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Early voting continues

## More than 680 cast ballots in first four days

By Barbara Anderson  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA—After the first four days of early voting, 684, or 17%, of registered Floyd County voters cast their ballots in the 2020 general election, according to the Floyd County Clerk Ginger Morgan.

"The county clerk's office mailed out 200 mail-in ballots, and we have received at least half of those back," said Morgan. "The mail-in ballots are not counted in the early voting total."

"We are on track to have a record number of votes cast," Morgan said.

Floyd County has 3,859 registered voters, which is up from last year, she said.

Total early votes cast in Floyd County during the 2016 election (at the end of 10 days) was 1,351 – 33.21%. A total of 1,958 Floyd County voters, 48.13%, cast votes in the 2016 presidential election.

As of Oct. 15, the third day of early voting for Texans, 1,526,069 people had voted in person and by mail in

Texas' 10 largest counties—15.7% of registered voters in those counties. According to the latest figures reported by the Secretary of State before the 2020 primary, 57.2% of registered voters live in these 10 counties.

Floyd County has two early voting locations—the Floyd County Courthouse Annex in downtown Floydada and First United Methodist Church in Lockney, which is located at 120 W. Poplar Street.

Hours for early voting are 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Special early voting hours, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., are scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 21, and Wednesday, Oct. 27.

Early voting runs through Friday, Oct. 30, and Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3 and polls in Floyd County will be open 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.

To be eligible to vote, residents must be a U.S. citizen, 18 years-old by Election Day and living in the county of registration. Also, voters must not be serving a sentence or parole for a felony conviction.

Here are the seven acceptable forms of voter identification:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department

of Public Safety (DPS)

- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
- Texas license to carry a handgun issued by DPS
- U.S. military identification card that has a photo
- U.S. citizenship certificate that has a photo
- U.S. passport

If voters can't present one of those seven forms of ID, they can sign a declaration at the polling place explaining why they can't obtain the approved forms and provide one of the following forms of supporting documentation:

- An original, certified birth certificate
- A valid voter registration certificate
- A copy or original of one of the following: current utility bill, bank statement, government check, or paycheck or other government document that shows the voter's name and an address.

Government documents that include a photo must be original and cannot be copies.

## 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@lknewsgrp.com or fchb.editor@yahoo.com

### BURN BAN FLOYD COUNTY

The Floyd County Commissioners' Court extended the burn ban in Floyd County until January 11, 2021. For more info, see the article in this week's issue.

### LOCKNEY SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE

The Lockney Salvation Army is currently having a canned foods, blanket and coat drive that will continue through November to help prepare for the upcoming holidays and the coming new year.

The Lockney Salvation Army Store is located at 108 N. Main, across from the Lockney Post Office. Open on Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. For more info call Alicia Luna at 806-652-2488 (store) or 806-283-6452 (cellphone).

### AGRICULTURAL PESTICIDE WASTE EVENT

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be holding an agricultural pesticide waste collection event Oct. 21 in Lubbock in partnership with the Texas Department of Agriculture. The event will run from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the South Plains Fairgrounds at 105 E. Broadway. For questions or additional information contact the AgriLife Extension office in Lubbock at 806-775-1740.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

First Baptist Church of Floydada is planning on being the drop-off location for Operation Christmas

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Principally speaking

## School leaders celebrated during October

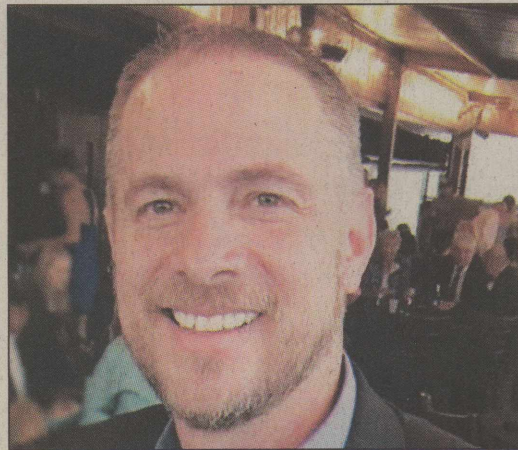
October's National Principal Appreciation Month recognizes the essential role of principals in making a school great. Principals set the academic tone for their schools, and it is their vision, dedication and determination that provide the mobilizing force for achieving student success. Principal bios on page 10. (Robin's Nest Photography & Courtesy photos)



Michelle Southard  
Lockney High School Principal



Craig Setliff  
Lockney Junior High Principal



Michael Michaleson  
Lockney Elementary Principal



Wayne Morren  
Floydada High School Principal



Monica Smith  
Duncan Elementary Principal



Robin Nixon  
Floydada High School  
Floydada Junior High  
Assistant Principal



Dara Ware  
Floydada High School  
Floydada Junior High  
Assistant Principal



Carlos Munoz  
Floydada High School  
Floydada Junior High  
Assistant Principal



Armando Morales  
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## News on the go



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# SOCIETY

## Lockney Salvation Army needs donations

By Denise Doucette  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY— Due to COVID-19, there will not be a Community Thanksgiving Service in November. The Lockney Salvation Army is currently holding a canned foods, blanket and coat drive that will continue through November to help prepare for the upcoming holidays and the coming new year.

The Salvation Army needs coats and blankets to hand out during the colder weather, and its Food Pantry is running low and all canned goods and non-perishables would be greatly appreciated.

**CANNED GOODS:** ANY KIND OF CANNED VEGETABLES, SOUPS, CANNED MEAT AND SAUCES: Green Beans, corn, peas & carrots, potatoes, sweet potatoes, asparagus, spinach kidney beans, pork and beans, refried beans, chicken noodle, chicken & rice, tomato, cream of chicken, cream of mushroom, tuna fish, chicken, Vienna sausage, tomato sauce, and meat sauces. Also, chicken, beef or vegetable broth.

**NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS:**

Breakfast cereals (hot or cold), flour, sugar, oils, bags of rice, bags of beans, pasta, crackers, cookies, etc.

Alicia Luna and her staff of volunteers have been



The Lockney Salvation Army is holding a canned foods, blanket and coat drive through November. Due to the virus, there will not be a Community Thanksgiving Service in November. Shown, from left, Esmeralda Sanchez, Alicia Luna, Kara Sanchez, Denise Doucette and Terry Gonzales. (Courtesy photo)

working hard to provide for the growing needs of the community during this pandemic.

The services provided are:

- Assistance with Utilities: Water, Electric and Gas.

- Food Pantry: Canned Goods and Non-Perishable items.

- Food vouchers to Lowe's Pay N Save.

- Clothing, Coats, Blankets, Shoes, Boots.

- Household and Miscellaneous Items.

- Motel vouchers for stranded travelers.

- Disaster relief for victims of house fires.

- Free Summer Camp for area children to attend in Midlothian, Tx.

All donations will help fill the Food Pantry and will also help fill Christmas Food Sacks that will be handed out to families and

seniors in the communities on Dec. 19, 2020.

The Lockney Salvation Army Store is located at 108 N. Main, across from the Lockney Post Office. Open 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, or call Alicia Luna at 806-652-2488 (store) or 806-283-6452 (cellphone) for other arrangements. There is a drop box at the back of the store.

To make a donation by check, please make check payable to Lockney Salvation Army, P.O. Box 672, Lockney, Texas 79241. All money donated stays in the communities and is put to good use especially during this Coronavirus pandemic.

Matt. 25:40 - "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters, you did for me.'

## Pumpkin Sling Shot winner receives trophy

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Seth Stephens, Producer's Coop Elevator, and Aaron Hendricks, Floydada Coop Gin, built the sling shot for everyone to use at the Pumpkin Sling Shot contest held during Punkin' Days on Oct. 10.

The sling shot is located on the east side of the elevator. Several people participated in this contest.

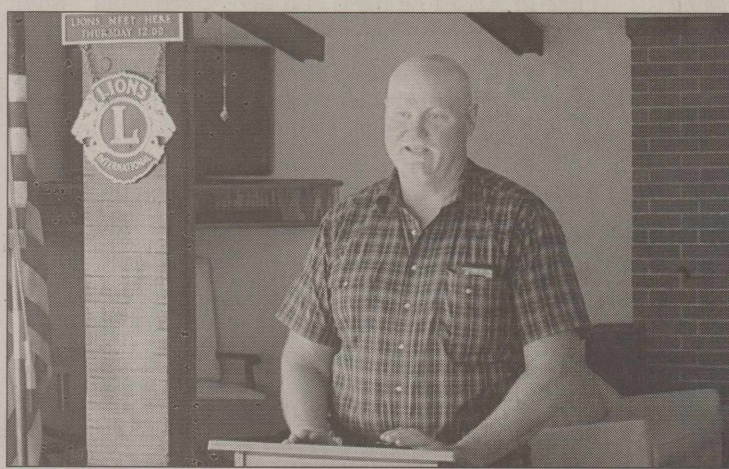
Stephens won best out of two shots per person. The champion trophy will stay on display at Producer's



Aaron Hendricks, left, and Pumpkin Sling Shot Champion Seth Stephens show the trophies they won. (Photo by Misty Leatherwood Photography)

Coop Elevator until next year. Caitlenn Stephens made the champion trophy.

## Gooch speaks to Floydada Rotary



Floydada City Manager Darrell Gooch speaks at the Floydada Rotary Club on Wednesday, Oct. 14. Gooch updated the rotary club members on the improvements and projects in the City of Floydada. (Photo by Mike Green)

## THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979 THE FLOYD STARKEY FAMILY

Floyd and I were both reared in Floyd County. Floyd is a native of Texas and Floyd County. He was born at Aiken near the old Meteor School House.

I feel like a native, although I was born in Waterproof, Louisiana, and have lived here ever since I was a very small child. My parents, Bill and Laura Graham, came here many years ago looking for greener pasture with my 4 brothers and 7 sisters.

Floyd also came from a large family. He was raised up around the Cedar Hill Community and went to school there with his 8 brothers and 2 sisters. There was a full baseball team of him and his brothers. They played every school in the country. When they all get together there is always a lot of baseball talk among

them. His parents were the late Joe and Mandy Starkey.

I started to school in the Hillcrest Community. My first grade teacher also taught me in my last year in high school.

Floyd and I were married in 1959 in Floydada. We lived the first two years on the old Starkey home place at Cedar Hill, the next two years on the Silverton Highway that is known as the Oliver Allen homestead, then to our present home in Floydada.

We have continued to farm our homeplace. Our oldest son, Bill, helps Floyd as much as possible until school is out. He is a senior in high school and plans to enter West Texas University this fall.

Joe, "our little red head," is in third grade at Duncan Element-

tary. There is never a dull moment with him around.

We have had a god life and a healthy life. Our most serious illness was when Bill had polio in 1970 when he was 11 years old. He missed 2 months of school but he recovered without any effects of paralysis for which we are very grateful. Joe got kicked by a horse and cut his leg real bad and had to take about 25 stitches and broke the small bone in his leg. He was on crutches about 8 weeks and his leg in a cast. The thing that hurt the most was he got a new bike for Christmas and couldn't ride it until he was off his crutches. We hope we have along and bright future ahead of us. And if the Lord is willing we will make it.

## Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

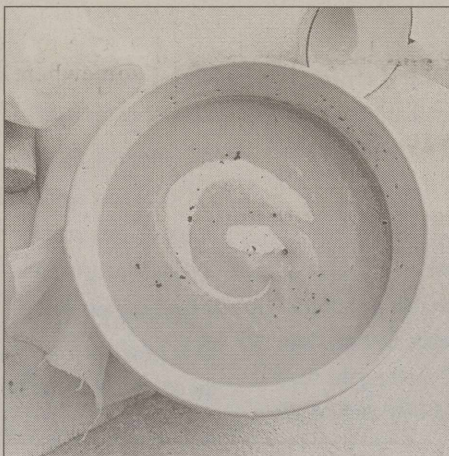
With fall in the air, one might feel a slight chill as the wind gently blows and the leaves of the trees begin to change colors and fall to the ground. Soups are often the go-to meal to keep the family warm and toasty. This week the recipe is pumpkin soup. After all Floydada is known as pumpkin capital, and there are plenty of fresh pumpkins to be found.

This recipe can be served in those cute soup bowls or even in a little hallowed out pumpkin that has had the insides scooped out and the pumpkin washed out with just warm water.

### Pumpkin Soup

**Ingredients:**

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 leek, white part only, finely sliced
- 1 garlic clove, crushed
- ½ teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg



- 1 (2 ½ pound) peeled pumpkin, diced
- 1 large potato, peeled and diced
- 4 ¼ cups chicken or vegetable stock
- ½ cup thin cream

Heat oil in a large saucepan over low heat, add onion and leek and cook for two to three minutes, until softened but not colored. Add garlic and spices and cook, stirring for 30 seconds.

Add pumpkin, potato and stock liquid, bring to a boil. Turn heat to low, cover and simmer for 30 minutes.

Allow to cool slightly, then blend in batches. Return soup to pan, stir through cream and re-heat gently.

Season and add a little more nutmeg if desired.

## Floydada Senior Citizens news

By LuAnn Collins  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA— The Center will be closed on Monday and Friday during October. Our dining room is still open for dine-in or carry-out on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week thru the end of October.

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**  
Oct. 26 - Oct. 30

- Monday - CLOSED
- Tuesday - Spaghetti - \$4
- Wednesday - Swedish meatballs w/noodles
- Thursday - Fish fry
- Friday - CLOSED

(Menu subject to change without notice)

## Lockney Senior Citizens news

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney ONLY.

Meals are \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members.

The center's staff appreciates everyone and said they can't wait to see everyone again.

For questions, contact the center at 806-652-2745. Stay safe.

## Breast Cancer awareness month

By Teresa Bigham  
The Hesperian-Beacon

world since its beginning in 1982.

Breast Cancer awareness month is an annual international health campaign organized by major breast cancer charities every October to increase awareness of the disease and to raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure.

Some of the top Breast Cancer Charities are Breast Cancer Research Foundation, which was founded by Evelyn Lauder, a breast cancer survivor. She is also the senior corporate vice president of The Estee Lauder Companies. She found Breast Cancer Research Foundation to help fund research and raise public awareness.

Another top Breast Cancer Charity is Susan G. Komen Foundation. This foundation has raised awareness, supported research and paid for community health and education programs around the

Living Beyond Breast Cancer is another foundation that was founded in 1991 by Marisa C. Weiss. She is a radiation oncologist who started the charity from her home with support for local volunteers. This foundation's initial mission was to provide information and support to women with breast cancer after completing breast cancer treatment. According to their website, in recent years they have expanded that help to women and men across the spectrum of diagnosis, treatment, recovery and sur-

vival. They also offer support to caregivers and healthcare providers devoted to the care of those living with breast cancer.

National Breast Cancer Foundation was founded in 1991 by Janelle Hail, a breast cancer survivor herself. This is a Texas based charity that devotes over 80% of its funds to programs. In addition to providing free mammograms to women in need.

Finally, is META vivo, which is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the lives of women with metastatic breast cancer.

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### Thank You!

The Floydada Lions Club would like to thank everyone who had pancakes at their annual Punkin' Days Pancake Breakfast, and also Lowe's and Lion David Esquivel for their donation of the water and ice used.



# AGRICULTURE

## Phillips competes in 4-H Grilling competition



Austin Phillips, Floyd County 4-H member, competes in District 2 Grilling Games in Lubbock. (Courtesy photo)

**By Teresa Bigham**  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Austin Phillips, son of Tyler and Lacy Phillips of Lockney, competed in the first ever 4-H District 2 Grilling Games in Lubbock on Oct. 10.

Phillips competed in the grilling steak division where he placed first in the pork chop division, Phillips placed third, and he won second overall in the intermediate age group.

4-H is the largest youth development program that offers hands on projects. There the youth is encouraged to reach

their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth development.

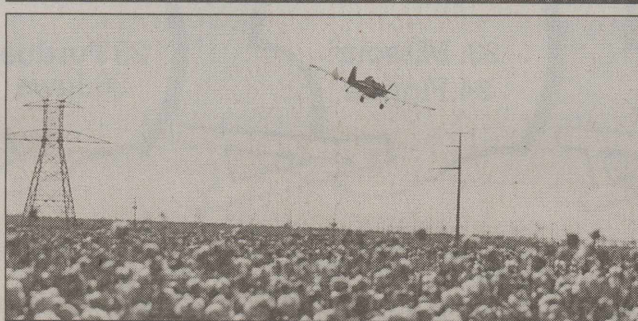
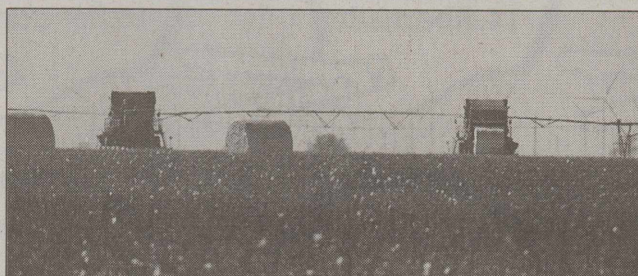
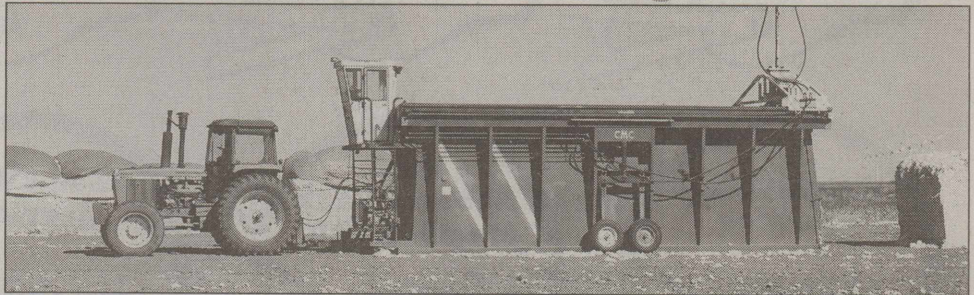
For more information on what Floyd County 4-H has to offer your child contact Texas AgriLife agents Mark Carroll or Cristen Brooks at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office at 806-983-4912.

