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## Weekend Food Program Offers Hope, Fuller Bellies

By Jennifer Harbin  
Special for The Hesperian-Beacon

Every other Tuesday in the old Junior High band hall in Floydada, a group of people gather to fill sacks with different varieties of kid-friendly snacks in an effort to end weekend hunger among elementary students in most need.

The Snack Pak 4 Kids program began in 2010 when Dyron and Kelly Howell recognized the need among students in the Amarillo School District who relied solely on school meals to sustain them. The humble project fed ten students the first week but soon grew to include other towns across the Texas Panhandle and South Plains.

Both Floydada and Lockney are two among many school districts throughout this area who participate in Snack Pak 4 Kids, ensuring that children are not going hungry at night and on the weekends.

Each sack contains a pack of peanuts, Goldfish crackers or graham crackers, a cereal bar, peanut butter snack crackers, two individual cereal bowls, two beef sticks, a fruit squeeze pack, two juice boxes, and shelf-stable milk and chocolate milk. To sustain the students a little longer on special occasions, such as Christmas, Thanksgiving, or Spring Break, peanut butter, a sleeve of crackers and Poptarts are included.

According to Feeding America, the nation's largest hunger relief organization, hunger is extremely devastating especially to children. Without healthy food options, it hampers "a child's physical and emotional development and their ability to achieve academically. Children facing hunger may perform worse in school and struggle with social and behavioral problems that impact their ability to learn." They report that 16 million children face hunger each day.

Snack Pak 4 Kids is a beacon of hope for some in Floyd County who struggle with hunger on a daily basis.

Teachers are specially trained to recognize signs of hunger and give a recommendation when they see a student might benefit from the program.

The First Baptist Church in Floydada got involved with Snack Pak 4 Kids after two church members, a deacon and Amanda Stapp, heard about the program and told their pastor, Tim Franks. A group from the church spent a day volunteering in Plainview packing sacks and asking many questions about the program. Soon it was up and running, and although it is Floydada Independent School District's first year participating, approximately 48 students at A.B. Duncan Elementary are being helped.

So far the deacons from the First Baptist Church, members of the church, see SNACK PAK, Page 4



Photo by Miltzi Nixon

Bank manager Robbie Hilton said that this is the first year that her branch has participated in "Poptober" but Happy State Banks across the Panhandle have been participating for several years now. Shown are (l-r) Robbie Hilton, Bank Manager, Ludustria Prisk, Amanda Stapp and Maria Alvarado, bank employee. Prisk and Stapp are involved in the Snak Pak 4 Kids program.

## 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.

### FLOYDADA CHAMBER ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/BREAKFAST

It is time for the Annual Floydada Chamber of Commerce membership breakfast. We invite all chamber members to join us for breakfast on November 17th at 7 a.m. at the Massie Activity Center. After we share a delicious meal we will have our annual meeting and get everyone on to work. We look forward to seeing you there!

### COWBOY CHRISTMAS BALL

The Cowboy Christmas Ball, December 11, 2015 at the Unity Center. For Ticket information contact Elaine LaBaume @ 806-983-9153, Payne Pharmacy in Floydada and D&J Gin in Lockney.

### WEST TEXAS FAMILY MEDICINE AT COGDELL CLINIC

The mobile mammography truck will be back in Floydada at the clinic on Thursday, Nov. 5. If you are due for a mammogram call 806-726-6579 to set up an appointment time.

### "KEEP TEXAS BEAUTIFUL" CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Nelda Laney's "Keep Texas Beautiful" Christmas ornaments are now available at the Floyd County Historical Museum in Floydada. The cost of the ornament is \$20. This year's beautiful ornament design is the "Gulf Coast".

### FLOYD COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

To make memorial donations or any contribution to the Floyd County Historical Museum, please mail to PO Box 304, Floydada, Texas 79235

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## D & J Gin contribute to American Legion Post 141 - Lockney, Texas

By Jim Doucette  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Representing American Legion Post 141, Lockney, Texas, Assistant Vice Commander David L. Sanchez accepted a check from Jody and David Foster of D & J Gin. The D & J Gin is owned by Darlee, Shawnda, Jody and David Foster.

Post Commander, Ed Marks commented, "The D & J Gin and the Foster family have supported the efforts of our Post for many years. We are proud to call them friends."

Marks also stated, "David Sanchez is a member of our Post Honor Guard. He continues to serve our country



Courtesy photo

as a Petty Officer in the U. S. Navy Reserves. His active duty service included a tour in Afghanistan."

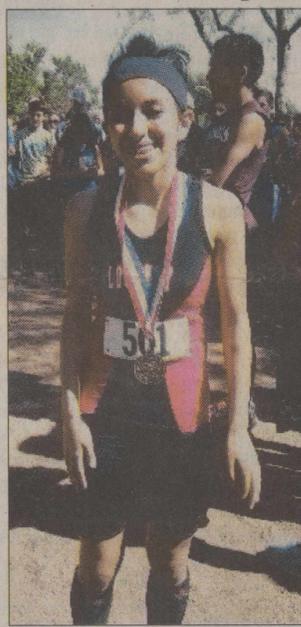
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141 are used for the maintenance of Lockney's Memorial Park, assistance for needed Veterans and supplies for the Honor Guard.

## Ryann Araujo

Courtesy Photo

Lockney sophomore, Ryann Araujo will be competing at the State Cross Country Meet on Nov. 7 in Round Rock. Araujo will run at 2:40 P.M. She placed first at the district meet and ninth at the regional meet which qualified her for the state meet. The last Lady Horn to compete at the State Cross Country Meet was over 25 years ago when Araujo's mother, Michelle competed. Congratulations and Good Luck to Ryann and her Coaches Jimenez, Easley and Estes.



## Federal Criminal Complaint Charges Crosby County Man in Extortion Scheme

Defendant Threatened to Kidnap Members of Crosby County Man's Family

By Kay Ellington

The Hesperian-Beacon

The U.S. District Attorney's office released new detail Monday in the law enforcement operation in which a Lubbock FBI agent was "accidentally shot" in Crosby County.

Mike Orndorff, an FBI special agent assigned to the Lubbock Resident Agency, was part of a group of law enforcement officials from the FBI and Texas DPS who were attempting to arrest a man in connection with a re-

ported extortion plot involving threats against a Crosby County man and his family.

"An incident happened" about 9:30 p.m. Thursday on a dirt county road south of Crosbyton, Texas DPS Sgt. Bryan Witt said late Friday.

"The preliminary information indicates that the FBI agent was accidentally shot by a Texas Department of Public Safety Criminal Investigations Division special agent," according to a statement from Witt. "DPS Texas See EXTORTION, Page 10

## "Faces Never Forgotten" Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

By Mahalo Janna Hoehn  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

My name is Janna Hoehn, I am a 25 year resident of Maui, Hawaii... 6 years ago



my husband and I made our first trip to Washington DC. Because Vietnam was the war that was going on while I was in High School the first memorial on my list was the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall. Even though I never knew anyone killed in Vietnam, I wanted a rubbing of one of the names. I approached the Wall and choose a name... Gregory John Crossman... an MIA.

When I returned home I decided to research Gregory and try to find his family, in the event they were never able to go to the Wall, I would send them the etching, hop-

ing they would share a photo with me of Gregory. Off and on for 6 months I researched every way possible and never found any family. I was quite disappointed however I had one more possibility... my cousin, our family historian... 6 weeks later she found a college photo of Gregory. 2 years later I saw a story on our local news about the "Faces Never Forgotten" for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund.

The goal, to put a face with every name that is etched on the Wall. I immediately sent in the photo I had of Gregory See FACES, Page 10

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## The 501

When I saw the black-scarved pirate, I figured we were sunk. I was right.

Anybody who can turn the rear end of a pickup truck into a square-rigger with a billowing sail deserves to win a prize, especially when the craft is sailing the opposite direction from the truck, bow jutting over a sea of pavement. Not that it juttied that far or even had an accompanying aft.



HANABA  
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Not that any of us were really going anywhere.

My friend Carisse and I were especially rooted in place, just a few parking spaces down from the ship, starboard side. Our pickup bed held an Enchanted Garden, complete with scarecrow.

The pirate ship guy, flying the flag of South Africa, beat us by a nautical mile. He won first; we won second.

How do I know it was the South African flag? Carisse said so. She knows stuff.

The event was a church tailgate party – one of those affairs where you don't even have to have a tailgate and nobody necessarily mentions Halloween or looks especially ghoulish, except for some of the kids. But trick or treat is still the buzz phrase

If you want the neighborhood kids to show up, just give away candy. They came in droves from far and near, including Congo.

What would it be like to get dropped straight from deepest darkest Africa into the middle of a tailgate party with a pirate ship and an enchanted garden and liberty and justice and candy for all?

I should have asked her.

But I was too busy handing candy to the trick-or-treaters, filling their little plastic pumpkins and plastic bags with enough Skittles and tiny Snickers to keep them high until the real eve of All Saints' Day.

Not Carisse. She was filling their little heads with knowledge, unwilling to let the opportunity escape.

You'd have thought we were the Garden of Eden and our stalk of cotton was the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. Maybe next year.

Carisse was impressive, pulling cotton from bolls and making the kids guess what the hard things were inside the fluffy fiber.

Considering all they wanted was candy, she did an admirable job of getting the point across, telling them cotton is how God makes T-shirts and cotton grows from seed. Something like that. I was too busy distributing candy to grasp the whole lesson, compact though it was.

