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Bigham selected for 2021 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Texas

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By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Wyatt Bigham of Lockney has been selected to participate as a member of the 2021 Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Smallbore Rifle team. He will be part of the Texas Team competing at the



Wyatt Bigham practices in the standing position during a 4-H rifle project meeting. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational, June 20-25 in Grand Island, Nebraska.

The Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Smallbore Rifle team is made up of four kids from Bell County, Guadalupe County, Cameron County and Floyd County.

At the national invitational in Grand Island, Nebraska the rifle team will shoot silhouette targets. They will also be required to shoot from the three positions: prone, kneeling and standing.

Bigham is a freshman at Lockney High School, where he plays football and baseball. He has been a member of Floyd County 4-H for five years and is active in stock shows, photography and food and nutrition. He is the son of Clint and Teresa Bigham.

"I'm excited to have this opportunity to represent Texas and the Texas 4-H youth club. I have wanted this since the first day I walked into my first 4-H rifle class," Bigham said. "The Floyd County 4-H Rifle project has changed my life. It has taught Floyd County 4-H offers projects such as 4912.



Floyd County Rifle coach, Jerry Chappell, watches as Wyatt Bigham shoots off a round in the kneeling position. (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

me to have patience; it has also built up my sewing, veterinarian science, meat judging, archery, shot self-esteem. I've made new friends from all gun, photography, food challenge, public speaking and over the state of Texas," he added. "4-H has stock shows. For more information on the projects that taught me if you dream it, you can live it. I 4-H has to offer, please contact Mark Carroll or Cristen believe in this club, and all 4-H stands for." Brooks at the Texas A&M AgriLife office at 806-983-

Phillips, Bigham honored at 4-H District 2 banquet

FLOYD COUNTY -TyAnn Phillips and Clint Bigham were honored at the District 2 4-H Banquet that was held in Lubbock on No-

TyAnn Phillips is this To be considered as a recip- gram.



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Upcoming

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

LOCKNEY SENIOR **CITIZENS FISH FRY**

The Lockney Senior Center will have a Friday Night Fish Fry on Dec. 4 from 5-7 p.m. There will be eat-in (limited seating) and carry-outs. The Center is also hosting a gift basket raffle full of gift certificates and prizes. For tickets, contact the Center at 806-652-2745 or contact a board member.

SANTA ON THE SOUARE

The Floydada Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual 'Santa on the Square' on Thursday, Dec. 10 at Nutthouse Designs. Santa will arrive at 5:30 p.m. to start welcoming all the children and will stay until 7:30 p.m.

SANTA LETTERS

The Hesperian-Beacon is accepting letters to Santa Claus that will be published in the Christmas issue dated Dec. 23. The deadline for submission is Tuesday, Dec. 8. Letters can be dropped by the Hesperian-Beacon office located at 201 W. Missouri, Floydada. The drop box is located outside the building on the edge of the square glass pane windows. Students at Duncan Elementary in Floydada and Lockney Elementary will be writing letters to Santa in the classroom.

6th Annual Country Christmas Ball rescheduled

By Barbara Anderson The Hesperian-Beacon

By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

vember 23.

year's Gold Star recipient. The Gold Star Award is the highest county level achievement award made available through Texas 4-H. This award is only awarded once in a member's 4-H career and is presented adult volunteer who has to the most qualified and deserving 4-H members. ient for the Gold Star award, nominees must have complet- was selected to receive the ed at least three years in 4-H award. He has been inand must submit a current re- volved with Floyd County cordbook. The member must 4-H for several years and have exhibited leadership skills serves in various leaderby serving as a 4-H officer or ship positions. Bigham is committee chairman and/or dedicated to growing and as a junior or teen leader in an improving the local 4-H activity or project.

FLOYD COUNTY -The Sixth Annual Country Christmas Ball scheduled for Dec. 5, 2020 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center has been rescheduled because of the high rate of Covid-19 infections in Floyd County. The decision to postpone the event to a later date was made by the firefighters and the sponsors, Wendell and Dustee Sollis.

According to the firefighters, Floyd County has a higher than usual rate of cases and the hospital is at capacity with patients. Several firefighters are quarantined or have Covid-19 themselves. It's in the best interest of all participants to postpone the December event.

Wendell and Dustee Sollis would like to encourage people to watch the local newspapers and the Facebook page of Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band, for information about the "Christmas in July" ball that will be held Saturday, July 17, 2021 at the Floyd County Unity Center in Muncy.

If you have purchased tickets for the Dec. 5 event, sponsors will refund your money or hold it for the next ball. Please call Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 for more infor-



The Country Christmas Ball has been rescheduled due to the coronavirus. The "Christmas in July" ball will be held July 17, 2021. The quilt donated by Cindy's Country Quilts of Plainview will still be raffled off. The quilting is done in designs of firefighter equipment of an engine, a helmet, an axe and a ladder. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 12 for \$100.00. The drawing for the quilt will be held at the next ball. Call Cindy's Quilt Shoppe at 806-296-5888 or Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 to purchase tickets. (Courtesy photo)

mation.

Donations and sponsorship money already made for the firefighters from area businesses and corporations will be presented to the Floydada and Lockney Volunteer Fire Departments later in December. Raffle tickets are still available for the beautiful

quilt that was made by Cindy's Country Quilt Shoppe in Plainview. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 12 for \$100.00. The drawing for the quilt will be held at the next ball. Call Cindy's Quilt Shoppe at 806-296-5888 or Dustee Sollis at 806-983-6228 to purchase tickets.

Phillips is the daughter of Tyler and Lacy Phillips of 4-H, contact the local Texas Lockney.

The Distinguished Lead- 4912. er Award is presented to an



Mark Carroll presenting TyAnn Phillips with the Gold Star Award. (Courtesy photo)

Clint Bigham 4-H Distinguished Leader (Courtesy photo)

gone above and beyond in supporting the 4-H pro-

This year, Clint Bigham program.

To find out more about AgriLife office at 806-983-

BURN BAN FLOYD COUNTY

The Floyd County Commissioners' Court extended the burn ban in Floyd County until January 11, 2021.

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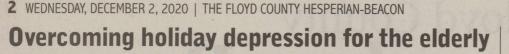
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By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

The holiday season is not always a joyful one. According to the American Medical Resource Institute there are approximately six million people over the age of 65 that are suffering from depression. Unfortunately, according to the research very few of those 65 million people seek treatment.

The Geriatric Mental Health Foundation explains that the holidays can be a difficult time for older adults who may be dealing with the loss of loved ones and past traditions. While feeling blue can be normal, depression isn't. The article notes that it is important for caretakers to be on the look out for signs of depression, such as persistent sadness, frequent tearfulness, weight changes and changes in sleep patterns.

One way caregivers can help older adults avoid holiday depression is to plan fun holiday activities. The Geriatric Mental Health Foun-

dation suggests caroling, decorating, shopping or crafting.

One of the best things you can do is take the time to truly listen to the older adults under your care. The American Medical Recourse Institute recommends taking 15 minutes each day to spend just listening to them. It is important for them to be able to talk about their feelings and to know that they are being heard.