## Team Roping winners announced



The Pumpkin Day Team Roping was held Oct. 10 at the arena located on the east side of Floydada. In the No. 11 Slides Roping there were 59 teams. The winners were first place – Aric Hendricks and Dan Hagler; second place – Ricky Hrbacek and Justin Colston; third place – Bob Arnold and JP Hrbacek. The second roping of the night was No. 9 with 86 teams. Winners were first place – Ricky Hrbacek and Weston Hollowell; second place – Terry Martin and Bob Brunson; third place – Dakota Peterson and Trey Peterson and fourth place – Terry Martin and Treyton Peterson. Shown, from left, are the first-place winners in the No. 11 Slides Roping, Aric Hendricks and Dan Hagler. (Photo by Kortney DeBock)

## Cotton harvest off to good start



The 2020 Floyd County cotton harvest is in full swing. Cotton is being prepped while other fields are already being stripped. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)



## USDA issues \$1.68 billion in payments to producers enrolled in CRP

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is issuing \$1.68 billion in payments to agricultural producers and landowners for the 21.9 million acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), which provides annual rental payment for land devoted to conservation purposes.

“CRP is one of the many ‘tools’ that USDA offers to producers and private landowners to help best manage sensitive lands,” said Richard Fordyce, Administrator of USDA’s Farm Service Agency. “Lands enrolled in this program conserve soil, improve water quality, provide habitat for wildlife, sequester carbon, and benefit agricultural operations.”

Through CRP, farmers and ranchers establish long-term, resource-conserving plant species, such as approved grasses or trees, to control soil erosion, improve water quality, and enhance wildlife habitat on cropland. Farmers and ranchers who participate in CRP help provide numerous benefits to the nation’s environment and economy.

Signed into law in 1985, CRP is one of the largest private-lands conservation programs in the U.S. It was originally intended to primarily control soil erosion and potentially stabilize commodity prices by taking marginal lands out of production. The program has evolved over the years, providing many conservation and economic benefits. The program marks its 35-year anniversary this Decem-

ber. Program successes include:

- Preventing more than 9 billion tons of soil from eroding, which is enough soil to fill 600 million dump trucks;
- Reducing nitrogen and phosphorus runoff relative to annually tilled cropland by 95 and 85 percent respectively;
- Sequestering an annual average of 49 million tons of greenhouse gases, equal to taking 9 million cars off the road;
- Creating more than 3 million acres of restored wetlands while protecting more than 175,000 stream miles with riparian forest and grass buffers, which is enough to go around the world 7 times; and
- Benefiting bees and other pollinators and increased populations of ducks, pheasants, turkey, bobwhite quail, prairie chickens, grasshopper sparrows, and many other birds.

The successes of CRP contribute to USDA’s Agriculture Innovation Agenda and its goal of reducing the environmental footprint of U.S. agriculture by half by 2050. Earlier this year, Secretary Perdue announced the department-wide initiative to align resources, programs, and research to position American agriculture to better meet future global demands.

CRP participants with contracts effective beginning on October 1, 2020, will receive their first annual rental payment in October 2021.

For more information on CRP, visit [fsa.usda.gov](http://fsa.usda.gov) or contact your local FSA county office.

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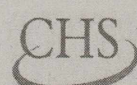


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<b>Wright's Auto Service</b> 11. Borger 12. Seminole	<b>First National Bank Member FDIC</b> 13. Roosevelt 14. Abernathy	<b>Adams Well Service</b> 15. Plains 16. Seagraves	<b>Pumpkin Pyle</b> 17. Crosbyton 18. Roscoe	<b>Quality Body Shop</b> 19. Lamesa 20. Slaton
<b>CHS</b> 21. Oklahoma 22. TCU	<b>Barwise Gin</b> 23. Missouri 24. Florida	<b>Helena</b> 25. Purdue 26. Iowa	<b>D &amp; J Gin</b> 27. Texas Tech 28. W. Virginia	<b>Floydada Power &amp; Light</b> 29. Baylor 30. Texas
<b>Payne Pharmacy</b> 31. Minnesota 32. Michigan	<b>Cogdell Clinic/Mangold Memorial Hospital</b> 33. Alabama 34. Tennessee	<b>LK Media Group</b> 35. Cowboys 36. Washington	<b>Floydada Co-op Gin</b> 37. Falcons 38. Lions	<b>Lockney Coop Gin</b> 39. Browns 40. Bengals
<b>Assiter Ag Risk/Assiter Punkin' Ranch</b> 41. Steelers 42. Titans	<b>Nutrien Ag Solutions</b> 43. Seahawks 44. Cardinals	<b>Davis Lumber</b> 45. Packers 46. Texans	<b>Gracie Cervantes Photography</b> 47. Saints 48. Panthers	<b>Hesperian-Beacon</b> 49. Bills 50. Jets

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## Contest Rules

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

Any subscriber or purchaser, age 7 or older, is eligible to enter this contest. Only one entry per week, per person. Entrants **MUST** play every week to be eligible for overall prize.

