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Revolutionary War hero remembered by Lockney family

Lockney residents Missy and Charlie Minick and Dovie Davis recently traveled to Pickens County, Alabama to place a marker for their Revolutionary War ancestor, James Blair.

It was the culmination of years of research into Mr. Blair's life that led them to his resting place beside his wife Elizabeth. They were joined by Dovie's son, Randy Davis, from Indianapolis, cousin Melanie Ross from Amarillo, and cousin Jackie VanDusen from Longview. Other Blair descendants and cousins arrived for the ceremony from Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Georgia. Many of these relatives were meeting for the first time. Gathering together in nearby Columbus, Mississippi, they met for evening dinner and afterward shared family stories and exchanged genealogical adventures.

On Saturday morning, April 27, the descendants were joined at the gravesite in a remote wooded area by a local preacher who gave a short sermon. Also present were a county official, a representative of the local newspaper and the property owner who was instrumental in the effort to hold the ceremony. Remarks were given by Missy Minick and the obituary read by Randy Davis. James Blair was a noted patriot and politician who fought in many

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Courtesy Photo

Lockney residents Missy and Charlie Minick went to Pickens County, Alabama, along with relatives they had never met, to place a marker for their Revolutionary War ancestor, James Blair, who was a noted patriot who fought in many battles of the Revolutionary War. He earned the moniker the "Paul Revere of the South" after the Battle of Kings Mountain.

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.

LOCKNEY ISD BOARD MEETING

Lockney ISD Board of Trustees will have their regular board meeting May 9 at the Superintendent's Office at 8 p.m.

FLOYDADA ISD BOARD MEETING

Floydada ISD Board of Trustees will have their regular board meeting May 14 at the Superintendent's Office at 7 p.m.

OLD SETTLER'S ASSOCIATION

The Old Settler's Association will hold a meeting at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 at the First National Bank of Floydada Community Room.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Library will hold a book sale on Old Settler's weekend. Booksale will be held Friday, May 25 and Saturday, May 26 at the Floyd County Library. If you would like to donate books for this booksale, please contact the Library.

TEAM ROPING

The 2013 Old Settler's Team Roping will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 25th at the Ware Arena. Buckles and prizes will be awarded. For more information contact Jesse Ware, 806-930-1770.

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 Floydada Chamber of Commerce 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.

OLD SETTLER'S DAY

Remember to mark your calendars for the 2013 Old Settler's Day, Saturday, May 25th in downtown Floydada. Make plans to bring your family for a day of fun, good food and music.

Corrections

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International student learns ropes of food service in Lockney

By Jennifer Harbin
 Hesperian-Beacon

Joyce Marks, Director of Food Services for Lockney Independent School District, recently concluded her time with Texas Tech University and international student Clara Choo, showing her the ins and outs of the Food Service Department for her dissertation.

Choo, a PhD student from Incheon, South Korea, is in the final stages of her degree program in the Hospitality Administration Department at Tech. She came to the United States from South Korea, after a career

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Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian-Beacon

Texas Tech University student Clara Choo recently spent time with Joyce Marks at Lockney Elementary learning about Food Services for her dissertation.

Floydada notification system being updated

With the approach of the spring severe weather season, citizens are encouraged to check and see that their families are well prepared. One important item that needs to be checked is that all citizens have their phone numbers registered with the City of Floydada's phone notification system, City-Connect.

The emergency notification system named City-Connect is a phone messaging system used by the City of Floydada and the Floydada Fire Department to notify citizens of approaching storms and emergency situations. Citizens' home and/or cellular phone numbers and email addresses can be registered online at www.

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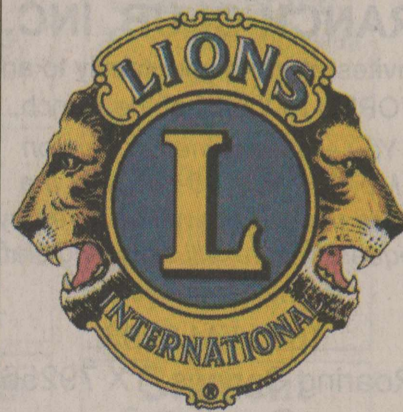
Wyatt print raffle



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Kenneth Wyatt Print up for grabs: The Floyd County Pioneer Association is selling raffle tickets for a print of Kenneth Wyatt painting titled "The Faithful Few". The banks in town are selling tickets for \$5 each, or 3 for \$10, up until the time of the drawing which will be held May 25 at Old Settler's Day under the Pavilion downtown in the afternoon. You need not be present to win. All proceeds will benefit the FCPA. Pictured above is Laura Mendez, at Texas Plains Federal Credit Union, who would be glad to sell you a ticket.

