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## Aaron Chavarria is State Champion in Powerlifting

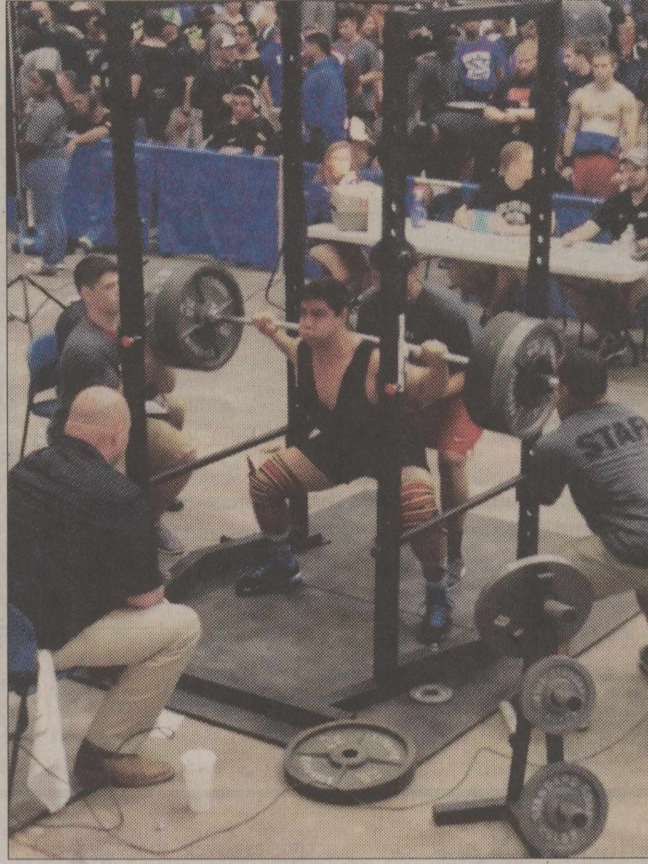
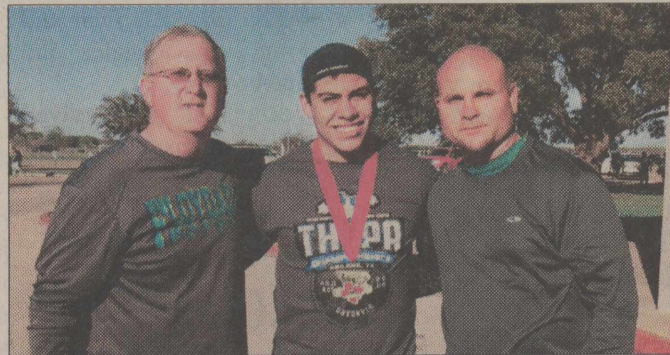
By Nick Long

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

ABILENE- To win something equivalent to a State Championship in any kind of competition a person needs to be prepared; have tremendous desire to succeed; confidence in your ability; fight thru adversity by not quitting; and sometimes have some luck. Aaron Chavarria of Floydada will probably admit he experienced all of this during in high school career of athletics that finally resulted in a very gratifying Texas High School Powerlifting State Championship on Saturday, March 28 at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, Texas. He claimed a Gold Medal in the 220-pound class of Division 3 that is made of athletes from the 3A, 2A and 1A classes of the UIL.

Aaron's dedication of spending countless hours in the weight room throughout in his four years at Floydada High School paid off.

His journey could war-



Courtesy photo

rant the making of movie or a story for a book of motivation. Aaron's experiences were not easy. His sophomore season he missed a trip to State when he ran out of gas in the final event at the

Region meet due to staying up too late the night before and not eating healthy. Aaron made no excuses, but rather admitted his training needed more improvement. In his junior year he quali-

fied for State and earned a respectable 5th Place medal and gained some valuable experience of competing on the big stage. Then came another low point at the start his Senior year when he suffered

an elbow injury that jeopardized half of his last football season, plus it was fearful the injury would affect his powerlifting competition in the spring. But Aaron did not See **POWERLIFTING** Page 8

Hope you have a happy Easter



### 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 fchb.editor@yahoo.com.

#### EASTER EGG HUNT

On Sunday, April 5 at 1 p.m. there will be the First Annual Eggs and Flight Festival at Floydada High School Park. Activities start at 1 p.m. with Easter egg hunt and then kite flying to follow. For any questions, please call Angie Gonzales at City Hall at 983-2834. For more info on age brackets see article on this week's front page of the Hesperian-Beacon.

#### MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH REVIVAL

Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Floydada will have their Spring Revival on Wed., April 8, Thurs., April 9 and Fri., April 10 at 7 p.m. nightly. For more info see their ad in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

#### PRE-SEASON COTTON MEETING

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Floyd County would like to invite you to a Pre-Season Cotton Meeting on Wednesday, April 15th at 12 noon at the Covey Smokehouse. Cost will be \$10 to attend and that includes your meal. Please RSVP to the County Extension Office at (806) 983-4912 by April 14th.

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## Jones, Morris Named Citizens of the Year at Lockney Chamber Banquet

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - It was a blast from the past as the Lockney Chamber of Commerce held their annual banquet celebrating the accomplishments from 2014 of the citizens, organizations and Chamber in the "Nifty Fifties" themed celebration.

Glenda Jones and D'Lyn Morris were named co-Citizens of the Year for 2014 at the banquet on Saturday, March 28, as presented by Phil Cotham, 2013 recipient.

Boyd Jackson presented the Fireman of the Year. Donnie McLaughlin and Rodney Hunt were named co-Firemen of the Year.

Archie Jones presented the Outstanding Organization of the Year to the Rotary Club of Lockney. Members present included Paul Schacht, Jim Martin, Phil Cotham, Claude Brown, Elsa and Jerry Cooper.

The evening began with the presentation of the colors by Boy Scout Troop 259 and the singing of the National Anthem by Gloria Torrez and Joe Smith. Archie Jones, president of the Chamber See **BANQUET** Page 2

### Chamber Banquet Citizens of the Year



Charles Keaton/Hesperian-Beacon

D'Lyn Morris (left) and Glenda Jones (left) were named co-Citizens of the Year at the annual Lockney Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Phil Cotham, 2013 recipient, presented the award.

### Chamber Banquet Firemen of the Year



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Rodney Hunt (left) and Donnie McLaughlin were named as co-Firemen of the Year at the annual Lockney Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

## First Annual Eggs and Flight Festival Set for Sunday, April 5 at Floydada High School Park



On Sunday, April 5 at 1 p.m. there will be the First Annual Eggs and Flight Festival at Floydada High School Park.

This event is designed to provide fun for the whole family.

Activities start at 1 p.m. with an Easter Egg Hunt for the following age groups: Babies to Age 4; Kindergar-

ten through First Grade; and Second and Third graders.

Kite flying is open to kindergarten through Sixth graders, and kites will be provided.

Non-profit vendors will be set up all afternoon.

For any questions, please call Angie Gonzales at City Hall at 983-2834.

## Groundbreaking for new pool held April 1

The groundbreaking for the new Floydada city pool was held Wednesday, April 1 at 1:30 p.m., right to the north of the new playground.

According to city manager Jeff Johnston, the mayor will be on hand with a gold shovel, and the city will also have 12 green shovels—one

for every grade of Floydada school students.

The groundbreaking for the new pool culminates two years of work by Floydada citizens, elected officials, and staff—including the passage of a bond election—to bring the best recreational facilities possible to the city's youth.

### Correction

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

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## Deaths

### Sammy (Sam) Lynn Page

Sammy (Sam) Lynn Page, 50, of Lubbock, Texas passed away on Friday, March 20, 2015 at his residence.

The family gathered together at Lake Ridge Chapel on Thursday, March 26, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. to celebrate his life.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2015 at the Lake Ridge Chapel in Lubbock with the Reverend Mitch Wilson officiating.

Burial was held at the Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers in Lubbock.

Sam was born on April 3, 1964 in Lubbock, Texas to Charles and Marie Page. He attended Roosevelt schools.

He married Linda Simmons on January 31, 1994 in Lubbock.

He was a truck driver for many years. He was previously employed by Groendyke Transport.

Sam's passion was truck driving and collecting guns.

He was preceded in death



SAMMY (SAM)  
LYNN PAGE

by his father, Charles Page and his grandparents.

He is survived by his wife, Linda, of the home; his mother, Marie Page of Sand Springs, Oklahoma; his brother, Charles Page and wife, Becki of Sand Springs, Oklahoma; his four sisters, Sharon Hybert and husband, Mike of Sand Springs, Oklahoma, Wanda Cate and husband, John of Shallowater, Charlet Huelsenbeck and husband, Jonas of Sand Springs, Oklahoma and Cindy Noe and husband, Jeff of Sand Springs,

Oklahoma; two half-sisters, Beverly Depue, and Barbara Barber and two half-brothers, Charlie Stepp and Clayton Stepp, all of Colorado.

He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Joyce Adkins of Lubbock; his sister-in-law, Barbara Anderson and her husband, Mike of Floydada; his brother-in-law, Ray Lemon of Lubbock and numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, aunts and uncles.

Sam also leaves behind his buddies, Sooner and Sheeba. Pallbearers were Mike Anderson, Juston Andress, Paul Henderson, Franklin Spann, David Wilson, Garland Peterson, Jr., C.J. Peterson, Tony Ramirez. Honorary pallbearer was Matt Page.