**There is NO COST** to play in the contest.

To play, circle the number of the team you believe will win on the official entry form to the left.

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 4 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries **WILL NOT** be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 4 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$125.

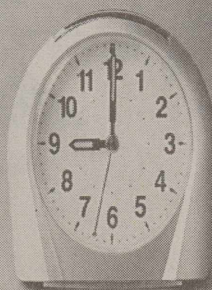
Second place will be awarded \$100.

Third place will be awarded \$75.

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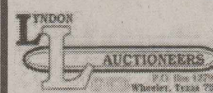
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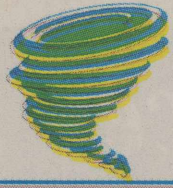


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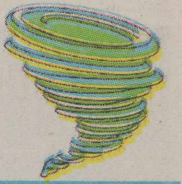
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# Floydada Whirlwinds



## Whirlwind Pride Spotlight

By Barbara Anderson  
The Hesperian-Beacon

Elyanna Medellin, a senior at Floydada High School, is the daughter of Marty and Crystal Medellin.

She has been in band five years in high school, two years in junior high and one in elementary.

"I like being around band geeks just like me," said Medellin. "I love having fun with my friends at all the football games."

Medellin said she is looking forward to a great marching season. Since she is in her last year of high school, she



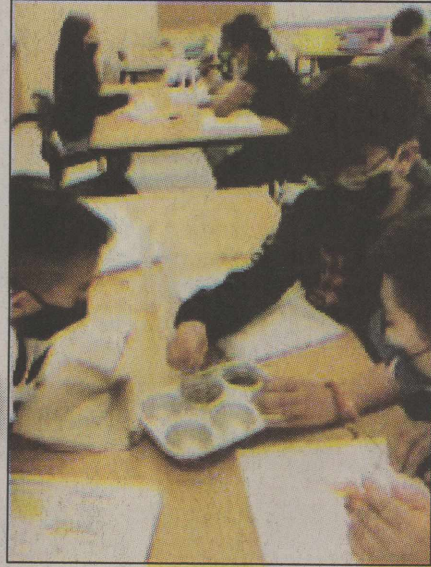
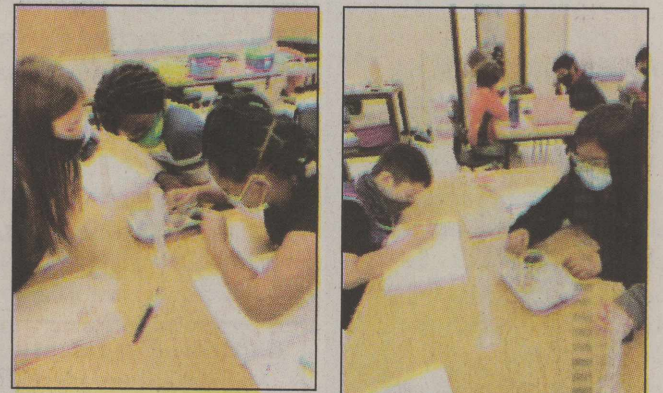
Elyanna Medellin

said she can't wait to make memories that will last her a lifetime.

## Green sews quilt Fifth graders learn about science

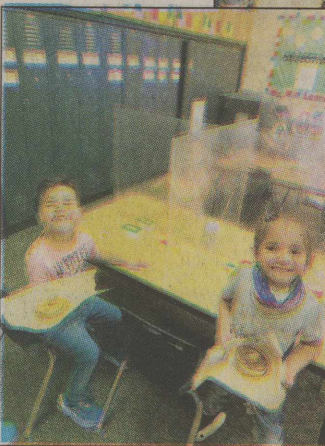
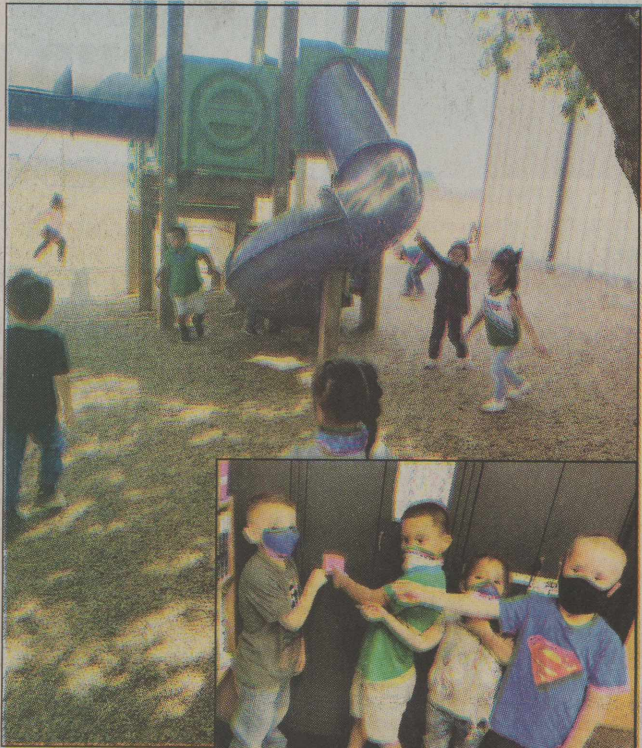


Brandy Green, a senior at FHS, created another quilt in Mrs. Crossland's sewing class. (Courtesy of FCISD)



