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Nutty gift grows into successful business

By Yelena Serrato
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—What was once a simple Christmas gift five years ago from her mother-in-law is now the cornerstone of Whitley Nutt's small business—Nutthouse Designs.

At first, the silhouette machine from Laura Nutt gave Whitley a chance to make small items and gifts and eventually T-shirts.

"I started making little decals for cups and experimented on tumblers," Whitley said. "I even started making shirts for my kids and cousins and I started having friends who asked me where I got them."

Soon, Whitley found herself with enough requests to make numerous items which led to her finding there are not enough hours in the day to do everything she wanted.

"I would teach and get done at five and come over here and work my little hinny off until about eight and go get the kids in bed," Whitley said. "And when my husband would come home, I would work until about three or four in the morning, and then I would get up and teach all day. I would spend my weekends here as well. It just seems like there is not enough time in the day to get things like that done."

The long days with little rest helped Whitley make a tough decision, to leave her position at Floydada High School as a math



Whitley Nutt, a soon-to-be mother of three, makes building an empire while being a full-time mom look easy. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

teacher and coach.

"All I ever wanted to do was teach math and coach basketball," she said. "I loved it, but I was sad because I was never around my kids, 5-year-old Paislee and 4-year-old Stetson. My kids were lucky enough to get to go to Kids Korner, but I felt like someone else was raising my kids."

Now that Whitley is more in charge of her daily schedule, she finds time to do things other than work.

"It is nice to say since I'm the boss, we are taking off at three and going to park and spending the afternoon playing with friends," Whitley said.

The young businesswoman said she is lucky the business grew fast enough to give her a chance to be with more family and some of her former students.

"Starting off I hired a friend and she helped me, and now I have to two girls who were former students of mine who work here full time," Whitley said. "If they weren't here, I wouldn't get a third of what I need to get done because half the time I'm like okay what am I supposed to be doing. They keep me in line."

Since the business has grown, so have the number of custom designs on T-shirts, polos, jackets and hats, which is another business aspect Whitley has had to figure out.

"I was a math teacher. I wasn't very creative, but I've actually just started doing my own designs and I've never done that before, so this is my creative outlet," Whitley said as she looked around her shop.

Whitley also said she is proud



Nutthouse Designs hats on display at the shop. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

Nutthouse Designs offers name brand apparel.

"We use Richardson brand hats, which are super popular, and we have Columbia and Nike apparel. We are in the process of getting North Face."

And along with offering big name brands, Nutthouse Designs has shipped products to the panhandle, around the

nation and the world.

"We go everywhere. We have actually shipped to Australia," Whitley said.

Another thing Whitley said Nutthouse Designs has done for her is to teach her how to step out of her comfort zone.

"When I was teaching, I was up in the front and I knew what See **NUTHOUSE**, Page 10

Upcoming

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

PLAINVIEW CHAMBER FIREWORKS CELEBRATION

The Plainview Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Fireworks Celebration beginning around 9 p.m., Friday, July 3 around Running Water Draw Park. The celebration will be fireworks only. No food trucks or live music will be at the park before the fireworks.

FLOYDADA EX-STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Floydada Ex-Students Association has announced that Homecoming 2020 is back on the calendar for September 4-5, 2020.

The Homecoming activities will be held at the new Secondary School located at the 700 Block of Jackson. The old high school will still be standing, but demolition will follow shortly after Homecoming Weekend.

LIGHT THE CROSS MEMORIAL DONATIONS

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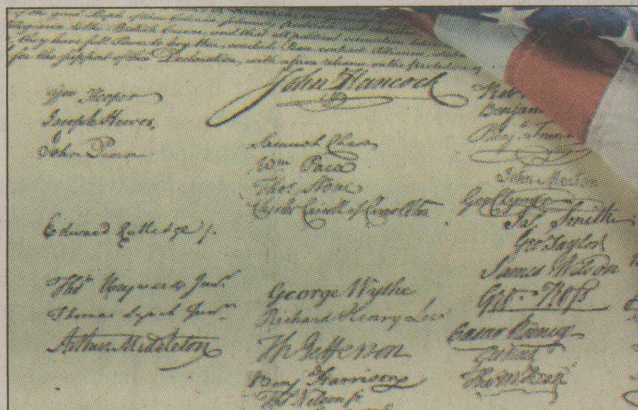
Knowing the facts about Independence Day

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY – Independence Day, also known as the Fourth of July, was officially named a federal holiday in 1870 by the U.S. Congress, and in 1941 it became a paid federal holiday.

According to history.com, the tradition of celebrating Independence Day goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution.

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence from England. Two days later delegates from 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence which is the historic document that was mostly drafted by Thomas Jefferson because he was regarded as the strongest writer. The committee and Congress made a total of 86 changes to Jefferson's draft.



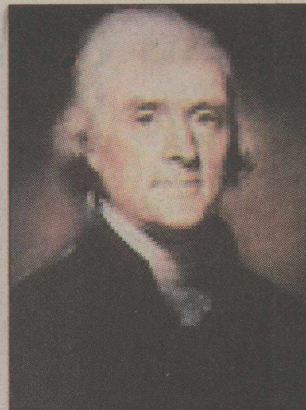
The United States Declaration of Independence is the pronouncement adopted by the Second Continental Congress meeting at the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on July 4, 1776. (Courtesy Photo)

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of Richard Henry Lee's resolution for independence in a near unanimous vote. The New York delegation abstained, but later voted affirmatively, according to the website.

The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men from the 13 colonies. John Hancock signed

the Declaration on July 4, 1776, while the rest signed on August 2, 1776.

From 1776 to the present day, the Fourth of July has been celebrated as the birth of American independence. People have celebrated this holiday with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to family gathering and barbecues, according to history.com



Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826), author of the Declaration of Independence and the third U.S. president, was a leading figure in America's early development. (Courtesy Photo)

The tradition of patriotic celebration became even more widespread after the War of 1812.

Over the years, the political importance of the holiday declined, but Independence Day remains an important national holiday and a symbol of patriotism, the website states.

Fun Facts about the 4th

of July:

- The average age of the signers of the Declaration of Independence was 45 years old. The youngest was Thomas Lynch, Jr. who was 27 years old. The oldest delegate was Benjamin Franklin who was 70 years old.

- Seven of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were educated at Harvard University.

- John Adams and Thomas Jefferson were the two signers of the Declaration who later served as President of the United States.

- The first Independence Day celebration took place in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. This also was the day that the Declaration of Independence was first read in public after people were summoned by the ringing of the Liberty Bell.

- The White House held See **HISTORY**, Page 10

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City Council moves ahead with improvements

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—Floydada City Council members approved moving forward with replacing the above ground water storage tanks at an estimated \$1.1 million during its June 16 meeting.

In a unanimous decision, council directed City Manager Darrell Gooch to continue with the replacement as well as finding funds and grants to assist with paying for the project.

Gooch also reported the city's departments have tightened their budget proposals. Some items he said are needed include a new dump truck for the landfill. He said both current trucks are so old that they are standard transmission

and barely held together. The police department has asked for a savings fund to replace future vehicles.

The council approved the TML Health Agreement, to be effective October 1, 2020 through September 20, 2021.

The Sanitation department reported it needs a new pickup. However, no other vehicle purchases are anticipated in the upcoming budget year.

The council also discussed sanitation fees as well as complaints that the city is drawing on dumpster services. Gooch has addressed these with the contractor and improvements are expected.

