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Hall of Fame Cowgirl Donates Saddle

By Jennifer Harbin
Hesperian-Beacon



Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian-Beacon
Dude Barton graciously donated a saddle she won during her "cowgirling days" to the Floyd County Historical Museum.

She appears to be the roughest, yet gentlest, cowgirl in the area. Not too boastful and a little bit shy at first, but Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton, Cowgirl Hall of Fame honoree, earned every inch of her recognition.

She made a trip to Floydada from her homestead in Flomot last week to donate one of her special saddles she won in a Floydada Rodeo to the Floyd County Historical Museum and stop for an hour or so of remembering the path she's ridden that got her where she stands today. She came from a very re-

sourceful family. Her mother, Ella, would travel to Turkey, Texas and send cream she'd collected up to Trinidad, Colo., to market on the train weekly. She always got enough money to clothe all eight siblings and buy groceries.

Dude recalled when she was young riding on the back of an old plow horse while her "Papa" was in the fields. She would cry to go to the fields with him and eventually would fall asleep on the back of the horse, only to start crying again if she was lifted off.

Back then, she recalls that her family couldn't go far because they didn't have the gasoline.

So that is how they entertained themselves—by riding horses, participating in rodeos, barrel riding, roping calves, and cutting horses. She never got to ride steers, though, she recalled.

In 1939 there was a little rodeo in Matador where she ran the barrels. The next year she rode again and won the first saddle she'd ever won at the age of sixteen.

"And that's how I got to be a cowgirl," said Dude.

"The most unique thing I ever did in the rodeo is I went to Fort Worth as an invited sponsor and we played musical chairs

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Upcoming

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

Grand opening

Tri-Star Chemical, 301 E. Missouri, Floydada (Producer Elevator's farm store building), will be having the official grand opening and ribbon cutting Thursday, April 11 at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Stockholders meeting

Floydada Cooperative Gins, Inc. will have their 41st Annual Stockholders & Producers Meeting will be held Floyd County Unity Center Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m.

Fundraiser

Lockney Senior Citizens Center will be holding a "Celebrity Bake" fundraiser, Sunday, April 14 at the Center. Dinner starts at 11:30 a.m. with the auction starting at 12:30 p.m.

Cotton meeting

Plains Cotton Growers 56th annual meeting will be from 9 a.m. to noon April 5 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane. For information, contact Plains Cotton Growers at 792-4904 or visit plainscotton.org.

Friends Gala

The Floyd County Friends 18th Annual Gala will be held at the Unity Center April 20, 2013 at 6 p.m. Get your tickets now at Nick Long State Farm office in Floydada or D & J Gin in Lockney. Tickets \$30 each or \$280 for table of 8.

Old Settler's meeting

The Old Settler's Association will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at 7:15 p.m. in the Community Room at the First National Bank of Floydada. Old Settler's will be Saturday, May 25 in downtown Floydada.

Conservation meeting

A home water conservation meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 28 at the Floyd County Extension Office, 110 S. Wall Street. Register to attend by calling the County Extension Office at 806-983-4912.

Chamber recipe

The Floydada Chamber would like to have your recipe for their cookbook. Recipes can be turned in at the chamber office at 201 W California, Floydada or emailed to: manager@floydadachamber.com. Recipes need to be submitted by July 1, 2013. Cookbooks will be sold at Punkin Days in October.

Corrections

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Unity Gala



Barbara Anderson/Hesperian-Beacon

Denise Payne, owner of Payne Family Pharmacy, reminds you to join in the fun, food, entertainment and auction items at this year's annual Floyd County Gala to be held Saturday, April 20. From left are Payne and Elaine LaBaume.

Hero

Lockney native completes 30 years in Navy

From Retirement Ceremony Program

Master Chief Arellano, a native of Lockney, graduated from Lockney High School in May 1983 and immediately entered the U.S. Navy on 27 June 1983. He attended recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois with follow-on Machinist's Mate "A" school training at Naval Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois and Nuclear Power School in Orlando, Florida.

In June 1984, he reported to USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70) in Alameda, Calif. During his tour he was advanced to Petty Officer 3rd Class and Petty Officer 2nd Class.



Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian Beacon

Margarito and Maria Elena Arellano, parents of Mario Arellano, with wife Melissa, celebrated at his retirement party at the Lockney Community Center for 30 years of naval service.

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Stage 3 drought plan implemented for Mackenzie

By N. Dean Johnson
General Manager
Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority

The Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors have adopted a resolution to implement immediately Stage 3 of the Drought Contingency Plan of the Authority.

Stage 3 is implemented when "Severe Drought Conditions Exist" and the target is to achieve a 15-20% (or more) reduction in total water use.

Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority provides wholesale water to the member cities of Floydada, Lockney, Silvertown and Tulia.

The cities have in the past months reduced their water requirements from Lake Mackenzie voluntarily by an amount greater than 20 percent. However, as summertime approaches, Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority would urge all water users to conserve as much water

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FISD To Host Tech Open House

By N. Dean Johnson
Special to The Hesperian Beacon

Floydada ISD and Apple will join forces to host a Digital Learning Environment Open House on Wednesday, April 17.

This opportunity offers administrative and educational teams to observe 1:1 laptop schools and see best practices in technology use in classrooms throughout the district. The Open House is open to superintendents, principals, teachers, and board members across the state.

Beginning at 9 a.m., Superintendent Gilbert Trevino will host an informative progression of the technology growth and success of Floydada ISD in the high school auditorium. Campus visitations will begin at 10 a.m. Visitors will be able to tour the two campus areas and visit classrooms at all grade and subject levels.

During these visitations, both teachers and

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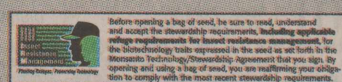
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LIFESTYLES

Floydada Senior Museum Archives Citizens News

By Margaret Jones
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

As each new day approaches and busy-ness fills the hours...My mind returns to simpler times and places longed for in my heart. One glimpse of simplicity and the freshness of New Life appears in my yard as the beauty of Nature bursts forth in glorious colors after the gentleness of a shower falls on the parched land and kisses it ever so softly.

Reading through my daily devotionals inspires me to once again reach for my favorite of many years, entitled "Slow Me Down Lord", and from it I quote...

"Slow me down, Lord. Ease the pounding of my heart by the quieting of my mind.

Steady my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time.

Give me, amid the confusion of the day, the calmness of the everlasting hills.

Break the tension of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of the singing streams that live in my memory. Help me know the magical, restoring power of sleep.

Teach me the art of taking minute vacations...of slowing down to look at a flower, chat with a friend, to pat a dog, to read a few lines from a good book.

Slow me down, Lord, and inspire me to send my

roots deep into the soul of life's enduring values that I may grow toward the stars of my greater destiny."

Author Unknown

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Praline Coffee Cake

3 cups self-rising flour
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1 egg, beaten
1-1/2 cups whole milk
3 Tbs. oil (Canola or olive)
1-1/2 cups firmly packed brown sugar
2 cups coarsely chopped pecans
1/4 cup butter, melted

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Stir together flour and granulated sugar. Combine eggs, milk and oil. Add liquid all at once to flour mixture and mix until flour is moistened. Spread half of batter into a greased 9x9x12-inch pan. Mix together brown sugar and pecans. Sprinkle half of nut mixture over batter in pan. Spread remaining over nut mixture. Sprinkle remaining nut mixture on top. Drizzle butter over the top. Bake 30-40 minutes. Serves 16.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK -

"Slow me down, Lord."

MEMORIALS

By Margarette Word

We appreciate you thinking of the Center when you need to make a memorial donation. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573,

Floydada, Texas 79235.