Another article from GTN News notes that an elderly person who has undergone changes as a result of the death of a spouse or moving to a care facility may need help connecting meaning to the holiday. The article suggests encouraging them to talk about their memories of past holidays. Sit with the person and look through photo albums or watch family videos. Listen carefully to the stories they tell you.

Providence Journal stresses the importance of getting help for your elderly loved ones if they are feeling depressed, and don't forget to take care of yourself in the process.

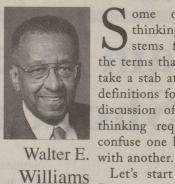
Floyd County COVID-19 report

FLOYD COUNTY - As of Wednesday, Nov. 25, Floyd County officials have reported 200 total cases (up 5) with 179 cases (up 16) reported as recovered. Floyd County has 6 active cases (down 13) and has had 15 deaths.

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Opinion Discrimination and Prejudice



ome of the confusion in thinking about matters of race stems from the ambiguity in the terms that we use. I am going to take a stab at suggesting operational definitions for a couple terms in our discussion of race. Good analytical thinking requires that we do not confuse one behavioral phenomenon

Let's start with "discrimination." Discrimination is the act of choice, and choice is a necessary fact of

life. Our lives are spent discriminating for or against different activities and people. Some people shop at Wegmans and thus discriminate against Food Giant. Some students discriminate against George Mason University in favor of attending Temple University. Many people racially discriminate by marrying within their own race rather than seeking partners of other races. People discriminate in many ways in forming contracts and other interrelationships. In each case, one person is benefitted by discrimination and another is harmed or has reduced opportunities.

What about prejudice? Prejudice is a useful term that is often misused. Its Latin root is praejudicium, meaning "an opinion or judgment formed ... without due examination." Thus, we might define a prejudicial act as one where a decision is made on the basis of incomplete information. The decision-maker might use stereotypes as a substitute for more complete information.

We find that in a world of costly information, people seek to economize on information costs. Here is a simple yet intuitively appealing example. You are headed off to work. When you open your front door and step out, you are greeted by a full-grown tiger. The uninteresting prediction is that the average person would endeavor to leave the area in great dispatch. Why he would do so is more interesting. It is unlikely that the person's fear and decision to seek safety is based on any detailed information held about that particular tiger. More likely, his decision to seek safety is based on tiger folklore, what he has been told about tigers or how he has seen other tigers behave. He prejudges that tiger. He makes his decision based on incomplete information. He uses tiger stereotypes.

If a person did not prejudge that tiger, then he would endeavor to seek more information prior to his decision to run. He might attempt to pet the tiger, talk to him and seek safety only if the tiger responded in a menacing fashion. The average person probably would not choose that strategy. He would surmise that the expected cost of getting more information about the tiger is greater than the expected benefit. He would probably conclude, "All I need to know is he's a tiger, and he's probably like the rest of them." By observing this person's behavior, there's no way one can say

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CASE #157: FLOYDADA – Female 30-39 years of age. Recovered. CASE #156: FLOYDADA – Male 80-89 years of age. Home recovery. CASE #155: LOCKNEY - Male 40-49 years of age. Recovered. CASE #154: LOCKNEY - Female 20-29 years of age. Recovered. CASE #153: UNKNOWN - Female 90-99 years of age. Home recovery. CASE #152: FLOYDADA - Male 79 years of age. Deceased. CASE #151: LOCKNEY - Male 40-49 years of age. Home recovery. Recovered. CASE #150: LOCKNEY - Female 80-89 years of age. Home recovery. Recovered. CASE #149: FLOYDADA - Female 50-59 years of age. Home recovery.

(Cases #1 through #148 have been recorded as recovered or deceased.)

The 501: Slash those adverbs?



one.

his novels. My fascination with horror stuff peaked during adolescence. see how things turned out for Latin. My friends and I faithfully watched "Shock Theater" on local TV (and even learn keeps changing (except Latin, formed our own Shock Theater Fan Club) and saw all the Vincent Price movies. Enough horror for a lifetime.

HANABA MUNN was about writing. I thought it was good, math. not that I recall the title or much of the WELCH avoid adverbs.

So far, so good. I haven't used a single

an adverb. So is "so." So much for no adverbs.

Today, as I watched the Waltons (I'm the only person I know who didn't see the series back when), a writer wan- has to decide whether to trust the parent or the teacher. The dered on to Walton's Mountain and told aspiring writer teacher wins. John Boy to cut out most of his adjectives. Ouch.

no adverbs. Not today. Too late (adverb, adjective).

you use to modify an adjective. They are. Memory serves.

It's been so long since my classmates and I studied the mate authorities. Scary thought. eight parts of speech, I'm wondering if the number is still eight. We also learned about the seven basic food groups --

re you a Stephen King fan? I am. now cut to three. Maybe four. Whatever. Sort of shakes my Not that I've ever read any of faith in curriculums. Curricula?

Ah Latin. There's a language that doesn't change. But we

When it comes to subjects taught in school, what kids

no longer to be taught anyway).

Math changes the most. Except it really doesn't, does it? Math is math. An unshakeable invisible universe. What The Stephen King book that I read changes every decade or two is the way children are taught

My theory: I think today's children are taught "about" content. All I remember is that he said to math whereas my classmates and I simply were taught to "do" math. I could be wrong.

Either way, unless you understand the new ways to teach and learn math (and why would you?), helping a child with Oops. Well, not counting "faithfully." And even "even" is math homework can be virtually impossible. I've heard stories.

Both parents and children end up frustrated. The child

Maybe it's just a part of growing up for a child to decide Maybe someday I'll write a column with no adjectives and the teacher is smarter than mom and dad, at least in math. For the student, that kind of thinking makes for an easier I checked to be absolutely (adverb) sure adverbs are what transition from childhood into the know-it-all teen years. That's when parents know even less and peers are the ulti-

Then comes college.

Me, I remember very long lines on the quadrangle on

unambiguously whether the person likes or dislikes tigers.

Similarly, the cheaply observed fact that an individual is short, an amputee, black, or a woman provides what some people deem sufficient information for decisionmaking or predicting the presence of some other attribute that's more costly to observe. For example, if asked to identify individuals with doctorate degrees in physics only by observing race and sex, most of us would assign a higher probability that white or Asian men would have such degrees than black men or women. Suppose you are a police chief and you're trying to find the culprits breaking into cars, would you spend any of your resources investigating people in senior citizen homes? Using an observable attribute as a proxy for an unobservable or costly-to-observe attribute lies at the heart of decision theory.

Lastly, is there a moral dimension to discrimination and prejudice? Should one be indifferent about whether he attends Temple University or George Mason University and thus makes his decision by flipping a coin? Is it more righteous to use the same technique when choosing to marry within or outside his race? Is it morally superior to be indifferent with respect to race in marriage, employment and socializing? Can one make a rigorous moral case for government coercion to determine whether one attends Temple University or George Mason University, marries outside of his race, or is indifferent about the racial characteristics of whom he employs?

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I chose art.