Gooch said he also will be presenting the council with final budget figures

soon. In other business, Gooch reported:

- Improvements at the Annie Taylor park have been completed and invited the public to go by and view them. There also is new signage going up at the city swimming pool.

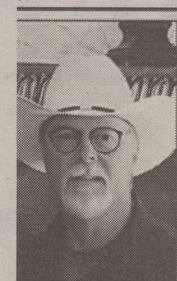
- The airport grant is moving along.

- The city landfill recently passed its annual inspection.

- City crews have been cleaning up eye sores, doing repairs and trimming trees in the right-of-way.
- Electrical system upgrades are continuing daily.

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. The council's next regularly scheduled meeting is July 21.

Between the lines Education fitting for a revolution



BRUCE W. GREEN

I am thinking of founding my own college.

No, seriously, it can't be that hard. Look at how many already exist.

But I know what some of you are thinking – that's just what we need – another unaffordable fountain of higher knowledge where over-educated and underworked leftist professors can hide behind the guise of academic freedom and corrupt the minds of our children.

Give me a chance. We don't need another Austin; we need another Athens (Greece, not Texas).

My college, like Aristotle's school in Athens – the "Lyceum" – where Aristotle taught Philip II's son Alexander, later to be known as Alexander the Great, will only admit and graduate those who show an interest and potential for conquering the known world.

We could use a well-educated Alexander the Great about now – at a time when the Seattle police can't even return to their neighborhood headquarters because it, and the surrounding six blocks, are occupied by poorly educated Marxist revolutionaries.

Alexander had his faults, but you would never have caught him standing around in riot gear, wringing his hands and whining, "When are the Thebans going to let me back in my palace?"

And, like the location of the Lyceum – in Athens, the cultural center of the world, my college will be located at the center of the rational universe – right about where Texas highways 287, 62 and 83 intersect in Childress, the "Gateway to the Panhandle."

We won't be seeking any funding from the government. Like Aristotle's Lyceum, which was established in a gymnasium, we don't need fancy buildings. We will meet under the sky and the stars – so we can stay closer to reality.

Our school drink of choice, which we will imbibe as we gaze at the stars and talk philosophy, will be the "nectar of the gods": coffee.

The great educator of young people, John Senior, believed a cup of coffee with a cowboy was about as close as you could get to philosophical perfection.

Senior wrote, "The immediate (practical) purpose of drinking a cup of coffee is to wash the biscuit down. Its proximate (ethical) purpose is the intimate communion of, say, cowboys (they do exist; Will James was right!) standing around the sullen campfire in a drenching rain, water curling off Stetsons, over slickers, splashing on the rowels of spurs, as they draw the bitter liquid down their several throats into the single moral belly of their comradeship. The remote (political) purpose of coffee at the campfire is the making of Americans—born on the frontier, free, frank, friendly, touchy about honor, despisers of fences, lovers of horses, worshipers of eagles and women.... The ultimate purpose is spiritual. For a boy to drink a can of coffee with cowboys in the rain is, as Odysseus said of Alcinous's banquet, something like perfection."

By the way, Alexander the Great was a cowboy. At the age of 12, he tamed an enormous wild horse and named it Bucephalus, for his ferocious demeanor. Bucephalus became his war horse and battle companion for most of Alexander's life.

I said we wouldn't seek government money, but maybe we can squeeze a few bucks out of Doc Smith at the Childress Municipal Development District to cover our coffee. We're not likely to bring many new jobs to Childress, but I am pretty confident our students are more likely to defend the Childress police department than they are to occupy it and cover its walls with graffiti.

And then there's the curriculum offered at this new college. It is true that my students won't have the selections available at all the hipper universities, like: "Marxism and Literary Theory," "Sociology of Fame and Lady Gaga," "Zombies in Popular Media," "Politicizing Beyoncé," or "The Physics of Star Trek," just to name a few.

We'll keep it simple. We won't need more than eight courses over four years: Latin, Greek, Astronomy, Classical Literature, Aristotelian Logic, Ballroom Dancing, Cabinet Making and Animal Husbandry. A person doesn't need anything else to be a success in life.

Our professors won't be required to publish pretentious academic articles no one but other academics read. They must know their Latin. They must love truth, honor, modesty and beauty. And they must promise not to bore us with their opinions.

At this college, we aren't interested in the opinions of the professors. We already have plenty of our own. As the great saint Augustine said, "Who would be so stupidly curious as to send his son to school in order that he may learn what the teacher thinks?"

You're probably a bit skeptical by now as to whether your son or daughter will be able to get a job when he or she graduates from my college.

I don't know. You tell me. Would you hire a person who read the epics that built Western Civilization – Homer, Virgil, the philosophy of Plato, Greek and Roman historians, the Bible, the writings of St. Augustine of Hippo, St. Thomas Aquinas, Chaucer, Don Quixote and Shakespeare?

Would you hire a person who read poetry and learned to waltz under the Panhandle stars and drank coffee and discussed the meaning of life around a campfire with cowboys?

Would you hire a young man who stood and gave his seat to an elder who entered the room and opened the door for young ladies? Would you hire a young lady who had the gumption to stand there until a young man opened the door?

Who cares if Microsoft would hire them or not?

One last important note – our college motto will be "Deus vult." Google it. Email Green at bgreen@lknewsgroup.com.

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Little known facts about fireworks

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

Like many Independence Days before, this year's celebrations will involve some sort of pyrotechnics display. Fireworks have been mesmerizing audiences across the globe for centuries. Below is a list of little-known fun facts about fireworks, according to The Fireworks Firm Ltd. website:

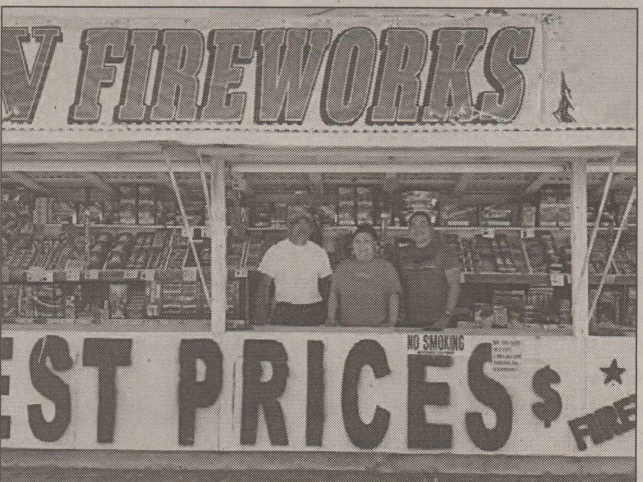
- The earliest documentations of fireworks dates back to the 7th century.

- China is the largest manufacturer and exporter of fireworks in the world. According to the Smithsonian Magazine, 90 percent of all fireworks are made in China.

- A sparkler burns at a temperature over 15 times the boiling point of water.

- The Guinness Book of World Records reports the largest firework display consisted of 66,326 fireworks. This display was in Portugal in 2006.

- A not so fun fact, half of all fireworks injuries are to children under the age



Firework stands, including the stand located on Hwy 70 just outside of Floydada and operated by Moses and Mary Ann Reyes along with their son Rocky, are now open for Fourth of July celebrations. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

- Walt Disney World buys more fireworks than any other company in the world.

- Remember, fireworks are not for everyone. Please be mindful of your neighbors and military. Fireworks can also be dangerous. Last year 11,300 people across the U.S. reported some type of fireworks injury. One last final reminder, animals do not like the sounds of fireworks. The loud sounds scare them.