In memory of Q. D. Williams

Shorty Turner, Tom and Karen Farris, First National Bank of Floydada, Gary and Emma Pate, Pat and Fred Zimmerman III, The James Hale Family, John and Judy Dunlap, Roland and Charla Adams, Roger and Dianne Emert, Gary and Kay Phillips, Geraldine Callaway, Thomas L. Musser, Brynn Walding, Louis and Arlene Bearden, Randy and Judy Payne, Guy Ginn, Luanne "Podi" and Alvin Scofel, Jerilyanne Jones, Choise and Kay D. Smith, Jerry and Jodie McGuire

In memory of Darlene Lackey - Joy and Laron Fulton

In memory of Harold Bertrand - John and Judy Dunlap

In memory of Trudi Gilly - John and Judy Dunlap

MENU

April 15 - April 18

Monday - Homemade turkey pot pie, whole wheat roll, margarine, seasoned corn, tossed salad w/dressing, ambrosia, low fat milk

Tuesday - Home style lasagna, garlic bread, brussel sprouts, pears, low fat milk

Wednesday - Baked chicken breast, baked potato w/sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, low fat milk

Thursday - Hot dog on bun, mustard, baked potato w/sour cream, seasoned broccoli, pineapple gelatin, low fat milk

Friday - Chicken salad sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickle, macaroni salad, carrot sticks, chocolate pudding, low fat milk

FLOYDADA CITY DIRECTORY 1930 GENERAL INFORMATION

By O.P. Rutledge

HOW THE Great Plains of Texas came into being and the early history of Floyd County is a very interesting story and Floyd County citizens cannot read and study it without feeling that those who braved the dangers and endured the hardships of pioneer days are due the undying gratitude of those of us who are today enjoying the privileges of life through the efforts of the first settlers. One person who realized this perhaps more than anyone else was Claud V. Hall, for a number of years the editor and publisher of one of Floydada's first newspapers, and it is through his foresight that we are able today to gain an insight into the early life of the pioneers of Floyd County.

In 1905 Mr. Hall published a special edition of "The Floyd County Hesperian" which contained an almost complete history of this County with several interesting accounts of incidents that happened to the first settlers. In 1922 a Thesis entitled "The Early History of Floyd County" was presented by Mr. Hall to the faculty of the University of Texas in partial fulfillment of the requirements of the University for the degree of Master of Arts. It is from these two sources the following short history of the county was secured and we are glad to express here our deep appreciation of the efforts of this scholar, gentleman and editor.

Contrary to the general opinion the Llano Estacado, or "Great Staked Plains," of which Floyd County is a part, was not so called because of the fact that early settlers used stakes to mark their trails across the plains or because the Pueblo Indians making a trek across the plains in search of the Great God who was to deliver them from their enemies used stakes to mark their trail. Neither was the fact that the Yucca stems which grew in abundance on the plains in those days, responsible for the name. The word "Estacado" meaning palisaded referred to the peculiar way in which nature had built the plains. It was palisaded by the cliffs surrounding it on practically every side. Floyd County occupies the eastern border of the staked plains and the palisade referred to is the breaks county and the Blanco Canyon.

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It is this part of Texas that was for many years known to the world as "The Great American Desert" and in many instances it was so described and pictured in the Geographies of our public schools. Its actual abilities are still not recognized as an eastern periodical recently described it as a "dry, arid, barren plateau." Up to 1874 Western Texas together with Colorado and New Mexico, was inhabited by the Indians but in that year they were driven back to their reservations by United States Military forces. Then for several years the Indians were not satisfied to remain on the reservations and made considerable trouble for the first settlers of this section. To Col. Ranald Mackenzie goes the credit for driving the Indians from the Panhandle for the last time. It was in Blanco Canyon that one of his first attacks on the Indians occurred. In this fight the celebrated Indian "Quanah Parker" took the leading part. The route followed by Mackenzie carried him through Blanco Canyon near where the Rock House now stands. After crossing here in pursuit of the Indians the Army crossed the canyon again near the old J. J. Day place. In returning the same trail was used and afterwards this became a much traveled road to the Plains and from Fort Griffin, one hundred and eighty miles to the east. The battle of Palo Duro Canyon took place September 26, 1874 and this was the close of Indian warfare on the Plains of Texas.

A new day in the history of the staked plains dawned with the last battle with the Indians and the extermination of the buffaloes. The settlers began to arrive and make their homes in this section of western Texas. The scene that greeted the first settlers in Floyd County must have been everything but inviting. A long level stretch of county that was not broken only by the Blanco Canyon and the breaks country, prairie dogs and yucca stems. On August 21, 1876 the Legislature of Texas created fifty-four counties out of the territories of Young, Bexar and Floyd County was attached to Crosby County for land and judicial purposes.

The ten years that elapsed

from 1880 to 1890 saw the population of Floyd County grow from three people to 529. The first of these settlers to arrive in the County with a family was Arthur B. Duncan who settled in Blanco Canyon with his wife, son Silas and a fifteen year old orphan boy. Before finally arriving in Floyd County it was necessary for this man to stop at Seymour and engage employment as a sheep herder before he could obtain money to continue his trip to the new land. Squire Duncan, as he later became known for the reason that he held the office of Justice of Peace before the County was organized, arrived at Blanco June 1, 1884. Six and one half years of his life was spent in the dugout home in the canyon and it was in this home that the first white girl ever born in Floyd county was born. The first white child was born to Mr. & Mrs. Z. T. Maxwell and the first girl to Mr. & Mrs. A.B. Duncan. The girl was born in 1886 and was named Maud. The boy was born earlier the same year and was named Floyd in honor of the county in which he was born.

Mr. Poilet Smith journeyed to Clarendon to obtain the license that gave him the legal right to marry Miss Eugenia Duncan. This was the first marriage ever held in the county.

Mrs. A.M. Mills, wife of one of the first settlers in the county, died in April of the year 1890 and this was the first death to occur in the new county.

In April 1887 Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Day became residents of Floyd County, settling near where the Starkey School stands. A post office was established here and called Starkey in honor of Mr. Day's wife's maiden name.

As others began to come to Floyd and as ranchers began to settle the county there was a growing demand to organize the county. One hundred and fifty names were necessary to the petition before it could be presented to the proper authorities. It was said that some of the counties resorted to the use of fictitious names, the names of horses and dogs even being used and very often a petition for organization was granted when a large per cent of the signers were transients. This was not true of Floyd County however and its organization was completed on May 28, 1890. To be continued:



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FLOYDADA SCHOOL

Whirlwinds win over Roosevelt Eagles, 6-2

By Coach Webb

Floydada 6 - Roosevelt 2

On Saturday, April 6th, the Whirlwinds hosted Lubbock Roosevelt and came away with a huge district win by a score of 6-2. Hunter Galvan got the

start, allowed 2 runs while striking out 10. Seth Nielson came in and got the win striking out 5 in 2 and 1/3 innings of work.

Offensively we got 6 runs on 6 hits, Adam Suarez, Hunter Galvan, Mathew McGowen, JP Chavarria,

Tyler Renfro, and Micheal Cisneros all ended up with one hit each.

The Whirlwinds will travel to Post to take on the Antelopes on Tuesday, April 9th and then will host the Slaton Tigers Friday, April 12th.

SPC Byron Martin to offer Certified Nurse Aide class in June

LUBBOCK - South Plains College Byron Martin Advanced Technology Center will offer a Certified Nurse Aide course from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. June 18 through July 30 in Room 218. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturdays.

The cost of the class is \$493, and enrollment is limited to eight students.

Students will use the textbook, "Nursing Assistant, Seventh Edition" which is not included in the course fee. The instructor will be Janet Copeland.

Students will learn the necessary skills to work in long-term care, home health, or hospital environments.

A method of instruction providing detailed education, training and work-based experience, and direct

patient/client care, generally at a clinical site. Specific detailed learning objectives are developed for each course by the faculty.

On-site clinical instruction, supervision, evaluation, and placement are the responsibility of the college faculty. Clinicals will be conducted from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. July 13 through July 27. Clinical experiences are unpaid external learning experiences.

Upon completion of the 60 hours of classroom and 24 hours of clinicals, each student will be required to take the State of Texas Certified Nurse Aide Competency Examination.

Students must provide proof of immunization for Hepatitis B Series, 2-MMR shots, Tetanus no older than eight years, and a current negative TB test no older

than 6 months prior to the first class, valid state issued photo identification, and social security card prior to enrollment. (Names must match on both documents and not expire before the end of class). On-site registrations will not be accepted for this course.

IMPORTANT: Students will not be allowed to register or pay for this class without all requirements being met. Criminal background checks will be performed for all students.

NO REFUND will be given for criminal background checks. CPR certification is required and it is not included in tuition fees.