Our garden also had bois d'arc apples, all a trendy shade of green and only slightly sticky. We cut one so everyone could see the seeds.

If you've never cut a bois d'arc apple in two with just a pair of scissors, be sure you have good scissors.

Our whole collection of plants was sort of a mix of good and evil, if thorns and thistles symbolize the latter. They do.

Carisse provided the good stuff, including a potted blooming Amaranthus caudatus, civilized cousin to my dead careesweeds. Who knew?

I think there's a lesson there somewhere.

Maybe next year.



## Guest Editorial

### Liberal tolerance is a one way street

By Robert Romano and Dustin Howard

The war by big government against people who don't conform to their ever-evolving worldview continues.

Take two cases in two different blue states: the Oregon bakers and the Minnesota truckers. Both objected to performing a service on the basis of religious conscience, but who was right in the eyes of the law?

The Oregon bakers, Aaron and Melissa Klein, refused to bake a cake. Period. For the "crime" of refusing service to a lesbian couple's wedding cake, Oregon's political correctness enforcement agency, the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries ruled they owe the aggrieved couple \$135,000. The judgement could result in the dissolution of the Klein's property, which is outright confiscation. The couple who brought the complaint were not even seeking damages.

If you would, juxtapose that with a federal court ruling in favor of truck drivers who were terminated from employment for refusing to transport alcohol, namely beer. Keep in mind, the equipment used to transport the alcohol was owned by the now defunct Star Transport, not the drivers. They chose to apply to a company that delivered these products, and expected their employer's acquiescence. With the help of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), an Obama appointed judge awarded the aggrieved truckers \$240,000.

On the surface, it might lead one to conclude that the disparity is simply that the former are Christians, while the latter are Muslims; maybe that's all there is to it.

However, assuming which religions are invoked in each case do not actually matter, what we have is a legal standard where a company cannot refuse to perform a service out of religious objections, but an employee can.

Either way, the difference is somewhat political; to put it in the literary terms of Orwell's Animal Farm, "All animals are equal, but some animals are more

equal than others." The government has successfully created a protection racket, under which protected classes are endowed with specialized rights, usually at the expense of groups they find distasteful.

In these cases, there are separate rights for businesses and employees.

The Kleins are an example of this, who, because they were a company, found themselves on the wrong side the Left's newfound orthodoxy on what constitutes discrimination. And the truckers are also an example where, because they were employees, benefited from the current body of law when it comes to religious conscience exceptions.

Religious freedom under the First Amendment is not just for the benefit for the majority, but the minority as well. In that sense, a Muslim baker should have as much a right to deny services to a gay couple out of religious objections as a Christian one.

Unfortunately for the Kleins and people like them, that is not the standard. As they have learned the hard way, as a business, the government refuses to tolerate anyone who does not share their views.

Ironically, the implication is that the Christian employee of a baker in Oregon could refuse, under federal law, to bake the cake for a gay couple getting married for religious reasons, and sue their employer for firing them, but then that company will still be compelled to bake the cake under state law, all the while paying damages to the former employee.

Remember that one way street from earlier? It travels from big government, away from the freedom of expression, and for the sake of the nation, we'd better find a way to turn back. Because the unintended consequence may be that some classes end up being more equal than others.

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## Wilson and Miller announce engagement



Titus Lyle Miller & Bethany Brianne Wilson

Aaron and Karen Wilson of Lockney are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Bethany Brianne to Titus Lyle Miller, son of Lyle and LaTresa Miler of Floydada.

Bethany is the granddaughter of Barbara Mathis and the late Warren Mathis of Lockney, Don and Carolyn Hardy of Floydada, and the late Floyd Jackson of Lockney.

The bride-elect is a 2010 graduate of Lockney High School and a 2013 graduate of Covenant School of Nursing. She is employed as an RN in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at

University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Titus is the grandson of Maudine Miller of Plainview and the late Orba Miller of Floydada, and the late J.T. and Dovie Mallow of Plainview.

The prospective groom is a 2009 graduate of Floydada High School and a 2012 graduate of WTAMU with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is employed by 4M Brothers Farms in Floydada.

The former county rivals will become permanent allies on January 9, 2016 in Plainview.

## Halloween was Terrific in Floydada

By Darolyn Snell

Floydada Chamber President  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Saturday, October 31st was a great evening to be in Floydada! We kicked off the Trunk-N-Dunk event with the basketball game between the Floydada Volunteer Fire Department and the FireBallers.

Players representing the Fire Department were Chad Guthrie, Justin Martinez, Cindy Dubois, Roel Cisneros, George Romero, Rocket Vega, Jeff Sullivan, JC Chappell, Greg DeLeon, Josh Barrientos, and their coach Roger Hughes. The FireBallers team members were Amanda Hinsley, Gilbert Trevino, Titus Miller, Jake Galvan, Colton Covington, Kevin Smith, Mike Reeves, RJ DeLeon, Matt Strange, and TJ Fly. These two teams put on an exciting and entertaining match-up with no other objective but to raise money for our local volunteer fire department. All proceeds from that game went to benefit them and show them our community supports their efforts.

Immediately following the game, Trunk-or-Treat took place in front of the high school on

Whirlwind Alley. With a mountain of candy and a lot of volunteers we welcomed probably several hundred revelers out to the fun!

A big thank you goes out from the Chamber to all our volunteers who showed up to hand out candy including members of Floydada VFD, Floydada EMS, Floydada PD, and even several individuals who made time to be a part of our celebration. A big congratulations to Martin and Rachel Ramirez and their family, the winners of our trunk decorating contest with their Batman themed trunk.

Be sure and catch a glimpse of them in the pictures in this edition of the Hesperian. There was plenty of candy to go around and a wide assortment of costumes with everything from Batman, Spiderman and Ironman to a little girl with her own pony and a tiny shark! Great fun was had by all and as always your Floydada Chamber was proud and excited to be a part of it all!

Keep watching for other fun times coming up right here in Floydada as we at the Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture continue our efforts to showcase our community and all it has to offer. Committed to OUR Community!

## Floyd County Friends Unity Center News

By Elaine LaBaume

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Floyd County Friends are very grateful to Don and Carolyn Hardy for the donation of a new United States of America flag to be flown at the Unity Center. It doesn't take long for our winds to tear one up. Thank you!

Mark your calendars for December 11, 2015. The Unity Center will be hosting Wendell Sollis and the Sidekicks All Star Band. They will be playing for a "Cowboy Christmas Ball." You don't have to dance, if you like good "old time country music" you will want to just come and listen. Tickets are on sale now at Payne Pharmacy in Floydada, D & J Gin in Lockney or contact Elaine LaBaume @ 983-9153.

Don Chesshir and his family will be

catering the meal. Courier Coffee (the Montandon boys from Lockney) will be there with their coffee like they had at the Floyd County Friends Gala. Tickets are \$350 for a reserved table of 8 and \$35 per single ticket.

Several vendors will be there for you to also do a little Christmas shopping. This will be much like the Floyd County Friends annual gala. You know what an event that is! Watch the Hesperian - Beacon for more details for the 14 piece band including Lucy Dean Record and Brady Rascoe from Lockney.

The Unity Center has really been put to use this entire year. Seldom a week goes by, that there isn't an event or meeting of some kind being held. We are so very thankful for the Floyd County Friends Unity Center.

## Museum Archives

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

W. C. "WILL" MOONEY

William Cooper Mooney was born September 6, 1887 at Holly Springs, Mississippi, the second of five children born to Nazareth Byrd Mooney and Cindy (Scott) Mooney. Will's brothers and sister were Jim, Ed, Ollie (Oil), Carl and Tisha.

Will's surviving brother is Carl of Roswell, New Mexico and sister is Mrs. L. (Tisha) Sullins of Ogleby, Texas.

Back in Mississippi, during the Civil War, the Mooney family, only had one plow mule. When the Yankees were in the area it was necessary to keep the mule hidden to prevent its being taken for use by the Union Army. Will's older brother Jim, who was fourteen years old, would take the mule out in the woods and spend the night or as long as needed to keep the mule safe. They made it through the war without losing their mule!

Delilah Susie (Griffin) Mooney was born August 13, 1887 at Ogleby, Texas, the fourth of five children born to William Lafayette Griffin and Mary "Mollie" (Berry) Griffin. Susie's brothers and sisters were Sara, Lou, Maggie, Ruth, John, Jim, George and Charlie. Susie's only surviving sister is Mrs. John (Ruth) Rucker of Slaton, Texas.

Will moved from Holly Springs, Mississippi to Ogleby, Texas with his parents in 1891 at age four. Will and Susie went to school from the first grade together to Alexander School at Station Creek, south of Ogleby.

Will and Susie were married December 23, 1909 at Station Creek Methodist Church. They farmed in Coryell County until 1923 when they moved to their present farm, one mile northwest of Floydada. Will's father had bought a half section northwest of Floydada in 1904 and spent two winters there for the therapeutic ben-

efits of the dry air and climate for his tubercular condition.

Upon the death of their father, Will and "Oil" inherited and divided the half section. Will and Susie farmed "Oil's" land with theirs until "Oil" and his family moved onto it in 1933.

Will and Susie moved to Floyd County from Coryell County on the Sante Fe Train via Lubbock and Plainview, a trip of two days. Some of their early neighbors were George McPeak, Keller Holmes, and Edell DuBois. The main road to Lockney from Floydada was along their east fence by the mulberry trees just east of the house.