- As early as 200 B.C. the Chinese were using fireworks to scare off mountain men, according to the Smithsonian magazine.

- Consumers spend about \$662 million on fireworks each year.

The 501: The alley side of life



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Our new backyard fence keeps us from seeing the traffic in our alley. I didn't think I'd like it, but I do.

If you close yourself in with a solid fence of cedar planks, your backyard becomes your very own paradisiacal little corner of the world. Anyone roaming the alley is out of sight, out of mind. Perfect.

Even as we speak, I hear the rumble of the garbage truck. You'd have to build a really tall fence not to see the garbage truck roll by. Here it comes.

PAUSE TO RUSH WITH GARBAGE TO THE DUMPSTER.

Not only did I not beat the garbage truck to the dumpster, but it wasn't even the garbage truck. It looked and sounded like a garbage truck, but it was the trash truck instead – the one for limbs and leaves and branches. They got ours.

What's more, I discovered my husband has put a lock on our back fence gate. Who knew?

Previously, we had a latch secured with a complicated cord. Think Gordian Knot. Anyone wanting to reach over and trip the latch from the alley side would have been discouraged by all the windings. That was the idea. It seemed to work. But, now we have upgraded that feature to a regular padlock. Ah, security. I'll have to get a key.

Yep, it's us against the outside world and the suspicious types who roam alleys. I'm guessing they're as happy as we are about our new fence. Now they can go through our garbage unobserved.

When you're dumpster diving, privacy is a plus. Take it from me. Maybe you remember the last time I wrote about dumpster diving. What a find! All those coverless new books in that big recycling bin.

BREAK FOR A STROLL THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

For my routine trek up our street, I normally walk either on the sidewalks or in the street itself or both, just like everybody else. This time I took the alley. In its own way, the alley has more to offer. Trumpet vines, for instance. They're in bloom.

Surprise! I found a nice vegetable garden. Okra, peppers and squash. On the other side of that fence is one of the nicest houses in the neighborhood. You'd never guess they've got a humble little alley garden.

Walking the alley is like taking the train. You see the non-pretentious backside of America.

Speaking of trains, that alley vegetable garden reminds me of those narrow right-of-way gardens people plant perpendicular to the train tracks in Europe. Do they still do that? Somebody had a good idea.

I'm tempted to cultivate a little plot alongside our new fence. It's

not too late to plant okra and some other stuff. When I try growing anything at the farm, the rabbits get it. We have no alley rabbits. Just raccoons. And stray cats and people.

We could put up a sign to tell the alley walkers that they're welcome to take a fresh veggie or two. Noblesse oblige. It's a lofty feeling.

Floyd County COVID-19 report

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - Floyd County officials have announced an increase of recoveries and added three active case this week.

As of Thursday, June 22, there are 22 total reported cases with 16 cases reported as fully recovered with six active cases.

CASE #22: Male - 2 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.

CASE #21: Female - 20-29 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.

CASE #20: Male 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.

CASE #19: Female 40-49 years old. Quarantined. Not hospitalized.

CASE #18: Male 80-89 years old. Quarantined. Unknown if hospitalized at this time.

CASE #17: Male 40-49 years old. Quarantined / Not hospitalized.

CASE #16: Male 31-35 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #15: Female under 5 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #14: Female under 10 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #13: Female 32 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #12: Male 31-40 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #11: Male 41-50 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #10: Female 11-18 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #9: Male 61-70 years old. Quarantined/Not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #8: Female 31-40 years of age. Quarantined/not hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #7: Youth Age 14-not hospitalized/self-quarantined. Recovered.

CASE #6: Youth Age 16-not hospitalized/self-quarantined. Recovered.

CASE #5: Female 61-70 years of age. Hospitalized. Recovered.

CASE #4: Female 51-60 years of age. Self-quarantined/ Not hospitalized. Exposure: work-related in the health-care industry. Recovered.

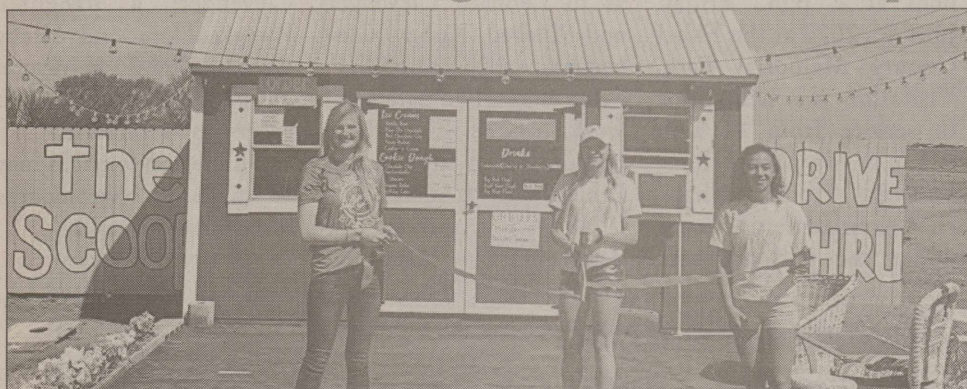
CASE #2 - Female 29 years old. Not hospitalized/Self-quarantined. Recovered with Negative Test confirmed. Back to work.

CASE #1 - Female 65 years old. Travel related. Self-quarantined/ Not hospitalized. Recovered with Negative Test confirmed. Back to work.

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SOCIETY

Floydada Chamber holds ribbon cuttings at two shops



Kylie Ricketts, co-owner of The Scoop, cuts the ribbon celebrating the opening of the business for the summer. The Floydada Chamber held the ribbon cutting June 24. Pictured are, from left, Kortney DeBock, chamber manager, Kylie Ricketts and Kiana Brown, The Scoop co-owner. (Courtesy Photo)

By Korney DeBock
Chamber Manager

FLOYDADA – The Floydada Chamber of Commerce dusted off its coveted red ribbon and scissors for two post-COVID-shutdown ribbon cuttings.

The chamber started at The Scoop, which is owned and operated by Kylie Ricketts and Kiana Brown. The 19-year-olds are recent graduates of Floydada High School and are spending their summer providing edible cookie dough, ice cream and drinks on the Ralls Highway in their

Giovanna Batres cuts the chamber ribbon on her business, Whirlwind Nutrition. The Floydada Chamber of Commerce held the red-ribbon cutting June 23. Pictured from left, Kortney DeBock, chamber manager, Batres and Daine

little drive-thru shack. These young entrepreneurs are open from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Next, the chamber team traveled across town to Whirlwind Nutrition. This Herbalife-based business has been in operation for a while but recently opened

the storefront in the S and J Tarp Repair building (the old Babes). Offering healthy tea or shakes, Giovanna Batres provides a variety of flavors with different daily specials in the rustic, chic little tea spot at 406 East Missouri Street or call 806-518-9214 to place an order.



Floydada Lions install new officers

By Jennifer Harbin
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA— The Floydada Lions Club installed the 2020-2021 incoming officers, positions and sweetheart during its weekly meeting Thursday, June 25.

Lions Logan Bradley, Tommy Ogden and Anthony Whitfill were elected president, first vice-president and second vice-president, respectively. Ogden will remain the secretary/treasurer and Lion Bill Harbin will serve as director.

Lion Tamer and Tail Twister positions will be filled by Lions Monte Williams and Bobby Gilliland.