Memorials may be made to the Heart Association, the South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, 3308 95th Street, Lubbock, TX. 79423 or a charity of your choice.

Online condolences may be made at [www.memorialdesigners.net](http://www.memorialdesigners.net)

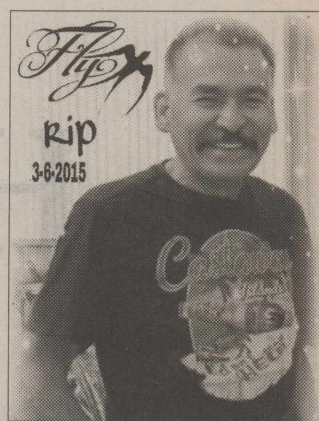
### Reynaldo Gonzales

Reynaldo Gonzales, age 70, of Lockney passed away on Friday, March 6, 2015. Cremation services were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Lockney.

Reynaldo was born October 6, 1944 to Juan and Francisca (Guerra) Gonzales in Kingsville, Texas. Reynaldo could build almost anything. He was very talented with his hands. He enjoyed being a mechanic.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Juan and Francisca Gonzales and one brother.

Reynaldo is survived by three sons, Ricky Gonzales, Ray Gonzales and



REYNALDO GONZALES

Ruben Gonzales; one daughter, Sylvia McCarter; eleven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, five brothers and two sisters.

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

### H.C. McElyea

H.C. McElyea, age 90, of Floydada, passed away, Sunday, March 22, 2015 in Lubbock.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Friday, March 27, 2015 at the

Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada with Pastor Henry Russell officiating.

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

## BANQUET

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welcomed all the guest before Michael Summers, interim pastor at the First Baptist Church, offered the invocation.

The Lockney High School Student Council and National Honor Society served the 50s themed meal of hamburgers, fries, soft drinks and banana splits. The meal was provided by Atmos Energy, Walmart, Taste Burger and Lockney Coop. The Jimenez Brothers and the Lockney Elementary Cafeteria personnel prepared the meal.

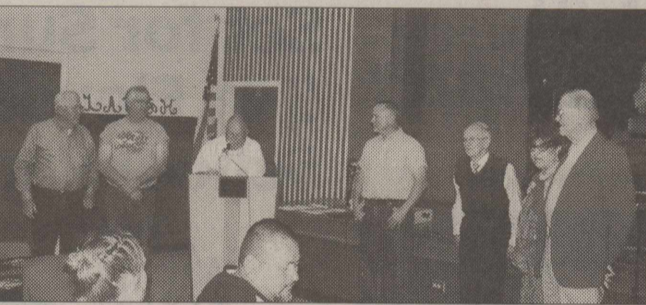
Kelly Dunbar provided an update of activities Chamber

activities over the last year. Throughout the evening, Dan Shaeffer and Archie Jones awarded numerous door prizes to attendees. Door prizes were donated by the local businesses of Lockney. Smith offered the benediction before the entertainment.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by Route 66 West from Lubbock. They featured many 50s era songs including a mix of traditional

country and Rock 'n' Roll songs. Songs from Buddy Holly, Roy Orbison, Patsy Cline and Bob Wills were just a few of the songs presented.

Sheryl and Rodney Rigby and the staff of Hospice Hands of West Texas decorated the cafeteria. Carolyn Hardy provided the mannequins and June McGaugh provide the records that were on display.



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Lockney Rotary Club was named the Outstanding Organization of the Year at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet. Representing the Rotary Club were (left to right) Paul Schacht and Jim Martin. Archie Jones presented the award for the Chamber. Other members present included (left to right) Phil Cotham, Claude Brown and Elsa and Jerry Cooper



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Performing hits of the 50s including country/western/swing and rock 'n' roll, was the Lubbock-based, band Route 66 West. Some of the songs performed include songs from artist such as Roy Orbison, Patsy Cline, Bob Wills and Buddy Holly, among many others.

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong

Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Remember exercise with Dorothy is Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:45- 9:15 a.m. Coffee time is Monday - Saturday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Thursday Pot luck is at 5 p.m. Bring a dish and enjoy games afterwards.

Family Night Fish Fry is Friday nights from 5-8 p.m. It's all you can eat. Come let us do the dishes!

### MENU

April 6 - April 10

Monday - BBQ on bun

Tuesday - Enchiladas

Wednesday - Chicken fried steak

Thursday - Club sandwich & vegetable soup

Friday - Meatloaf

(Menus subject to change with notice)

## Guest Opinion

By Robert Romano

### The real slack in the U.S. economy

"You're a slacker!"

That is Heritage Foundation economist Stephen Moore's apparent take on young people failing to enter the workforce — reminiscent of the depiction of Principal Strickland in Back to the Future — writing an op-ed in The Washington Times, "Young Americans opting out of workforce."

In it, Moore points to declining labor participation by young people at the same time job openings are plentiful. The question is why?

"The labor-force participation rate is falling fastest among workers under 30," Moore writes, noting "negative attitudes toward blue-collar work," and young people graduating college without "basic" and "useful" skills.

There are plenty of jobs for "skilled and reliable mechanics, welders, engineers, electricians, plumbers, computer technicians and nurses," says Moore, but young people are not taking those jobs. Apparently, because they don't want to.

What Moore does not tell you is that the employment-population ratio for those aged 25 to 34 is as high as it was in 1986, at 76.8 percent. It peaked in 2000 at close to 82 percent and again in 2007 near 80 percent before it slumped in the Great Recession. After bottoming at 73.7 percent in December 2009 — slackers! — it has rebounded to its current level.

So, did 25 to 34 year olds become less ambitious right at the same time the worst recession since the Great Depression occurred?

No, because this followed the same trend as 35 to 44 year olds and 45 to 54 year olds. More slackers, apparently. On the margins, 25 to 34 year olds were no less likely to participate in the workforce as their older counterparts. Meaning, whatever the problem is, it is not unique to younger Americans.

Most of the drop off in young people with jobs actually occurred in the 16 to 24 year old demographic, from about a 54 percent employment-population ratio in 2007 to less than 45 percent by 2010. And not because they weren't signing up to be mechanics or electricians.

What Moore does not mention is that this is not at all unusual for young people in the periods that follow big recessions.

The employment-population ratios of 16 to 24 year olds took by far the biggest hits in the recessions of the early 1980's, 1991, 2001, and 2007 through 2009. The number of jobs in this age group tended to drop by about 6 percent on average for each recession, compared to about 3.5 percent for 35 to 44 year olds, and less than 2 percent for everyone else.

Why, it's almost as if during recessions, those youngest and with the least experience are the first people to be laid off.

Finally, Moore cites a high demand for blue-collar labor today, but fails to mention that demand for labor is up pretty much across the board, according to data compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey, which shows nearly 5 million job openings nationwide.

Moore also fails to note that the trend of job openings is cyclical. Previous peaks occurred in March 2007 at 4.66 million, and in January 2001 at 5.3 million.

All of which has nothing to do with a lack of ambition to work in blue collar jobs. If anything, the number of job openings today could be a flashing light warning of an overheating economy.

So, it might be fashionable to chide younger people for being lackadaisical — when is that not fashionable? — and yet it ignores some of the important indicators of what labor markets are really telling us right now.

Namely, that young people and everyone else have barely begun to recover from the last recession, and it looks like the whole thing is about to pop again.

Robert Romano is the senior editor of Americans for Limited Government.

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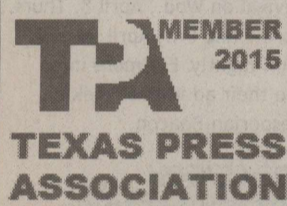
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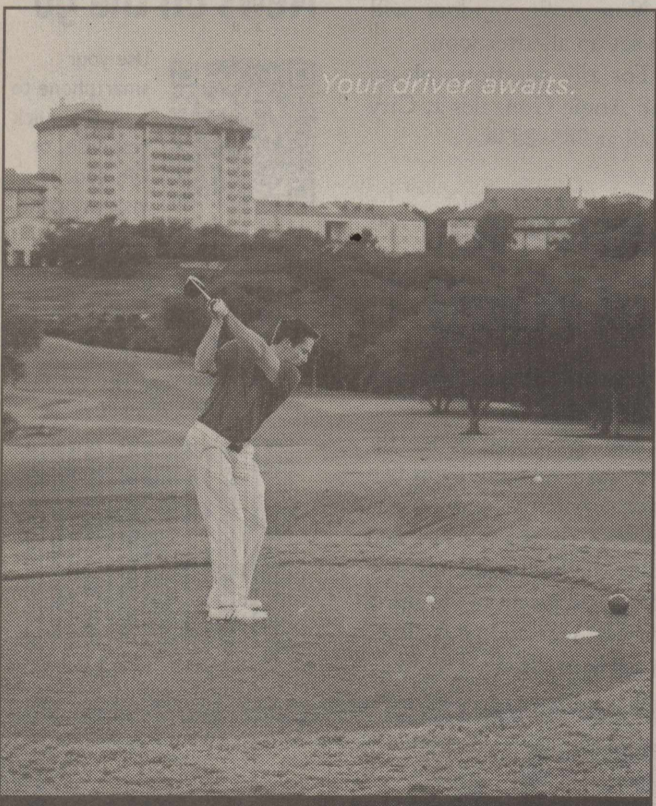
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### SHEPHERD'S MEADOW FUNDRAISER

Shepherd's Meadow Assisted Living Center will have a Tater Bake Sale on Friday, April 17th from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - \$7.00. Call 983-8177 to order by April 6th. For more info see their ad in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.