Will and Susie had four children; Dora Willene, Nazareth Byrd "N. B.", and William Conwell "Red" were born at Ogleby, and Billy Griffin, born in Floyd County. All the children graduated from Floydada High School.

"Red" attended Eastern New Mexico University and graduated from New Mexico A&M with a degree in agriculture. Red is now retired from a teaching career and lives in New Mexico.

Willene (Mrs. Claude Lyles) is also retired and lives with her husband in Amarillo.

"N.B." and his wife, Jo Ann, live in Dallas where he works for the Dallas Power and Light Company.

Both N. B. and Red served in the army during World War II. Billy was serving in the army during the Korean War when he was killed in an aircraft crash in 1951 in Korea.

Will and Susie farmed their place at Floydada with teams until 1942 when Will got a tractor. Will continued farming until 1955 and has rented his land since.

Will and Susie now live at the Floydada Nursing Home.

## Floydada Senior Citizens News

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Cold weather has definitely visited our area this week. It was accompanied with rain and even some hail was reported to have fallen north of town.

About three inches of rain fell last weekend has slowed cotton harvest.

The barrow ditches on county dirt roads are still holding a few inches of water and fields are very wet. Thankfully dry-land cotton was harvested before the rain in many fields.

Mrs. Judy Renfrow from the Matador Senior Citizens Center visited our local Center. She talked of the highly successful fried chicken Sunday dinner after church last week, well attended by Roaring Springs, Matador, and even a few from other communities.

Our local kitchen has been serving delicious chicken and dressing at least once a month.

Several local diners reported the amendments to be voted on by state voters.

Jerrold Vinson is back among us after having another stint put in recently.

Keep warm and keep in touch with your neighbors so we can all help each other.

Floydada Senior Citizens is open to all ages. We serve at 12 noon every weekday. Join us at 925 W. Crockett Street or we will deliver a meal anywhere in town. Call 983-2032.

Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235

### MENU

November 9 - November 13

Monday - Taco salad

Tuesday - Chopped sirloin patty w/natural gravy

Wednesday - Beef pork roast

Thursday - Chicken fried steak

Friday - Beef vegetable soup & tuna sandwich

(Menus subject to change with notice)

## Wit and Wisdom

By Charles Keaton

The Hesperian-Beacon

How many a dispute could have been deflated into a single paragraph if the disputants had dared to define their terms.

- Aristotle

The most perfidious way of harming a cause consists of defending it deliberately with faulty arguments.

- Friedrich Nietzsche

No matter what side of the argument you are on, you always find people on your side that you wish were on the other.

† Jascha Heifetz

One must not lose desires. They are mighty stimulants to creativeness, to love, and to long life.

- Alexander A. Bogomoletz

In men of the highest character and noblest genius there is to be found an insatiable desire for honour, command, power, and glory. - Cicero

If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known, that we are at all times ready for War. - George Washington

Some prices are just too high, no matter how much you may want the prize. The one thing you can't trade for your heart's desire is your heart. - Lois McMaster Bujold

Dwell not upon thy weariness, thy strength shall be according to the measure of thy desire. - Arab Proverb

It is not necessary to understand things in order to argue about them. - Pierre Beaumarchais

## Olton Methodist Church to Dish Up Chili/Stew

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Olton's First United Methodist Church will serve a Chili and Stew lunch on Saturday, November 21. The meal will be served between 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the church's fellowship hall, 312 Avenue D in Olton. The meal will include chili or stew, relishes, cornbread, relishes, crackers, homemade pie and tea or coffee. Take-outs will be available. Children under 2 years of age eat free, while the cost for children 2 to 10 years is \$3.50 and adult cost is \$6.50.

In addition to the lunch, the church will hold its Country Store between 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Store items will in-

clude hand made crafts, baked and canned goods, and frozen casseroles. A "new and gently used" room will also be available.

Ladies of the church are taking donations towards owning a hand made full-size quilt in fall colors. It was made by Teresa Wilks Light and donated to the Methodist women. Hand work was done by her Mother, Jane Wilks. Quilt tickets are \$2.50 each or 5 for \$10.00. People need not be present for the quilt drawing at 1:30 p.m. on November 21.

For additional information about the lunch or country store, contact Pam McFadden at 806/638-2093 (cell) or the Methodist Church at 806/285-2777.

## Obituaries

### Rebecca Burns

Rebecca Burns passed away on Friday, October 30, 2015 at 5:00 a.m.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate her life of 67 years on Sunday, November 8, 2015 at 2 p.m. at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers.

A tribute of Rebecca's life may be found at [www.memorialdesigners.net](http://www.memorialdesigners.net), where you may leave memories and expressions of sympathy for her family.

Rebecca was born on February 22, 1948, to Johnnie and Marie Baxter in Floy-

dada, Texas.

She is survived by her loving and dedicated husband of 49 years, Ricky Burns; daughter, Amy Burns-Copeland and grandchildren, Trent, Blake and Ashlyn; son, Ryan Burns and wife, Jordan and grandchildren, Leah and Matthew; her sister, Gail White; beloved mother-in-law, Loretta Burns; three sisters-in-law and their husbands, Sherry and Clifford Hacker, Rhonda and Larry Guthrie and Sheryl and Earnest Back; many loved nieces, nephews and friends,



REBECCA BURNS

and her special care-giver and friend, Effie Polk.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Judy Bollman, and brothers-in-law Wiley Bollman and Larry White.

Memorials may be made to Interim Hospice, 3305 101st Street, Suite 100, Lubbock, TX 79423.

### Mary Ruth Blanchard

Mary Ruth Blanchard died on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at Shepherds House in Wolfforth. Family and friends gathered to celebrate her life of 90 years on Monday, October 26, 2015, at 10 a.m. in Lake Ridge Chapel with Jon Matthews, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Resthaven Memorial Park.

A tribute of Mary's life may be found at [www.memorialdesigners.net](http://www.memorialdesigners.net), where you may leave memories and expressions of sympathy for her family.

She was born in Waco, Texas on September 21st, 1925. She graduated from Lockney high school, and Texas Tech University. She taught school at Roosevelt and Shallowater schools. She was employed for several years by the Texas House of Representatives in Austin and retired as Coordinator of Volunteer Services at Lubbock State School in

1983. Mary had been active with the Texas Senate Wives, as well as the Lubbock Bar wives. She was a long time member of Forrest Heights United Methodist Church in Lubbock. Mary was proud of her children and grandchildren and their many accomplishments. She was beloved by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her son, Jeff Blanchard, her sisters, Mildred Thomas and Virginia Williams, and her brothers, Frank and Robert Thomas.

She is survived by her daughter Adrienne Nichols, of Lubbock; three sons, John Ben Blanchard (Rhonda) of Amarillo, Hank Blanchard (Denise) of Amarillo, Clif Blanchard (Kathy) of Austin, and ten grandchildren Justin Blanchard of Boston, Adam Blanchard of Amarillo, Robert Blanchard II of Houston, Jaselyn Blanchard of New



MARY RUTH BLANCHARD

York, Molly Nichols of San Diego, Thomas Blanchard of Amarillo, Allison Blanchard of Dallas, Andrew Blanchard of College Station, Patrick Blanchard of Austin and Mary Blanchard of Austin, and one great-grandson, John Thomas Blanchard of Amarillo.

The family wishes to thank the wonderful people of Shepherds House for the loving care they provided in mother's final days.

In lieu of flowers we ask that donations be made to Shepherds House, 8824 FM 1585, Wolfforth, Texas 79382.

## Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong  
Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

Coffee time - Monday- Saturday - 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Thursday night pot luck- 6:00-9:00 p.m. Come bring a dish and enjoy the games after supper.

Family Night Fish Fry every Friday night from 5 - 8 p.m. Come join us for lots of food fun and fellowship.

### MENU

November 9 - November 13

- Monday - Meatloaf
  - Tuesday - Taco salad
  - Wednesday - Baked potatoes
  - Thursday - Salmon patties
  - Friday - Baked ham
- (Menus subject to change with notice)

## SNACK PAK

From Page 1

bers of the First United Methodist Church and Lighthouse Electric Cooperative employees have all taken turns donating their time packing the sacks every other Tuesday.

Lockney Elementary School Principal Jean Anne Williams explained that Snack Pak 4 Kids was first introduced at a school board meeting by former teacher Jennifer Sullivan in 2011. It started off as a joint effort between the First Baptist Church and First United Methodist Church in Lockney, with the Methodist youth group packing the bags. According to Williams, sometimes the need is only temporary, which was especially apparent after Cargill closed in 2013 and more students accepted weekend snacks as well as made use of the food pantry.

Similar to the program in Floydada, Lockney relies on monetary donations and the kindness of individuals in the com-

munity. Donations can be made directly to Snack Pak 4 Kids by contacting them through their website, mail or telephone, with 100 percent of donations going toward feeding hungry kids.

For their part in the battle against hunger, Happy State Bank held their annual "Poptober" event, collecting Poptart donations for Snack Pak 4 Kids. According to Robbie Hilton, bank manager in Floydada, this is the first year her branch has participated in the event, but for the past five years other Happy State Banks in the Panhandle and South Plains have collected Poptarts. This past year alone \$21,984 worth of the breakfast treat—or 137,405 individual Poptarts—were collected, staying in the communities where they were collected.

"It is a program that we wanted to become involved with because of the impact

it has on the children of our community," Hilton shared.