This year's Lions Club Sweetheart, Audrie Strange, will be a senior at Floydada High School. She is the 17-year-old daughter of Matt and Camaray Strange. Her grandparents are Lion Darrell Gooch and his wife Katrina.

During the luncheon, the newly appointed president presented the outgoing president, Lion Justin Brown, with a plaque of appreciation from the club for his service.

The Floydada Lions Club



Floydada Lions Club incoming President Logan Bradley presents the outgoing President, Justin Brown, with a plaque of appreciation during their meeting on Thursday, June 25, at the Floydada Senior Center. New officers, positions and the Lions Club Sweetheart were also appointed for the upcoming year. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Courtesy Photo)

shares a long history of philanthropic activities that enrich the community by ser-

vice to others. To become a member, contact Tommy Ogden at

Quinonez named Mangold Employee of the Month

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

Elma Quinonez is the Employee of the Month for June at WJ Mangold Memorial Hospital.

She has worked for four years as a dietary aid in the Dietary Department.

Quinonez's job responsibilities include visiting with the patients about their dietary needs, preparing food for the patients

and employees, as well as cleaning the dining area and washing dishes.

Quinonez said she enjoys the good working environment at the hospital, including working with her dietary co-workers and the other hospital employees.

When she is not working at the hospital, she said she enjoys spending time with her family and grandchildren as well as cooking and baking at home.



Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

This week Elaine LaBaume shares her chocolate recipe, which she received by answering a Recipe Chain Letter in 1962. It has always been a family favorite and is often a request for a family birthday or other family gathering throughout the year. She has even increased the recipe and made several for groom's tables with chocolate curls on top.

LaBaume's parents lived in Silverton in the Rock Creek Community when she was born. She started school in Silverton, and during her 4th-grade year her family moved to the Missouri Ozarks to the little town of Jane, Missouri. They lived there until the end of her freshman year of high school when they moved to Bentonville, Arkansas.

Interestingly, they shopped at Walmart founder Sam Walton's original "five and dime" store and was acquainted with him, she said.

After her sophomore year, she said her family moved back to Jane, Missouri, and in the summer of 1959, they moved back to Texas. They returned to Silverton where she completed her senior year, graduating from Silverton High School in 1960.

Elaine and her late husband, Jon LaBaume, married in 1964, and in 1968 they moved to Floydada. He was the District Conservationist for the USDA Soil Conservation Service (currently NRCS) until his retirement in 1998. After their children started to school, she worked for Floydada ISD for a while then went to work for (Sam) Baker Insurance Agency, then joined Goen and Goen when they bought Sam's agency, she said.

After a collective 20 years in insurance she retired, and since that time she worked part-time for several years in the Floyd County Clerk's Office. She also said she has been a substitute teacher in Floydada.

She and Jon were active in the community, serving on several boards and in organizations. Their longest involvement was with the Floyd County Friends Unity Center.

The couple have two children, Coy LaBaume and Kelli Childre. Coy worked for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Tullia as a Correctional Officer until he retired in 2017 after 25 years. He lives in Plainview and currently works as a part-time Public Safety Officer for Lubbock Christian University.

Kelli has always worked in the marketing and public relations field. She and her husband, Charles, live in Austin. She has been with Lubbock Christian University for 15 years and currently serves as their Communi-



ty Relations Officer for the Hill Country area. They also have two grandchildren, Harrison and Kate, who are college students at Texas Tech University and Lubbock Christian University.

ELAINE'S CHOCOLATE CAKE

Ingredients:
2 cups flour
2 cups sugar
½ cup cocoa, sifted
1 teaspoon soda
½ teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 cup cooking oil
1 cup sour milk*
Mix well

Add:
1 cup boiling water
1 teaspoon vanilla
Stir to mix. Batter will be thin.

Instructions for cake:

Can be baked in two 9" pans, three 8" pans or a 9 X 13 pan. Spray pan with cooking spray. Bake at 350 degrees 30 to 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted comes out clean. Cool and then spread on icing.

*To make sour milk: 2 tablespoons vinegar and enough milk to make 1 cup

Icing

2 cups sugar
½ stick butter
½ cup milk
¼ cup white syrup
1 - 6 oz. pkg. Chocolate chips (1 cup)
1 teaspoon vanilla

Instructions for icing:

Bring sugar, butter, milk, and syrup to a rolling boil and cook for two minutes. Remove from heat. Add chocolate chips and vanilla. Stir until thick enough to spread on cake. Can set in a pan or sink of ice-cold water to thicken faster but continue to stir.

Really makes a pretty cake to dip strawberries in chocolate and arrange on cake.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY-The Lockney Senior Citizen's board of directors voted to keep the dining room closed and suspend activities for another month during its May 26 meeting.

The board said it hopes to be able to open July 1.

The center serves lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, by curbside pickup, drive through or delivery. Anyone wanting lunch can call the Center by 9:30 a.m. daily.

Mark these dates on your calendar!

JULY CALENDAR:
July 3 - CLOSED

Fish Fry and the Saturday Night Supper will be served curbside pickup, drive through and delivery.

At this point, Thursday

night potluck/game night is canceled until further notice.

The center's staff appreciates everyone and said they

can't wait to see everyone again. For questions, contact the center at 652-2745. Stay safe.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By LuAnn Collins
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA – The Center is now open for dining-in. Take-outs and deliveries are still available. Call 806-983-2032.

The Center will be closed Friday, July 3 for July 4 holiday. We will reopen on Monday, July 6.

The center is in need of five more deliveries or take-outs per day. The staff is doing its best to stay open to deliver to those who cannot leave their homes. Everyone is still eating, even if self-quarantined. So, 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 who is breathing is eligible to eat with us or right now for a carry out or delivery.

The center also needs a volunteer delivery driver for one day or more. Drivers receive a delicious meal as payment for their 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 983-2032 for home delivery by 11 a.m. Delivery drivers begin delivering at 11:30 a.m.

The mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX 79235 and the phone number is 806-983-2032.

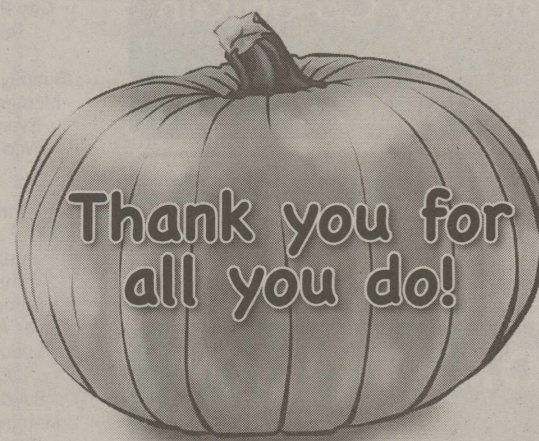
Thank you for remembering the Center with donations or memorials.

MENU July 6 - July 10

Monday – Meatloaf
Tuesday – Tacos - \$4
Wednesday – BBQ chicken
Thursday – Spaghetti
Friday – Chicken fajitas

(Menu subject to change without notice)

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OBITUARIES/CHURCH

Louise Davis Campbell

Louise Davis Campbell, age 73, passed away on Monday, June 22, 2020.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 27, 2020 at Floydada Cemetery.

Visitation was held Friday, June 26, 2020 at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Arrangements were under the personal care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Floydada.

Louise was born January 18, 1947 to Noah and Mary Davis, Sr. in Bryant, Texas.

Louise worked in numerous caregiver positions including several years at the Floyd County Daycare Center at Della Plains, and at the Lockney Nursing Home.