### FLOYD COUNTY FRIENDS ANNUAL GALA

Floyd County Friends "20th Annual Gala" is coming up on April 18th. Mark your calendars! You can purchase tickets from Nick Long at the State Farm office, Shawnda Foster at D & J Gin, or by calling Elaine LaBaume at 983-9153 or by contacting any of the board members. For more info, see the front page article in this week's Hesperian-Beacon.



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# SOCIETY

## Lowe's continues to donate to Floyd County Friends Gala

By Elaine LaBaume  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

The Floyd County Friends would like to recognize and thank Frank Muniz and Teddy Summers, both managers of a Lowe's Supermarket.

Frank is Lowe's manager in Lockney. He has been working for Lowe's in Lockney for 35 years. He started when he was in his 20's.

Teddy has been the manager of Lowe's in Floydada for 8 months. However, his story is unique. His dad is Johnny Summers, Area Manager. He travels from Tulia to Tuscola, south of Abilene and visits stores "in between" where there is a Lowe's.

Johnny began as a young boy in the grocery business in Floydada. He managed Lowe's in Floydada for several years before being promoted to Area Manager. In 1996 when Floyd County Friends had their first gala, some board members visited with Johnny about donating some groceries and he said "Lowe's will donate all the food except the steaks."

This marks the 20th year that Lowe's has done this. Floyd County Friends are

very grateful. Lowe's and so many other businesses and individuals donate each year to support the Unity Center. The Unity Center is a vital part of Floyd County.

Teddy was basically "raised in a grocery store" so becoming the manager in Floydada and working in the store prior to that means he is following in his dad's footsteps.



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## Duty, Honor, Country... tribute for fallen Veterans



Courtesy Photo

Members of the Honor Guard of American Legion Post 141 from Lockney are (front row, l-r) Jim Doucette, Ed Marks, Lee St. Dennis, Roy Ray, Gary Graham and Gary McCain; (back row, l-r) Melvin Vanlandingham, Jim Durham, Bill Hunter, Sam Moore, Cecil Jones and Greg Patridge.

By Jim Doucette  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Shown in the photograph are members of the Honor Guard of American Legion Post 141 from Lockney, Texas. Honors for fallen Veterans have been a tradition of the American Legion since inception. The current Honor Guard was started by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 5616, Floyd County, in 2008, members of both Posts participate in funeral services.

Tribute to a fallen veteran includes the insertion into a tri-folded American flag three spent cartridges representing duty, honor, country. Participation in the funeral service is requested by the family's funeral direc-

tor. The Honor Guard ranges in size from two Flag Folders and expands to include a Color Guard, Bugler, and Rifle Squad, as requested by the family.

Ed Marks, Commander of Post 141, explains that, "It is a blessing for us to honor deceased Veterans."

Vice Commander, Mike O'Connell added, "Our Post has sixty two members. When we have two funerals on the same day, we're present at both."

Funeral Director, Tanner Mills of the Lemons Funeral Home summed up the Honor Guard presentation as, "Awesome."

Dan Schaeffer of the Moore Rose White Funeral Home commented, "No matter what the weather is, the Honor Guard is there."

## Museum Archives

### Floyd County Historical Museum "Memories, 1979"

JOHN AND EMMA HODEL

Written by  
Mrs. Grady Burson

John Hodel, born in Bukswina, Austria, October 18, 1874, came to the United States with his parents at the age of sixteen. They landed at New Orleans, following a rough boat trip from their motherland, traveled to Galveston by ship, and journeyed to Coryell County by train.

Emma Engelbrecht was born November 1, 1876 in Brenham, Washington County, Texas. She exchanged wedding vows with John Hodel on November 21, 1895, in the Prairie Chapel Baptist Church in Coryell County.

On March 11, 1907, after twelve years of married life and five children (Otto, Henry, Bill, Minnie L. and Walter J.), our family arrived at Plainview, Texas, by "immigrant train." All our possessions (consisting of wagons, implements, cows, horses, chickens, and household goods) were transported with us on the train. After getting the wagons loaded, we arrived at our lonely prairie home located two miles west of Lockney - a three room frame house without trees, shrubs or vines.

Another daughter, Emma, was born during that same year and then later three

more children - Verner, in 1913; Esther, in 1915; and Estelle, 1919.

At the outset Mama sorely missed the creeks, shrubs, trees, and vines and was terribly homesick for her parents and sisters. Daddy promised that she and we children could go back by train for a visit after the first profitable year. In approximately three years this promise was kept, and we went back for a 10-day visit. After that, Floyd County truly became Mama's home.

We always had good neighbors (The Millers, Wittes, Hiltons, Boswells, Ragels). We would borrow from each other - especially farming equipment - and would help each other with crops and garden supplies. All the neighboring children would walk me two miles to school together and in bad weather would ride together in a horse-drawn buggy.

In 1910 the railroad came through on the south part of our farm. That was a most exciting time - watching the crew lay the track.

We were almost self-sufficient when it came to food with lots of fruits and vegetables (fresh in season and canned out of season), ham, sausage, chickens, eggs, butter, milk, and cream. We buried pumpkins, turnips,

cabbage, and winter melons in the cottonseed house to preserve them and had our own wheat and corn milled for flour and cornmeal. Our food purchases were mainly limited to sugar, molasses, salt, coffee and tea. Mama baked homemade bread three times a week and also sewed most of the girls' clothing and the boys' shirts.

Our spiritual and social life was built around the Baptist Church. We had ice cream socials, played forty-two, dominoes, and a lot of outdoor games, and sang. We especially looked forward to the July 4th picnic, the Barnum and Bailey Circus, and the Chautauqua - a traveling entertainment assembly consisting of music, lectures, etc.

We all worked very, very hard; but, oh, the fun we had together as a family is almost indescribable! We played together for hours at a time with few, if any, toys but with a wealth of imagination. A favorite treat was fizz drink made from water, vinegar, sugar and soda.

Our father's formal education was limited to a few years in an Austrian school, but he became a truly self-educated man through his avid reading which he pursued until his death. His favorite subjects were history and math. He served on the Lockney School Board for fourteen years and he and Mama were active in numerous capacities in the First Baptist Church during their more than half century of membership. Our father died May 1, 1958, at the age of 83; and our mother, February 19, 1970, at the age of 93.

## Planting the home vegetable garden

Planting the home vegetable garden is one of the most enjoyable phases of gardening. Planting is easy, so everyone can participate. Everyone enjoys watching a seed they planted sprout and begin to grow. To be successful, some equipment and supplies are needed. Make sure you have them on hand before planting time.

### Seeds

Purchasing seeds early gives you time to order varieties that might not be available locally. Consult the individual Easy Gardening crop publications for recommended varieties. Most seed companies

will send a catalog of vegetable types and varieties on request. Refer to your garden plan to see how

much of each vegetable to plant. Do not order more seed than needed for the spring and fall gardening seasons. While most seeds can be held over for use the following year if properly stored, it is usually best to get new seeds at least every 2 years. Before planting last year's seeds, test their germination by placing 10 or 20 seeds between two layers of paper towel. Place the towel in a bowl or plate and keep it moist for a few days. Then count the number of seeds that sprout. If one-half or fewer of the seeds sprout, purchase new seeds.

### Transplants

Many crops do better if they are started indoors and then transplanted into the garden. It is always best to use transplants when growing broccoli, cauliflower, pepper, eggplant and tomato. Home gardeners can grow their own transplants or purchase them. If you decide to purchase transplants, select good quality, healthy plants that are free of insects and diseases. Harden home-grown transplants before planting them in the garden. About 10 days before transplanting, treat

plants in the following manner:

- Reduce watering but do not allow plants to wilt.
- Gradually expose plants to garden conditions by placing them outside in a protected spot.
- Do not fertilize before transplanting.

Purchased transplants may be well hardened at the time of purchase. The nurseryman can answer this question. Do not over-harden plants, as this will stunt them.

### Equipment

The planting equipment you will need depends on the size of the garden. In large gardens a hand planter or garden tractor may be useful. In most home gardens a hoe, rake, hand trowel, string, stakes and labels are sufficient.

### Planting

Plant cool-season crops such as lettuce and broccoli as soon as the soil can be worked in the spring. If planted too late, high summer temperature will cause low yield and poor quality. Do not plant warm-season crops such as beans and tomatoes until the soil has warmed. These crops grow poorly or not at all when the soil temperature is below 65 degrees F. For fall gardens, plant warm season crops early enough to mature before the first frost.

### Seeding

Plant seeds when the soil is moist but not wet. Soil worked when wet may crust over and prevent seedlings from breaking through. Use a string stretched between two stakes as a guide to keep the rows straight. Vegetables planted in straight rows are less likely to be accidentally cut off during hoeing and are easier to distinguish from weeds in the seedling stage.

Use a hoe handle, narrow stick, or a similar tool to make a seeding trench along the string. Do not plant seeds too deep. Plant small seeds such as carrot, greens, radish, and lettuce ¼ to ½ inch deep. Plant medium-sized seeds such as beet and okra ½ to 1 inch deep. Plant large seeds such as bean, corn and squash 1 to 1½ inches deep.