In a country that is known for abundance as well as waste, there is no reason why anyone, especially children, should be hungry. To be a part of the solution and to "lose yourself in service of others," as the Snack Pak 4 Kids website suggests, please contact the First Baptist Church in Floydada or Lockney Elementary. For more information, to "adopt" a kid or to make a donation directly to Snack Pak 4 Kids, visit their webpage at [www.snackpak4kids.org](http://www.snackpak4kids.org) or call 806-337-5252. For local donations or to volunteer, contact Ludustria Prisk at the First Baptist Church in Floydada at 806-983-3755 or Principal Jean Anne Williams at the Lockney Elementary School at 806-652-3321.

If you'd like to adopt a child for the Snack Pak 4 Kids program the form is on page 6.

### Ethel Lee

Ethel Lee, age 85, of Floydada, passed away on Friday, October 30, 2015.

Graveside service will be 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at the Floydada Cemetery.

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

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

### Going God's way

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. — Isaiah 55:8 (NIV)

One beautiful November morning, I decided to tackle the leaves in my yard. The day was pleasant outside but breezy. I started up the leaf blower. I soon discovered that even though I wanted to blow the leaves due north, a northwest wind was blowing the leaves back behind me into the areas I had cleared. I realized that to be productive, I needed to change my strategy and blow the leaves more toward the east, in the direction the wind was blowing. Once I did that, my job was much easier, since I was using the

wind to my advantage instead of fighting it.

Then I remembered Isaiah 55:8, in which God says, "My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways." How many times have I tried to do things my way and not God's way? How often, when I insisted on doing things my way, did the results blow back into my face, like the leaves in the wind that morning? But I have found that my progress is not hindered when I decide to listen to God's words and to follow God's ways.

Peg Foltz (Illinois, USA)

### Thought for the Day

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<p><b>Aiken Baptist Church</b> Dennis Butler, Pastor Morning Worship..11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Bible Baptist Church</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Calvary's Cornerstone Fellowship</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Carr's Chapel</b> Service Every Sunday Morning Worship - 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Church of Christ</b> West College &amp; Third Lockney Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Worship - 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Service - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>City Park Church of Christ</b> Matthew Benfield, 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. *****</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Floydada Tim Franks, Pastor Logan Lamb, Min. Students Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Bible Study - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Lockney Joseph Tillery, Pastor Albert Oliveira, Youth Min. Phil Cotham, Music Min.</p>	<p>Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> Floydada Rev. Ken Peterson, Pastor Morning Worship - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:50 a.m. Youth (Sunday) - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>First United Methodist Church</b> Lockney Rev. Ricky Carsensen, Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service - 10:30 a.m. Evening Service - 6 p.m. Wed. Jr. High - 5:30 p.m. Wed High School - 6:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Grant Chapel Church of God in Christ</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Main Street Church of Christ</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Mt. Zion Baptist Church</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>New Salem Primitive Baptist Church</b> Floydada Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges (806) 637-0430 Sunday Singing - 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Out Reach Harvest Pentecostal Church</b> 310 Mississippi</p>	<p>Floydada Rev David Ramos, Pastor Ester Ramos, Praise Leader Sunday Bible - 10 a.m. Morning Praise - 11 a.m. Evening Praise 5 - p.m. Wed Worship - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Power of Praise Full Gospel Church</b> Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor 704 B Main, Lockney Sunday Services - 10 a.m. Sunday Evening - 5 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b> Lockney Jesus Caballero, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. Discipleship - 5 p.m. Wed. Service - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Primera Iglesia Bautista</b> Floydada Rev. Toby Gonzales Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:40 a.m. Evening Worship - 6 p.m. Wed Evening - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>San Jose Catholic Church</b> Lockney Msgr. Nickolas Rendon Wed. Communion - 8 p.m. Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>South Plains Baptist Church</b> Joe Weldon, Pastor SuNday School - 10 a.m. Morning Worship - 11 a.m. Prayer Meeting - 7 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Getsemani Assembly of God</b> 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.</p>
<p>*****</p> <p><b>St Mary Magdalen Catholic Church</b> Floydada Rev. Ike Temporaza 983-5878 Sunday Mass - 11:30 a.m. Mon. &amp; Wed. Mass - 6:30 p.m. Confession Sat - 10-11 a.m. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Bautista Salem</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Bethel Spanish Assembly of God</b> 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. *****</p> <p><b>Templo Nueva Vida</b> Rev. Herman Martinez 308 W. Tennessee, Floydada Sunday School - 10 a.m. Evening Worship - 5 p.m. Tuesday - 7:30 p.m. Thursday Service - 7:30 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Trinity Assembly</b> 500 W. Houston Tom Ross, Pastor 983-5499 Sunday School - 9:45 p.m. Morning Worship - 10:40 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6 p.m. *****</p> <p><b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> Providence Community On Fm 2301 293-3009 Rev. Peter W. Harrington, Minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 11 - a.m. *****</p> <p><b>West Side Church of Christ</b> Floydada 983-2672 Or 470-0950 Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening - 2 p.m.</p>		

# AGRICULTURE

## USDA Commitments to Help Build Up Next Generation of Farmers and Ranchers

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

LOUISVILLE, October 29, 2015—Agriculture Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden today announced a commitment by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to prioritize \$5.6 billion over the next two years within USDA programs and services that serve new and beginning farmers and ranchers. Deputy Secretary Harden also announced a new, tailored web tool designed to connect burgeoning farm entrepreneurs with programs and resources available to help them get started.

"Today's announcement is symbolic of the evolution of USDA's efforts to better serve the next generation of farmers and ranchers. What began seven years ago with the recognition that the rapid aging of the American farmer was an emerging challenge, has transformed into a robust, transparent, tech-based strategy to recruit the farmers of the fu-

ture," said Harden. "No matter where you're from, no matter what you look like, no matter your background, we want USDA to be the first stop for anyone who is looking to be a part of the story and legacy of American agriculture."

The new web tool is available at [www.usda.gov/newfarmers](http://www.usda.gov/newfarmers). The site was designed based on feedback from new and beginning farmers and ranchers around the country, who cited unfamiliarity with programs and resources as a challenge to starting and expanding their operations. The site features advice and guidance on everything a new farm business owner needs to know, from writing a business plan, to obtaining a loan to grow their business, to filing taxes as a new small business owner. By answering a series of questions about their operation, farmers can use the site's Discovery Tool to build a personalized set of recommendations of USDA programs and services that may meet their needs.

Using the new web tool and other outreach activities, and operating within its existing resources, USDA has set a new goal of increasing beginning farmer and rancher participation by an additional 6.6 percent across key USDA programs, which were established or strengthened by the 2014 Farm Bill, for a total investment value of approximately \$5.6 billion. Programs were targeted for expanded outreach and commitment based on their impact on expanding opportunity for new and beginning farmers and ranchers, including starting or expanding an operation, developing new markets, supporting more effective farming and conservation practices, and having access to relevant training and education opportunities. USDA will provide quarterly updates on its progress towards meeting its goal. A full explanation of the investment targets, benchmarks and outcomes is available at: BFR-Commitment-Factsheet.

## USDA Extends Deadline to Increase Protections for Forage Crop Losses

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COLLEGE STATION, Texas, October 30, 2015 – USDA Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Ms Judith A. Canales, announced that the deadline for producers to obtain or modify higher levels of coverage through the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to protect against poor forage crop quality because of drought or other natural disasters where the forage is intended for mechanical harvest has been extended to Nov. 13, 2015.

"For 2016 small grain forage crops, the application deadline for NAP occurred before information became available to measure losses due to quality that could influence loss payments, so we extended the deadline so that producers have more time to decide what type of modified coverage works best for their operation," said Canales.

The Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program protects agricultural crops for which crop insurance is not available from losses due to natural disasters, such as

drought, freeze, hail, excessive moisture, excessive wind or hurricanes. The program offers basic coverage at 55 percent of the average market price for crop losses exceeding 50 percent of expected production, and higher levels of coverage, up to 65 percent of expected production at 100 percent of the average market price. Higher coverage is not available on grazing crops. However, the extension does not afford producers the opportunity to purchase basic 50/55 NAP coverage.

Producers interested in adjusting their NAP coverage must submit the appropriate paperwork to their local FSA county office before the Nov. 13 deadline. To find your local USDA Service Center go to <http://offices.usda.gov>. For more details on the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/nap](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/nap).

The protections provided by this program were made possible by the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving mean-

ingful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, USDA 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 <http://www.usda.gov/farmbill>.

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## Floydada native arrested for arson

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ABILENE — Floydada native Rick Garcia, 51, now of Abilene, has been arrested and charged with arson.

The Abilene Fire Depart-

ment responded to the call in the 2300 block of Kansas Street and found flames shooting out from the porch on Friday, Oct. 9.

Police said Garcia admitted to starting the fire and smelled strongly of gasoline. Garcia was taken into custody and told police he poured gasoline inside the house to set it on fire.

He was charged with first degree felony arson of a habitation and booked into the Taylor County Jail.

According to fire officials, the family living at the residence was not home at the time of the fire. According to AFD, the house was considered a total loss with damages estimated to be \$60,000.

## Assignment: Texas G.I.F.T

When I walked into the terminal, I was outnumbered maybe 20 to one. In my past trips to the Vernon, Texas airport terminal, men are usually omnipresent. Today, however, women dominate the scene

as they are here for the annual G.I.F.T Academy.

G.I.F.T. (an acronym that stands for Girls In Flight Training) is a week long clinic that began in 2011 and conceived by Mary Latimer of Vernon. Here, Mary and her

husband Lawrence serve as head instructors alongside a coterie of volunteer instructors - each with an intimate knowledge of aviation.