So if what I say doesn't always add up, cut me some slack.

registration day. Someone I'm an artist. announced "Art and math That's another subject. majors to the front." To be continued.



I am looking to buy land in Floyd County, Texas. Generally, in an area North-Northwest to North-Northeast of Floydada then North to the Briscoe County line. Preferably cultivated dryland farmland, CRP, expired CRP, or expiring CRP. If you are interested in selling your land or discussing this further, please call: Larry Bramlet – 806-983-7731 (cell).



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SOCIETY

Floydada Chamber will hold annual Santa on the Square



Santa rides in on the Floydada firetruck for Santa on the Square. (Courtesy photo)

By Kortney DeBock Chamber Manager

FLOYDADA – The Floydada Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce that this year's Santa on the Square will be Thursday, Dec. 10 at Nutthouse Designs.

Santa will arrive at 5:30 p.m. to start welcoming all the children and will stay until 7:30 p.m.

A fun craft for the kids will be available as well. We invite you to bring the

kids and your camera. Take your own pictures of the little ones with Santa and capture that special moment. Vendors are also wel-

come to set up booths at no charge. Please call or text (806) 983-3434 to reserve your spot.

High Cotton Confections

will be selling "decorate your own Christmas cookie" kits. Social Fly will be selling coffee.

There will also be to-go barbeque plate dinners for sale at \$7 per plate. All proceeds of this will go to the Wells family for medical expenses.

Come on down and enjoy an evening with the family on the square in Floydada.

Floydada Senior Citizens news

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon closed for the rest of No- P.O. Box 573, Floydada, TX

the spread of the coronavi- lins. "We will notify every- Thank you for rememberrus, "The Floydada Senior one when we will reopen." ing the Center with dona-Citizen's Center will be The mailing address is tions or memorials.

vember starting Monday, 79235 and the phone num-FLOYDADA - Due to Nov. 9," said Lu Ann Col- ber is 806-983-2032.

Lockney Senior Citizens news

is having a Friday Night Fish contact a board member. Fry on Dec. 4 from 5-7 p.m. There will be eat-in (limited from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mon- ciates everyone and said they seating) and carry-outs.

a gift basket raffle full of gift or delivery. Anyone wanting ter at 806-652-2745. Stay safe.

tickets you may contact the 9:30 a.m. daily. LOCKNEY - The Center Center at 806-652-2745 or

The Center serves lunch The Center's staff appreday through Friday, by curb- can't wait to see everyone again. The Center is also hosting side pickup, drive-through For questions, contact the cen-

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon certificates and prizes. For lunch can call the Center by

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

Recipe of the Week

By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

This Hot Wassail recipe is a delicious drink made with warm apple cider, juice, brown sugar, and spices. This warm holiday drink is made in the slow cooker for ease and is perfect for serving at gatherings!

This wassail tastes primarily like hot mulled cider, but it's slightly sweeter and laced with tart flavors of citrus.

Wassail means be in good health and wassailing was an English Yuletide and New Year's Eve tradition where people went caroling and offered drinks from the wassail bowl to their friends and neighbors.

caroling and the tradition faded in popu- the harvest season right through to the new larity but it still practiced in some parts of year.

Slow Cooker Wassail

Ingredients:

1 apple sliced 1 orange sliced 2 cinnamon sticks 10 whole cloves 4 star anise ¹/₄ cup light brown sugar ¹/₂ teaspoon ground ginger 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg 8 cups apple cider 2 cups orange juice ³/₄ cup pineapple juice ¹/₄ cup lemon juice



Scotland and England. In many places, was-Over the years, wassailing turned into sail has become a drink that extends from

Instructions:

Add all the ingredients to a large crockpot and cook on high for at least two hours or low for at least four hours. Keep on warm and serve straight from the crockpot.

Note: For best flavor, make sure to use fresh apple cider and not the shelf stable kind or apple juice. Usually fresh apple cider is found in the produce section of the grocery store.

THE FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL **MUSEUM MEMORIES 1979** THE CLYDE STOWE FAMILY

brothers and sisters, and

By Mrs. Clyde Stowe

Clyde and I, Lona Hill Stowe, are not newcomers 1911.

In 195; my father and mother, Jesse James Hill and Emma Shadix Hill, my

I left Ellis County with everything we owned, including horses and cows on to Floyd County, although a train for Hillis, Oklaho-Clyde was born at Olney, ma. We settled on a farm Texas, August 2,1909. I was south of Hollis. Our mill born in Ellis County, June 5, pumped gyp water. Dad was forced to haul water from Red River about two miles away.

> In 1917, our next move Gibson in 1976. ras- to Floyd County by

lost their lives in a traffic collision in 1971. Terry was born in 1953, married Sandra Gibson in 1972. They are the parents of two children, Shawn and Valarie.

Tenna was born in 1954, married Richard Wooten in 1977. Belinda was born in 1957, married Sidney

Our son Bill,

Mental health and the holidays: Tips for thriving, not just surviving

By Cristen Brooks County Extension Agent Floyd County FCH

For some people, the holidays are a happy and joyous time, where families get together, friends are reunited, and food and gifts are shared. However, for many people the holidays can be one of the most difficult times of the year. Along with joy, the holiday season can bring unwelcome guests and excessive demands: cooking, shopping, cleaning, decorating, and parties, just to name a few. All these extra pressures can lead to stress, depression, and other mental health issues.

It's important for you to know that you are not alone in your struggles and that there are some practical tips that can help you navigate your way through the holiday season happier and healthier.

Tips to prevent holiday melt down (taken from an article titled "Stress, depression and the holidays: Tips for coping,"written by the Mayo Clinic Staff):

When stress is at its peak, it's hard to stop and regroup. Try to prevent stress and depression in the first place, especially if the holidays have taken an emotional toll on you in the past.

• Acknowledge your feelings. If someone close to you has recently died or you can't be with loved ones for other reasons, realize that it's normal to feel sadness and grief. It's OK to take time to cry or express your feelings. You can't force yourself to be happy just because it's the holiday season.

• Reach out. If you feel lonely or isolated, seek out community, religious or other

Many may have websites, online support groups, social media sites or virtual events. They can offer support and companionship.

If you're feeling stress during the holidays, it also may help to talk to a friend or family member about your concerns. Try reaching out with a text, a call or a video chat.

Volunteering your time or doing something to help others also is a good way to lift your spirits and broaden your friendships. For example, consider dropping off a meal and dessert at a friend's home during the holidays.

• Take a breather. Make some time for yourself. Find an activity you enjoy. Take a break by yourself. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions, may refresh you enough to handle everything you need to do. Find something that reduces stress by clearing your mind, slowing your breathing and restoring inner calm.

Some options may include: Taking a walk at night and stargazing.

Listening to soothing music. Reading a book.

• Be realistic. The holidays don't have to be perfect or just like last year. As families change and grow, traditions and rituals often change as well. Choose a few to hold on to and be open to creating new ones. For example, if your adult children or other relatives can't come to your home, find new ways to celebrate together, such as sharing pictures, emails or videos. Or meet virtually on a video call. Even though your holiday plans may look different this year, you can find ways to celebrate.