To get a good stand, plant more seeds than needed and thin the plants after they have come up to get the proper spacing. This is especially important if old seeds are used. Thin plants while they are still small to avoid damping them. Seedlings that aren't thinned will be crowded and will not grow and

yield as well as they will with sufficient room.

### Transplanting

The ideal time to transplant is as soon as the soil dries after a rain. Transplant on a cloudy day or late in the afternoon. This gives the plant time to recover from transplanting before it is exposed to the sun.

Thoroughly water the transplants before planting. Using a hoe or trowel, make holes deep enough in the row so the plants can be set slightly deeper than where they grew in the pots.

Make a starter solution by dissolving 2 tablespoons of garden fertilizer, such as 10-10-10, in 1 gallon of water. Fill the hole with the starter solution and allow it to soak into the soil.

Then remove the transplant from the pot or tray, set it in the hole, and firm the soil around the roots. Leave a dish-shaped depression around the plant to hold water. Water well to make sure the soil is in good contact with the roots.

When setting out plants growing in peat pots, cover all of the pot with soil. Peat pots exposed to the air draw moisture away from the plant roots.

Hot caps or other protection may be needed to protect eggplant, pepper and tomato plants from late spring frosts. Be prepared to protect plants each time freezing weather is expected. Remove protection as soon as frost danger is past.

Plants set in the garden in late summer for a fall garden will need some protection from the sun. A shingle, piece of cardboard, or similar object placed on the west side of the plant will provide shade.

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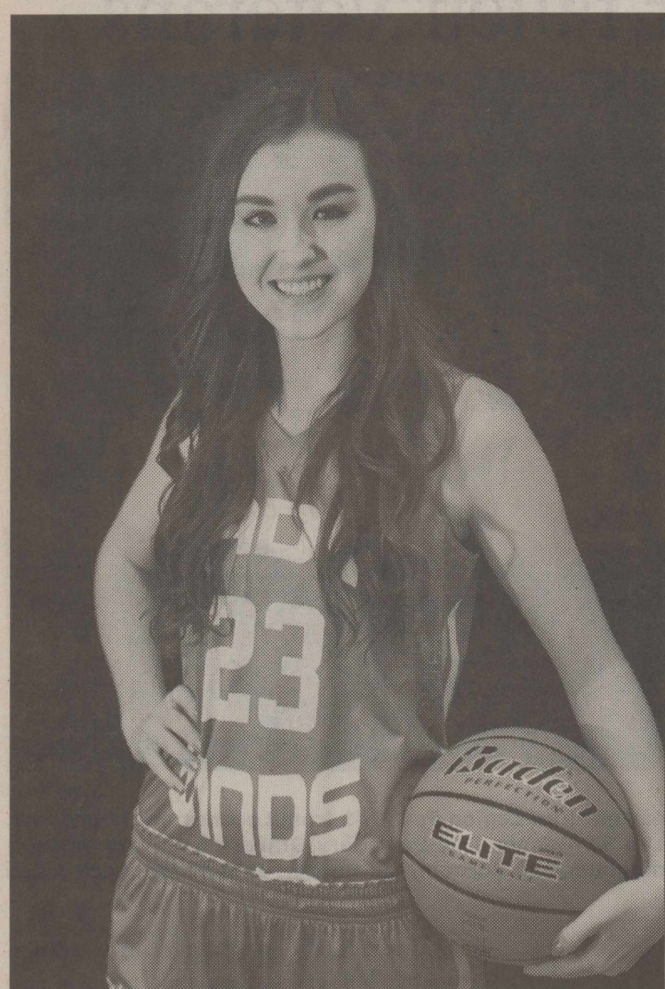
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# FLOYDADA SCHOOL

## Johnson Garners All-District Basketball Honors



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All District

## 4-H Shooting Sports Benefits From Local Donations



Courtesy Photo

Floyd County 4-H Shooting Sports has received donations to help build new traps. Shown (l-r) are Mason Esty, Rachel Graham, Tyann Phillips, Lindee Miller and Austin Phillips.

### By Patty Davenport

Floyd County Parent/Leader  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Spring practice is in full swing for all disciplines of Floyd County's 4-H Shooting Sports Program. When the shooting range was re-installed, the rifle and pistol coaches realized that there was a need for several taller bullet traps.

and Floydada Coop Gin, and Glen Bertrand. Craig Dubois donated the use of his facility and equipment to assemble the new traps. Jerry Chappell, JC Chappell and Ron Graves assembled the new traps. Thank you to all who donated. The new traps will benefit 4-Her's for years to come.

Local businesses and individuals have stepped up to help out. Financial donations were received from Seth Stephens and Producers Coop, Aaron Hendricks

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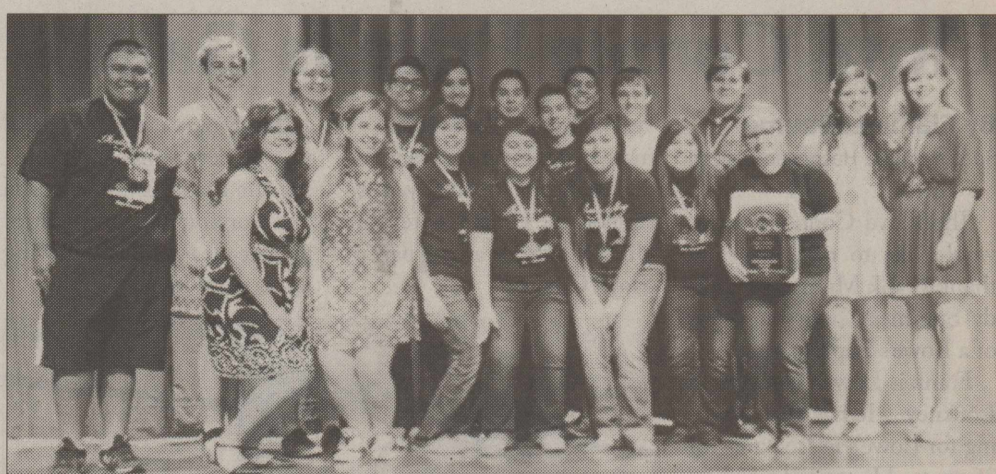
## Floydada's One Act Play advances to bi-district

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada High School's One Act Play placed second overall in district competition last week in Hale Center and will advance to bi-district competition set for Tuesday, April 7 in Hale Center.

The cast performed Ruby's Story by Ron Osborn, a World War II drama set on a small family farm, and each family member has to face the challenges and changes brought on by war.

Individuals receiving recognition include: Macee Brotherton: Best Actress; David Henry: Best Actor; and Karley Weems and Emily Britt: All Star Cast.



Courtesy photo

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Directing the cast was sponsor/teacher Rita Cox. The cast of Ruby's Story

will be performing a special production Saturday, April 4 at Herral Auditorium on the campus of Wayland

Baptist University. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and tickets will be \$3 for adults and \$1 for students.

## McGowen Throws Two-Hitter in Whirlwinds 13-2 Victory Over Longhorns

### By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Floydada's Mark McGowen limited the Lockney Longhorns to two hits and two runs as the Whirlwinds defeated Lockney 13-2 in district action, Saturday, March 28. The Whirlwinds also used two big innings to break open a 2-1 game.

In the top of the first, Lockney took advantage of a lead-off walk to Daylen Gatica and two errors by the Whirlwinds to push across the first run of the game. After the walk, Gatica was able to advance all the way to third when first baseman, Corbin Nutt committed an error on a pickoff attempt from McGowen. Gatica then scored on an error by catcher Michael Crone to take the early 1-0 lead. Jacob Ochoa walked but a ground out by Avian Luna and a strike out by Ryan Poole ended the top of the first. For the Whirlwinds in the bottom of the first, Crone singled to lead off the inning but then Lockney retired the next three batters to maintain their 1-0 lead.

Javier Guerrero lead off the top of the second for Lockney with a walk. Levi Kasner sacrificed Guerrero to second. Guerrero was picked off second by McGowen then Darin DeLeon singled and advanced to second on a passed ball before Trevor Ascencio struck out to end the top of the second. In the bottom of the second, Aaron Delafuente led off for the Whirlwinds with a walk then stole second. Robert Mora grounded out to short but Delafuente was able to advance to third then scored on a balk before Brayden Campbell grounded out to end the inning with the score tied, 1-1.

With one out in the top of the third, Justin Suarez singled to center then stole second. Ochoa popped out to the first baseman. Luna reached on an error as Suarez moved to third then scored. Poole struck out to end the inning with Lockney ahead 2-1.

Floydada took advantage of several miscues by the Longhorns in the bottom of the third including three hit batters, two walks, two errors and a passed ball. Jesse Segura was hit by a pitch to lead off the inning. Crone flied out, then Segura advanced to third on an error by catcher, Darin DeLeon. Ricky Cervera walked then Segura scored on a passed ball.