When I walked into the terminal, women from all over the country were broken into various groups. Some were studying how to chart a trip, another was studying a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved training manual, while others were comparing notes on the

things they've learned throughout the week.

Throughout the week, the academy focuses on the ground school portion of flight training as it's an essential part of any flight training regime.

As such, women from all over the country and in various stages of their training descend on Vernon to partake in the academy.

"In our instruction, we try to calm any fears that people may have of flying," says Mary as we stand in the corner of a conference room while a smattering of airplanes of various types sit idle on the airport's tarmac just outside our window.

"Unfortunately, the media sensationalizes plan crashes so people who don't fly have a skewed view how safe flying really is. Through G.I.F.T, we try to empower our students by educating them on how safe and fun flying can be. In addition, we also want to increase the numbers of women in the industry. As of now, females are a grossly under-represented aviation demographic."

According to FAA statistics, 4.21 percent of all certified pilots are female. While reasons vary, a



study by Australian socialist Deanne Gibbons indicates that young girls view piloting as difficult, dangerous, and "more of a man's job." The study also concludes that young girls who grow up to be military or commercial pilots had an early exposure to flying. An "epiphany moment," Gibbons calls it.

Mary hopes that the G.I.F.T. Academy creates that epiphany moment for each group of women who participates in the school.

"We want to break down any barriers that women have to becoming pilots," she says. "Whether it's helping them overcome their fears, empowering them to step out of their comfort zones, or overcoming the communication and learning style barriers that sometimes exists between men instructors and women students, we want to be on the front lines of increasing the number of women pilots in our country."



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# FLOYDADA SCHOOL NEWS

## Abernathy Defeats Whirlwinds 28-21

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

ABERNATHY – Abernathy rallied with two late scores to defeat the Floydada Whirlwinds 28-21 and join Floydada and New Deal in the playoffs. The fourth playoff spot in District 2-2A-1 will be the winner of the Hale Center and Olton contest this week.

The Antelopes got on the board first when Trae Bender found the end zone from one yard out with 4:29 left in the first quarter to make it 6-0.

In the second quarter, Robert Rodriguez connected on a 23 yard field goal with 7:15 left in the half to extend Abernathy's lead to 9-0. With 5:28 left in the half, Kyi Baker found Sammy Segura open for a 58 yard touchdown pass and after Miguel Pena's extra point, the Whirlwinds had closed the gap to 9-7. Corey Mathis put Floydada ahead going into half time when

he scampered in from 20 yards out with 20 seconds left in the half. After Pena's extra point, Floydada had a 14-9 lead at the half.

In the third quarter, Abernathy scored with 8:27 left in the quarter when Bender powered in from three yards out to give the Antelopes the lead again at 15-14. Floydada scored with 5:48 left in the quarter when Baker sprinted in from 16 yards and after Pena's kick, the Whirlwinds were in the lead again at 21-15.

In the fourth quarter, the Antelopes managed to keep the Whirlwinds out of the end zone while scoring two touchdowns. Bender scored his third rushing touchdown of the night with 3:41 left in the game as he ran it in from nine yards out. Rodriguez made the extra point to give Abernathy a 22-21 lead. With 2:15 left in the game, Baker tried to connect with Mathis but Bender stepped in front of the pass and returned it for a touchdown to seal the

Abernathy victory at 28-21.

Offensively, the Whirlwinds managed 254 total yards including 123 passing and 131 rushing while Abernathy had 335 total yards including 55 passing and 280 rushing. The Antelopes defense intercepted three Floydada passes while the Whirlwinds only took away the ball from Abernathy one time on an interception.

"The key play was when we went up 21-15 in the third and held them to a fourth down punt that we would have gotten the ball back at their 45," Head Coach Todd Bandy said, "but we were called for a penalty that gave them a first down and momentum that we would have had."

Individually for the Whirlwinds, Baker was 5-10 passing for 123 yards, one touchdown and three interceptions. Baker also had 10 carries for 44 yards and a touchdown, Mathis had 18 carries for 81 yards and a touchdown and Albert Dehoyas had one carry

for six yards. Segura had two receptions for 66 yards and a touchdown, Dehoyas had one catch for 40 yards and Jesse Segura had on catch for 16 yards.

Individually for the Antelopes, Bender was 7-16 passing for 55 yards. Bender had 19 carries for 146 yards and three touchdowns, Mark Pando had 11 carries for 64 yards, Sawyer Knight had 11 carries for 38 yards and Rodriguez had three carries for 32 yards. Kason Teal had four receptions for 31 yards

and Ethan Geter had three catches for 24 yards. Bender also scored on an interception return.

Floydada falls to 4-5 on the year and 3-1 in district while Abernathy improves to 5-3 on the year and 3-1 in district play. In other district action, New Deal (9-0 / 4-0) defeated Hale Center (4-5 / 1-3) 66-6 and Olton (2-7 / 1-3) defeated Tahoka (3-6 / 0-4) 30-6.

Floydada will host New Deal to close out the season and celebrate Senior Night.

"We must contain their speed, and not make mistakes on offense that lead to points for them in order to beat New Deal," Bandy said.

Abernathy travels to Tahoka and Olton travels to Hale Center with the winner claiming the final playoff spot. For the bi-district round of the playoffs, District 1-2A-1 playoff qualifiers are Canadian, Stratford, Panhandle and Wellington. Playoff seeding will be determined after this week's

FLOYDADA vs ABERNATHY					
Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	FINAL
Floydada	0	14	7	0	21
Abernathy	6	3	6	13	28

1st Qtr – Abernathy – 4:29 – Trae Bender 1 yard run; Kick no good

2nd Qtr – Abernathy – 7:15 – Robert Rodriguez 23-yard field goal  
2nd Qtr – Floydada – 5:28 – Kyi Baker 58 yard pass to Sammy Segura; Miguel Pena Kick Good  
2nd Qtr – Floydada – 0:20 – Corey Mathis 15 yard run; Pena Kick Good

3rd Qtr – Abernathy – 8:27 – Bender 3 yard run; Run no good  
3rd Qtr – Floydada – 5:48 – Baker 16 yard run; Pena Kick Good

4th Qtr – Abernathy – 3:41 – Bender 9 yard run; Rodriguez Kick Good  
4th Qtr – Abernathy – 2:15 – Bender interception return; Kick no good

## Texas Tech Ranked Sixth in Nation for Exercise Science Graduate Programs

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Texas Tech University was recently ranked No. 6 in the nation for its graduate program in kinesiology and exercise science by graduateprograms.com.

The ranking combined the graduate programs in the Texas Tech Department of Kinesiology & Sport Management and Nutritional Sciences with various graduate programs from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) School of Health Professions, including the doctorates in physical therapy and rehabilitation sciences and the master's degrees in occupational therapy and athletic training.

"Graduate students appreciate faculty mentors who genuinely enjoy helping them succeed in their programs of study and especially provide opportunities for them to get involved with collaborative research projects with the faculty member and other students,"

said Angela Lumpkin, chairwoman of the Department of Kinesiology & Sport Management. "Students who participate in internships really appreciate the work experiences, networking and job potential these opportunities provide them. Texas Tech's high ranking reflects positively on our department's excellent teaching and mentoring as well as on the graduate programs in the Health Sciences Center."

Rankings were compiled using data gathered between Sept. 1, 2012, and Sept. 30, 2015. They are based on reviews posted by more than 75,000 students participating in more than 1,600 graduate programs nationwide and cover a variety of student topics including academic competitiveness, career support, financial aid and quality of network.

"I believe several things set the graduate programs of the TTUHSC School of Health Professions apart from other universities," said Kerry K. Gilbert, associate professor

and program director for the doctor of physical therapy program. "Those include our 'students first' focus, realizing we are here to help students learn and grow as professionals in their chosen field, and we actively work to meet that goal; our faculty, which is composed of top notch experts in their respective fields who care about our students; the support of the university from the president down; and that many health professions programs are housed in graduate schools. Being a part of a health sciences center is critical and provides the ability for interdisciplinary collaboration in education, scholarship and patient care."

The nation's top five ranked institutions are The University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, The University of Texas at San Antonio, the University of Florida, Purdue University and the University of Maryland. Baylor University was ranked No. 16 and The University of Texas at Austin was No. 19.

## South Plains College to offer NRA Basic Rifle course on Nov. 7-8

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LEVELLAND – South Plains College will offer an NRA Basic Rifle class on Nov. 7 and Nov. 8 (Saturday and Sunday) in the Law Enforcement Technology Building. The cost of the course is \$75, and students need to register and pay in advance. Space is limited.

The class will begin at 9 a.m. on Nov. 7 (Saturday) with breaks every hour as well as a lunch break, and continue on Nov. 8 (Sunday) at 2 p.m. Students

must attend both parts, and must be 12 years old or older. Ear and eye protection, .22 rifles, and ammunition will be provided.

The course runs at least 14 hours, depending on the number of students, and includes classroom and range time. Students learn NRA's rules for safe gun handling; rifle parts and operation; ammunition; shooting fundamentals; range rules; shooting from the bench rest, prone, sitting, standing and kneeling positions; cleaning; and continued op-

portunities for skill development. The cost includes the NRA Guide to the Basics of Rifle Shooting handbook, NRA Gun Safety Rules brochure, and Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification booklet.

This is an excellent course for new rifle shooters or for a warm-up for hunting season.