• Set aside differences. Try

social events or communities. to accept family members and friends as they are, even if they don't live up to all of your expectations. Set aside grievances until a more appropriate time for discussion. And be understanding if others get upset or distressed when something goes awry. Chances are they're feeling the effects of holiday stress and depression, too.

• Stick to a budget. Before you do your gift and food shopping, decide how much money you can afford to spend. Then stick to your budget. Don't try to buy happiness with an avalanche of gifts.

• Plan ahead. Set aside specific days for shopping, baking, connecting with friends and other activities. Consider whether you can shop online for any of your items. Plan your menus and then make your shopping list. That'll help prevent last-minute scrambling to buy forgotten ingredients. And make sure to line up help for meal prep and cleanup.

• Learn to say no. Saying yes when you should say no can leave you feeling resentful and overwhelmed. Friends and colleagues will understand if you can't participate in every project or activity. If it's not possible to say no when your boss asks you to work overtime, try to remove something else from your agenda to make up for the lost time.

· Don't abandon healthy habits. Don't let the holidays become a free-for-all. Overindulgence only adds to your stress and guilt.

> **Karen Houchin** Attorney 806-983-5556

Try these suggestions: • Have a healthy snack before

holiday meals so that you don't go overboard on sweets, cheese or drinks.

• Eat healthy meals.

• Get plenty of sleep. • Include regular physical ac-

tivity in your daily routine. • Try deep-breathing exercises,

meditation or yoga. · Avoid excessive tobacco, alcohol and drug use.

• Limit Social Media. Be aware of how the information culture can produce undue stress, and adjust the time you spend reading news and social media as you see fit.

• Seek professional help if you need it. Despite your best efforts, you may find yourself feeling persistently sad or anxious, plagued by physical complaints, unable to sleep, irritable and hopeless, and unable to face routine chores. If these feelings last for a while, talk to your doctor or a mental health professional.

Don't let the holidays become something you dread. Instead, take steps to prevent the stresses that can turn up during the holidays. Learn to recognize what your holiday triggers are, such as financial pressures or personal demands, and make a plan to combat them before they cause problems. Remember it's better to say no to a gathering, party, or extra gift than to sacrifice your mental health. With a little planning and some positive thinking, you can find peace and joy during the holidays.

covered wagon. We settled on a farm in the Liberty Community east of Lockney where we attended school.

Mother was born in Tennessee in 1886. She passed away in Plainview in 1963. Dad was born in Alabama in 1886. He died in Lockney in 1971.

Clyde and I met in Lockney in 1929. We were married in 1930 in Clovis, New Mexico.

We farmed in the Liberty Community about three years. Our daughter, Nita Joyce, was born in 1932 and our son Billy Clyde was born in 1933. They were both born in Floyd County.

We moved to Olney, Texas and farmed three years. Another daughter, Emma Jean, was born in 1935. We lost her in an automobile accident in 1938.

We moved to Lockney in 1937 and have resided here bout 45 years. We have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Nita Joyce married F. G. Jones, Jr. in Lockney, in 1949. They are the parents of four children. Genita was born in 1951, married Bill Finley in 1969. While living in Lubbock, both

spending four years in the air force, two of which were spent in Tokyo, Japan, came home and married Nadine Eilers in Plainview in 1958. Bill is an airplane instrument technician at Shepard Air Base in Wichita Falls, Texas, where they reside. They are the parents of two sons, Stacey was born in 1961 and Jason was born in 1974.

Clyde's parents were Soley and Clara Rushing Stowe. His father was born in 1863 in Wayne County, Tennessee. He moved with his parents to Texas at the age of six.

Clyde's mother was born in Parker County. She was the daughter of the late G. W. Rushing, who was the founder of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Olney where he was the pastor.

Clyde's parents were married in 1894 in Parker County. They moved to Olney in 1900. His father was a retired farmer. He passed away in 1951 and his mother died in 1962. They were the parents of five sons, Clyde of Lockney and Wayne of Wichita Falls survive this date, January, 1978.



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Obituaries Martha Nell Whitfill Jennings

Martha Nell Whitfill Jennings, 88, passed from this life peacefully in her sleep surrounded by her family on Monday, November 23, 2020, at Pat's Care Home in Plainview, Texas.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at Northwest Church of Christ in Plainview. Dee Teel and Doug Mc-Donough officiated.

Burial followed in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Tulia, Texas.

There was not a family visitation. Viewing was held during normal funeral home hours, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Arrangements were under the direction of Kornerstone Funeral Directors.

Martha was born February 18, 1932 to Frank and Cassie Whitfill at home on a farm north of Lockney, Texas.

She began her education at the Lonestar school and went on to graduate from Lockney High School.

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nings on September 12, 1950 in Clovis, New Mexico.

Martha and Melvin lived and farmed northwest of Tulia for many years.

Martha had a strong faith in God and was a member of the 6th and Gaines Church of Christ in Tulia, Texas, before moving to Plainview in 2013, where she attended Northwest Church of Christ.

She loved her husband, adored her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and her great-greatgrandchild.

Her interests included playing the piano, singing, painting, traveling, admiring the wonders of God's creation, visiting friends, and her favorite activity was cooking delicious food.

Martha began working at the Swisher County Library in 1976, and then went to work for the Swisher County Community Supervision and Correction Department for 22 years, She married Melvin Jen- before retiring in 2000.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin Jennings, one son Randy Jennings, her parents and her siblings, Dorothy Bass, Forrest Whitfill, Glen Whitfill, and James Whitfill.

She is survived by two daughters, Vicki Hayes and husband, Mark of Plainview, and Pam Hamby and Pearl Jennings. Martha of Plainview and one son, even lived to see one great-Steve Jennings and wife, great-grandchild, Vanessa of Harlingen, Texas. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Jenni- thank the Santa Fe Place fer Casey, Ryan Hayes and for their care of Mother for wife, Tami, Kyle Hayes the past several years. Also, and wife, Meridith, Truitt to those that tended to her Hayes and wife, Kari, Shar- needs from Area Commaine Jennings, Shanna munity Hospice. A special Sharice Jennings, Landon thank you to Pat Jackson Jennings and wife, Natasha, and Destinee Riley at Pat's Quenton Jennings, Coby, Care Home for their love, Jarrett and wife, Kasey the excellent care given her, and her great-grandchil- and making her last days as dren, Emma Casey, Kate comfortable as possible. Casey, Cale Hayes, Caden Hayes, Colby Hayes, come memorial donations Kyleigh Hayes, Chandler be made to 'Bibles for In-Hayes and wife, Haley, Lo- dia', c/o Van Miller, 506 gan Hayes, Perla Jennings, Kirchwood, Plainview, Tex-Evelyn Jennings, Kaylem as, 79072 or you can donate Jennings, Launa Jennings, to your favorite charity.



MARTHA NELL WHITFILL JENNINGS

Allen Hayes.

The family would like to The family would wel-



Charles Whitfill, age 93, of Silverton passed away on Wednesday, November 25, 2020.

A private graveside service will take place at the Silverton Cemetery.