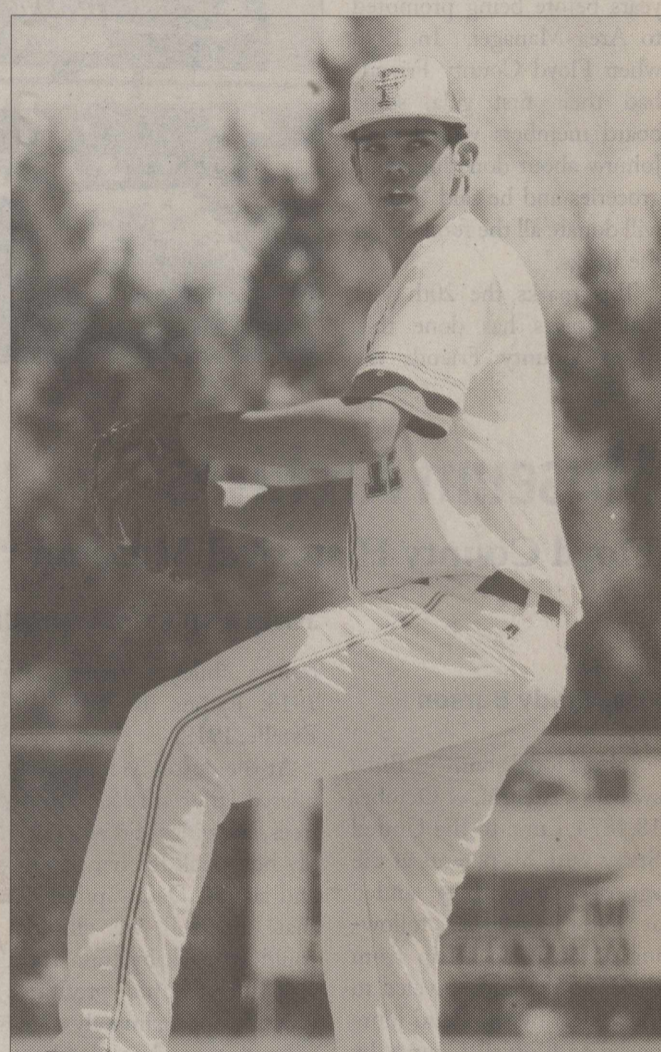
Tucker Lowrance doubled, advancing Cervera to third. Nutt flied out to left but Cervera tagged up and scored on the play. Delafuente walked, then Mora reached on an error that allowed Lowrance to score. McGowen was hit by a pitch, loading the bases. Campbell walked, forcing in Delafuente. Segura was hit by a pitch, forcing in Mora. Crone then struck out to end the inning, but the Whirlwinds had a 6-2 lead.

Lockney was unable to score, leaving two runners on base in the top of the fourth. In the bottom of the fourth, Floydada added seven more runs to go up 13-2. The Whirlwinds took advantage of three Lockney errors to score seven times. Cervera walked to lead off for Floydada. Cervera stole second and moved to third on an error by Gatica. Lowrance singled and drove in Cervera. Nutt reached on an error as Lowrance was able to move to third. Nutt stole second the Delafuente singled to center, driving in Lowrance and Nutt. Mora grounded out then McGowen singled to center. Matthew Garza came in to run for McGowen. Campbell singled, driving in Delafuente. Garza was thrown trying to steal third, then Campbell stole second before Segura walked. Crone walked to load the bases and Zach Martinez came in to run for Crone. Cervera singled to center, scoring Campbell and Segura. Martinez advanced to third on an error before scoring. Cervera ended up at third on the play. Lowrance grounded out to end the inning with Floydada up 13-2.

In the top of the fifth, Lockney went down in order to end the game, as the Longhorns lost to the Whirlwinds 13-2.

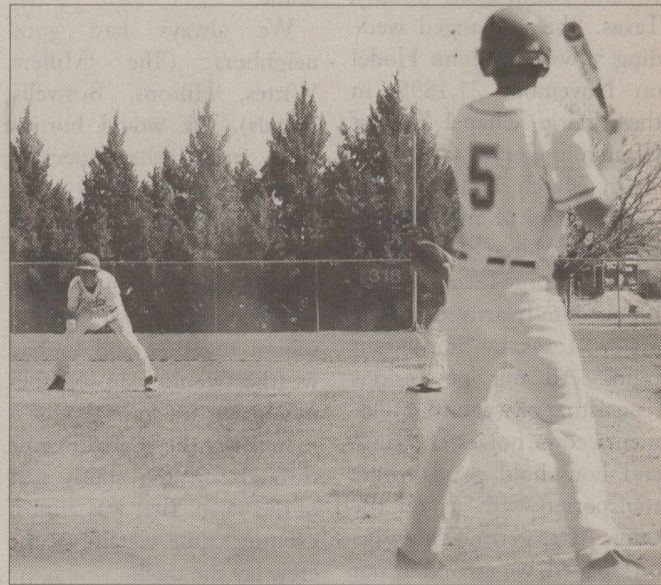
DeLeon suffered the loss, allowing six runs on two hits, four walks, three hit batters and only one strike out in two and two-thirds innings. McGowen picked up the win, giving up only two hits, two runs four walks and striking out five.

Floydada was scheduled to play Crosbyton on March 31. They will travel to Hale Center on Saturday, April 4 for a 11:00 A.M. game and then host New Deal on Tuesday, April 7 at 5:00 P.M. Lockney was scheduled to travel to Olton on March 30. They will host Ralls, Saturday, April 4 at 12:00 P.M. then travel to Abernathy on April 7 for a 5:00 P.M. game.



Photos by Patti Lowrance

Whirlwind Mark McGowen pitches against the Lockney Longhorns.



Corbin Nutt #3 batting trying to advance Tucker Lowrance #17 as he takes a lead off first base in the game against Lockney on Saturday.

MARCH 28, 2015													
Lockney						Floydada							
Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K	Batting	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K
Daylen Gatica	2	1	0	0	1	0	Michael Crone	3	0	1	0	1	1
Justin Suarez	3	1	0	0	1	0	Ricky Cervera	2	2	1	2	2	0
Jacob Ochoa	2	0	0	1	0	0	Tucker Lowrance	4	2	2	1	0	1
Avian Luna	3	0	0	0	0	0	Corbin Nutt	3	1	0	1	0	0
Ryan Poole	2	0	0	0	2	0	Aaron Delafuente	1	3	1	2	2	0
Javier Guerrero	0	0	0	0	2	0	Robert Mora	3	1	0	0	0	0
Levi Kasner	1	0	0	0	0	0	Mark McGowen	2	0	1	0	0	0
Darin DeLeon	2	1	0	0	1	0	Brayden Campbell	2	1	1	2	1	0
Trevor Ascencio	1	0	0	0	1	0	Jesse Segura	0	2	0	1	1	0
Totals	16	2	2	0	4	5	Matthew Garza	0	0	0	0	0	0
Batting TB: Justin Suarez, Darin DeLeon							Zach Martinez	0	1	0	0	0	0
ROE: Avian Luna							Totals	20	13	7	9	7	2
FC: Daylen Gatica, Levi Kasner							Batting 2B: Tucker Lowrance						
HBP: Trevor Ascencio							TB: Tucker Lowrance 3, Mark McGowen, Michael Crone,						
SB: Justin Suarez, Jacob Ochoa, Levi Kasner							Aaron Delafuente, Ricky Cervera, Brayden Campbell						
PK: Javier Guerrero							RBI: Jesse Segura, Tucker Lowrance, Aaron Delafuente 2,						
Team LOB: 5 Fielding E: Daylen Gatica 2, Jacob Ochoa,							Ricky Cervera 2, Corbin Nutt, Brayden Campbell 2						
Levi Kasner, Alex Rae							ROE: Corbin Nutt, Robert Mora						
Pitching IP	IP	BP	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	BB	K	HR	9%
Darin	2.2	0	2	2	2	2	2	3	4	5	0	0	519
DeLeon	1.0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1000
Ochoa	1.0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	505
Alex Rae	0.1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	519
Totals	4.0	9	4	7	13	6	7	2	0	505	0	0	519
Pitching L: Darin DeLeon							Batting W: Mark McGowen						
HBP: Darin DeLeon 3							HBP: Mark McGowen						
PK: Darin DeLeon							Pitches-Strikes: Jacob Ochoa 35-16, Darin DeLeon 56-20,						
AB: Darin DeLeon							Alex Rae 2-2						
Pitches-Strikes: Jacob Ochoa 35-16, Darin DeLeon 56-20,							Groundouts-Flyouts: Mark McGowen 81-42						
Alex Rae 2-2							Groundouts-Flyouts: Mark McGowen 4-3						
Groundouts-Flyouts: Jacob Ochoa 1-0, Darin DeLeon 3-4,							First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Mark McGowen 11-22						
Alex Rae 1-0							First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Jacob Ochoa 6-10, Darin						
Alex Rae 1-0							DeLeon 12-18, Alex Rae 2-2						