She also received several accreditations over the years, including: a Certi-

fication from the Department of Vocational Homemakers in 1965, a Scouters Wife Award in 1971, a certificate of completion from Ambassadors College Correspondence Courses of Pasadena, California in 1991, and a teachers' aide Diploma from Harcourt Learning Direct in 2001.

Louise loved the game of basketball and that stemmed from her high school days when she played on the Della Plains Hornets and they won the District Championship. She also had a great love of gardening.

Louise is preceded in death by her husband, John Campbell and her parents.

Those left to cherish Louise's memory are her daughter, Althea (Eugene, Jr.) Green; her son, Cornelius (Lisa) Campbell; grandchildren, LaShaun-



LOUISE DAVIS CAMPBELL

Wellington, Chance (Sarah) Campbell, Chelsea Campbell, Emerald Green, and Eugene Green III; great-grandchildren, Andrew Wellington II, Kenyan Campbell, Evelyn Campbell, and Elyza Hood; siblings, Noah Davis, Jr., Hattie Collins, Dannie Ray Davis and Earl Davis; and several nieces and nephews. Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com

Curtis Clevenger

Curtis Clevenger, age 83, passed away Tuesday, June 23, 2020.

Graveside service were held at 2 p.m., Friday, June 26, 2020 at the Floyd County Memorial Park.

Visitation was held prior to service from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Moore-Rose Funeral Home Chapel.

Arrangements were under the personal care

of Moore Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Curtis was born on October 8, 1936 in Bula, Texas to Leonard Clevenger and Mildred (Kirbey) Clevenger.

He enjoyed doing woodwork, loved to fish, and especially loved his church, Bible Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter,

Regina Clevenger and his parents.

He is survived by his wife of the home, Arlene Clevenger; a daughter, Pamela Ham and Nicky Don; a sister, Judy Moore; 10 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com

Alzheimer's Assoc.

The New Normal

By Scott Finley
Alzheimer's Assoc.

There's a container of hand sanitizer sitting on my desk as I write this today. Four months ago that space would have probably been taken up by yesterday's coffee mug. Not anymore.

COVID-19 shows no signs of going away anytime soon. What had been unthinkable now appears to be the new normal.

We've been fighting it for well over three months now. That being said, perhaps it's time to revisit a few tips for helping people living with Alzheimer's or other dementia practice safe hygiene.

People with Alzheimer's and other dementia may forget to wash their hands or follow other precautions to ensure safe hygiene. Caregivers are encouraged to be extra vigilant in helping individuals practice safe hygiene.

- Consider placing signs in the bathroom and elsewhere to remind people with dementia to wash their hands with soap for 20 seconds.

- Demonstrate thorough hand washing.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol can be a quick alternative to hand-washing if the person with dementia cannot get to a sink or wash his/her hands easily.

It's also important for you as a caregiver to stay healthy. Follow the Centers for Disease Control protocols.

- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid close contact.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.
- Cover coughs and sneezes.

- Clean and disinfect.
- Monitor your health

Remember that people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias may not be able to communicate if they are feeling bad and showing early symptoms of illness.

It is important that caregivers monitor family members closely and respond quickly to any signs of distress, discomfort, or increased confusion. These signs do not necessarily indicate a serious condition like COVID-19, but it's important that caregivers be diligent in investigating what is causing any sudden or sustained change in behavior. Even when people living with Alzheimer's cannot communicate verbally, their actions may be sending a message.

Pay attention to flu or pneumonia-like symptoms and report them to a medical professional immediately.

The COVID-19 pandemic is creating added anxiety for everyone. Do your best to remain calm, particularly in your interactions with family members living with dementia. Oftentimes, these individuals will take their cues from the people who surround them. Creating a calm environment will help individuals living with dementia feel safe and protected.

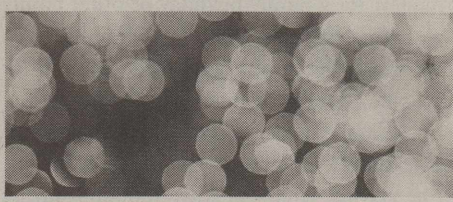
And just a reminder - you can always get the latest information about the Association's COVID-19 emergency preparedness guidelines for Alzheimer's and dementia caregivers in long-term or community-based care settings here:

<https://alz.org/professionals/professional-providers/coronavirus-covid-19-tips-for-dementia-caregivers>

Devotional

Nothing Is Too Hard

Jeremiah 32:17



Ab, Lord God! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you.

Encouraging Word

What an encouraging word from God's word today. Nothing is too hard for God! We all face challenges and these challenges can make us or break us. The great news is that we are not alone. God is all powerful and is ready to lift us up. What we need to do is lift up our prayers so that our focus will not be on our struggles but on God and God alone. God is all powerful and He has His outstretched arms ready to empower us as we seek His face in prayer. God has promised to answer our prayers with His power. According to His word, God will deliver. Trust God today and take time and place all your prayers in His hands. Nothing is too hard for God.

Armando Morales

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Our Talents

Take . . . the talent from him [which had received the one talent], and give it unto him which hath ten talents. - Matthew 25:28 (KJV)

Despite being raised by loving Christian parents, I began drinking at age 16. Soon after, I added drugs to the mix and spent the next 26 years in a stupor. When I received a court order to attend recovery meetings, I finally got sober. During one such gathering, I started reading sections of the Bible and letting God speak to me through the reading.

One day I started reading about the man with one talent. The master was displeased because the man did nothing with it. I knew then that it was time to start using the "talent" that God had given me - my wonderful singing voice. For over 20 years now, I have been singing God's praises

regularly at church and the local nursing home. Each time I sing, God blesses me anew. The joy I get from singing far outweighs any that alcohol or drugs could produce.

These last two years, being able to sing during health problems has kept me looking forward to better days. God saved me from myself by helping me to use my talent in God's service. I am thankful for the opportunities to sing praises to God's name. —Keith Hailey (Kansas, USA)

TODAY'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father, show us how to use the talents we have been given to bless others as you have blessed us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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

First Baptist Church
Lockney
Joseph Tillery, Pastor
Ron Kuykendall - Worship Leader
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
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
Floydada
Rev. Toby Gonzales
Sunday School - 9:45 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 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.

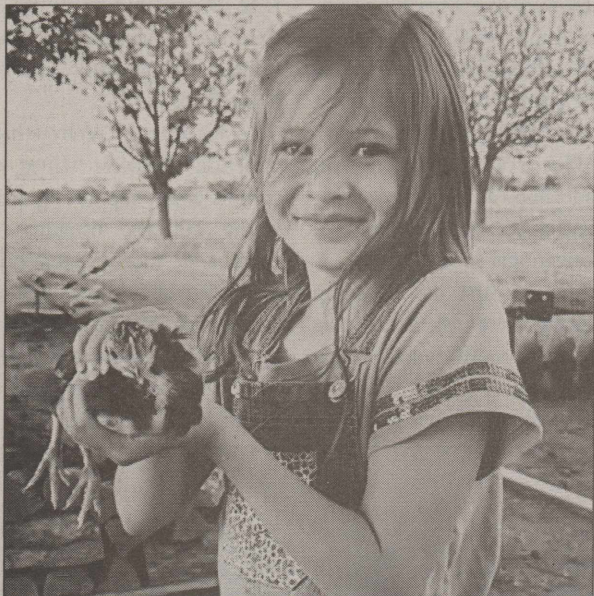
Trinity Assembly
500 W. Houston
Kari & Justin Brown, Pastors
983-5499
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening - 6 p.m.