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

Charles Whitfill was born on February 3, 1927 in Lockney to Ed and Eva (Weathers) Whitfill. He was an amateur ham radio operator.

Charles was in the Merchant Marines and United States Army. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Silverton.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Faye Whitfill, his two brothers and one sister.

Charles is survived by one son, Gary Whitfill and wife, Melinda of Lubbock, one daughter, Mary Lane Younger and husband, Aaron of Silverton, three grandchildren, Rhett Montague, Cody Whitfill and wife, Melinda, and Leah Whitfill and two great-grandchildren, Creed and Olivia Whitfill.

Online condolences may be made at www.moorerose.com

Trust and Believe

Luke 17:5-6

The apostles said the Lord, "Give us more faith!" The Lord said, "if your faith is as big as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, Dig yourself up and plant yourself in the ocean!' And the tree will obey you.".

Encouraging Word

How big is your faith? Simple question to ask but yet the answer will determine how much of a blessing and miracles God will bring before you. You see, our faith moves the heart of God. It's not the size of our miracle we need but rather the size of our God we serve. It's not more faith that we need in our lives. We need more obedience and trust in God to do the impossible. A mustard seed is so small so God only needs a small amount of faith to do the impossible possible. Our obedience and trust in God and believing that He will do according to His word is what will bring forth the miracles of God. Your faith will continue to increase the more you trust and believe God.

-Armando Morales



CHURCH DIRECTORY

Power in Weakness

[The Lord] said to [Paul], "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." - 2 Corinthians 12:9 (NIV)

There's an old spiritual that begins: "I don't feel no ways tired." The song

dependent on God. Paul confirms this in our scripture for today: "The Lord said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.""



goes on to say that even though the road is not easy, God has been with us until now and will not abandon us.

I wish I could say that the words to this song ring true for me all the time, but the truth is sometimes I do get tired along my Christian journey. In fact, I admit that at times I have felt that God did leave me. But when reality sets in, I realize that it's me - operating on my own strength, my own agenda, and my flawed humanness — who has left God.

In truth, it is when I am tired and feeling alone that I should be most

Aiken Baptist Church Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m.

Bible Baptist Church 810 S. 3rd, Floydada Darwin Robinson, Pastor 983-2578 Sunday School....10 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. ****

Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship Floydada

Armando Morales, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Bible Study - 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening - 7 p.m.

Carr's Chapel Service Every Sunday

Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****

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

City Park Church of Christ Bob DuPont, Minister Floydada Sunday Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7 p.m.

**** **First Baptist Church** Floydada Mark Snowden, Pastor Nathan Adams, Minister of Students and Discipleship Ashley Adams, Minister of Music Ludustia Prisk, Director of Children's Ministry

Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

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 Pastor E. C. Ice, III Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church

**** **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. *****

Worship Service - 10:30 a.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

In those moments when I'm feeling defeated, I can find peace in the presence of God. My weariness never lasts because God, at the right time, steps in to surround me with love - love that will never let me go. Then I know that God didn't bring me this far to leave me.

-Kathy Gaillard (Wisconsin, USA)

TODAY'S PRAYER

O Lord, when we grow weary, give us strength to continue, knowing your love and power will sustain us. Amen.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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AGRICULTURE

Floyd County 4-H Spotlight

By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

Carter Duniven is a second year Floyd County 4-H member who is in the 4th grade at Lockney Elementary school. His favorite classes are Science, Math and English. "Yes, I really do love all three subjects," Duniven said.

Once he graduates from high school, Duniven plans to attend college at Texas Tech, Oklahoma State University or WTA-MU. "I haven't decided which college, but I am interested in architecture or engineering," he said.

Duniven takes part in the 4-H rifle project and stock shows. In his spare time, he loves to play football, basketball, and baseball. He plays the piano and takes percussion lessons. Duniven enjoys participating in UIL spelling, music memory and chess. He is a member at the First United Methodist Church in Lockney.

"4-H has taught me how to care for and be responsible for my animals. I feed them, walk and bath them. They like to be brushed, and I



Carter Duniven (The Hesperian-Beacon/Teresa Bigham)

am learning how to keep a financial log of all the expenses for my swine project," said Duniven. "4-H has also taught me how important showmanship and work ethic are, but what I really love most about 4-H would have to be the friendships I have made."

Duniven is the son of Tyler and Brittany Duniven of Lockney.

High Plains Ag Conference set for Dec. 4

By Susan Himes Texas A&M AgriLife **Extension Service**

LUBBOCK - The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will hold the annual High Plains Ag Conference online this year. The event will run from 9-noon on Dec. 4 on the Zoom meeting platform.

The cost is \$15, and the registration deadline is Dec. 2. Once the registration is processed, participants will receive an email with a link to the meeting. There will be three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units available - one laws and regulations, and two

general.

Checks should be made out to "LLC" and mailed to Lubbock County Extension, PO Box 10536, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Include your phone number and email. For CEUs, please include the pesticide applicator license number and the name on the CEU certificate.

"We started this conference in 2007, so it has now been going for 13 years," said Robert Scott, AgriLife Extension agent for Lubbock County. "I just didn't want our producers to miss out on the opportunity this year, so we will be holding it online due to COVID-19."

Topics and speakers include:

· Cover Crops, Crop Rotations and Nutrient Management - Katie Lewis, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension soil chemistry and fertility specialist, Lubbock.

· Managing Forage Sorghum to Optimize Silage Quality - Jourdan Bell, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo.

· Pesticide Laws and Regulations - Scott Handley, agriculture consumer protection instructor, Texas Department of Agriculture, Lubbock.

For more information, contact Scott at 806-775-1740 or rj-scott@tamu.edu.

First National

Three agencies join forces to provide plant experts each quarter

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AMARILLO - It's a virtual rangeland "plant party," and all are welcome to attend, beginning Dec. tips by Ricky Linex, US-16.

Free quarterly rangeland plant webinars will be hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS).

The three agencies will provide experts on various from 10:30 a.m. to noon at each meeting. The first session on Dec. 16 will focus on brush. Participants must register at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/27X-CXN5 and will be sent the link to join the webinar the day before. Door

prizes will be available for attendees. Scheduled talks on Dec.

16 will include: • Brush identification DA-NRCS wildlife biologist, Weatherford.

• Endemic or rare plant species by Jason Singhurst, TPWD botanist/plant ecologist, Austin.

• Brush sprouting mechanisms by Bob Lyons, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension rangeland specialist, Uvalde.

• Restoring brush diversity by Jimmy Rutledge, co-author of "A Field 15-minute presentations Texas Shrubs" and former (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by TPWD technical guidance biologist, Carrizo professionals, landowners, we, as three partnered Springs.



focused topics in short, Guide to Common South The first rangeland "plant party" will focus on brush.



the new Invora herbicide 4-H youth and the general by Megan Clayton, Ph.D., public are invited to join AgriLife Extension range in, Clayton said. specialist, Corpus Christi. ture and natural resource tember was such a hit that

Texas Master Naturalists, · Managing brush with Texas Master Gardeners,

"Our Texas Grass Gath-Anyone from agricul- ering held this past Sep-

agencies, decided to keep the fun going," she said.