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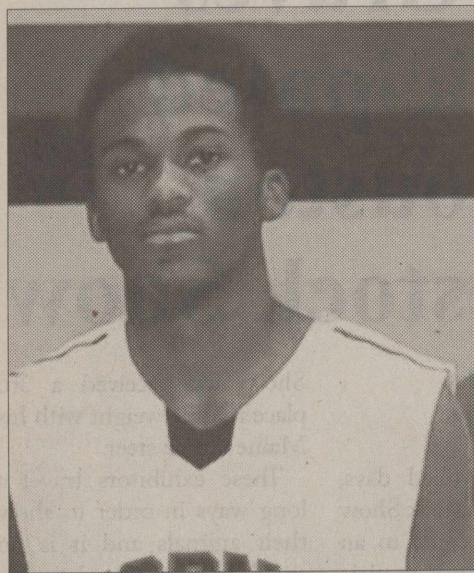
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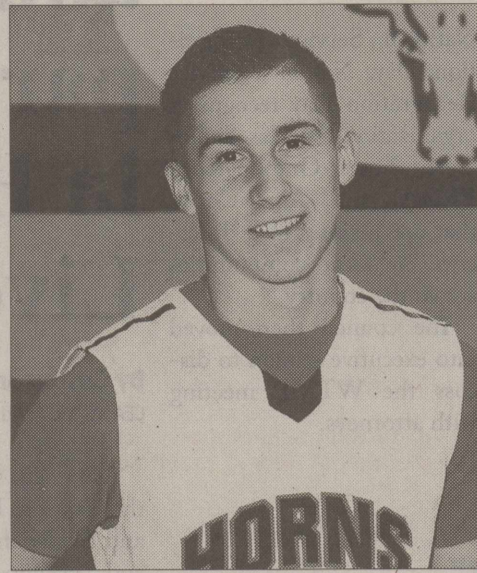


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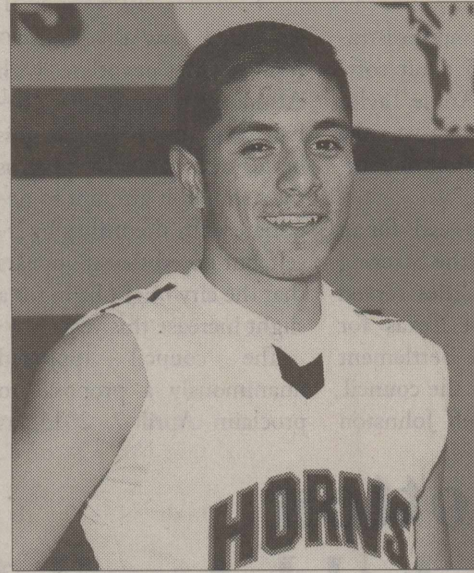
## LONGHORNS AND LADY HORNS RECEIVE BASKETBALL HONORS



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2A Reg. 1 All-Region



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LHS - Junior  
District 4-2A  
Newcomer of the Year



**DAYLEN GATICA**  
LHS- Junior  
District 4-2A  
All-District



**KENNEDY HALLMARK**  
LHS - Senior  
District 4-2A  
All-District

Photos by RK Hunt Photography

## Lockney Advances to One Act Play Bi-district



Courtesy photo

Here is a list of the cast, crew and director for the Lockney One Act Play: Top row, left to right: Alec Tambunga, Andrew Palomin, Luke Kasner, Jose Gonzales, Hannah Kidd, Jace Klein, Jake Moore, Seattle Jackson, Ashley Roberts, Ignacio Ascencio, Blanca Bueno Middle row, left to right: Shelby Dunbar, Darby Long Bottom row, left to right: Jackie Salazar, Alyssa Gutierrez, Lena Luna, Lisa Hernandez, Nathan Johnson, Valerie Hernandez Front and Center: Mr. Bobby Hon

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon  
Lockney High School competed in the district One Act Play competition Tues-

day, March 24 in Hale Center and will advance to the bi-district competition on Tuesday, April 7. The cast performed The

Comedy of Errors by William Shakespeare. Luke Kasner and Seattle Jackson were selected to the All-Star Cast.

Ashley Roberts and Darby Long were named Honorable Mention. The play was directed by teacher/sponsor Bobby Hon.

## LISD Renews Teacher Contracts

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY - Teacher contracts on all three campuses were approved by the Lockney School Board in the regular meeting, Tuesday, March 24. In other action items, the Board approved two budget amendments involving funds from the Rural School grant and the Ag Science department. The Board also approved the Instructional Allotment and TEKS certification for 2015-16 which is the use of those funds primarily for textbook purchases. Junior high math teacher, Crista Grey spoke to the Board regarding her first year at Lockney as well as her classroom activities with the sixth and seventh grade math students. She told the board that most of her lessons are digital so she uses the Promethean board as well as the IXL math program to promote learning in her classes.

Superintendent Phil Cotham updated the board on a few activities taking place in the next few weeks including the Junior High Relays to be held Thursday, April 2 beginning at 3:45 P.M. and the High School Relays to be held Friday, April 3 starting at 12:00 P.M. Cotham also told the Board they would be holding a Board election for Place 1. Early voting runs April 27 through May 5 and the election will be held on May 9. All voting will take place in the Board Room of the Administration Offices at 408 W. Willow. Early voting times will be 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. Candidates are Charles Keaton and Lee St. Dennis. The Board approved payment of the bills, the financial statement and the minutes from the previous meeting.

## Lady Horns Dominate Lady Winds 22-4

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

FLOYDADA - Shelby Coats and Brittany DeLeon combined for a three-hitter as the Lockney Lady Horns defeated the Floydada Lady Winds 22-4 on Saturday, March 28.

Lockney jumped out early, scoring three runs in the top of the first. With one out, Haley Dunbar singled, then Lexi Chavez doubled to left, moving Dunbar to third. Shelby Coats singled, driving in Dunbar and advancing Chavez to third. Chavez scored on a passed ball as Coats moved to second then took third on the throw. Darby Long doubled to drive in Coats. Floydada pitcher managed to retire the next two batters but Lockney had a 3-0 lead. In the bottom of the first, Coats retired the Lady Winds in order.

The Lady Horns started out the top of the second when Kayla Jimenez doubled to lead off the inning. After a foul out and a ground out, Dunbar was hit by a pitch but Chavez grounded out for the third out leaving two on base. In the bottom of the second, Floydada

got two runners on base as Thalia Villa led off with a single but was forced out at second on fielder's choice on a hit by Annette Pena. Makenzie Ramos struck out then Brooke Galvan reached on a fielder's choice that advanced Pena to second but then Pena was caught stealing to end the inning.

In the top of the third, Lockney added six runs to the scoreboard before Floydada recorded the first out of the inning. Coats, Long and Camryn Diaz each hit a single to load the bases. Kennedy Hallmark singled to drive in Coats. Jimenez was hit by a pitch, forcing in Long. B. DeLeon then singled, driving in Diaz and Hallmark. Dixie Williams singled to load the bases again. Dunbar delivered another single, driving in Jimenez then B. DeLeon scored on an error by the shortstop as Williams moved to third. Dunbar moved up on defensive indifference then Chavez reached out but Williams scored after tagging up. Long struck out then Chavez was forced out at second on a fielder's choice by Diaz to end the inning and Lockney up 10-0. In

the bottom of the third, Floydada went down in order.

In the top of the fourth, the Lady Horns added seven more runs. Hallmark led off the inning by reaching on an error. Jimenez also reached on an error that allowed Hallmark to move to third. B. DeLeon grounded out and Williams struck out. With two out, Dunbar doubled, driving in Hallmark and Jimenez. Chavez homered to left field, driving in Dunbar. Coats singled to right field then Long reached on an error that allowed Coats to move to third and Long to move up to second. Diaz delivered the Lady Horns second home run of the inning with a shot to left field that drove in Coats and Long. Hallmark struck out to end the inning with Lockney up 17-0. In the bottom of the fourth, the Lady Winds' Lindsey DeLeon walked with one out, then Villa struck out before Pena singled. Pena was force out at second as Ramos grounded to shortstop to end the inning.

The Lady Horns started the top of the fifth with Jimenez, B. DeLeon and Williams all reaching base after being hit by a pitch. With the bases loaded, Mari Hernandez

walked, forcing in Jimenez. Chavez hit a sacrifice fly that allowed B. DeLeon to score. After Coats popped up to third for Lockney's second out, Long doubled left, scoring Williams and advancing Hernandez to third. Diaz singled, moving Long to third. Brenna Tidwell laid down a bunt single that loaded the bases again. Jimenez reached on a fielder's choice that scored Long before Tidwell was thrown out at second. Lockney took a 22-0 lead as Floydada came to bat in the bottom of the fifth.

Jaque Barrera led off by reaching on an error by the first baseman. Valerie Espinosa grounded out to the pitcher, advancing Barrera to second. Kim Delgado singled to right, driving in Barrera for Floydada's first run of the game. Delgado moved to second on a passed ball then Angela Suarez walked. Delgado and Suarez both moved up on another passed ball before Bethany Morales was hit by a pitch to load the bases. Dora Cervera came in to run for Morales. L. DeLeon struck out for the second out. Villa was hit by a pitch that allowed Delgado to

score. Pena reached on an error, allowing Suarez to score. Ramos reached on another error and Cervera scored. Villa was thrown out at home to end the game with the Lady Horns owning the scoreboard 22-4.

Coats picked up the win, allowing no runs on just two hits while walking one and striking out five. Relief pitcher, B. DeLeon allowed four runs on one hit, one walk and two hit batters. Morales suffered the loss as she allowed 18 runs on 19 hits while striking out five. Karley Weems pitched some

for Floydada but walked one and hit three batters which allowed four runs to score.

The Lady Horns were scheduled to play Claude on Monday, March 30, then will host Ralls at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 4 before traveling to Abernathy for a 5:00 P.M. game on April 7. The Lady Winds were scheduled to host Crosbyton on Tuesday, March 31, then will travel to Hale Center for an 11:00 A.M. game on Saturday, April 4 then will host New Deal at 5:00 P.M. on April 7.