To sign up, call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant for the Dean of Continuing and Distance Education, at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.

## SPC to offer Christmas-themed tile mosaics class starting Nov. 9

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

LEVELLAND – South Plains College's Division of Continuing and Distance Education will offer a Christmas-theme tile mosaics class on Mondays from Nov. 9 through Dec. 7.

The class will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 117 of the Tech-

nical Arts Building. The cost of the class is \$80 and includes all supplies.

Artist Caroline Blair will be the instructor. She will teach participants how to draw or craft their design, place and attach the glass tiles, grout and complete each individual project. The completed pieces will be 15 to 18 inches tall and will fea-

ture traditional holiday fare including Christmas trees, decorative ornaments and other festive pieces.

For more information and to register, contact Kasey Reyes, secretary for the Division of Continuing and Distance Education at (806) 716-2341 or email kreyes@southplainscollege.edu.



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## Football Contest Standings Week 10

	THIS WEEKS	TOTAL
Martin Ramirez	20/27	195/315
Coy LaBaume	21/27	194/315
Franklin Harris	20/27	191/315
Ricky Ascencio	18/27	190//315
Brent Sanders	21/27	191/315
Lanny Barnett	22/27	191/315
Pam Fulton	18/27	187/315
Stanley Collier	18/27	182/315
Renee Armstrong	22/27	177/315
Boyd Lee	19/27	174/315
Paul Lopez	19/27	169/315
Diego Ascencio	18/27	168/315
Daniel Diaz	15/27	167/315
Mac Sherman	16/27	165/315
Andrew Vega	17/27	165/315
Debra Lee	13/27	146/315
Steve Stringer	17/27	140/288

# LOCKNEY SCHOOL NEWS

## Longhorns Fall to Quanah 32-7

By Charles Keaton  
The Hesperian-Beacon

LOCKNEY – One week after securing their first playoff berth in 10 years, the Lockney Longhorns took on Quanah with hopes of remaining in the championship hunt for District 3-2A-2 but the Indians had other ideas. Quanah took control of the game at the beginning and held the Longhorns scoreless until there were only 18 seconds left in the game. The Indians victory gave them the last of the four playoff spots. Lockney, Crosbyton and Memphis had clinched playoff spots after last week's games.

In the first quarter, with 9:57 left in the quarter,

Mayson Leija scored on a 39 yard run to give the Indians a 6-0 lead. In the second quarter, Leija scored from 23 yards out with 6:37 left in the half to extend Quanah's lead to 12-0 going into half time. In the third quarter, Leija scored his third touchdown of the night, this time from three yards out and after the extra point, the Indians had a 19-0 lead heading into the final quarter.

In the fourth quarter, Leija scored from one yard out with 10:51 left in the game to make it 25-0 Quanah. With 3:26 left in the game, Jason VanTrees scored from 37 yards out as the Indians took 32-0 lead. Lockney finally scored with 18 seconds left in the game

when Daylen Gatica connected with Levi Kasner for a six yard touchdown pass, making the final score 32-7.

Offensively, Lockney managed 284 total yards including 179 yards rushing and 105 yards passing but they lost a fumble and threw one interception. For Quanah, they had 370 total yards including 279 yards rushing and 92 yards passing.

Individually for the Longhorns, Tevin Phillips rushed 25 times for 116 yards. Gatica was 8-26 passing for 105 yards and one touchdown. Jaden Rosales had three catches for 39 yards, Israel Cuelar had two catches for 32 yards and Kasner had three

catches for 32 yards and one touchdown.

Individually for the Indians, Meija had 20 carries for 140 yards and one touchdown and Adam Medina had six carries for 99 yards. Leija was also 6-12 passing for 92 yards. Jace Parmer had two catches for 49 yards.

Lockney falls to 5-4 on the

year and 2-2 in district and Quanah improves to 5-4 and 3-1. In other District 3-2A-2 action, Crosbyton (8-1 / 3-1) defeated Memphis (4-5 / 3-1) 42-14 and Clarendon (4-5 / 1-3) defeated Ralls (0-9 / 0-4) 15-7.

Lockney will close out the regular season hosting Crosbyton on Senior Night. Quanah will host

Ralls and Clarendon will host Memphis. Seeding positions for the playoffs will be determined by the outcomes of the games, Nov. 6. Currently, only Seagraves and Smyer have clinched playoff spots in District 4-2A-2 with Morton, Plains and Sundown all alive for the last two spots.

### LOCKNEY vs QUANAH

Teams	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	FINAL
Quanah	6	6	7	13	32
Lockney	0	0	0	7	7

1st Qtr – Quanah – 9:57 – Mayson Leija 39 yard run; Kick no good

2nd Qtr – Quanah – 6:37 – Leija 23 yard run; Kick no good

3rd Qtr – Quanah – ??? – Leija 3 yard run; Kick Good

4th Qtr – Quanah – 10:51 – Leija 1 yard run; Kick no good

3rd Qtr – Quanah – 3:26 – Jason VanTrees 37 yard run; Kick Good

3rd Qtr – Lockney – 0:18 – Daylen Gatica 6 yard pass to Levi Kasner; Kick Good

## LIFE Foundation of Lockney



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Pete Christy, sports director for KCBD channel 11 in Lubbock spoke at the LIFE Foundation fund raiser on Oct. 27. Christy talked about the importance of God in his life and how he has seen God working in him. The LIFE Foundation provides scholarships to graduating seniors at Lockney based on certain criteria. Members of the Class of 2015 that met the criteria each received scholarships for \$1,300.



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On Oct. 27, the LIFE Foundation of Lockney held a fund raiser featuring Pete Christy (third from left), sports director for KCBD Channel 11 in Lubbock. The Foundation provides scholarships to graduating seniors that meet the required criteria. Other Board members include, (left to right) Ricky Carstensen, Charlotte Mitchell, Christy, Maria Arellano, Fred Cervantes, Billy Lefevre and Phil Cotham.

### LOCKNEY SCHOOL MENU

Nov. 9-13

#### Monday, Oct. 19

**Breakfast** – Sausage Biscuit, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Lunch** – Cheese Enchiladas, Spanish Rice, Texas Basket, Charro Beans, Garden Salad, Hot Cinnamon Apples, Milk

#### Tuesday, Nov. 10

**Breakfast** – Dutch Waffle, Bacon, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Lunch** – Chili Cheese Tater Tots, Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich, Potato Rounds, Veggie Cup, Seasonal Fruit, Chocolate or Vanilla Pudding, Milk

#### Wednesday, Nov. 11

**Breakfast** – Breakfast Boat, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Lunch** – Pizza, Garden Salad, Fiesta Bowl, Tomato Cup, Fruit Cup, Milk

#### Thursday, Nov. 12

**Breakfast** – Stuffed Bagel, Sausage, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Lunch** – Chicken Nuggets, Mac and Cheese, Green Bean, Asian Stir-Fry with Noodles or Rice, Garden Salad, Apple Slices, Milk

#### Friday, Nov. 13

**Breakfast** – Pancakes, Bacon, Fruit, Fruit Juice, Milk  
**Lunch** – Hamburger with Cheese, Corn dog, Oven Fries, Carrots with Ranch, Sliced Peaches, Crispy Cereal Treat, Milk



## Area Football Wrap-up Week 10

### DISTRICT 2-2A-D1 (Floydada's)

**Week 10 Results**  
Abernathy 28, Floydada 21  
New Deal 66, Hale Center 6  
Olton 30, Tahoka 6

TEAM	OVERALL		DISTRICT	
	Wins	Losses	Wins	Losses
x-New Deal	9	0	4	0
x-Floydada	4	5	3	1
x-Abernathy	5	3	3	1
Hale Center	4	5	1	3
Olton	2	7	1	3
Tahoka	3	6	0	4

**Week 11 Schedule:** New Deal at Floydada, Abernathy at Tahoka, Olton at Hale Center

x=Clinched Playoff Spot

### DISTRICT 3-2A-D2 (Lockney's)

**Week 10 Results**  
Quanah 32, Lockney 7  
Crosbyton 42, Memphis 14  
Clarendon 15, Ralls 7

TEAM	OVERALL		DISTRICT	
	Wins	Losses	Wins	Losses
x-Memphis	4	5	3	1
x-Quanah	5	4	3	1
x-Crosbyton	8	1	3	1
x-Lockney	5	4	2	2
Clarendon	4	5	1	3
Ralls	0	9	0	4

**Week 11 Schedule:** Lockney at Crosbyton, Memphis at Clarendon, Ralls at Quanah

x=Clinched Playoff Spot

### AREA TEAMS (Records) Week 10 Results

PLAINVIEW (4-5, 1-1) 41, San Angelo Lake View 6  
x-VALLEY (8-1, 2-0) 46, Spur (5-4, 1-1) 0  
PETERSBURG (6-3, 1-1) 56, LORENZO (4-4, 0-2) 22  
Denton Calvary 32, PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN (2-7, 1-1) 26  
x-McLean (6-3, 3-0) 50, SILVERTON (3-6, 0-2) 0  
x-MOTLEY COUNTY (8-1, 2-0) 58, Paducah (2-6, 0-2) 55  
x-Guthrie (7-2, 2-0) 1, PATTON SPRINGS (0-6, 0-2) 0  
x=Clinched Playoff Spot

### WEEK 11 Schedules

PLAINVIEW vs Lubbock; PETERSBURG at Spur; VALLEY at Lorenzo; SILVERTON vs Hedley; MOTLEY COUNTY vs Paducah; PLAINVIEW CHRISTIAN at Carrollton Christian

## TPWD Details Plans for Hunter Harvest CWD Sample Collections

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

AUSTIN — Texas hunters wishing to assist with the statewide chronic wasting disease (CWD) monitoring effort this fall can do so by voluntarily taking their harvested deer (or the head of the harvested deer) to a location where Texas Parks and Wildlife Department wildlife biologists will be collecting tissue samples for testing.