For more information, email Megan.Clayton@ ag.tamu.edu, Tim.Siegmund@tpwd.texas.gov Charles.Kneuper@ or usda.gov.





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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS - Combined Notice

> 12/2/2020 City of Lockney PO Box 387 Lockney, Texas 79241 (806) 652-2355

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Lockney.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 2, 2020 the City of Lockney will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of CDBG Funds under Section 104 (f) of the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as CDBG #7219239 for Water/Sewer Improvements. The project shall consist of demolishing and replacing the existing lift station to comply with TCEQ regulations. Contractor shall construct one (1) wet well, one (1) valve vault, one (1) intruder resistant fence and install two (2) lift station pumps, SCADA controls, electrical controls, one (1) permanently fixed generator, and all associated appurtenances, to include Administrative and Engineering fees and services. If funds allow, the permanently fixed generator will be included in the project. Funding amount of \$275,000.00 is from the Texas Community Development Block Grant funds and \$41,250 in local match funds from the City of Lockney.

Construction shall take place approximately 20 feet from the current lift station located on W. Locust Street midway between SW 7th Street and SW 8th Street.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Lockney has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to City of Lockney, 218 E Locust, Lockney, Texas 79241 or by email to buster@cityoflockney.com weekdays from 8a-5p.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Lockney. All comments received by Friday, December 18, 2020 will be considered by the City of Lockney prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing. Objections must be prepared and submitted via email. in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to City of Lockney, City Manager, at <u>buster@cityoflockney.com</u>. Potential objectors should contact City of Lockney via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Lockney certifies to Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) that Michael DeLeon in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. TDA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Lockney to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Lockney certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Lockney; (b) the City of Lockney has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by TDA; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Texas Department of Agriculture, Environmental Review Specialist, via email at Pamela.Wozniak@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact TDA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

PUBLIC NOTICE

AVISO DE ENCONTRAR NINGÚN IMPACTO SIGNFIANTE Y AVISO DE INTENCIÓN DE SOLICITAR LA RENUNCIA DE FONDOS - Aviso combinado

> 12/2/2020 Ciudad de Lockney PO Box 387 Lockney (806)652-2355

Estos avisos cumplirán dos requisitos de procedimiento separado pero conexo para las actividades que llevará a cabo la ciudad de Lockney

SOLICITUD DE LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

El 2 de diciembre de 2020 o alrededor de esa fecha, la Ciudad de Lockney presentará una solicitud al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas para la liberación de Fondos CDBG bajo la Sección 104 (f) del Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974, según enmendada, para emprender un proyecto conocido como CDBG # 7219239 para Mejoras de Agua / Alcantarillado. El proyecto consistirá en demoler y reemplazar la estación de bombeo existente para cumplir con las regulaciones de la TCEQ. El contratista construirá un (1) pozo húmedo, una (1) bóveda de válvulas, una (1) cerca resistente a intrusos e instalará dos (2) bombas de estación de bombeo, controles SCADA, controles eléctricos, un (1) generador fijo permanentemente y todos accesorios asociados, que incluyen honorarios y servicios administrativos y de ingeniería. Si los fondos lo permiten, el generador fijo permanente se incluirá en el proyecto. La cantidad de fondos de \$ 275,000.00 proviene de los fondos de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario de Texas y \$ 41,250 en fondos de contrapartida local de la Ciudad de Lockney.

La construcción se llevará a cabo aproximadamente a 20 pies de la estación de bombeo actual ubicada en W. Locust Street a medio camino entre SW 7th Street y SW 8th Street.

ENCONTRAR NINGÚN IMPACTO SIGNIFICATIVO

La ciudad de Lockney ha determinado que el proyecto no tendrá un impacto significativo en el medio ambiente humano. Por lo tanto, no se requiere una Declaración de Impacto Ambiental bajo la Ley nacional de Política Ambiental de 1969 (NEPA). La información adicional del proyecto está contenida en el Registro de Revisión Ambiental (ERR). El ERR se pondrá a disposición del público para su revisión, ya sea electrónicamente o por correo postal de los Estados Unidos. Envíe su solicitud por correo electrónico a City of Lockney, 218 E Locust, Lockney, Texas 79241 o por correo electrónico a buster@cityoflockney.com de lunes a viernes de 8 a.m. a 5 p.m.

COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS

Cualquier individuo, grupo o agencia puede enviar comentarios por escrito sobre el ERR a la ciudad de Lockney. Todos los comentarios recibidos hasta el lunes 18 de diciembre de 2020 serán considerados por la Ciudad de Lockney antes de autorizar la presentación de una solicitud de liberación de fondos. Los comentarios deben especificar a qué aviso están dirigiendo. Las objeciones deben ser preparadas y enviadas por correo electrónico de acuerdo con los procedimientos requeridos (24 CFR Parte 58, Sec. 58.76) y se dirigirán a La Ciudad de Lockney, Gerente de la Ciudad, en buster@cityoflockney.com. Los posibles objetores deben ponerse en contacto con la ciudad de Lockney por correo electrónico para verificar el último día real del período de objeción.

CERTIFICACIÓN AMBIENTAL

La ciudad de Lockney certifica a TDA que Michael DeLeon en su calidad de alcalde consiente en aceptar la jurisdicción de los tribunales federales si se lleva a cabo una acción para hacer cumplir las responsabilidades en relación con el proceso de revisión ambiental y que estas responsabilidades han sido satisfechas. La aprobación de TDA de la certificación satisface sus responsabilidades bajo NEPA y las leyes y autoridades relacionadas y permite a la ciudad de Lockney utilizar los fondos del Programa.

OBJECIONES A LA LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

El Departamento de Agricultura de Texas (TDA) aceptará objeciones a su liberación del fondo y a la certificación de la Ciudad de Lockney por un período de quince días después de la fecha de presentación anticipada o su recepción efectiva de la solicitud (lo que sea más tarde) sólo si se encuentran en una de las siguientes bases: (a) la certificación no fue ejecutada por el Oficial Certificador de la Ciudad de Lockney; (b) la ciudad de Lockney ha omitido un paso o no ha tomado una decisión o hallazgo requerido por las regulaciones de HUD en 24 CFR parte 58; (c) el receptor de la subvención u otros participantes en el n comprometido fondos, incurridos en costos o emprendido actividades no oceso de desari autorizadas por 24 CFR Parte 58 antes de la aprobación de una liberación de fondos por TDA; o (d) otra agencia federal que actúe de conformidad con 40 CFR Parte 1504 ha presentado una constatación escrita de que el proyecto es insatisfactorio desde el punto de vista de la calidad ambiental. Las objeciones deben ser preparadas y presentadas de acuerdo con los procedimientos requeridos (24 CFR Parte 58, Sec. 58.76) y se dirigirán al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas, Especialista en Revisión Ambiental, por correo electrónico en Pamela.Wozniak@TexasAgriculture.gov. Los posibles objetores deben ponerse en contacto con TDA para verificar el último día real del período de objeción.