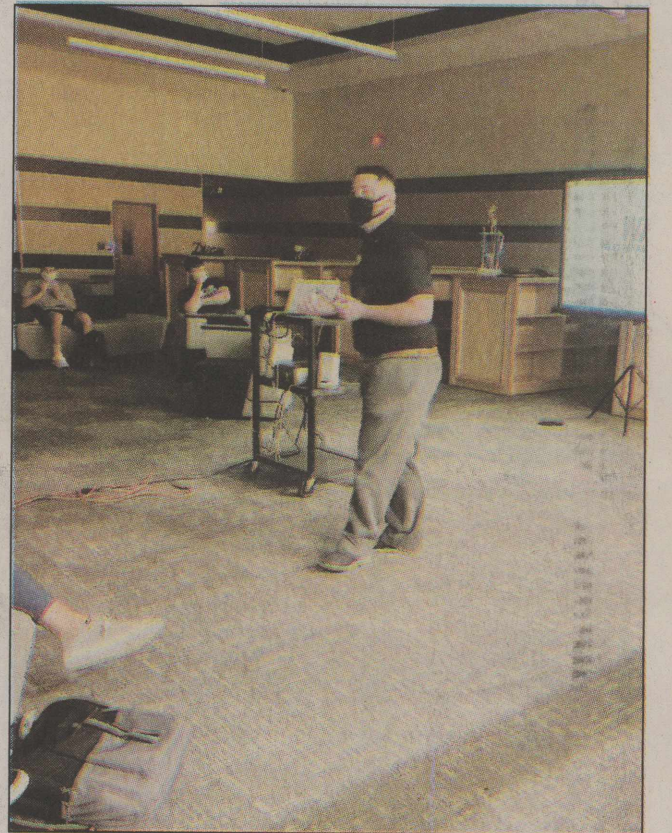
Mrs. Nutt's fifth graders learn about mixtures and solutions. They conducted a lab and tested six different solids by mixing them with water to see if they would dissolve. Ask a fifth grader what the difference is between a mixture and a solution. (Courtesy of FCISD)

## Students go on treasure hunt



Ms. Claxton and Mrs. Snowden's kindergarten classes went in search of treasure last week. The students have been learning about maps, directional words and the letter D. Students listened to clues and followed their treasure map to find doughnuts. They enjoyed their loot in their classrooms. (Courtesy of FCISD)

## Counselor speaks to FCHS seniors



Aaron Hamilton, Admission Counselor from West Texas A&M University in Canyon, speaks to the FCHS seniors. Hamilton talked about some of the programs the college offered. He also spoke about the financial benefits of going to WTAMU. (Courtesy of FCISD)

### FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU

Oct. 26 – Oct. 30

#### Monday

**Breakfast** – Sausage morning roll, banana, juice, milk

**Lunch** – Mac & cheese, spicy buffalo chicken stacker, canned fruit cocktail, vegetable bar, milk

#### Tuesday

**Breakfast** – Mini cinnamon waffle, fresh apple, juice, milk

**Lunch** – Chicken nuggets, roll, beef & chicken fajitas, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

#### Wednesday

**Breakfast** – Banana muffin, canned sliced peaches, juice, milk

**Lunch** – Chicken parmesan, roll, breaded chicken patty sandwich, canned fruit cocktail, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

#### Thursday

**Breakfast** – Chicken biscuit sandwich, orange, juice, milk

**Lunch** – Pepperoni pizza, grilled ham & cheese sandwich, applesauce, fresh fruit, vegetable bar, milk

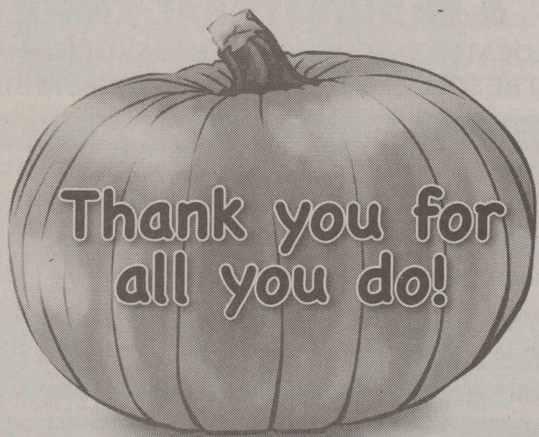
#### Friday

**Breakfast** – Maple breakfast on a stick, fresh fruit, juice, milk

**Lunch** – Chicken spaghetti, breadstick, chicken patty sandwich, canned sliced peaches, vegetable bar, milk



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## Pictures to be taken at FHS and FJHS

The secondary campus will be taking school pictures on Monday, October 26. Seniors photos will be at 8:30 a.m. followed by the rest of high school. After lunch, junior high photos will be taken.



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# Lockney Longhorns

## LHS holds Senior Night

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# Local principals honored in October

## Michelle Southard

Lockney High School Principal Michelle Southard joined LISD this year.

She grew up in Clovis, NM and earned her bachelor's degree in speech communication and a master's in curriculum and instruction from West Texas A&M University. Southard is currently pursuing her doctorate in higher education.

Southard is the mother of four: Sailbree Boyd, a teacher at Canyon ISD; Caitlin Hill, a pediatric nurse in Amarillo; Logan Beltran, a sophomore at West Texas A&M University; and Tucker Southard, who is an eighth grader at Lockney Jr. High.

## Craig Setliff

Craig Setliff is principal at Lockney Junior High School.

He grew up in Turkey, Texas and attended West Texas A&M University where he received his bachelor's degree as well as his master's degree.

Setliff married the love of his life, Sammie Setliff. The couple have two children, Stephen and Lyndee Setliff.

Setliff began his teaching career in Lockney as a science teacher in high school. "It was a great experience that allowed me to learn from some great teachers," said Setliff. "Lockney reminds me so much of my hometown."

"I wanted to raise my children in a similar small town, and the fine people of Lockney gave me that opportunity, and I have enjoyed it so very much."

"I am blessed to work with a great team of faculty and staff every day. The students of Lockney make me immensely proud, and I love them," added Setliff.