Other supplies not included in the tuition and fees are a Blood Pressure Cuff and Stethoscope. To sign up, call (806) 716-4906.

Annual Go For It! college resource fair slated for April 25

LUBBOCK - South Plains College Byron Martin ATC will host GO FOR IT! Resource Fair from 4 to 6 p.m. on April 25. Byron Martin ATC is located at 3201 Ave. Q.

GO FOR IT! is a free resource fair providing one-stop planning for college a technical degree from South Plains College.

If you have ever thought about going to college and didn't know how to get started or whether you can afford it, GO FOR IT! is the answer.

Go For It! targets single parents, displaced homemakers, and really anyone who doesn't know how to get started pursuing their dream of a college education.

This resource-packed fair features South Plains College and local agency representative who will provide information on financial aid, childcare funding, technical programs, admissions/enrollment and other special services.

Participants will have ample opportunity to speak individually to those who work

daily with students helping them achieve their educational dreams.

Representatives from Financial Aid, Admissions, Guidance and Counseling will be on hand to answer questions in all of these areas.

This fair is free and welcomes participants to come and go!

For additional information, contact First Step Counselor Lynn Gregory at (806) 716-4615 or Lynne Cleavinger, Technical Counselor, at (806) 716-2563.

LET'S GO WHIRLWINDS!



FLOYDADA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Floydada Independent School District, Floydada, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 2013, for voting in a trustee election to elect trustees to Single-member District 4, Single-Member District 5 and At-Large.

Location of Polling Places:

Massie Activity Center
513 West Georgia
Floydada, Texas 79235

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each week day at Floydada ISD Central Office, 226 West California, Floydada, Texas 79235 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 29, 2013 and ending on May 7, 2013.

Application for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Dee Leatherman
Name of Early Voting Clerk

226 West California
Floydada, Texas 79235

Application for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 3, 2013.

Issued this the 12th day of February 2013.

Lyle Miller
Signature of Presiding Officer

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Floydada School Menu

April 15 - April 19

Monday

Breakfast - French toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch - Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, tater tots, western beans, diced pears, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast- Sausage, toast/jelly, cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Tangerine chicken, brown rice, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, snowball salad, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast-Waffles/syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch-Tex-Mex stack, Spanish rice, refried beans, garden salad, hot cinnamon apples, milk

Thursday

Breakfast- Breakfast sausage roll or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Stuffed baked potato, baby carrots, Texas toast, fresh fruit bowl, milk

Friday

Breakfast- Scrambled eggs, toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk

Lunch- Chicken parmesan, savory green beans, garden salad, fresh apple slices, breadstick, milk

PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the Floydada ISD School Trustee Election held on May 11, 2013 will be tested on April 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at Floyd County Court House

(Date) (Time) (Location)

to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures.

Dee Leatherman
Signature of Officer

AVISO PUBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automaticamente que se usara en la Eleccion Floydada ISD School Trustee que se llevara a cabo el mayo 11, 2013 se probara el abril 19, 2013 a las 9:00 a.m. en Floyd County Court House

(Date) (Time) (Location)

para determinar si el equipo contara con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos oficiales y sobre todos los proyectos de ley.

Dee Leatherman
Firma del/dela Oficial

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AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL

A los votantes registrados de Floydada Independent School District, Floydada, Texas:

Por este medio aviso es dado que los lugares para ir a votar nombrados aqui en esta lista van estar abiertos de las 7:00 de la manana hasta las 7:00 de la tarde el dia catorce el 11 de Mayo 2013, para elegir Fideicomisarios para el solo miembro del Distrito 4, 5, y Distrito En General.

DIRECCION PARA IR A VOTAR:

Massie Centro de Actividad
513 Oeste Georgia
Floydada, Texas 79235

La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en la Oficina Central Floydada Independent School District, 226 Oeste California, Floydada, Texas 79235 entre las 8:00 de la manana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 29 de Mayo 2013 y terminando el 7 de Mayo 2013.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deben enviarse a:

Dee Leatherman
Nombre de la Secretaria de la Votacion Adelantada

226 Oeste California
Direccion
Floydada, Texas 79235
Ciudad Zona Postal

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 3 de Mayo 2013

La votacion adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:

Emitada este dia 12 Febrero 2013

Lyle Miller
Firma de Oficial que Preside

LOCKNEY SCHOOL

Lockney Boys Track Wins Big in Crosbyton

By Coach Browne
The Lockney Varsity boys track team recently competed in the Crosbyton Track Meet on March, 22.
In the shot put, Ruben Ascencio placed first with a throw of 42'1 1/4". Marcos Mercado finished fifth with a throw of 38'4 1/4" and Javier Guerrero threw 37'10 1/4".
In the high jump, Ian Dunbar placed first with a jump of 5'8" and Ky Teeter placed sixth with a jump of 5'2".
Landry Kidd placed fifth in the discus with a throw of 102'3".
Ryan Poole finished second

in the long jump with a jump of 18'9" while Daylen Gatica finished fifth with a jump of 17'8".
The 400m relay team of Daylen Gatica, Luke Sherman, Jake Bramlet, Ryan Poole placed third with a time of 46.31.
In the 400m run, Nic Sherman finished fifth with a time of 58.09 and Ian Dunbar placed sixth with a time of 58.74.
The 1600m relay team of Ky Teeter, Ryan Poole, Luke Sherman, Andrew Hooten won third place with a time of 3:47.8.

Lady Horns compete at Tahoka track meet

By Coach Dunn
The Lockney High School varsity track girls competed in the Tahoka track meet.
Tanae Ramos finished first in the triple jump, first in the long jump, first in the 100, first in the 400 relay and second in the 800 relay.
Alaine Rendon finished first in the 300 hurdles, fifth in the 100 hurdles and fifth in the 1600 relay.
Alexis Rodriguez placed first in the 400 relay, second in the 400 relay, fifth in the 1600 relay and sixth in the long jump.
Isabella Rodriguez placed

first in the 400 relay, third in the 400, fifth in the 1600 relay and fourth in the long jump.
Brittany Thompson finished first in the 400 relay, second in the 800 relay and sixth in the 200.
Kennedy Hallmark finished second in the 100 hurdles, third in the 300 hurdles and fifth in the 1600 relay.
Anissa Guerrero placed second in the 800 relay while Mary Sammann placed second in the shot put.
McKenzie Kemp placed second in the discus while Alyssa Cruz placed fifth in the 800.

Lockney High School JV Track Results

Crosbyton Track Meet 3-22-13
By Coach Browne
Triple Jump: Justin Suarez-6th - 32'9".
Shot Put: Cody Amador- 1st - 36'5"; Michael Guerrero-2nd - 33'4 1/4".
Long Jump: Tevin Phillips- 5th - 16'4"; Sergio Ascencio- 6th - 16'0".
High Jump: Marcos Bueno- 3rd - 5'2".
3200m: Jake Moore-5th - 14:07.
400m Relay: Tevin Phillips, Sergio Ascencio, Justin Suarez, Michael Guerrero- 3rd - 48.71.
800m: Mauricio Davila-1st - 2:26.09 Meet Record.
110H: Marcos Bueno- 3rd - 21.16.
400m: Marcos Bueno- 3rd - 60.68.
1600M Relay: Michael Guerrero, Justin Suarez, Marcos Bueno, Sergio Ascencio-3rd - 4:00.

Little Longhorns



Photo by Connie Barnett
Little Longhorns: (back) Louis Riddley, Mary Jane Sanchez, Saria Martinez, Ainslee Dunn, Matthew Martinez, Jennifer Sanchez; (middle) Brailey Kidd, Brianna Rodriguez, Zeke Ramos, Portland King, Nadia Perez; (front) Jaylynn Moreno, Haygen Lefevre, Kaylee Sanchez.

Offenses dominate as Lady Longhorns out-scores Crosbyton 14-13

Fans were treated to a high-scoring affair Tuesday as Lady Longhorns outscored Crosbyton 14-13 in seven innings.
The teams combined for 20 hits, including four extra base hits.
Dixie Williams racked up three RBIs on four hits for Lady

Longhorns. She doubled in the first inning, tripled in the sixth inning, and singled in the fifth and seventh innings.
Katie Jackson got the win for Lady Longhorns striking out six batters.
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Red Wheel Fundraiser



Courtesy Photo
Top sales in the Red Wheel Fundraiser were Ariel Alvarado, Hunter Lefevre, Kayla Archer-Rodriguez, Niki Cantu and Justin Gonzales (not present). Students received Kindles with top prize going to Hunter. Sponsored by the Lockney Mom's Club.