Lockney vs Floydada March 28, 2015																	
LCKN	FLOYD	1		2		3		4		5		R		H		E	
3	0	0	7	7	5	22	4	3	3								
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Lockney Batting												
AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K							
4	2	1	0	0	2							
4	2	3	3	0	0							
0	1	0	1	1	0							
4	2	3	0	0	0							
4	3	3	2	0	0							
4	3	3	2	0	1							
5	2	3	4	0	0							
4	2	1	1	0	2							
1	0	1	0	0	0							
3	3	1	2	0	0							
3	2	1	2	0	0							
30	22	19	20	11	5							

Floydada Batting												
AB	R	H	RBI	BB	K							
2	1	0	0	1	1							
2	0	0	0	0	0							
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2	0	0	0	0	0							
1	1	1	0	0	0							
0	1	0	0	0	0							
0	0	0	0	0	0							
20	4	3	2	2	6							

Pitching												
IP	BP	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	SH	SO	WHIP	ERA
4.0	46	16	2	0	0	1	5	0	0	652		
1.0	26	13	1	4	0	1	1	0	500			
5.0	72	29	3	4	0	2	6	0	597			

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# AGRICULTURE

## City Council cancels elections for unopposed seats

By Kay Ellington  
Hesperian-Beacon

At the monthly city council meeting Thursday, March 26, members voted to cancel the elections for the Mayor, At Large seat; Councilmember, District 2; and Councilmember, District 3, should there be no write-in candidates, because all three incumbents have no opponents.

The council moved ahead

on selecting an administrator for the 2015 adult softball program at Annie Taylor Park. Jimmy Garcia was the unanimous selection to oversee the program.

The first of two reads for an Ordinance from the Steering Committee of Cities served by Atmos West Texas for the 2014 PRM Settlement was discussed by the council. City manager Jeff Johnston

explained how this consortium of cities negotiates with Atmos on member cities' behalf, and how Floydada gets better rates with this process than should it attempt to negotiate with the utility by itself, but noted that it appears that the city might be in for a slight increase this year.

The council approved unanimously a proposal to proclaim April 7, 2015, as

National Service Recognition Day. National Service Recognition Day recognizes organizations, such as, Senior Corps, Foster Grandparents, VISTA, and AmeriCorps, that are making a difference in local communities across the country.

The council then moved into executive session to discuss the WTMP meeting with attorneys.

## Hinsley and Graves participated in Houston Livestock Show

By Cristen Brooks  
CEA-AG/NR, Floyd County

After 20 fun-filled days, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has come to an end. Heston Graves participated in the Junior Breeding Gilt Show and received a 6th place with his Spot gilt. Hagen Hinsley participated in the Junior Market Steer

Show and received a 3rd place middle weight with his Maine Anjou steer.

These exhibitors travel a long ways in order to show their animals and it is no small feat to take home a ribbon at one of the largest stock shows in the country.

Great job to all who attended and we are looking forward to next year!

## Pre-Season Cotton Meeting to be held April 15

The Texas A&M AgLife Extension Service of Floyd County would like to invite you to a Pre-Season Cotton Meeting on Wednesday, April 15th at 12 noon at the Covey

Smokehouse. Cost will be \$10 to attend and that includes your meal.

Mark Kelley, Extension Cotton Agronomist, will be there to answer any of your cotton questions you

may have as we enter into planting season.

This will be an informal lunch setting, so come prepared with lots of questions for our specialists and any feedback or advice you

may be looking for and we will do our best to provide the answers.

Please RSVP to the County Extension Office at (806) 983-4912 by April 14th.

## USDA Extends ARC and PLC Deadlines

WASHINGTON, March 27, 2015 - Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today provided farm owners and producers one additional week, until April 7, 2015, to choose between Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC), the safety-net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill. The final day to update yield history or reallocate base acres also will be April 7, 2015.

"This is an important decision for producers because these programs help farmers and ranchers protect their operations from unexpected changes in the marketplace," said Vilsack. "Nearly 98 percent of owners have already updated yield and base acres, and 90 percent of producers have enrolled in ARC or PLC. These numbers are strong, and continue to rise. This additional week will give producers a little more time to have those final conversations, review their data, visit their local Farm Service Agency offices, and make their decisions," said

Vilsack.

If no changes are made to yield history or base acres by the deadline, the farm's current yield and base acres will be used. If a program choice of ARC or PLC is not made, there will be no 2014 crop year payments for the farm and the farm will default to PLC coverage for the 2015 through 2018 crop years. Producers who have an appointment at their local FSA offices scheduled by April 7 will be able to make an election between ARC and PLC, even if their actual appointment is after April 7.

These safety-net programs provide important financial protection against unexpected changes in the marketplace. As part of the strong education and outreach campaign launched by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in September, to date more than 5 million educational postcards, in English and Spanish, have been sent to producers nationwide, and more than 5,000 events with more than 430,000 attend-

ees, including training sessions and speaking engagements, have been conducted to educate producers on the programs. The online tools, available at [www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc), which allow producers to explore how ARC or PLC coverage will affect their operation, have been presented to more than 3,400 groups.

Covered commodities under ARC and PLC include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium grain rice (which includes short grain and sweet rice), safflower seed, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat. Upland cotton is no longer a covered commodity.

Producers need to contact the Farm Service Agency by April 7. To learn more, farmers can contact their local Farm Service Agency county office. To find local offices, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

The 2014 Farm Bill builds

on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/farmbill](http://www.usda.gov/farmbill) for our specialists and any feedback or advice you may be looking for and we will do our best to provide the answers.

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Darwin Robinson, Pastor  
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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.  
Evening Worship .... 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday .....7:00 p.m.  
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### CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada  
Armando Morales, Pastor  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study .....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.  
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### CARR'S CHAPEL

Service Every Sunday:  
Morning Worship ....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.  
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### 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.  
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### CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST

Matthew Benfield - Minister  
Floydada

Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship ....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.  
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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Tim Franks, Pastor  
Logan Lamb - Min. Students

Sunday School .....9:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.  
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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Lockney  
Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor  
Chad Cook, Youth Min.  
Phil Cotham, Music Min.

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ....10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday (Youth) ..7:15 p.m.  
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### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Floydada  
Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor

Morning Worship .....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 10:50 a.m.  
Youth (Sunday) .....6:30 p.m.  
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### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney  
Rev. Ricky Carstensen  
Pastor

Sunday School .....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service..... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Jr. High .....5:30 p.m.  
Wed. High School... 6:30 p.m.  
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Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday .....8:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:30 p.m.  
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### MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney  
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Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....6:00 p.m.  
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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
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Sunday Evening ..... 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.  
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### PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney  
Jesus Caballero, Pastor

Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service ....11:00 a.m.  
Discipleship .....5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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### PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada  
Rev. Toby Gonzales

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Evening .....7:00 p.m.  
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### SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lockney  
Rev. Patrick Maher

Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass..... 11:30 a.m.  
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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.  
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English Worship.....11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.  
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Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.  
Mon./Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.  
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.  
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### TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney  
Rev. Joe Hernandez

Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School .....9:45 p.m.  
Worship Service .....11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Meeting .....7:00 p.m.  
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### TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St.  
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .... 5:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service .....7:00 p.m.  
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### TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA

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Sunday School .....10:00 a.m.  
Evening Worship .....5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.  
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.  
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Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening .....6:00 p.m.  
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Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister

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# POWERLIFTING

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quit and thanks to a strong faith he endured. Matter of fact, he achieved a significant goal during this time of injury of providing leadership of the Whirlwind football team to a Playoff berth. Aaron wanted this really bad and he convinced more than a dozen teammates that if they got in the weight room more often they would become better

athletes.

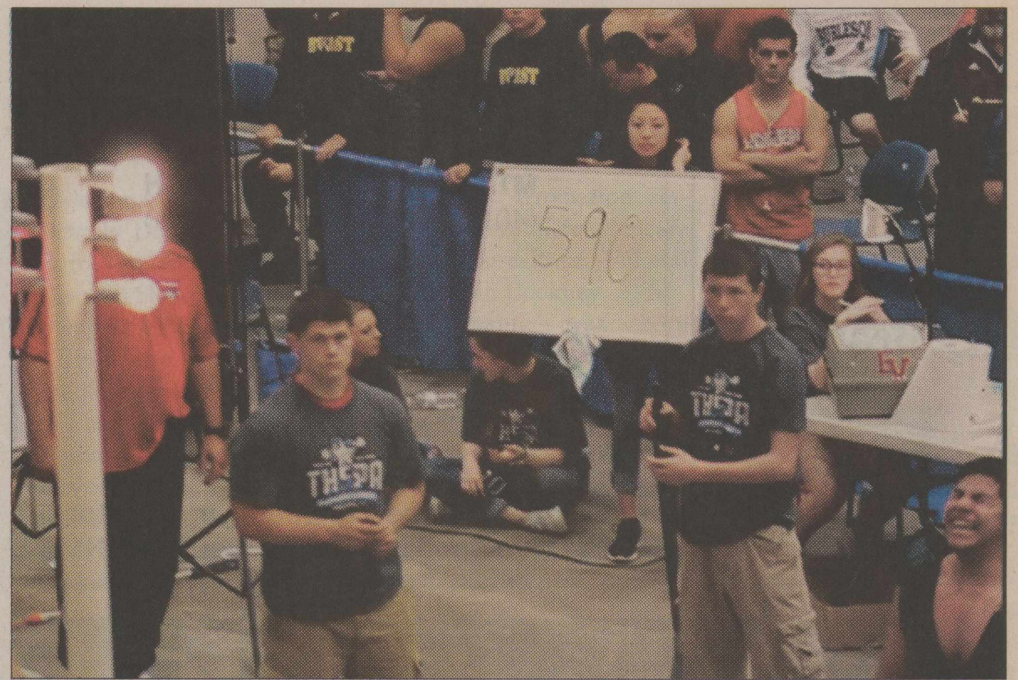
At the West Region Powerlifting Meet in Sundown, Aaron abbreviated his lifting attempts to just qualify for State so he could rush off to Big Spring for his brother Blake's wedding in Big Spring. Aaron lifted 1,470 pounds in the three events which really was not his best effort. On this date, being at

his brother's wedding was more important. Thank goodness he went to Sundown, because what happened in Abilene two weeks later was simply phenomenal.