## Michael Michaleson

Lockney Elementary Principal Michael Michaleson grew up in Hobbs, N.M.

He and his wife, Wendi, have five grown daughters, Audri, Jade, Taylor, Brittany and Kinsey. They also are the proud grandparents of two Clinton and Hazel. They are expecting a third grandbaby soon.

Michaleson received his bachelor of science degree in secondary education/history from New Mexico State University and his master's in public administration from Texas Tech University in 2000.

"The people, the students, the families, the

staff and the faculty are why I love my job. I applied for the job because of the opportunity to work with people that I had worked with before, and once I had a chance to meet the staff, I knew was in the right place," said Michaleson.

"I love being an elementary principal, this is my first attempt at working with kids this age as I have spent my career teaching, coaching and being an assistant principal and principal at the secondary levels. It is just a different kind of stress, with different issues and solutions, but extremely rewarding and a whole lot of fun. Every day is different," he said.

## Wayne Morren

Floydada Collegiate High School Principal Wayne Morren grew up in Floydada, Texas.

He and his wife, Angel, have two children, Landry and Kaylie.

Morren graduated from Floydada High School, and he received his undergraduate degree from Texas Tech University and received his master's degree from West Texas A&M University.

Morren started teaching and coaching in Bastrop ISD in 1988.

He has been in education for 32 years, teaching social studies, PE, health and has coached football, basketball and track.

Morren taught and coached in Bastrop, Tullia and Mabank.

"I've served as principal or assistant principal in Tullia, Motley County, Hale Center and Floydada," said Morren.

Morren received the Mrs. Baird's Teacher on the Rise award in October 2019.

"My favorite thing about being a Whirlwind is working with our amazing students and our incredibly dedicated faculty, commented Morren.

"I love our green and white colors, and being the only Whirlwinds in Texas," said Morren.

"It's a great day to be a Whirlwind."

## Monica Smith

Monica Smith is principal at AB Duncan Collegiate Elementary School.

Smith and her husband, Tanner, a crop insurance agent for Assiter Insurance, have two sons, Cutter and Jaxson.

Cutter is a sophomore at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas. Jaxson is a freshman at Floydada Collegiate High School.

Smith is from Matador and graduated from Motley County High School. She received her bachelor's degree in human development and family studies from Texas Tech University and earned her master's in educational leadership from Lubbock Christian University.

This is her first year as campus principal at AB Duncan. Last year she was the assistant principal.

"I began my career as a teacher and have been in education for 17 years," said Smith.

Smith has been with Floydada Collegiate ISD for 14 years. She began as a classroom teacher at AB Duncan Collegiate Elementary, then served as the reading specialist for Region 17 Education Service Center for three years and returned to Floydada CISD as an administrator in 2018.

"The thing I like most about being a Whirlwind is the amazing staff members and students I am able to interact with daily," said Smith. "I love building lasting connections with them. I love learning from them."

"I especially love when they see the connection between what they are learning and the impact it has on their lives as a whole," she said.

## Robin Nixon

Robin Nixon is an assistant principal at Floydada Collegiate High and Junior High schools.

She and her husband, Gary, have two sons, Kirby and Keenan.

Kirby, a graduate of Texas Tech University, is engaged in farming in Floyd County. Keenan is a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock majoring in animal science with a focus on ruminant nutrition.

Nixon graduated from Hart High School in 1983 and received her bachelor's degree in education at Angelo State University and her master's degree in education from Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, Texas.

"I have been a principal for about 12 years. This is my 34th year in education, and I've been with FCISD for 29 years," added Nixon.

She started her career as a coach and has taught in Midland ISD, Lockney ISD and Floydada CISD.

"My favorite thing about being a Whirlwind is the success of our students in the classroom, on the playing field and in the show ring," said Nixon.

## Dara Ware

Dara Ware is the assistant principal at Floydada Collegiate High and Junior High schools.

Ware and her husband, Clinton, have two sons, Cody and his wife, Jesse, and Clay and his wife, Cara. They also have four grandchildren, Cullen, Jackson, Bryndle and River.

A graduate of Silverton High School, Ware graduated from West Texas A&M University in 1991 with a bachelor's degree. She received her master's in education in 2012 from WTAMU.

She has been a principal for 10 years and started her career in Floydada CISD as a sev-

enth grade language arts and speech teacher and also taught One Act Play. In addition to teaching, she coached Floydada Junior High basketball and track.

While being assistant principal she has also taught eighth grade reading.

Ware started her teaching career at Floydada CISD and this is her 29th year in education.

"Things I love about Floydada are the kids and the work ethic of our staff," said Ware.

## Carlos Munoz

Carlos Munoz is an assistant principal at the Floydada Collegiate High and Junior High schools.

Munoz and his wife, Reese, have one son, Eli.

Eli is in the second grade at Duncan Collegiate Elementary School.

Carlos graduated from Crosbyton High School and earned his bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University and his master's degree from Lamar University.

Munoz has been an administrator for seven years at Floydada Collegiate ISD. He's been in education for 20 years.

He started out in Smyer as a junior high and high school math teacher. He also taught math and coached at Sundown.

"Floydada Collegiate ISD tries to be innovative in many of the things we do," said Munoz. "We are always looking for ways to help our teachers get better and for new opportunities for our students."

"Being a Collegiate School District will allow us to offer even more to our students now," added Munoz.

## Armando Morales

Armando Morales is the assistant principal at AB Duncan Collegiate Elementary.

Morales and his wife, Rhoda, a first grade teacher at Duncan Elementary, have three children, Bethany, Hannah and Luke.

Bethany is a biology teacher and coach at Floydada Collegiate ISD. Hannah is in her second year at Howard Payne University where she is majoring in education and is a pitcher for the HPU Yellow Jackets softball team, and Luke is a fifth grader at Duncan Elementary.