Michael DeLeon, Mayor City of Lockney

Michael DeLeon, alcalde de la Ciudad de Lockney

PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of W. DALE GOEN, Deceased, were issued on <u>Nuvernher</u> <u>18</u> 2020 in Docket Number 6142, pending in the COUNTY COURT, FLOYD COUNTY, TEXAS to GREGORY POLK GOEN, Independent Executor. The address of record for GREGORY POLK GOEN is 519 W. CALIFORNIA, FLOYDADA, TEXAS 79235. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED on this 18 day of NOVEMBER, 2020. Tregory GREGORY POLK GOEN, INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR c/o KAREN HOUCHIN, ATTORNEY FOR ESTATE 124 W. CALIFORNIA, P. O. BOX 421 FLOYDADA, TEXAS 79235 Phone: 806-983-5556 Fax: 806-983-8022

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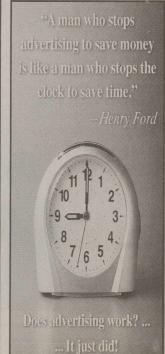
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Lockney Longhorns

Floyd Co. 4-H members had success at the Texas Tech Livestock Show

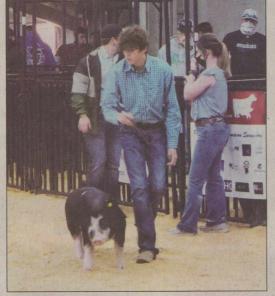
N FAMILY

By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

LUBBOCK - Floyd County 4-H members had a great weekend at the Texas Tech Fearless Champion Livestock Show that was held at the South Plains Fairgrounds on Nov. 20-22.

Malaki Alvis, Bo Alvis, Adaliyah Jones, Davis Duniven, Adrian Jimenez, Brinley Lefevre, Hagen Lefevre and Thalia Ascencio all showed their swine projects.

In the heifer division, Avery McInvale, Brailey Kidd, Aaren Rexrode, Audrey Rexrode and Hartlee Battey all did a great job showing their projects.



Malaki Alvis (courtesy photos)





Adaliyah Jones



Davis Duniven

Adrian Jimenez





Audrey Rexrode





Brinley Lefevre





Avery McInvale

Hagen Lefevre

LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU Dec. 7 – Dec. 11

Monday Breakfast – Waffles, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch – Steak patty or meatloaf, mashed potatoes, okra, roll, strawberries, milk

Tuesday Breakfast - Sausage biscuit or PBJ, fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch – Enchiladas or tacos, salsa, cucumbers, beans, applesauce, milk

Wednesday Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch – Chicken tenders, roll, gravy, broccoli, sweet potato fries, fruit, cookie, milk

Thursday Breakfast - Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk Lunch – Chicken spaghetti or pizza, garden salad, carrots, milk

Friday Breakfast – Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy, or cereal, toast, juice, fruit, milk Lunch - Fish sticks or BBQ, coleslaw, green beans, oranges, cookie, milk

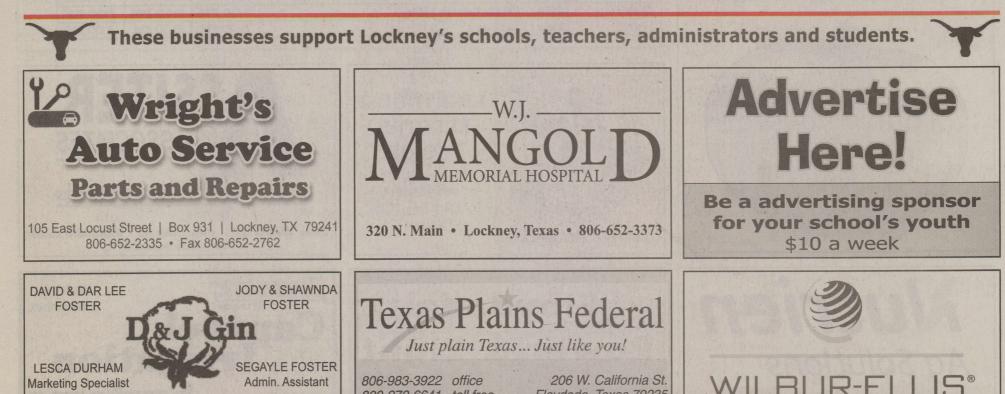
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Floydada Whirlwinds

Fifth grade students read 'Tom the Turkey'

By Kalissia Hinson The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Jordan Beedy's fifth grade class at Duncan Elementary read 'Tom the Turkey.' The students then had a contest to see who could disguise their turkey to keep it from getting eaten at Thanksgiving.

Each child took a paper turkey home, dressed them up and brought them back to the class. Mia Casares won the contest with her turkey dressed as Elvis.

































(Courtesy photos)

DATE		OPPONENT	JVG	JVB	VG	VB
Oct 31	Sat	at Roosevelt Scrimmage (Girls)	10:00 AM		10:00 AM	
Nov 7	Sat	at Whitharral (Girls)		A STATE OF STATE	11:00 AM	
Nov 10	Tue	Crosbyton (Girls)	4:00 PM		5:15 PM	1 manifester
Nov 13	Fri	at Olton	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:30 PM	8:00 PM
Nov 17	Túe	at Lorenzo	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	8:00 PM
Nov 20	Fri	Anton	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Nov 24	Tue	at Hermleigh (Girls)			3:00 PM	
Nov 24		at Idalou (Boys)		TBA		TBA
Dec 1	Tue	Lubbock Roosevelt	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Dec 4	Fri	at Sundown	5:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Dec 5	Sat	at Highland Park (Girls)			2:00 PM	
Dec 5	Sat	at Slaton (Boys)	NICTOR STATES	3:00 PM	4:30 PM	
Dec 8	Tue	Littlefield	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Dec 11	Fri	Tulia	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Dec 12	Sat	Aspermont (Girls)	1:00 PM		2:15 PM	
Dec 12	Sat	(Boys) TBA			the state of a	raman St.
Dec 14	Mon	at Sudan	7:30 PM	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:30 PM
Dec 18	Fri	at Plainview Christian (Girls)			6:00 PM	NOR BUILDING
Dec 21	Mon	Post	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Dec 30	Wed	· Sands (Girls)			1:00 PM	
Jan 5	Tue	at Ropes (Girls)	4:00 FM		6:15 PM	
Jan 6	Tue	• at Tahoka (Boys)		TBA		TBA
Jan 8	· Fri	Lockney (Girls)	5:00 PM		6:15 PM	
Jan 8	Fri	(Boys)		The second second		
Jan 12	Tue	at New Deal	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Jan 15	Fri	Hale Center	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Jan 19	Tue	at Ralls	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Jan 22	Fri	OPEN				
Jan 26	Tue	at Lockney	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Jan 29	Fri	New Deal	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Feb 2	Tue	at Hale Center	5:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Feb 5	Fri	Ralls	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:15 PM	7:45 PM
Feb 9	Tue	OPEN	All Stational			
Feb 12	Fri	Lockney (Boys)		5:00 PM		6:15 PM

Floydada CISD yearbooks for sale

By Kalissia Hinson

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Floydada Collegiate ISD has yearbooks from past years for sale to the public.

