few things they would change. They decided they'd try Village Pizza,

which was located on Olton Rd.

Walmart employees were given a discount there. They loved the pizza, and one day when they were walking out DeLeon noticed a pizza magazine, which the owner let him have. DeLeon went back several times and always made time to visit with the owner.

DeLeon asked the owner if he'd be kind enough to show him how to make pizzas. That's when dreams started coming true.

(Editor's note: This is a two-part series.)

## FISD

From Page 1

our system with an associate's degree and they would not have to leave Floydada to earn a bachelor's degree because of our partnership with Texas Tech University. West Texas A&M is very interested in coming in and

setting up something in our community where the kids would go there. We have a lot of kids who are not able to leave Floydada, so they

would be able to transition within the community to work on their bachelor's degree. The main thing is this has to stimulate within the community, and it has the potential to do that. I want to create more oppor-

tunities for kids and bring more people to the community."

During these difficult times, it is nice to know that exciting things are coming for the children in our community and for the community itself. To quote Dr. Trevino, "It is a huge thing for our district". We all are looking forward to it.

## DEFICIENCY

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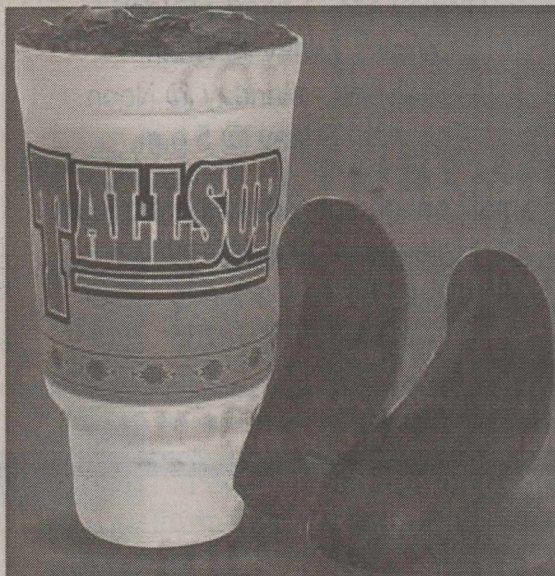
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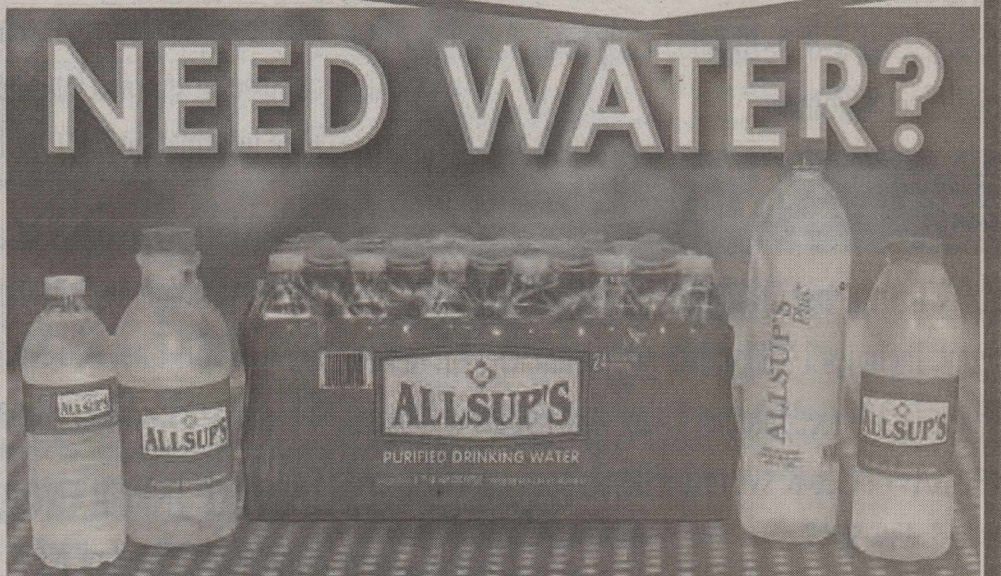


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