Armando graduated from Floydada High School.

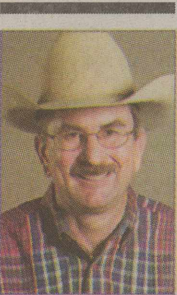
He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Wayland Baptist University.

Morales began his sixth year as assistant principal. Four years were spent at the Floydada High School campus and two years at Duncan Elementary.

This year marks his 14th year in education.

Morales did not start out in the teaching field but always had the desire to teach and coach. He also feels the call into ministry. Armando was in juvenile probation prior to teaching.

"Floydada is the only place I've taught. My teaching field is in Spanish and am the Head Coach for the Lady Winds softball team," Morales said.



## Rodeo Insider PRCA/WPRA 2020 season closes

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The Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association/Women's Professional Rodeo Association

circuit's regular season concluded on Wednesday, Sept. 30. But in reality, the regular season wrapped up for team ropers, barrel racers, steer wrestlers and bull riders on Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Cowboy Capital of the World PRCA Rodeo in Stephenville. The regular season also concluded for steer ropers on Sept. 24 at the Stephenville rodeo.

The top 15 in each event will advance to the Dec. 3-12 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo in Arlington. Steer ropers who finished in the top 15 will advance to the Nov. 6-7 Clem McSpadden National Finals Steer Roping in Mulvane, Kan., near Wichita.

But for bareback riders and saddle bronc riders, the regular season concluded Wednesday, Sept. 30, with the Cinch Gold Buckle Knockout on the Corvi Ranch near Stoneham, Colo.

Trevor Brazile, a Decatur cowboy who has a record 25 world titles in multiple categories on the PRCA circuit, finished third in the steer roping title race at the Stephenville rodeo. He will enter the 2020 National Finals Steer Roping ranked No. 4 with a mathematical chance of

clinching another world title. Brazile is the defending steer roping world champion.

Four-time world champion Tuf Cooper, a Childress native who has homes in Weatherford and Decatur, has qualified for both the National Finals Steer Roping in Mulvane and the National Finals Rodeo in tie-down roping. Cooper, who earned the 2017 world all-around title, is ranked No. 2 in the PRCA's 2020 world all-around standings with 85,546 points.

In tie-down roping, Shad Mayfield of Clovis, New Mexico is ranked No. 1 with 156,668 points. Cooper is ranked No. 2 with 67,189.

2021 season begins

The PRCA/WPRA 2021 regular season began on Oct. 1 and is scheduled to conclude on Sept. 30, 2021. At that point, the top 15 in each event will advance to the 2021 Wrangler National Finals Rodeo, which is scheduled for Dec. 2-11, 2021, in Las Vegas.

The Oct. 1-3 Waller County Fair & Rodeo in Hempstead (which is in the Houston area) drew world class competitors. Cooper tied for first in the second round of team roping with a 9.4.

Brett Hoffman, a Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame member, has covered rodeos and horse show events for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for more than 35 years. Email him at [bhoffman777@earthlink.net](mailto:bhoffman777@earthlink.net).

## CANCER

From Page 3

Metastatic breast cancer affects up to 30% of women with early stage breast cancer and is diagnosed in 6% of women on their first diagnosis.

What is breast cancer? It is cancer that develops in the breast cells and progresses in stages. According to the Susan G. Komen Foundation, cancer develops in the tissues of the breast, affecting both men and women due to different reasons like family history or changes in genes and progress through stages.

The Breast Cancer Research Foundation says breast cancer symptoms are a lump or mass in the breast that feels different from the surrounding tissue, a breast rash, changes in the skin over the breast, breast pain, inverted nipple, scaling, peeling or even flaking skin over the breast, redness or pitting of the

breast skin and discharge from the nipple.

Living Beyond Breast Cancer says the treatment is primarily based on the type and stage of cancer. Most common treatment is chemotherapy.

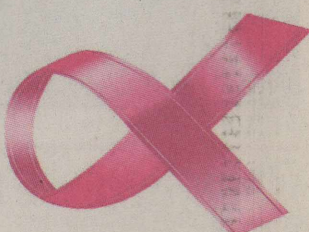
The exact cause of breast cancer is unknown but may include, family history, hormonal changes, ethnicity, personal history of breast cancer, lifestyle, including alcohol consumption, obesity and over weight are just a few causes that the Breast Cancer Research Foundation reports.

Self-examination is the key to early detection. The American Cancer Society recommends women between the ages of 45 - 54 get mammograms every year and women 55 years and older should switch to mammograms screening every two years. You should also check with your primary health care provider on the guidelines they want you to follow.

## UPCOMING

From Page 1

Child. Samaritan's Purse is sending training to FBC for touchless collection and PPE (hand sanitizer, gloves and masks) for volunteers. Ludustria Prisk at FBC is accepting donations for shipping, \$9 a box and items for the shoe boxes. Items you can donate are school supplies, soap, washcloths, toothbrushes, toys, plus lots of other items. FBC still has boxes available if you'd like to pack your own box. Operation Christmas Child collection week is Nov. 16 - Nov. 22.



## Football Contest Standings Week 7

	THIS WEEKS	TOTAL
Daniel Diaz	17/20	125/157
Brent Sanders	16/20	123/157
Domingo Faz	16/20	121/157
Ricky Ascencio	14/20	116/157
Boyd Lee	14/20	116/157
Franklin Harris	13/20	114/157
Renee Armstrong	14/20	112/157
Wyatt Bigham	11/20	107/157
Steve Stringer	12/20	91/157
Kellie Cantwell	15/20	83/118

### NOTE:

There were 4 games that were cancelled and 1 game that was listed incorrectly. These games were not counted in the totals. Ralls vs Roscoe; Crosbyton vs Hamlin; Oklahoma State vs Baylor; LSU vs Florida; Denver Broncos played New England Patriots.

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