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

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

AGRICULTURE

Floyd County "4-H Spotlight"



By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

Scout Rogers, a Floyd County 4-H Clover student, is this week's 4-H spotlight. Scout is a county kid through and through as she loves spending time with her chickens and ducks and, of course, her dog, Disney. A 3rd grader this fall, Scout said she is excited about playing basketball, and this fall is said she is looking forward to participating in the 4-H photography project. Her favorite 4-H memory is singing Christmas carols for the residents at the BeeHive. This summer, Scout has spent her time swimming and spending time with her family. She also enjoyed a summer vacation in Colorado. When she grows up, Scout wants to be a Pre-K teacher.

USDA adds Digital Options to apply for Coronavirus Food Assistance Program

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON, June 25, 2020 – USDA's Farm Service Agency will now accept applications for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) through an online portal, expanding the options available to producers to apply for this program, which helps offset price declines and additional marketing costs because of the coronavirus pandemic. FSA is also leveraging commercial document storage and e-signature solutions to enable producers to work with local service center staff to complete their applications from home.

"We are doing everything we can to serve our customers and make sure agricultural producers impacted by the pandemic can quickly and securely apply for this relief program," said FSA Administrator Richard Fordyce. "In addition to working with FSA staff through the phone, email and scheduled in-person appointments, we can now also take applications through the farmers.gov portal, which saves producers and our staff time."

Through the portal, producers with secure USDA login credentials—known as eAuthentication—can certify eligible commodities online, digitally sign applications and submit directly

to the local USDA Service Center. Producers who do not have an eAuthentication account can learn more and begin the enrollment process at farmers.gov/sign-in. Currently, the digital application is only available to sole proprietors or single-member business entities.

USDA Service Centers can also work with producers to complete and securely transmit digitally signed applications through two commercially available tools: Box and OneSpan. Producers who are interested in digitally signing their applications should notify their local service centers when calling to discuss the CFAP application process. You can learn more about these solutions at farmers.gov/mydocs.

USDA has several other options for producers to complete and submit their CFAP applications. These include:

1. Downloading the AD-3114 application form from farmers.gov/cfap and manually completing the form to submit to the local USDA Service Center by mail, electronically or by hand delivery to an office drop box. In some limited cases, the office may be open for in-person business by appointment. Visit farmers.gov/coronavirus/service-center-sta-

tus to check the status of your local office.

2. Completing the application form using our CFAP Application Generator and Payment Calculator found at farmers.gov/cfap. This Excel workbook allows customers to input information specific to their operation to determine estimated payments and populate the application form, which can be printed, and then signed and submitted to their local USDA Service Center.

Getting Help from FSA

New customers seeking one-on-one support with the CFAP application process can call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer general assistance. This is a recommended first step before a producer engages the team at the FSA county office at their local USDA Service Center.

All other eligibility forms, such as those related to adjusted gross income and payment information, can be downloaded from farmers.gov/cfap. For existing FSA customers, these documents are likely already on file.

Producers self-certify their records when applying for CFAP, and that documentation is not submitted with the application. However, producers may be asked for their docu-

mentation to support the certification of eligible commodities, so they should retain the information used to complete their application.

More Information

To find the latest information on CFAP, visit farmers.gov/cfap or call 877-508-8364.

All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including those that are open to visitors to conduct business in person by appointment only. All Service Center visitors wishing to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service or any other Service Center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment. Service Centers that are open for appointments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors may also be required to wear a face covering during their appointment. Field work will continue with appropriate social distancing. Our program delivery staff will be in the office, and they will be working with our producers in office, by phone and using online tools. More information can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

Texas Outdoor Annual to go All-Digital

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN— In the latest change driven by the current public health situation, the Texas Outdoor Annual Hunting, Fishing and Boating Regulations will be going all-digital for the upcoming hunting and fishing license season, starting when licenses go on sale on Aug. 15.

Due to the economic impacts of the virus, the Outdoor Annual booklets will not be printed, but the 2020-2021 season regulations will be available online through OutdoorAnnual.com and the free Outdoor Annual mobile app.

"We are well aware that this change may be disap-

pointing to some of our long-time outdoorsmen and women that have become accustomed to bringing the Outdoor Annual booklets on their hunting and fishing trips. Be assured, it is not going away and will still be accessible via the web and our special Outdoor Annual Mobile app," said Carter Smith, Executive Director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. "We are doing everything we can to ensure hunters, anglers and boaters are aware of this change and utilize the benefits of the digital Outdoor Annual during the upcoming seasons."

Texas Monthly, long-time publisher of the Texas Outdoor Annual, made it

possible for TPWD to provide regulations booklets and a mobile app. In recent years, an increasing number of hunters and anglers have turned to the website and mobile app to get the most up-to-date information about regulations, including any changes in chronic wasting disease zones. Last year alone, more than 2.8 million users visited the Outdoor Annual website to access current regulations, significantly more than the 2.3 million printed copies distributed during the same time.

"Texas Monthly has enjoyed a decades-long public-private partnership with TPWD which made it possible for the Texas Outdoor

Annual print and digital versions to be produced using revenue from sponsors and advertisers," said Scott Brown, president of Texas Monthly. "2020 has presented our partnership and the world with a host of new challenges connected to COVID-19.

Our shared goal is that hunters, anglers and boaters will find the Outdoor Annual website and the significantly enhanced mobile app to be user-friendly ways to get the most up-to-date information and, on the mobile app, to access the regulations without needing internet connectivity."

The Outdoor Annual mobile app provides interactive features not found in print,

including the ability to view regulations offline and in remote locations, and to carry a digital copy of one's license. Additional app features include location-based functionality such as "Seasons and Regulations by Current Location," "Where to Fish," "Game and Fish Identification," "Finding a

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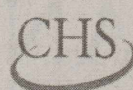
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SCHOOL NEWS

Young athletes improve skills at football camp

Air It Out Football Camp held in Abilene

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

ABILENE – As the quarterbacks and receivers took to the field to hone their skills parents took their seats to learn how to better support their young athletes.

During four summer Air it Out football camps, held in Abilene, young quarterbacks and receivers, in grades 7 through 12, through proper training and instruction, according to the organization's website.

Established in 1990, Air it Out football camp has left a lasting impact on many young players lives, not only through what they learned on the football field but through leadership and teamwork exercises that can be used in their professional lives in the future, the website states.

Executive Director Alan Wartes, former offensive coordinator at Hardin Simmons University from 1990-2010, provides instruction along with an experienced team of coaches: Cody Hodges, former quarterback at Texas Tech University and played for the Tennessee Titans; Scott Parr, a wide receiver at Texas Tech University; Kirk Rogers,



Wyatt Bigham warms up before getting busy on fundamental football drills during the Air It Out quarterback camp in Abilene, Texas. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

former wide receiver for the Kansas City Chiefs; Phil Blue, former quarterback for the University of Texas; and Don DeLozier, current head coach for Hereford High School and former tight end for the University of Texas. For quarterbacks, the areas of instruction were under center – shotgun, three step drop, five step drop, sprint out, screen techniques, grip-taking snap from center, throwing fundamentals, footwork

fundamentals, reading defenses, ball handling skills, leadership and unmatched repetitions.

The receivers practiced drills in stance-starts, releases technique, footwork, hand work, catching technique, route running, reading defenses, ball

handling skills and unmatched repetitions.