Lockney Junior High Crosbyton Track Meet Results

7th Grade
Triple Jump: Jaden Rosales-1st 32" 1/4 and Joe Ochoa-5th 26'2"; Long Jump: Tristan Schlueter-3rd 14'8 and Efen Nunez-4th 14'5; High Jump: Jaden Rosales-1st 5'0; Shot Put: Nicholas Rendon-4th 27'10; Discus CJ Peralez-6th 67'11 1/2; 4x100 Relay: Tristan Schlueter, Efen Nunez, Ricky Cuellar, Jaden Rosales-1st 52.78; 800: Julio Lara-1st 2:52.3; 110H: Nicholas Rendon-1st 21:32; 4x200 Relay: Tristan Schlueter, Efen Nunez, Ricky Cuellar, Jaden Rosales-1st 1:50.7; 400: Joe Ochoa-5th 76.04; 300H: Nicholas Rendon-1st 55.88; 200: Steven Bazan-6th 31.21; 4x400 Relay: Tristan Schlueter, Efen Nunez, Ricky Cuellar, Jaden Rosales-1st 4:24.6.

8th Grade
Triple Jump: Luke Kasner-2nd 32'0 and Tavian Walrath-6th 31'7 1/4; High Jump: Luke Kasner-5th 4'6; Shot Put: Jaden Butler-1st 40'6 1/4 and Josh Guerrero-3rd 34'0 1/4; Discus: Jaden Butler-3rd 98'6; 2400: JJ Rodriguez-4th 10:09; 4x100 Relay: Luke Kasner, Trevor Ascencio, Tavian Walrath, Jacob Ochoa-4th 51.23; 800: Lucas Rendon-2nd 2:43.8; 4x200 Relay: JJ Rodriguez, Trevor Ascencio, Tavian Walrath, Jacob Ochoa-1st 1:46.3; 400: Jeremiah Bernal-6th 68.53; 1600: Esteban Pena-4th 6:21.6; 4x400 Relay: JJ Rodriguez, Trevor Ascencio, Tavian Walrath, Jacob Ochoa-3rd 4:15.31.

Lockney School Menu

Monday
Beef and Cheese Chalupas, Garden Salad, Salsa, Refried Beans, Applesauce, Milk

Tuesday
Country Fried Steak, Whipped Potatoes with Gravy, Savory Green Beans, Roll, Strawberry Cup, Milk

Wednesday
Chicken Fajitas, Charro Beans, Seasoned Corn, Orange Smiles, Salsa, Milk

Thursday
Chicken Spaghetti, Garden Salad, Apple Slices, Breadstick, Baby Carrots, Milk

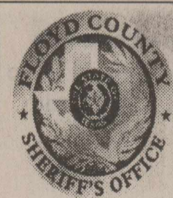
Friday
Fish Tacos, Sweet Potato Fries, Coleslaw, Salsa, Sliced Peaches, Milk

THE FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT IS TAKING PROPOSAL'S FOR

Group Health Insurance Coverage

WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS.

ALL PROPOSALS WILL BE OPENED ON MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013 DURING THE FLOYD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT.



Abandoned Exotic Animal

125 East California Floydada, Texas 79235 - Phone 806-983-4901

LETTER OF NOTICE OF ABANONDED PROPERTY

To Whom it May Concern:

This is to notify you that this department has taken into custody the following description: 10 Llamas, described as follows:
8 Brown/Dark Brown
2 Black with white faces.
The animals can be seen on North FM 378 at Old Brock Feed Yard.

These animals may be reclaimed by the 15th day of April 2013; the animals will be sold at public auction on the 16th if not shown ownership. Tour failure to reclaim the animals causes you to give up any right to ownership and interest in the animals in compliance with Vernon Civil Status, Article 4477-9a Section 5.04, Litter Abatement Act.

Cory Speed
Chief Deputy, Floyd County

GO HORNS AND LADY HORNS!

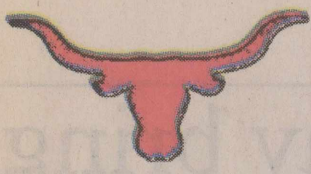
FLOYD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT REMINDS BUSINESSES TO RENDER THEIR TAXABLE PROPERTY BY APRIL 15

If you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income, you must file a rendition with the Floyd County Appraisal District by April 15, 2013.

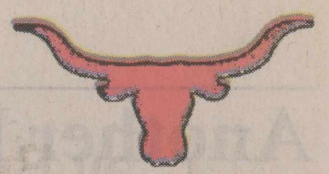
A rendition is a report that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1 of this year. Property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property, such as church property or an agricultural producer's equipment used for farming.

If a rendition is filed late, incomplete, or not at all, a 10 percent penalty may be imposed. Property owners who need more time to file their renditions may file a written request with the chief appraiser on or before April 15 to receive an automatic extension to May 15. The chief appraiser may also grant an additional 15 days after the postponed deadline for good cause.

For more information about rendering property, taxpayers may contact the Floyd County Appraisal District at PO Box 249, 104 E California, Floydada, Texas, 79235 or call 806-983-5256. More information is also available from the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at 1-800-252-9121 or visit the Comptroller's website at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/.



Longhorn News



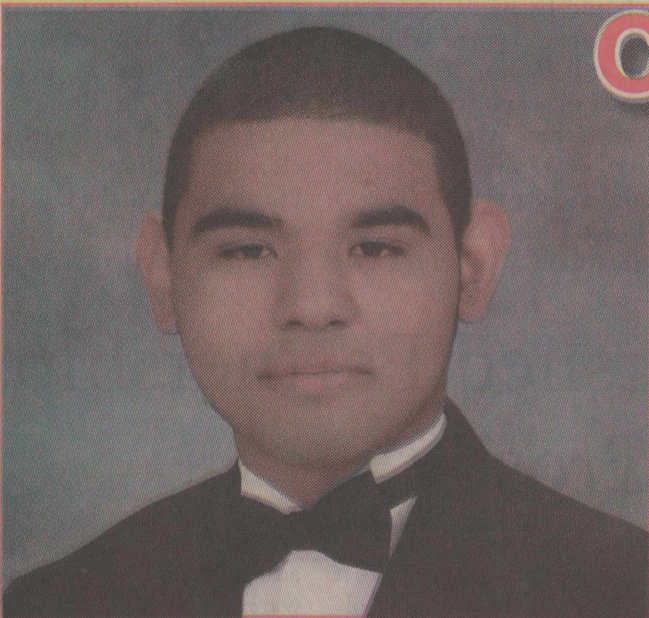
2013-2014 LHS Cheerleaders

Pictured left to right are:
 Heather Fierros – Senior
 Tanae Ramos – Senior
 Shelby Dunbar – Freshman
 Ashley Roberts – Junior
 Pookie Luna – Junior
 Isabella Rodriguez – Junior
 Dixie Williams – Junior
 Brittany Deleon – Sophomore
 Alexis Rodriguez – Senior
 Anissa Guerrero – Sophomore



2013-2014 Lockney Jr. High Cheerleaders are:

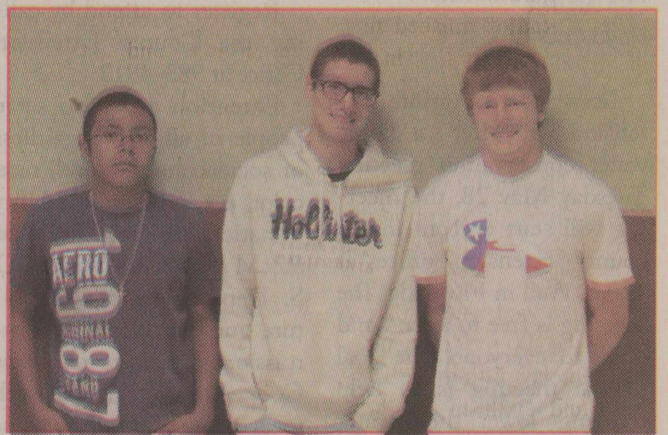
Top row, left to right...
 Addison Sullivan, Adrianna Palomin, Bethany Salazar, Nohelia Salazar
 Back row, left to right...
 Haley Sanchez, Reagan Nuncio, Nimsi Reyes, Alyssa Gutierrez
 Mascot, in front... Aleah Jimenez