A list of collection sites and times is available online at [www.tpwd.texas.gov/cwd](http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/cwd). In addition to those established collection locations, biologists will also be conducting localized sampling at various sites throughout the season to meet sampling objectives. For additional infor-

mation regarding localized CWD sampling efforts during this deer season, please contact your local wildlife biologist ([http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/technical\\_guidance/biologists/](http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/technical_guidance/biologists/)).

TPWD has been conducting CWD surveillance on hunter-harvested deer and road-kill deer since 2002, and has a goal to collect tissue samples from at least 8,000 hunter harvested deer throughout the state during the 2015-16 deer season. The general deer hunting season opens Nov. 7. This sampling effort provides TPWD with confidence that CWD is not in the free-ranging deer populations at a significant prevalence rate, if at all.

TPWD would prefer to collect the tissue samples within 24 hours of harvest; however, the appropriate tissue samples will remain viable for a few days if the head is chilled soon after harvest, and remains chilled until the samples can be collected. It is very important that the deer head not be frozen.

Once collected by TPWD biologists, the samples will be submitted to the Texas A&M Veterinary Diagnostic Lab at no cost to the hunter, and test results should be made available to the hunter within 3-4 weeks. A hunter who allows for a CWD sample to be collected will be issued a receipt that can be used to track test results online.

## Texas A&M Study: Mars Has Had A Very Wet Past Infrastructure Partnership

Special to The Hesperian-Beacon

COLLEGE STATION, Oct. 8, 2015 – Although they are no longer there, large lakes and river systems were once plentiful on Mars before they dried up billions of years ago, says a team of international scientists that includes a Texas A&M University researcher.

Ryan Ewing, assistant professor of geology and geophysics, and colleagues have had their work published in the current issue of Science magazine.

Their work provides further evidence of water on Mars.

In a separate study, NASA announced last week that there is firm proof that Mars still has areas of flowing water during its summer months, raising the possibility that the planet could be home to some form of life.

The flowing water shows up intermittently and is not con-

stant, and appears to ebb and flow according to Mars' seasons.

Ewing and team members looked at areas in and around Gale Crater, a 96 mile-wide crater with a central mountain that rises about 18,000 feet above the Martian terrain. The team found that a complex river system was present throughout much of the area, and existed there "probably on and off for tens of thousands of years," Ewing explains.

"But for reasons we don't know, after the river and lake sediments were deposited, which occurred before 3.3 billion to 3.2 billion years ago, most of the water dried up. The project shows what we have long suspected: Mars had a sustained period of relative wetness in its past."

The researchers found that water pooled into lakes in sev-

eral regions, and the planet's past climate must have been much wetter than it is today.

The team examined thousands of photos taken by the Mars rover Curiosity, which landed on Mars Aug. 6, 2012, and these images gave strong evidence that rivers and lakes were common in Gale Crater.

One of the questions the team answered dealt with Mars' winds and their effects on the area.

"We did find evidence of wind-driven erosion in Gale Crater," Ewing adds.

"This occurred about 3.3 to 3.1 billion years ago, and this was followed by a long, slow period of erosion that has continued to this day. We found that wind, not water, was the primary cause of erosion in the area."

The project was funded by NASA.

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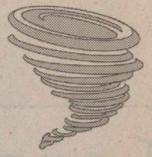
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# Whirlwind News



## Go With the Flo: The Problems with Anonymous Apps

By Macee Brotherton, Brooke Galvan, and Alfonso Mendoza

Over the years, high school students have become more involved in the world of social media... a space to share their thoughts, communicate with others, and occasionally vent about their lives. In recent years, newly-developed applications offer the protective veil of anonymity, allowing students to say whatever they want without anyone knowing their identity. Apps like Secret, Yik Yak, and After School have the intention of being entertaining, but be-

come outlets for cyber bullying, gossip, and threatening statements.

In recent occasions, users have been known to abuse these apps by harassing others. Embarrassing information can be exposed regarding individuals who do not even use the apps in question. Their hurtful statements, kidding or not, have strong effects on the ones who are involved.

These apps have garnered a lot of attention, both good and bad. So far, it has made itself apparent that those who enjoy using the app are either the aggressors, or have yet to be talked about. In a survey

of 18 high school students, 44% of them were against anonymous apps, while 66% were for them. Students who voted against the app said they didn't like it because it could be hurtful toward others, and it was cowardly to say something without attaching their name. Those for the apps just said they enjoyed watching the drama play out, as long as it wasn't about them.

Those who are bullied tend to feel ganged up on, leading to negative emotional trauma. These emotional traumas are breeding grounds for depression and other mental illnesses. Therefore, apps such as Yik

Yak and After School may be contributors to the 20% increase per year of patients diagnosed with depression in the United States. While social media is a fun and typically easy way to connect with others, when given the opportunity to stay anonymous, teenagers have shown to develop socially destructive habits.

Because the majority of these secret apps are an easy and protected way to bully others, it would be in everyone's best interest to not be involved with the apps. From teens to adults, many individuals are mentally harmed



daily due to cyber-bullying. Until anonymous apps can be used in ways that do not harm others, they should stay off of the devices of the millennial generation.

## From The Field To The Court

By Melissa Arizpe, Rachel Hernandez, Reagan Hughes, and Roxy Chavarria

The Whirlwinds are simultaneously focused and cheerful regarding making the playoffs. Pre-district games were not indicative of how the varsity football team would perform in district games, but the evidence of practice and improvement was obviously there, as they have earned a spot in the playoffs for the second year in a row after almost a decade of not making it further than district.

As the season is winding down, the players are going from the field to the courts in hopes of continuing to see great success for this upcoming season.

In equally-exciting news, basketball season began for the high school girls, and



they are working on fundamentals of the game, understanding and executing plays, and developing a team. It is essential that the team learn how to work together prior to playing in order to build a stronger foundation towards victory.

Head coach Brandi Cook was asked about her expectations of the basketball girls this season.

"I am really looking forward to this season. We will be bringing back a lot of intensity and leadership, even though we are kind of young. The girls put a ton of work in over the summer, and it is so wonderful to see how they have grown: in leaps and bounds. I am hoping that we can just acquire the confidence we need to expect to win every time we step on

the court," said Cook.

As a senior, Allison Cisneros gives her input about her last basketball season as a starting player.

"It really hasn't hit me yet that this is my last year to play. I'm excited to see what this season brings. I'm hoping to end my high school basketball career on a good note and give my best effort in every game," said Cisneros.

## FHS Student Insider: Hannah, Alex, Joe, and Rita

By Allison Cisneros, Alyson Perez, and Selena Espinoza

There are a variety of students on the secondary campus. Each student has unique qualities that make them stand out amongst their peers. Though the number of students tends to change from day to day, our campus is home to 200-300 students. Over the course of the school year, it is our aim to feature freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors on this page. We refer to this article as an 'insider' because it allows the reader to gain some insight into the lives and personalities of our best and brightest.

First year high school student Hannah Morales is involved in Yearbook, UIL, basketball, softball, track, and cross country, in which she qualified for regionals. Her favorite food is chicken fried steak. Her favorite movie is "If I Stay" and her favorite song is "Hotline Bling" by Drake. An interesting fact about Hannah is that she is an extremely hard worker and has a unique personality.

Alex Glass is a sophomore here at FHS. He is very involved in BPA, FFA, UIL, and athletics. His favorite food is steak, his favorite movie is "The Sandlot" and his favorite song is "RGF Island" by Fetty Wap.

An interesting fact that you might not know about Alex is that he plays the drums.

Upperclassman Joe Johnston participates in UIL, athletics, and band. Joe recently competed alongside the rest of the Spirit of the Winds marching band at area contest in Amarillo. His favorite food is fondue. His favorite movie is "Focus" and his favorite song is "Jump Man" by Drake &

Future. Something you might not know about Joe is that he is known as a class clown, but he can also be an extremely kind individual.

Senior Rita Martinez juggles dual credit college courses, having a job, and being involved in other extracurricular activities. She is involved in numerous events such as BPA, FFA, NHS, UIL, and theater. Her favorite movie is "Dazed and

Confused" and her favorite food is pizza. Rita's favorite song is "Levels" by Nick Jonas. Not many people know that Rita's hair was naturally straight when she was younger.

Hannah, Alex, Joe, and Rita are assets to our school, and their contributions as students do not go unnoticed. They live up to the expectations set by their teachers and excel at representing our school on a regular basis. For their hard work and their winning personalities, we thank them for being a part of FISD.

## Weather Knowledge: El Niño and Hurricane Patricia

By Angel Lorenzo and Cutter Smith

An El Niño is an event that occurs every 2 to 7 years, characterized by warming of surface waters and reduced upwelling of cold, nutrient-rich water off the western coast of South America, causing die-offs of plankton and fish and influencing jet stream winds, altering storm tracks, and affecting the climate over much of the world. The destructive, wet El Niño hasn't been the only storm impacting us this year. These past few weeks in the western hemisphere we have recorded the largest hurricane ever in human history. Hurricane Patricia was a huge category 5 that hit the coast of Mexico on Oct. 23.