Each yearbook from 1980-2017 is \$5.00 each. Not all years are available. Available years are: 1980, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2016.

Also for sale: 2018 for \$20 each, 2019 for \$30 each and 2020 for \$40 each.

You can preorder 2021 for \$50 by emailing khinson@floydadaisd.esc17.net.



Floydada Junior High 2020-2021 Basketball Schedule			7th A	8th A	B Team
Nov 16	Mon	Ropes (Here)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	
Dec 3	Thur	at Lockney	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	
Dec 7	Mon	New Deal (Here)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Dec 14	Mon	at Hale Center	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Jan 7	Thur	Ralls (Here)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Jan 11	Mon	at Ropes .	6:00 PM	6:00 PM	
Jan 21	Thur	Lockney (Here)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	
Jan 25	Mon	at New Deal	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Feb 1	Mon	Hale Center (Here)	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Feb 8	Mon	at Ralls	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM



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Floyd County 4-H October photo contest winners are announced

By Teresa Bigham The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - Every month Floyd County Texas AgriLife Ag agent, Cristen Brooks holds a photography class as a 4-H project. This project has become one of the 4-H members favorite projects. Every month the 4-H members can take part in the

monthly photo contest, and every month has a different theme. The photos are judged by an outside Texas AgriLife agent.

This 4-H project is designed to help students explore the world of photography. From learning about camera equipment to creating great images and sharing lessons learned with others, students are bound to love photography.

October's theme was "Fall." The 1st place photo was taken by Teagan Rogers, 2nd place photo was taken by Scout Rogers and 3rd place was taken by Hannah Kasner.

For more information on this Floyd County 4-H project call Cristen Brooks at the Texas AgriLife Extension Office at 806-983-4912.



1st place photo taken by Teagan Rogers. (Courtesy photo)



2nd place photo taken by Scout Rogers. (Courtesy photo)

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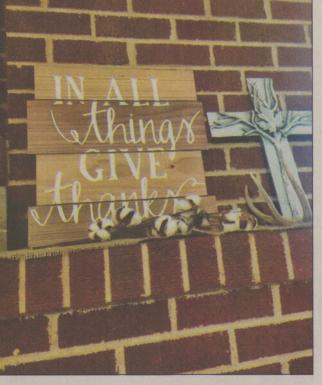
Santa Letters

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYD COUNTY - The Floydada County Hesperian-Beacon is accepting letters to Santa Claus that will be in the Christmas issue dated Dec. 23. The deadline is Tuesday, Dec. 8.

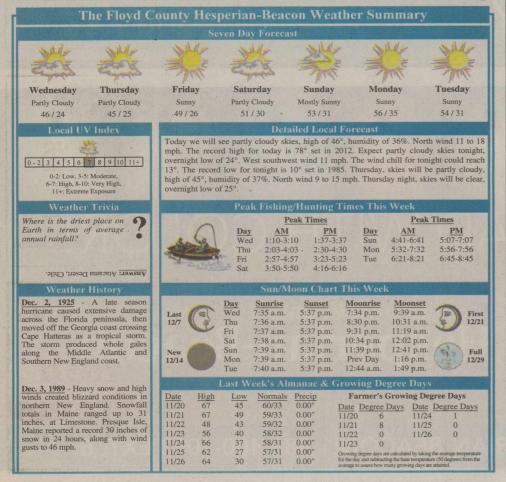
Children are invited to submit their wish lists to Santa and drop them by the Hesperian-Beacon office located at 201W. Missouri, Floydada. The drop box is located outside the building on the edge of the square glass pane window.

When submitting letters, please make sure that your child clearly prints their names on the letter. Students at Duncan Elementary School in Floydada and Lockney Elementary School will be writing letters to Santa in the classroom. The staff at the Hesperian-Beacon will pick those up to make sure they get submitted to Santa.



3rd place photo taken by Hannah Kasner. (Courtesy photo)

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Center Holiday Happenings Discovery

By Sarah Silva Marketing Specialist

AMARILLO - The Don Harrington Discovery Center is revamping their holiday offerings this year in order to give families opportunities to make memories and to do it safely.

New Holiday Hours

The Don Harrington Discovery Center will expand its hours back to normal hours for the holiday season. DHDC has been operating with temporary hours since they were able to reopen in June. Starting Tuesday November 17th through the end of the year hours will be Monday-Saturday 9:30am-4:30pm, and Sunday Noon-4:30pm. The Discovery Center is requiring masks or shields for ALL guests, school age and up. Updated Face Mask Policy Effective 11/19/20: Face coverings are required for guests age 10 and up. Face shields are

required for medical mask exempt guests. Masks and face shields are available for purchase at the front desk for \$1. Entry to DHDC will be granted only to those wearing a face mask or face shield. All other safety protocols are still in place and can be found here at dhdc.org.

Membership Special

If you're having a hard time finding the perfect gift for that special friend or family member the DHDC has your solution. The DHDC is offering a BOGO 50% off Family or Family Plus membership SALE! With this Buy One GIVE One special, you can renew your own membership for a year AND give one membership for those special families on your list, OR just give 2 as a gift! This membership sale is good from Black Friday, November 27th, through December 31st. Give the gift of science this holiday season!

Discounted memberships are available in person at the Discovery Center or by calling (806) 355-9547. Must purchase 2 of the same level membership for discount (Family or Family Plus). Not valid on previous purchases. Are you or someone

you know the BIGGEST DHDC lover? We are also offering 25% off the Lifetime Memberships from November 27th-December 31st.

Visit DHDC.org to learn more about Black Friday and the Membership Special.

Santa's Jolly Jamboree

Families are invited to a special holiday event with timed admission on Saturday, December 5th from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm Enjoy a jolly good time at Santa's Jolly Jamboree filled with cheerful activities and delightful crafts in Santa's workshop to celebrate the holiday season! Santa will be here too, for families to get a picture with the big guy! Professional photos will be printed on site to take ly Jamboree is \$5 per person home with you. Due to current regulations, Santa's Jolly Jamboree admission will be sold in 1.5 hour time slots. You can choose the time that works best for your family, but don't wait because capacity at each time is limited. A link is available at dhdc.org to purchase your admission and printed photos with Santa in the time slots of 9:00 - 10:30, 10:30 - Noon, and Noon - 1:30. Online sales will end at 2:00 an event sells out.

Admission to Santa's Jol-

for members and \$8 per person for non-members. Each child and adult in your party will need to purchase admission for entrance; 2 and under Free. All crafts and activities are included in admission price, with the exception of Santa Photos. Santa photos are \$10 per printed photo. For the safety of our guests, only those with photo tickets will be allowed to visit Santa.

Santa's Jolly Jamboree is a pm, December 4th or when community event at the Discovery Center and proceeds help the DHDC continue

their mission and vision to spark curiosity, inspire lifelong learning and bring families and communities closer together while exploring the wonders of science. Generous donations from Happy State Bank, and support by KAMR Local 4 News and Fox 14 have made it possible to hold this very merry event.

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