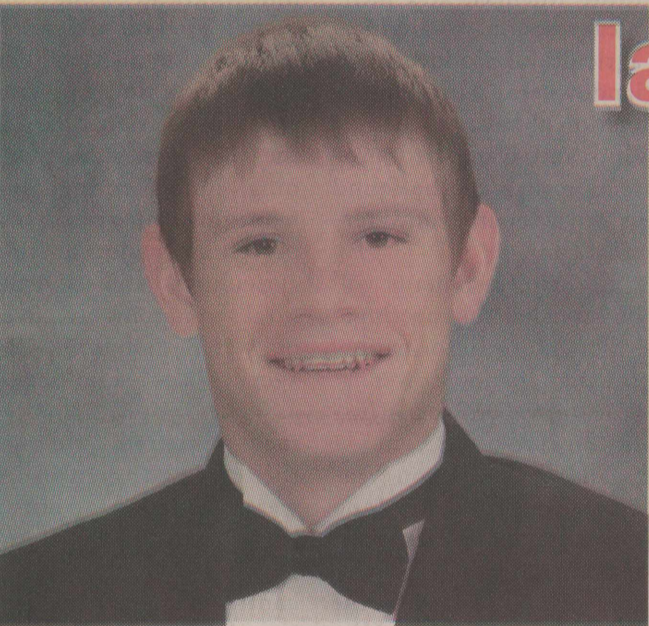
Carlos Riojas

Carlos Riojas grew up in Floydada and attended school there until the 2nd grade but has been in Lockney for the past ten years. Carlos has three sisters who graduated from Floydada and also has one brother who attends LHS. He was involved in football until his freshman year but now spends most of his time outside of class listening to music and hanging out with friends. The thing he loves most about Lockney

is it is a small town and he is very well known throughout the community. One thing that people may not know about Carlos is that he is interested in becoming a part of the United States Marine Corps. In ten years from now he sees himself being a welder or a United States marine. Carlos said, "I'm thankful for the help of God, friends, and family for giving me the strength to stay in school and to pursue my dreams."



UIL Feature Writing
 John Salas, David Johnson and Nic Sherman



Ian Dunbar

Ian Dunbar has lived in Lockney most of his life beginning in the 1st Grade. He has 2 younger sisters named Haley and Shelby. Ian enjoys playing cops and robbers with his friends and hanging out with his girlfriend when he has a chance. Ian is involved in FFA, Football, Basketball, Baseball, and Track. Ian's most memorable moment at LHS is when he received all district honors in every sport. When he is out

of school he likes to hang out with his friends who describe him as crazy, wild, caring, and fun. One of the reasons people like Ian is because he tries to "be there" when people are having a bad day and tries to get them to smile when he can. Ian's favorite thing about Lockney is it's small and many people know you. Ten years from now he sees himself serving in the National Guard and having a family.



UIL Spelling and Vocabulary
 Sarah Belt, Dixie Williams (not pictured) Ryan Poole

2nd-5th grade Skate



The 2nd-5th grade students at Lockney Elementary got to enjoy skating for two weeks during their PE/Music class. The skates were rented from Skatertime along with full safety gear. All of this was made possible with

donations from Elementary Mom's Club, J & K Insurance, Wilbur Ellis, Wright's Auto, Lockney Chamber of Commerce, Lockney Rotary, and then the students paid \$2.00 each. The student's absolutely love this unit, and

it is great cardiovascular exercise for them. We see them starting in 2nd grade and it is like a child learning to walk and then by the time they get to 4th and 5th grades they are experts!

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AGRICULTURE

Another Dry Year for Cotton Farmers

By Ethan Fortenberry
CEA-AG/NR
Floyd County

All signs point to another dry year, producers should be planning accordingly. The simplest things farmers can do are often the most helpful. Selecting drought tolerant varieties and finding the most effective irrigation methods are two of the easiest and most economical steps to boost production. Your local seed distributor can direct you to a drought tolerant variety

that will work for you. The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has online information about irrigation methods that are most effective during droughts, those can be found on the extension website, <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/programs/disciplines/irrigation-water/> or by contacting the county Extension Office. For any other inquiries about managing during a drought, contact Floyd County agent Ethan Fortenberry at the extension office 806-983-4912.

Springtime cleaning may bring exposure to HPS viral agent

James L. Alexander, DVM, MPVM, DACVPM
Regional Zoonosis Control Veterinarian
Texas Department of State Health Services

A woman in Hooker, OK, located just 45 miles north of Spearman, Texas and only 25 miles north of the Texas border, recently died due to Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS) caused by infection with the Sin nombre virus. This is a good opportunity to remind everyone that springtime may bring exposure to the HPS viral agent. As the days warm up and people get outside to escape cabin fever and start cleaning the outdoor structures on their

property, or indoor closets and cabinets that need a good cleaning after a cold winter, the potential increases for exposure to rodent contaminated areas. If rodent droppings are seen, then precautions should be taken. The common house mouse has not been implicated as a reservoir of the virus. The deer mouse and its cousin, the white-footed mouse, are the predominant species of concern. The western harvest mouse is also a potential reservoir. If you live near any open areas where field mice may live, the risks go up. The mice excrete the virus in their urine and feces. If contamination is detected, the area

should be treated with a viricide. The simplest is a 10% bleach solution. If bleach would damage the contaminated surface, a commercial viricide labeled specifically for the hantavirus family is recommended. If that isn't available, a product labeled for killing viruses in general would be the next best product. The area should be sprayed and then remain undisturbed for 30 minutes. A second application should be made and then the area cleaned while it is still damp. If there is risk of exposure to dry dust, then it is advisable to wear eye protection and use a HEPA (N-95) mask. If the contaminated area is in a structure that

can be aired out, open the windows/doors and let the stale air exchange with the fresh air to reduce any possible airborne viral concentrations. We don't see many cases of this disease, but the fatality rate in HSR 1 has been 50% for the 16 confirmed HPS cases recorded beginning in 1995. Our last confirmed case was in 2007 in Crosby Co. There have been two cases of hantavirus infections without the pulmonary involvement in HSR 1 that survived. Please be sure to practice self-protection as you begin your spring cleaning for 2013. Here is a link to the CDC's website on HPS: <http://www.cdc.gov/hantavirus/>

Home Water Conservation Meeting

By Ethan Fortenberry
CEA-AG/NR
Floyd County

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will offer a home water conservation meeting Tuesday May 28, the meeting will start at 1pm in the county extension office at 110 S. Wall in Floydada. The meeting is free to attend and open to everyone. The goal of the meeting is to help residents lower their water bill and help conserve water within the community in the face of a third consecutive drought. The topics covered are water management inside the home and outdoor home water use management prac-

tices. Register to attend by calling the County Extension Office at 983-4912. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. We will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for all meetings. We request that you contact the Floyd County Texas AgriLife Extension Service by May 24 to advise us of any auxiliary and/or services needed.