While the students worked hard, parents took part in a motivational speech by Colonel Craig Flowers. A native Texans, Flowers

They worked so hard, in fact these young men ran the field, did stretches, and these young quarterbacks threw that football over 300 times each in one day. The receivers caught that football over 300 times

each every day. This was a two-day camp which means these kids either threw the football 600 times in two days or caught the ball 600 times in two days.

This camp is big on leadership and part of that leadership was listening to motivational speeches.

On the first day of camp parents were asked to take part in a motivational speech by Colonel Craig Flowers, who served 25 years in the

U.S. Army most of which were spent overseas. His final military assignment was at West Point.

In his speech, "Why I hate athletics," Flowers talked to parents about supporting their young athletes, listening to them and, most importantly, he talked about how parents can best support and show their athletes they are there for them when they have a bad game or has had a string of luck.



Student athletes participate in workouts during the Air It Out camp in Abilene. Young football players from across the U.S. take part in the program, including two from New York as well as athletes from Florida, Oklahoma, Arizona and, of course, Texas. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

Perryman named FFA teacher at LISD

By Teresa Bigham
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – Darryn Perryman will be Lockney High School's new FFA teacher with the 2020-2021 school year.

"I plan on having a great year," Perryman said. "I would really love to get everyone excited about FFA."

A 15-year teaching veteran, Perryman has been an ag teacher for 13 years.

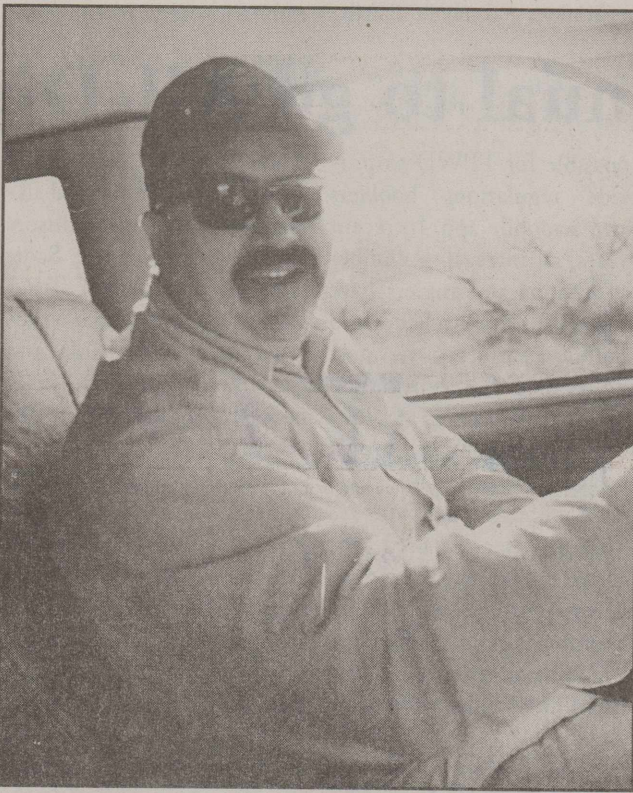
"I hope everyone is ready to participate in contests and put some banners on these walls. We are going to work hard and play hard this year."

The son of Steve and Linda Hess, Perryman grew up in Matador. He graduated from Mot-

ley County ISD in 1997, earned his associate of arts degree in 1999 from Clarendon College and his bachelor's degree in agriculture from WTAMU in 2004. Perryman went on to graduate with a master's degree in education in 2018.

Perryman and his wife Melissa have five children, 24-year-old Briana Doucette, 22-year-old Alyssa Doucette, 18-year-old Autumn Perryman, 16-year-old Wyatt Perryman and 13-year-old Jace-lynn Perryman.

"My favorite thing about FFA is that there is something for everyone to be involved in and everyone can find something that they can be great at," Perryman said.



Darryn Perryman has been named Lockney's FFA teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

FLOYDADA ISD SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Floydada ISD is participating in the Summer Food Program. Meals will be provided to all children ages 1-18 without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the site and times as follows:

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July 6 – July 9

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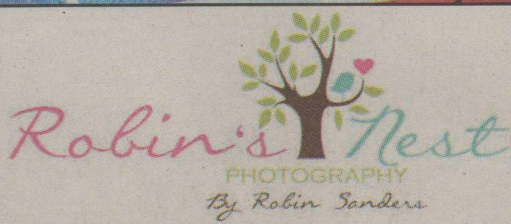
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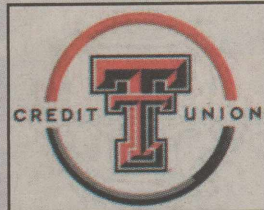
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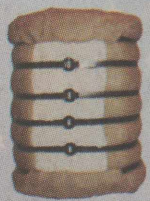
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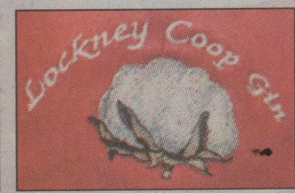


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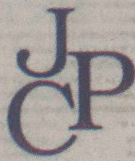
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Treasurers galore at craft show

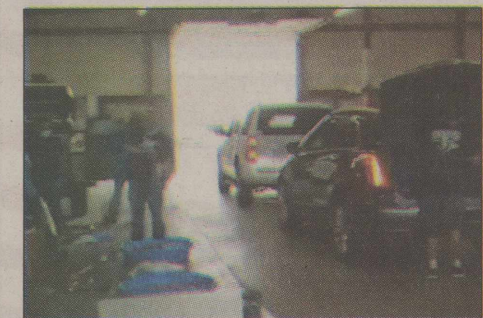


Joy Dalrymple, owner of Joyfulea Creations & More, hold her first-ever craft show on Saturday. A total of 18 booths were set up at 118 E. Shurbet, Lockney. There were so many things for sale at the show, a person could find anything they wanted. There was Tupperware, fresh lemonade, homemade jams, jellies, and hot sauce. There were two bounce houses, popcorn, cotton candy, homemade car freshies and fingernail stickers. The ones of those looking for Girl Scout cookies hit the gold mine. Dalrymple is planning to have another craft show this fall. Anyone wanting more information on the next craft show should call her at 806-540-8739. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



Floydada VFD fundraiser was a great success

The Floydada Volunteer Fire Department's annual pulled-pork fundraiser served around 300 sack meals on Sunday, June 28. The meal which was served starting at 11 a.m. consisted of a pulled-pork sandwich, chips, and a drink. These annual fundraisers are what keeps our Floydada Fire Department going. There were around 300 meals served to the community. "This fundraiser was a huge success, said Fire Chief Chad Guthrie. "We'd like to express our thanks to all the people of this great community." (Photos courtesy of George Romero and Reuben Ramon)



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Interested auction firms should submit three (3) sets of proposal documents no later than the below deadline. Interested parties may download a proposal packet from the District's website here: www.floydadaisd.esc17.net, or request a packet from the Superintendent, Dr. Gilbert Trevino, (806) 983-3498, gtrevino@floydadaisd.esc17.net. Sealed proposals will be accepted until July 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., and are to be mailed or hand delivered to:

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Proposals should be sealed in an opaque envelope and marked, "Auction Proposal."