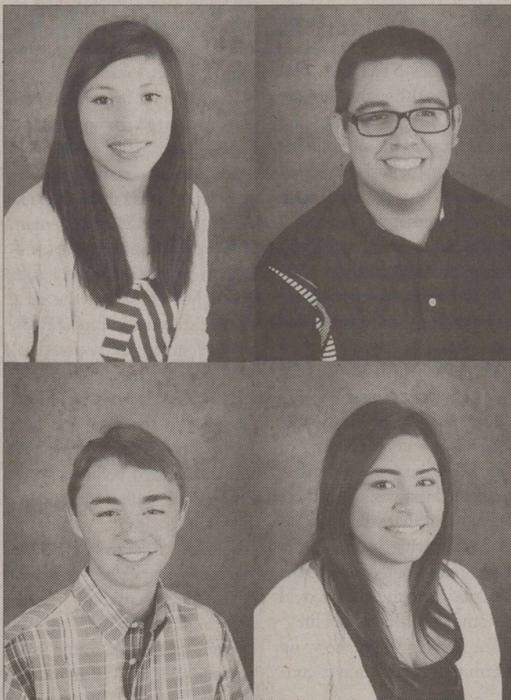
The last time El Niño was this strong was the storm of 1997-1998. The most devastating El Niño in history is expected to soak the entire southern part of the United States from September and into 2016. The birth of the most recent El Niño has forecasts of powerful storms and soaking rains being seen as a mixed blessing for one southern state in particular; California. California is notably in its fourth year of a record drought. Not everything about El Niño is bad, it can actually help many companies while it sets back others. Roofing companies make bank not only by customers who wish to get prepared for the storms but also those who repair post-El Niño roofs. It can also help public cleaning services due to the fact that when the storm passes through a wreckage is left behind and homes are trashed.

Hurricane Patricia was a



tropical cyclone that rapidly intensified into a massive category 5 hurricane, but as fast as Patricia intensified it rapidly downgraded on the rough terrain of Mexico. On Oct. 23 Patricia soon became the largest hurricane ever recorded in the western hemisphere with sustained winds reaching 200 mph. The eye of the hurricane made landfall near the city of Cuixmala in Jalisco state of southwest Mexico. Once on land Cuixmala Hurricane Wind Scale measured a sustained wind speed of 185 mph with gusts of 211 mph. 60 miles northwest of Manzanillo was where tropical storm-force winds likely occurred, but less than 24 hours later Patricia was soon downgraded to a small tropical storm about 45 miles southwest of Monterrey, Mexico. In addition to Hurricane Patricia's recorded breaking winds of 200mph Patricia broke the record for lowest pressure in any hurricane ever recorded. The intensity of Hurricane Patricia quickly decreased as the eye of the hurricane rumbled over the rocky terrain of Mexico.

The path that Patricia took spared Mexico's major cities from the most damage of the storm. Only one other category 5 hurricane has made landfall in Mexico. That hurricane had taken a similar path as Patricia and struck near Puerto Vallarta in late October 1959, causing some 1800 deaths.



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## Contest Rules

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

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

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

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

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada no later than 5 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries **WILL NOT** be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of a tie, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at the Hesperian-Beacon office before 5 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one entry per person, per week.

At the end of the 11-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first place prize of \$100.

Second place will be awarded \$75.

Third place will be awarded \$50.

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**Official Entry Form** Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FACES**

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Crossman. 5 days later I received an email from Jan Scruggs, the Founder and President of the Vietnam Wall. He thanked me for sending the photo, it was the first for this Hero and asked me if I could help him find the photos for the 42 Maui County Fallen that were killed in Vietnam. I replied, it would be an honor. I have always hoped I could to do something for the Vietnam Veterans as the way they were treated when they returned, it was disgraceful. Here was my chance.

What I thought would be a very easy project with Maui being so small... was anything but easy. I started by combing the phone books calling every like name of each soldier, I found about 10 of them this way, then off to archived year-books for every high school on Maui, I found a few more... then to the library to look for obituaries... found 3 more ... then I went to the Maui News, they printed a beautiful front page article about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund and the Education Center. I started receiving calls from all over the United States sending me photos. I was unaware how many people read the Maui News online. The Maui News ran an article about every 6 weeks printing the list of names of photos I still needed. Every time they ran a story, I would receive another photo or two. After 6 months

of searching I had a photo of every Fallen Hero from Maui County. Once I had all the photos I decided I did not want to keep this to myself. I needed to share it with Maui County. I had a display made with all 42 photos, I take it all over Maui giving presentations to High Schools, Libraries & Civic groups. It has been very well received.

Once I finished finding all the Maui County photos I moved on to my hometown in California and found the 5 soldiers from my childhood home, Hemet, California.

I have been very involved in trying to locate photos of the Native American Soldiers which brought me to start searching for ALL Soldiers in California, over 250 newspapers have run the story throughout Hawaii, California, Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Nevada, Colorado, North Carolina, Alaska, Utah, Montana and now Texas. The response has been amazing, I have collected nearly 1500 photos since May 2013. With your help it will be more. I am taking one state at a time.

All of these photos will be submitted to the "Wall of Faces" online memorial with the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, as well as in the future Education Center that will be adjacent to the Vietnam Wall in Washington DC.

Putting a face with a name changes the whole dynamic of the Wall, it keeps our Fallen Heroes memories alive and will honor them, our heroes

and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

My plea is this: If anyone is related, a friend or a classmate to any of the young men on the list I would very much appreciate hearing from you. Even if you don't have a photo but know which school any of these young men attended, it would be so helpful. We need to obtain a photo of every single Fallen Hero whose names are etched on The Wall, all 58,307 of them. To date we have collected over 42,000 photos.

I am also looking for an individual that would like to volunteer to be my "boots on the ground" in your community if we do not find all the photos.

One item that may need to be explained to your readers is the list of names reflects the names we still need photos for. If a name is not included and your reader wishes to look up their loved one or friend's name, go to the "Wall of Faces" type the name in the search box, the profile will come up and it's possible they may have a better photo than has been submitted. I do not wish for anyone to feel badly that their loved one/friend is not listed or forgotten. We will never forget any of them.

Please submit any photos or information to Janna Hoehn at neverforgotten2014@gmail.com

For more information about the Education Center or make a donation to help build the Center go to: [www.vvmf.org/thewall](http://www.vvmf.org/thewall)

**EXTORTION**

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Rangers, DPS CID special agents and FBI agents were all on scene as part of the investigation."

The agencies were able to arrest the suspect, who was being held Friday at the Crosby County Jail. Information about any charges the suspect faces was not released.

The full statement from the FBI is below:

Shannon Dale Smith of Crosbyton, Texas, appeared this afternoon in federal court, before U.S. Magistrate Judge Nancy M. Koenig, on a federal criminal complaint stemming from his attempt to extort more than \$500,000 from a Crosby County man, announced U.S. Attorney John Parker of the Northern District of Texas.

Smith, 46, has been in custody since his arrest late Thursday evening, October 29, 2015. Judge Koenig will set a detention hearing at a later date, should one become necessary.

According to the affidavit filed with the complaint, on Tuesday morning, October 27, 2015, Crosbyton resident, Nathan Boardman, received a telephone message on his answering

machine that said in a muffled voice: "We are watching you, there is a note on the north door."

Boardman found the note that stated: "Follow these Instructions and no one will get Hurt. We Have a man watching your daughter. We Have a man watching your Grand daughter. We Have a man watching you and your wife. We are monitoring [sic] your home and cell phone. If you call the police, we will know and someone will be taken from you. If you choose not to participate, someone will be taken from you. You have till Thursday at 9pm to put \$525,000 in cash and or gold coins in a bag, duffel style. we [sic] will call you with further instructions. We are watching you. Do what you're told and no one will be Hurt".

On the morning of October 29, Boardman received another threatening phone call in which an unknown male stated they had 14 hours to get the money. That evening, the unknown male called and left a message advising they'd better answer or if they didn't, it would be the last thing they would do.

At approximately 8:00 p.m. that evening, the un-

known male caller provided instructions to drop the extortion money. Approximately one hour later, law enforcement staged a delivery of the extortion money at the location indicated. Soon after the drop, a vehicle was observed in the vicinity, and two individuals were observed on foot. Law enforcement immediately confronted the two men, Shannon Dale Smith and a juvenile male, and detained them. At the time of his arrest, Smith had a semi-automatic pistol on his person.

A complaint is a written statement of the essential facts of the offense charged and must be made under oath before a magistrate judge. A defendant is entitled to the presumption of innocence until proven guilty. The government has 30 days to present the matter to a grand jury for indictment. The maximum statutory penalty for the offense as charged is 20 years in federal prison and a \$250,000 fine.

The FBI, Texas Rangers, and Texas Department of Public Safety, Criminal Investigations Division are investigating. Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey Haag is in charge of the prosecution.

**Floyd County Texas Fallen Soldier"**

Name	DOB-DOD	Home of Record
Bernard Jaffe	1924-1965	Lockney

**Hale County Texas Fallen Soldier:**

Name	DOB-DOD	Home of Record
Joe Pena Jr.	1944-1967	Plainview
Jose A. Reyes	1947-1968	Cotton Center

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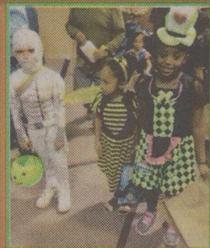


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