Cedar Bayou Watershed Partnership Public Meeting in Crosby

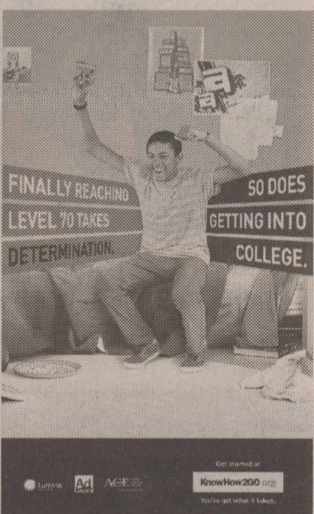
CROSBY - The Cedar Bayou Watershed Partnership (Partnership) and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board (TSSWCB) will be holding a public meeting for agricultural producers and landowners in the Cedar Bayou watershed which lies in Harris, Chambers, and Liberty Counties. The "Growing Green" meeting will be held from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the Crosby Community Center at 409 Hare Road in Crosby. The meeting will focus on resources available to local agricultural producers and landowners through programs of the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, the TSSWCB, and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension. "This meeting will be an opportunity for local landowners and agricul-

tural producers to meet one on one with representatives from a variety of resource programs," said Justin Bower, senior environmental planner with the Houston-Galveston Area Council. "There are great financial and technical resources available that many people do not know about. In addition, many of the benefits to landowners under these programs also help improve water quality, a pressing issue for Cedar Bayou." Bower said the Cedar Bayou Watershed Partnership, a joint effort between TSSWCB and local stakeholders, is the guiding force in the development of the Cedar Bayou Watershed Protection Plan. The watershed protection plan, created by the Partnership and involved individuals, will utilize sound science and local decision-making to decide on voluntary rec-

ommendations to protect and improve water quality in Cedar Bayou. One of the project's goals is to bring financial and technical resources to aid local agricultural producers and landowners. More information about the Partnership and watershed protection plan can be found at www.cedarbayouwatershed.com. Light refreshments will be served at the meeting. For more information, contact Justin Bower at (713) 499-6653, or at Justin.Bower@h-gac.com. The Cedar Bayou Watershed Partnership and development of its associated watershed protection plan is funded by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board through a Clean Water Act §319(h) grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board

administers Texas' soil and water conservation law and delivers coordinated natural resource conservation programs through the State's 216 soil and water conservation districts. The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board is the lead agency for planning, implementing, and managing programs for preventing and abating agricultural and silvicultural nonpoint sources of water pollution. The agency also administers a water supply enhancement program through the targeted control of water-depleting brush; works to ensure the State's network of 2,000 flood control dams are protecting lives and property by providing operation, maintenance, and structural repair grants to local government sponsors; and facilitates the Texas Invasive Species Coordinating Committee.

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"Wildlife for Lunch" webinar addressing Waterfowl Habitat Management to be held April 18

Texas Wildlife Association has teamed with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to host a series of webinars covering a wide array of wildlife and land management topics. These FREE online webinars are held during the lunch hour (noon - 1 p.m., CST) so that anyone interested may tune in during the work day. The webinar series provides sound, science-based wildlife management informa-

tion delivered by experts to you in the comfort of your own home or office. The next webinar, "Waterfowl Habitat Management", will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2013. This month's presenter will be Jared Laing, Regional Waterfowl Biologist for Texas Parks and Wildlife. This webinar will provide of what is waterfowl habitat, why it is important, and how to develop and maintain

habitat for waterfowl. How to sign on: On the day of the webinar, simply point your browser to <https://texas-wildlife.webex.com> and click to join the Wildlife for Lunch webinar. (Please note: WebEx webinars are not supported on handheld devices such as iPads or iPhones.) Each web-based seminar is fully interactive and allows you to engage the experts, make comments, and

ask questions during the course of the presentation. If you cannot make the live webinar: Each webinar is archived and available for viewing following the initial air date at the Texas Wildlife Association website: www.texas-wildlife.org. For more information: Contact Texas Wildlife Association's Helen Holdsworth at hholdsworth@texas-wildlife.org or 1-800-839-9453.

Proactive measures can prevent wildfires and help protect your home

As Wildfire Awareness Week kicks off Monday, Texas A&M Forest Service is reminding residents of simple precautions they can take to prevent dangerous blazes. About 90 percent of wildfires in Texas are attributed to preventable causes such as debris burning, outdoor campfires and welding. A little common sense - such as making sure your debris burn site is away from structures and overhanging branches - can prevent a wildfire from igniting.

Other tips include:
• Never burn leaves on a windy day.
• Monitor local burn bans by contacting your county judge's office.
• When barbecuing, never leave a grill unattended.
• Clear away grass, leaves and other debris within a 10-foot perimeter of any burn pile, campfire or barbecue grill.
• Keep water nearby when doing anything outdoors that creates a spark.
• If you see a fire, call 911. Residents also can take

precautions to increase their home's chances of survival if a wildfire ignites, said Bruce Woods, Mitigation and Prevention department head for Texas A&M Forest Service. "What you plant, where you place your plants and how you maintain the landscaping can help protect your home, and simple improvements can significantly decrease a home's ignitability," Woods said. Some tips include:
• Create a break in vegetation with a rock path or

other non-flammable material to slow the spread of wildfire.
• Keep your lawn mowed and leaves raked.
• Remove leaves and needles from your roof and gutters.
• Clear vegetation to create at least 30 feet of "defensible space" around your home to allow firefighters to safely protect it. Visit texasfirewise.org for information on fire-resistant construction materials, Firewise landscaping and vegetation management.

Lockney Senior Citizens News

By Renee Armstrong
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

THEN:

The Lockney Senior Citizens Center has a rich history behind its formation and beginning. The building that the Center is located in since its inception is the old Lena Fay Dry Goods Store.

Several members of the community visited a Senior Citizens Center in the area, and decided that Lockney could use something similar. After two years of discussion, they acted, and organized Lockney's Senior Citizens Association in 1987.

In January of 1987 the charter members decided that they needed a Board of Directors and it was named in order to secure a charter and necessary legalities.

Lavim and Clementine Carthel, Claude Brown, Merle Wofford, O.C. and Winona Allison, C.L. Henderson, Harley and Edna Workman, Earl

Minter, Elmer Swafford, Helen Hodel, Willis Reynolds, and Thelma Harrison were the original Board.

Of the Board, officers were named: President O.C. Allison, Vice-President Lavim Carthel, Secretaries Virginia Sissney and Dottie Stansell, Treasurer Hazel Johnson and Finance Chairman Claude Brown.

The building they moved into needed a kitchen to be built and bathrooms erected. Purchase price for the building was \$10,000, with \$500 down and \$9,500 at closing, and went into contract on February 24, 1987.

Fundraising activities, such as garage sales, bake sales and quilt raffles, began to meet the original goal of entering in the new Center debt-free. That dream became a reality in October of 1987, with an Open House and Ribbon Cutting led by Mayor Dan Smith. The ceremony was met with great attendance from

the community.

And to this day we still remain one of the only Senior Citizens Centers that is not funded by the government due to the generosity of the citizens of Lockney.

**NOW:
Menu**

- Monday:** Baked Potatoes
- Tuesday:** Tacos
- Wednesday:** Chicken Fried Steak
- Thursday:** German Sausage and Sauer Kraut
- Friday:** Fish

Everyone is invited to the Senior Citizens Annual Fund-raiser! Barbeque and ALL the fixin's will be served, Celebrity Bake Auction is back with John Robison and Matt Ernst. We'll begin serving lunch at 11:30 and it will last until the food runs out. The Celebrity Bake Auction will begin at 12:30.

Lockney Class of 1983



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Lockney Class of 1983: (back row, left to right) Kyle Brock, Kaye Brock, Aurelio Salas, Timothy Winter, Hugo Araujo; (front row) Teddy Salinas, Sam Alvarez, Julie Reece, Mario Arellano. Other classmates that were present but not pictured: Sarah Fitzgerald-Dunklin, Veronica Craig, Irene Cantu, Tammy Clark Mason, Joey Davis.

The Paperboy

I spoke to a reader last week who caught a dog stealing her newspaper. Pretty smart dog.



Looks like North Korea is looking for a fight from South Korea, which pretty much means us. I guess they don't realize that the outcome of an

attack on a U.S. ally in the region would be very bad for them. Perhaps it's time to get Ambassador Dennis Rodman to resolve the situation. (That will only be humorous if you're aware that Rodman recently hung out with the North Korean dictator.)

We've redesigned each one of our newspapers. The design was the brainchild of Wayne Hodgkin, editor, The Post Dispatch. I think the papers look good!

Hodgin convinced me to change The Dispatch and from there we went paper-to-paper.

The last three newspapers were Floyd County, Wellington and Childress. Those papers have substantial page one advertising and some of our clients frowned upon an offer to relocate.

In the end, we were able to appease the advertisers and pretty much complete the project. We continue to tweak them some, but overall, I like the way they look and I think the fonts we're using are easier on the eyes.

Some of the people who have a hand in building your newspaper are unknown to you, yet they play an important part in producing the product.

I think one of the biggest positives I have in this company are people who care. They take pride in their respective jobs and they want to perform.