Failure to have a proposal physically in the possession of the school district by the above deadline shall result in the proposal NOT being considered; fax or electronic submissions shall NOT be considered. Proposals shall be opened and read aloud upon the deadline and at the above address. The selection of the service provider shall be in accordance with Texas Education Code section 44.031.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Floydada will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 21 at 6:25 p.m. to hear testimony from interested parties as to why the Floydada City Council should/should not issue a Resolution for the removal/demolition of the structure located on the following properties:

Owner of Record	Property Description	Physical Address
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By Teresa Bigham
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FLOYD COUNTY - The County Clerk's Office has received the application for a license to sell and distribute alcoholic beverages for the year 2020.

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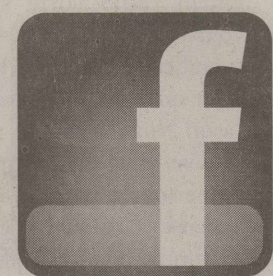
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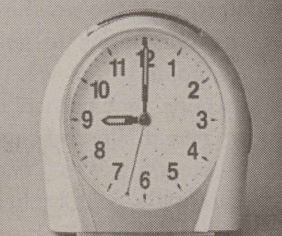
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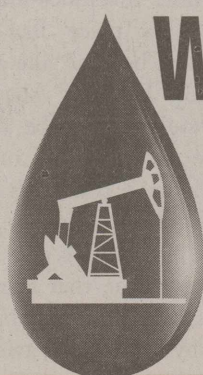
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Lockney Post Office employees gather to celebrate National Postal Workers Day July 1. Pictured are, back row, from left, Postmaster Colleen Baxter, Larry Griffith, Vonda McLaughlin, Donnie McLaughlin, Belinda Stapp, Cathy Webster and Jill Tuckness. Front row, from left, Melba Longoria and Misty Villa. The Hesperian-Beacon thanks and appreciates the Lockney Post Office employees for their dedication and hard work every day. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

Floydada Rotary Club



Floydada Rotary Club's Clar Schacht presents a plaque to Taylor Sue during the club's June 23 meeting thanking Sue for his service as the club's president. (Photo courtesy of Mike Green).



Floyd County Judge Marty Lucke discusses the Floyd County budget during the June 23 Floydada Rotary Club meeting. (Photo courtesy of Mike Green)

HISTORY

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its first July party in 1801.

- Presidents John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe all died on the Fourth of July. Adams and Jefferson both died on the same day within hours of each other.
- Thomas Jefferson died on July 4, 1826
- John Adams died on July 4, 1826
- James Monroe died on July 4, 1831
- Benjamin Franklin proposed the turkey as the national bird but was overruled by John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who recommended the bald eagle.
- Every 4th of July the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is tapped, not rung, 13 times in honor of the original 13 colonies.

The Liberty Bell is an iconic symbol of American independence. The bell today is located in the Liberty Bell Center in Independence National Historical Park. (Courtesy photo)

NUTTHOUSE

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I was talking about," she said. "It's one thing to stand up and be able to say I studied math for five years and I can teach you this. I never took a business class in college, so I had to learn how to become business minded. I had to teach myself how to be very organized, so I don't mess things up."

The small business owner also has had to learn to hear "no" because she hears it quite often.

"No, we don't really need your help" or "no we don't need this or that," she said. "I built confidence and learned that 10 people may say no, but you know with Western I wasn't even going to call them, and my

before and they gave us an opportunity."

Recently, Whitley has had to learn how to work with unforeseen uncertainties, such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

"When the coronavirus happened, we had all three of our machines running all day, everyday," she recalled, "but when it happened, a lot of our customers weren't buying. The virus slowed us down and forced us to shut down for two weeks because we weren't deemed essential, so we had to find a way to be essential."

Whitley filed for a small business loan so she could come back and make sure everyone could be paid.

"It was horrible," she said, "but we started picking back up thank goodness. I'm so afraid they are going to try and shut down again. We

from the moment they decided on a business name, which came fairly simple considering she has been a member of the Nutt family after marrying her husband, Jason Nutt, in 2011.

"I've always wanted to name something Nutthouse because I thought it was so funny," she said. "So we made a little group and named it Nutthouse Designs, and we kind of built from that."

And grow it has, especially after Jason encouraged Whitley to venture off and purchase a screen-printing machine from China through Amazon three and a half years ago.

"I then somehow talked one of our old churches into letting me screen print shirts for them," Whitley said. "They were definitely not the best, but it helped me get started. After, my husband encouraged me to get into embroidery, he was really the one that pushed me to try new things and go for it."

According to Whitley, family has been by her side from the beginning, such as when she partnered with her sister-in-law, Kaylie Nutt Hooten, who brought in hand-lettered and customized boards and signs - even though some of their pair's custom work "clashed."

"People would message our business asking for her and if I looked at the message, she wouldn't see it and vice versa. We were missing out on people's orders because of the confusion," Whitley explained. "I still do use my



New Fourth of July shirts are available on Nutthouse Designs website, <https://nutthousedesigns.square.site/nutthouse-designs-t-shirts>. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

sister-in-law. She's very artistic. She's the art teacher at Abernathy, and I also use a guy out in Petersburg who does graphic designs."

But with all the growth in the last few years, Whitley said there is still more that she wants to do.

"I am trying to get more big businesses and bring in more machines and just run this place like Don Hardy...become like a Don Hardy Empire," she said. "I would love to be able to have more people in here working. I think it's a big deal for Floydada to build jobs here and I also think it's awesome that there are tons of businesses that are run by women. It's awesome

to see women out here doing these things. I think it's great. I want to keep it 100 percent women owned."

The growth Nutthouse Designs has experienced has not been slight, according to numbers someone recently gave to Whitley.

"I had one of my suppliers call and tell me three weeks ago that my business has grown 235 percent," she said. And that growth has seen Whitley and her Nutthouse Designs move into a store front, something she said she never would, have thought, but is proud it is going well.

"I (was) sitting in my garage doing this," Whitley said. "So, I think that's what has been

most exciting. Is growing a being able to make something out of nothing."

Nutthouse Designs located at 117 W. Caliform Street and can be reached 806-983-9298.

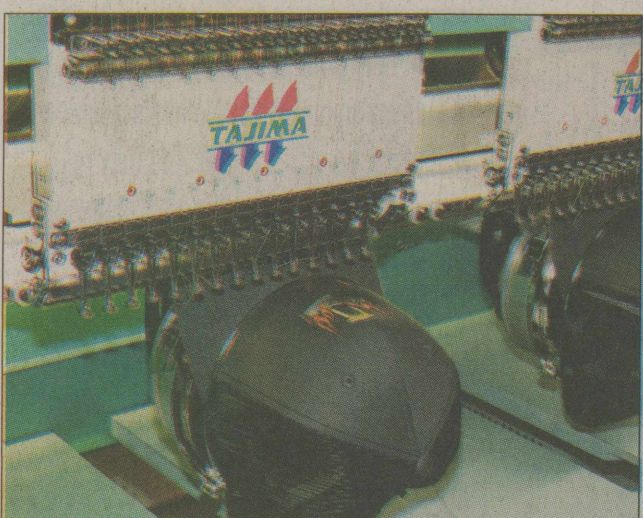
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LOVE FUND JOHN CAMPBELL

A love fund in memory of John Campbell has been set up at First National Bank in Floydada.

To donate in his memory, call 806-983-3717 or stop by FNB, 124 S. Main St., Floydada.



Hat embroidering in process. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Yelena Serrato)

husband told me the worse thing they can say is 'no'. And by the grace of God, they needed hats two days

don't have time for that." And for the last few years, according to Whitley, the business has been growing