At State, Aaron entered the competition with the 6th best qualifying effort in the field of 18. He got off to a good start in the first event by winning the Squat with a 635 pound lift. He was 10-pounds ahead of the nearest competitor - Brandon Bruce of Rogers. Aaron's confidence was high during the lunch break and he told me he was just where he needed to be. Plus, Aaron got a break when the pre-meet favorite Ty Tamplin of Buna withdrew from the competition due to a week long illness that had drained his strength. Tamplin attempted just one lift and was unsuccessful. Tamplin had lifted a State Qualifying 1,610 pounds at Region 4 (Southeast). He knew this was not his day. Aaron knew the door of opportunity had just opened.

Then came the bench press, which was Aaron's most vulnerable event due to his elbow. The field gained on Aaron and he fell to 2nd place going into the final event. He lifted 350-pounds on the bench and he missed his only lift (355) of the day in his final attempt. The duo of Bruce and Bryson Jones of Rogers now shared 1st place by 5-pounds over Aaron. Now the pressure was really on. Aaron and the Rogers teammates displayed great sportsmanship by shaking the hands before the final event of the deadlift.

Each event, I would ask Aaron what weight are you going to open with, and what is your goal for this event? In the deadlift he said he was



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opening at 530, his answer to the goal of this event was "whatever it takes to beat them." There was no more preserving of strength at this point. There was no tomorrow.

It was in the deadlift where the competition peaked and it was winner take all. The Rogers teammates lifted first by each making their 510 pound attempts. Aaron took the lead back by getting 530. Bruce & Jones each lifted 535 to regain the lead. Aaron answered with a 550 pound lift to put him back in the lead. Then in the final lift of the fierce battle Bruce missed at 565 and Jones failed at 580. Aaron had won State Championship, but instead of bypassing on his final lift of his high school career he stepped up to bar where he gritted and grunted out an unbelievable lift of 590 pounds. It was a sight to behold. It was a career personal best in the deadlift and gave him an all-time high of 1,575 pound total in three events. He won the State Championship by 40-pounds!

After his Championship lift, it is reported that Jones & Bruce said to each other "it did not matter what we did, that guy was going to outdo

us today". Even though the pre-meet favorite Tamplin had to pull out of the competition, I am not sure that Aaron might not have taken him also.

What went unnoticed was that Isiah Myers of Newton passed both Bruce and Jones of Rogers in the final standings with an event winning lift of 615 pounds in the deadlift. The total pounds of the entire competition had: (1) Aaron Chavarria 1,575 (2) Isiah Meyers, Newton 1,535 (3) Bryson Jones, Rogers 1,525 (4) Brandon Bruce, Rogers 1,525 (5) Bryan Wilburn, Winnsboro 1,505. Jones got 3rd due to a tie-breaker.

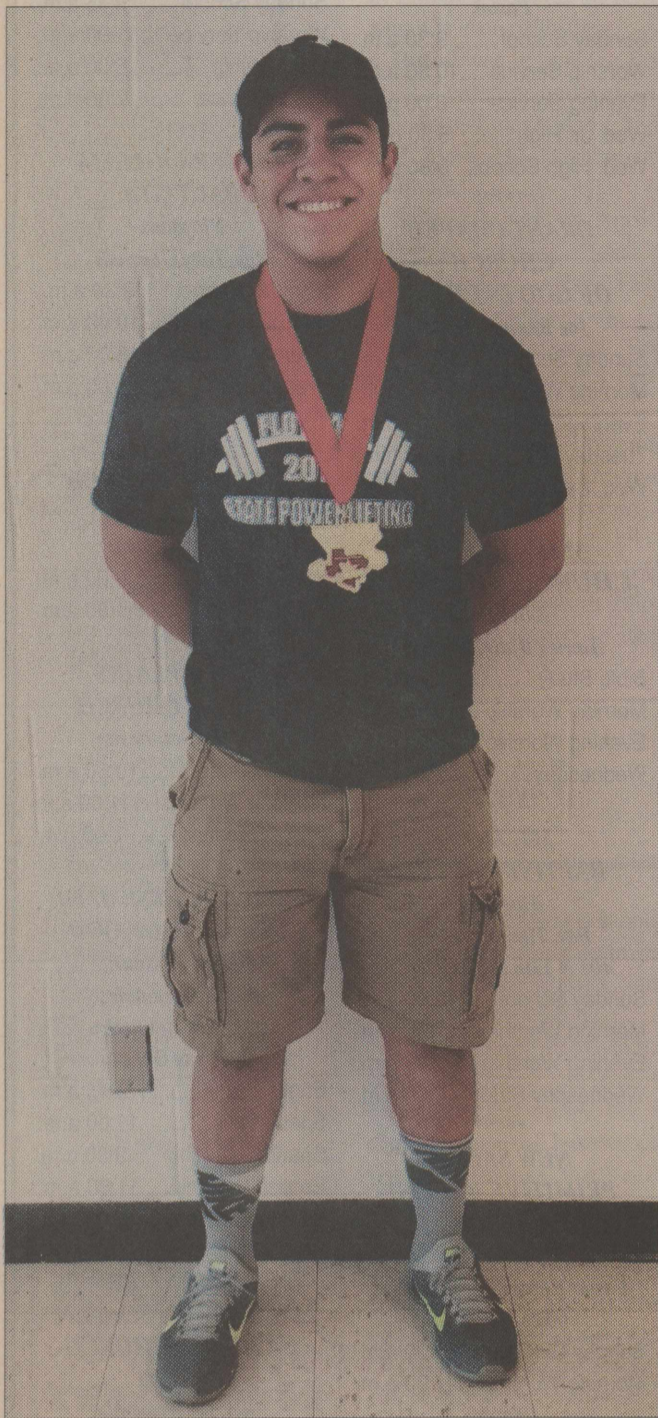
Aaron's first words to me after the final event, "I wanted to give Floydada a State Championship. I promised Coach Bandy that I would win him a Championship". Aaron wanted to experience what other former Whirlwinds in his lifetime - Adam Gonzales, Big Frank Hernandez, Brady Rainwater and Aarrhon Flores - had felt by winning a State Championship in their respective sports. Now he knows.

Aaron's support group included his parents Albert and Olga Chavarria, Chris Cha-

varria, Tiara and Kobe Villa, Nick and Melissa Long, They were wearing special made black T-shirts with Floydada on the front and a saying on the back "Til I Collapse" - Aaron Chavarria. I think his supporters were closer to collapse than was Aaron.

After the Awards Ceremony, Floydada coaches Todd Bandy and Coby Emery talked about Aaron. "He is easy to coach. It is yes sir and no sir all the time. Aaron shows up to work every day with an attitude of getting better." Bandy noted that Aaron missed just one lift all day and that is what you have to do when at this level. He was close to perfection in his execution.

The wonderful day ended with Aaron's choice to go eat a burger. While we sat at the long table, I noticed Aaron nodded in prayer and giving thanks. It was another moment of inspiration. This new friend during the past year reminded me this day how exciting life can be and it is worth fighting thru the bumps in the road we may face. Plus, it's better to not take the journey alone. Great job Aaron. Great job to all of you in Floydada and the area who have touched his life.



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The Floydada Housing Authority is accepting applications for HUD Public Housing: 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments and the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program

Contact the Housing Authority Office to obtain an application.

Office Hours: Monday- Friday, 8:00 - 5:00

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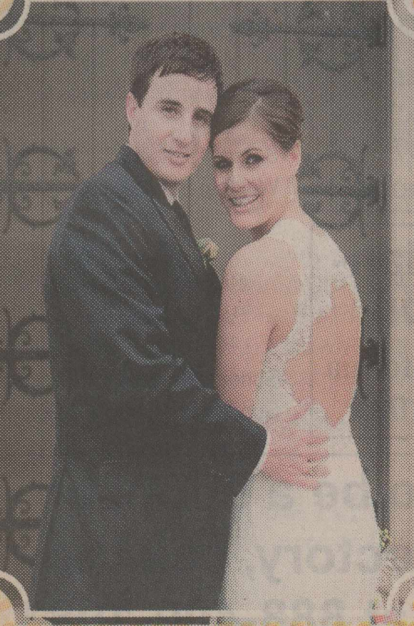
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