I place expectations on my employees and more often than not, those expectations are met.

I'm proud of my team and if you feel like what you have in

your hand is improving and a positive reflection of your city, let us know.

Likewise, if you are not pleased or have an issue, we'd like to know that too. Feel free to call your local office or call us here at 888-400-1083.

My wife told me the other day to remind secretaries of civic clubs and organizations to submit write-ups of monthly meetings. I'm doing so now.

Local groups are the backbone of small towns and you need to be recognized for your efforts. Obviously we cannot cover every meeting of every club and group, but we sure as heck can put your news in the newspaper.

Please help us let your community know what your group or organization is doing.

Emailing us your write-ups is the easiest way to eliminate misspelling of names. That is, if the names are correct to begin with.

For those of you who make it a habit of submitting your news, thank you very much for adding some spice to the paper!

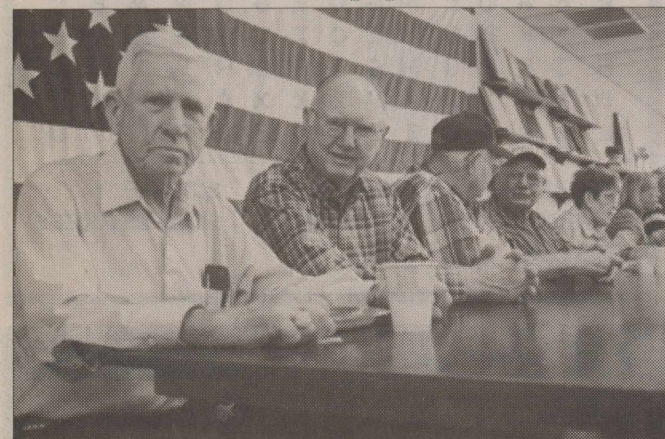
Freezer winner



Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian-Beacon

Olivia Bueno is the recipient of a new 7.2 cubic foot Frigidaire freezer which was up for grabs as part of "Frozen Food Month" by Lowe's Grocery Store in Floydada. Pictured are Bueno and First Assistant Manager Teddy Summers.

Pancake Supper



Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian-Beacon

Delton Jack, Jerry Ford, John David Turner, Joe Neal Rexrode, Margie Rexrode and Pricilla Minter support their local American Legion Post 141 by attending their fundraiser which was held March 29.

CITY OF FLOYDADA

APPLICATION NOTICE

**HOME - HOMEOWNER REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
TO REHABILITATE/RECONSTRUCT HOME FOR LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS**

The City of Floydada has received funds through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to administer a HOME Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance Program within the city limits of Floydada, Texas. This program is designed to reconstruct homes for eligible low-income homeowners who occupy their homes.

The application period will be open from April 4, 2013 to May 6, 2013. The first twenty (20) households to (1) complete and return the application information, (2) provide all requested information to verify eligibility, (3) meet all eligibility requirements and (4) agree to participate in the program will be served.

The City will host an Application Workshop to provide program information and to assist homeowners with the application materials. Applicants are encouraged to attend this workshop but are not required to participate in this workshop as an eligibility requirement.

The Application Workshop will be held April 17, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. located at Floydada City Hall, 114 W. Virginia. Floydada, Texas.

Special advance arrangements can be made for persons with special needs, language interpretation needs or for persons needing alternative times or locations by calling Gary Brown, City Manager at 806-983-2834.

Application packets will be available for pick up at the Floydada City Hall starting on April 4, 2013.

**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)**

To the registered voters of the City of Floydada, Texas:

(a los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Floydada, Texas):

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 11, 2013, for voting in a general election to elect 1 Mayor, At Large; 1 Councilmember for District 2; 1 Councilmember for District 3.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 11 de mayo de 2013 para votar en la Elección General para elegir 1 Alcalde, En General; 1 Miembro del Concilio, Distrito 2; 1 Miembro del Concilio, Distrito 3

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Massie Activity Center
513 W Georgia St
Floydada, TX 79235

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

City Hall, 114 W Virginia St, Floydada, TX 79235

(location) (sitio)

Recommended but not required

between the hours of * a.m. and * p.m. beginning on (entre las * de la mañana y las * de la tarde empezando el April 29, 2013 - 29 de abril de 2013
(date) (fecha)

and ending on (y terminando el) May 7, 2013 - 10 de mayo de 2013
(date) (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Selia Arellano
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario(a) de la Votación Adelantada)

- * April 29 7 am - 6 pm
- April 30 7 am - 7 pm
- May 1, 7 am - 6 pm
- May 2 7 am - 6 pm
- May 3 7 am - 5 pm
- May 6 7 am - 6 pm
- May 7 7 am - 7 pm

114 W Virginia St
(Address) (Dirección)

Floydada, TX 79235
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
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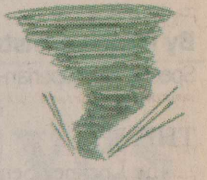
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Issued this the 15 day of January, 2013
(Emitida este día 15 de enero, 2013)

Bobby Gilliland
Signature of Mayor (Firma del Alcalde)



Whirlwind News



Student's Artwork Is Recognized at State Level

By Hunter Schwertner – Staff Writer

On April 6, 2013, one student traveled to the State VASE Art Show in Bryan, College Station, Texas. Out of the approximately 24,000 entries, Frankie Luna's art piece made it into the art gallery along with 1,500 others, placing him in the top 6% of all artists in Texas high schools.

The overall experience was extremely beneficial for Frankie. "I felt like I belonged, and now I know I'm headed in the right direction with my artwork," said Frankie. "I will never forget this trip, and I'm honored to have done it for Floydada."

The VASE program offers a tremendous amount of opportunities for aspiring artists.

"I'm going to attend WT in the fall to major in art," said Frankie. "After that, I want to join a video game company to become a video game creator and artist!"

Frankie is not the only one who is excited about the outcome.

"I am beyond proud of Frankie because he is always working to grow as an artist," said art teacher, Ms. Williams. "He is always open to trying new techniques and practices his craft all the time, working to get better."

Instances like this have offered a future for students. "Frankie had a chance to speak with representatives from several colleges and universities," said Ms. Williams. "All of them were enthusiastic about his work and thought he had a great chance for scholarships to their schools."



Adding the Final Touches

By Hunter Schwertner – Staff Writer

With the Floydada High School Prom taking place on April 13, 2013, staff and especially students are making last minute preparations. Prom is all about the clothes you wear, the cars you arrive in, and the decorations themselves.

For most girls, prom is all about the fashion.

"You've got to find a dress to wear first," said junior Mattie Sanders. "After the basics, you can figure out the other details so you can be ready by the time the big night rolls around."

Preparations for an outfit are not the only type of planning that takes place.

"A lot of work was put into planning for prom," said committee member, Kyarah Pe-

sina. "We worked hard during and after school to get the job done."

The Prom Committee has been very committed in getting the job done.

"They have all worked very hard to ensure that this prom is one of the most elaborate and beautiful proms that Floydada has ever seen," said Committee Coordinator, Mrs. Cox. "I am very proud of the students and I think the seniors will be extremely happy with it."

Some seniors are showing mixed emotions going into their final prom as high school students.

"I am deeply saddened because for on night, prom makes you forget all your worries and allows you to leave everything out on the dance floor," said senior Merritt Johnson.

Junior High Track Runs Away Competition



By Carly Carthel- Staff Writer

The junior high track team has already participated in a few meets this year. Though it is early in the season the future for the Junior High track team looks promising.

There has been a lot of improvement amongst each event that has been noted by the coaches.

"I think that they have done really well, they have improved in almost every event and I think that they will do really well this year," said, Junior High Coach, Matthew Nixon.

One student in particular has been doing exceptionally

well this year.

"I got first in the 800 meter twice in a row and then I received second in the mile," said, seventh grader, Keenan Nixon.

All of the track members have high expectations for this year.

"I have faith that we will do our best and hopefully get first in everything we do," said, eighth grader, Corey Mathis.

The junior high track team has done well this year and will continue to do their best in every upcoming meet.

Impact Your Way into College

By: Homero Ramirez-Staff Writer

The WyzAnt College Scholarships were created to award hardworking students who have shown creativity and excellence in their writing abilities. Anyone planning to enroll in a four-year college or university is eligible. This includes most high school sophomores through college juniors. Contestants for the scholarship must complete the online application and write an essay, 300 words or less, on the how you will use your education to make an impact on others. There will be three winners for this scholarship with the max amount award being \$10,000. The deadline for this scholarship will be on May 1, 2013. For more details concerning this scholarship and others refer to the links below. This scholarship requires the creation of a profile for access; it should take no more than five minutes.

<http://www.wyzant.com/Scholarships/>
<http://www.2013oakseedessaycontest.com/>

Upcoming Events for FISD By: Emily Hall- Staff Writer

- April 10: High School District Track at Roosevelt
- April 11: High School District Track at Roosevelt
- April 12: JV/Varsity Boys Baseball VS Slaton, Here 5:00/7:30 pm
- April 13: Junior/Senior Prom at 7 pm
JV/Varsity Girls Softball VS Abernathy, There 12:00/2:00 pm
- April 15: Junior High District Track
JV Boys Baseball VS Idalou, There 4:30 pm
- April 16: JV/Varsity Girls Softball VS Muleshoe, Here 5:00/6:30 pm
Varsity Boys Baseball VS Idalou, There 4:30 pm
- April 17-18: Regional Tennis at Odessa
- April 18: Area Track at Frenship
- April 19-20: Regional UIL at Odessa
- April 20: JV/Varsity Boys Baseball VS Childress, Here 12:00/2:30 pm

Students feel confident about STAAR test

By Merritt Johnson – Staff Writer

As of last year, the state of Texas has mandated that all students tenth grade and below will take the STAAR test. The exams consist of history, science, reading and writing, and math.

"I prepared all year for the exam by listening in class and making sure I asked questions if I didn't understand," said freshman Kirby Nixon.

The STAAR tests replaced the TAKS testing program last year and are more rigorous. These tests emphasize "readiness" standards more. Knowledge and skills are considered more important for success for the student's

future.

"I felt prepared and thought I did pretty good on the STAAR test," said freshman Allison Cisneros.

Students are not tested over grade-based exams, but have to take course-based exams. Also, the STAAR exams are now timed and have four hours for each test. Courses have had to take a new direction on teaching and getting students prepared for the STAAR test.

"Since the STAAR tests are new, I felt nervous about it from the start," said sophomore McKenna Johnson. "However, when it was over I felt very confident about my test."

GO WHIRLWINDS GO

Students feel confident about STAAR test

Whirlwind Word Search

STAAR Wordsearch

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'Light It Up Blue' Campaign on World Autism Awareness Day

NEW YORK, N.Y. (April 2, 2013) – Imagine if the world's lights turned blue to show support and raise awareness for the more than three million Americans who currently live with an autism spectrum disorder? Today, Autism Speaks, the world's leading autism science and advocacy organization, hopes to do just that with the launch of its fourth-annual Light It Up Blue (LIUB) campaign, a global initiative to raise funds and increase awareness of autism.

Tonight, to mark World Autism Awareness Day, Autism Speaks kicks-off the campaign with more than 7,000 iconic structures and landmarks in 90 countries shining a bright blue spotlight on autism. Participating landmarks include the Empire State Building and George Washington Bridge in New York City, Niagara Falls in Canada and Burj Al Arab

in Dubai. This year, Autism Speaks continues its quest to make Light It Up Blue bigger, bluer and better than ever before, by asking individuals, retailers and corporations worldwide to proudly shine a light on autism throughout the month of April – Autism Awareness Month – in their own personal way.

"In 2010 I turned my porch light blue for the first time," said Jennifer Bunt-Chronister, whose daughter was diagnosed with autism at age four.

Supporters can join the initiative by participating in any of three ways:

Illuminate: Change your white bulbs to blue. Light up your home, business, school, place of worship or even your website blue to show your support.

Donate: Text Autism to 25383 to donate \$10 to Autism Speaks* or make a donation on LightItUpBlue.org.*

Advocate: Take action as we call on President Obama and Congress to develop and implement a comprehensive national plan to address autism. Sign our petition on LightItUpBlue.org.

For other ideas to get involved in LIUB visit LightItUpBlue.org. A list of participating landmarks is also available on the Light It Up Blue website.

lion to research and developing innovative resources for families. Each year Walk Now for Autism Speaks events are held in more than 100 cities across North America. On the global front, Autism Speaks has established partnerships and related activities in more than 40 countries on five continents to foster international research, services and awareness. To learn more about Autism Speaks, please visit AutismSpeaks.org.

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was awarded the 1997 Commander, Submarine Squadron Seven Damage Control Red award, and advanced to Senior Chief Petty Officer in 1997.

In October 1998 he reported to Submarine Maintenance Monitoring Team, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii as the Assistant Officer in Charge. During his tour he was advanced to Master Chief Petty Officer in March 2000.

In February 2001, he reported to Commander, Submarine Development Squadron Five, Detachment Dive. Due to Detachment Dive's deactivation he was transferred to Detachment Sierra in May 2001 and assigned as the Senior Enlisted Leader for the activation of Detachment Unmanned Undersea Vehicles (UUV) in the Pacific Northwest. In May 2004 he was transferred to Detachment UUV. During his tour his Detachment completed several Western Pacific deployments and he personally completed a Western Pacific deployment onboard USS TOPEKA (SSN-754).

In August of 2006, he transferred to Undersea Research & Development as the Senior Enlisted Leader onboard USS JIMMY CARTER (SSN-23). During his tour he completed three CNO Priority One National Tasking deployments.

In July 2010 he transferred to DETACHMENT TRITON, as the Senior Enlisted Leader to establish the Squadron's newest detachment. During his tour he utilized his 12 plus years of experience in special programs and understanding of ocean engineering systems in the initial system design, system

configuration, and concepts of operation.

His Western Pacific deployments provided the opportunity to explore the world to such exotic places as Yokosuka & Sasebo, Japan; Hong Kong; Subic Bay, Philippines; Perth and Fremantle, Australia; Bahrain; Singapore; and Phuket, Thailand.

Master Chief Arellano's personal awards include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (five awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards), Navy Good Conduct Medal (eight awards), Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal (2 awards), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and Navy Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal and various unit awards.

Master Chief Arellano is married to the former Melissa Ann Saucedo of Lockney, and they reside in Bremerton, Washington. He has two children, son Mario, Jr. and daughter Jennifer.

A celebration was held at the Lockney Community Center on March 23, with visitors from all around the United States. Family from Colorado, Alabama, South Texas, Barstow, Calif., Dallas, San Antonio and Houston area all made the long trip to celebrate the retirement of Arellano.

"The celebration was a good excuse to get together," said Arellano. "But the main purpose was to get the family together."

Some of the members of the class of 1983, Arellano's graduating class, attending and present Arellano with a plaque that read "Home of the free, because of the Brave", as well as giving his wife Melissa flower for her support because

without her taking care of the home it wouldn't be possible, according to Arellano.

"It's been an honor and privilege to serve in the military because I love this country. Coming back home to friends and family and to the people that we love made all the sacrifice worth it. We all do it for a reason and they were the reason why.

His family plans to stay in the Seattle area after his official retirement to be near their children and three grandchildren.

'Sit a Spell in Post' outdoor art project

The Caprock Cultural Association of Post is issuing an open call for artists to participate in an outdoor art project, "Sit a Spell in Post."

The project is an outdoor art exhibit that will literally take art to the streets of Post. The exhibit will be comprised of 12 chairs beautifully decorated by area artists using original designs and the medium of their choice to depict some aspect of Post and/or Garza County.

The chairs will be displayed in public spaces throughout the community from August through October, 2013.

Professional and emerging artists of all disciplines are invited to submit their concept using a color rendering no larger than 8.5" x 11." There is no entry fee. CCA will provide the chairs to the 12 artists chosen and each will receive a \$300 award.

Concept submission deadline is 8 p.m., April 30, 2013. Email digital renderings to ccart@poka.com or send hard copy renderings to Caprock Cultural Association, P. O. Box 37, Post, TX 79356. The winning artists will be notified by May 13.

Free fire extinguishers



Courtesy Photo

The City of Floydada passed out free fire extinguishers at the Fire Hall Monday, April 08, 2013.



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