Lions broom sale



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Floydada Lions Broom Sale: John Woelfel, twins Greyson and Kenzie, 4, stop by the Massie Activity Center on May 2 to stock up on brooms and other supplies at the Lion's annual broom sale. All products sold, from brooms to sponges, are made by the blind.

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Deaths

Stevan Luis Posada

Stevan Luis Posada, age 40, of Floydada, passed away, Tuesday, April 30, 2013 in Lubbock. Memorial services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday May 4, 2013 at Calvary Corner Stone Church with Pastor Armando Morales officiating.

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

Stevan was born on April 16, 1973 in Slaton,

Texas to Rosendo Posada, Jr. and Maria Trinidad. He was a welder, a resident of Floydada, and a member of Calvary Corner Stone Church in Floydada.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Adolf Posada.

Stevan is survived by his wife, Patricia Posada of the home; one daughter, Brittany Garcia of Lubbock; four sons, Stevan Luis Posada, Jr., Joshua Xavier Posada and John

Anthony Posada of Floydada, and Robert Joel Govea of Dallas; three brothers, Frankie and Margret Trinidad, Juan and Susy Santibanez of San Antonio, and Jose Posada of Plainview; two sisters, Linda Posada and Victoria Santibanez of San Antonio; four grandchildren, Serenity Lynn of San Antonio, Na'Zariya of Amarillo and Isaiah and Nathan of Dallas.

Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

Old Settlers plans are being made and the Friends of the Library will be ready to celebrate with everyone who comes to town to celebrate. We are getting ready for our annual Old Settlers weekend book sale which will be held on Friday, May 25th and Saturday, May 26th. However, before we can completely get ready we need your help.

First of all, we need your book donations. We are in need of Children's books, current fiction, and non-fiction as well as Christian fiction. We have a lot of calls for these items and they sell very well. Would you look at your library and pack up the books you've already read and bring them to the library so that we might have them

for our sale? We would really appreciate any book donation you might have.

Secondly, we need some new members. We do need some people who are interested in the library and will meet with our current members and join our group. We will be having a meeting on Tuesday, May 14th in the library conference room. We will gather about 4:30 p.m. This is after the library closes on Tuesday but the doors will be open so you can come in and meet with us.

We want to thank those of you who have already donated books. We appreciate your donations and hope you will continue to support the Friends of the Library and the Floyd County Memorial Library.

Home Country

By Slim Randles

When the Rafter E branded recently, a bunch of us went out to help. It's a badge of pride to have worked your way up the branding ladder.

As a kid, you flank the calves; you grab them, throw them and hold them down. This is conducive to abrasions, muscle strain, and involuntarily changing the color of your shirt.

As you get older, you get to handle the branding iron, then move up to giving shots. After that comes earmarking. When you reach the pinnacle of branding, that is, when you own the calves, then

you get to rope the calves and drag them up to the fire.

It is a swirling cauldron of heat and hooves, excited cowdogs and bawling cows. There is the smell of manure and singed hair and sweat and corral dust.

At the Rafter E, I wielded a syringe as the youngsters got their teeth rattled by the heavy staff.

Wasn't the first time I'd given the shots, though. Once during a branding at the Triangle Cross, I was about to immunize a calf when the calf jumped and I stuck the needle into my thumb.

Hurt like the dickens, of course, but at least it

was effective. I haven't had black leg since.

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Healthy Recipe of the Week Provided by Pure Balance Nutrition 806-983-3119

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- 1/2 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 pound of organic Brussels sprouts, roughly chopped or shaved on a mandolin
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar to taste
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/8 dried cranberries
- 1/8 cup of pecans, chopped
- Celtic salt and pepper to taste

Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the Brussels sprouts and sauté for about 5 minutes until slightly tender and brown. Do not overcook.

Add salt and pepper to taste. Add the balsamic vinegar, water, and dried cranberries.

Cover the skillet and steam for about 3-5 minutes. The balsamic vinegar will turn syrupy, and the sprouts will be tender.

Remove from the heat, and transfer to a serving dish. Top with chopped pecans.

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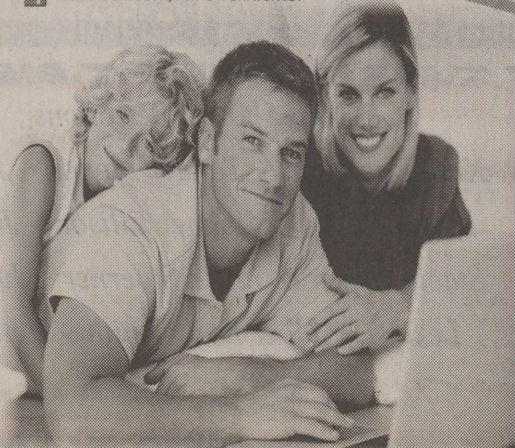
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- Tuesday: Tacos
- Wednesday: Ham
- Thursday: Baked Potatoes
- Friday: Chicken Fried Steak

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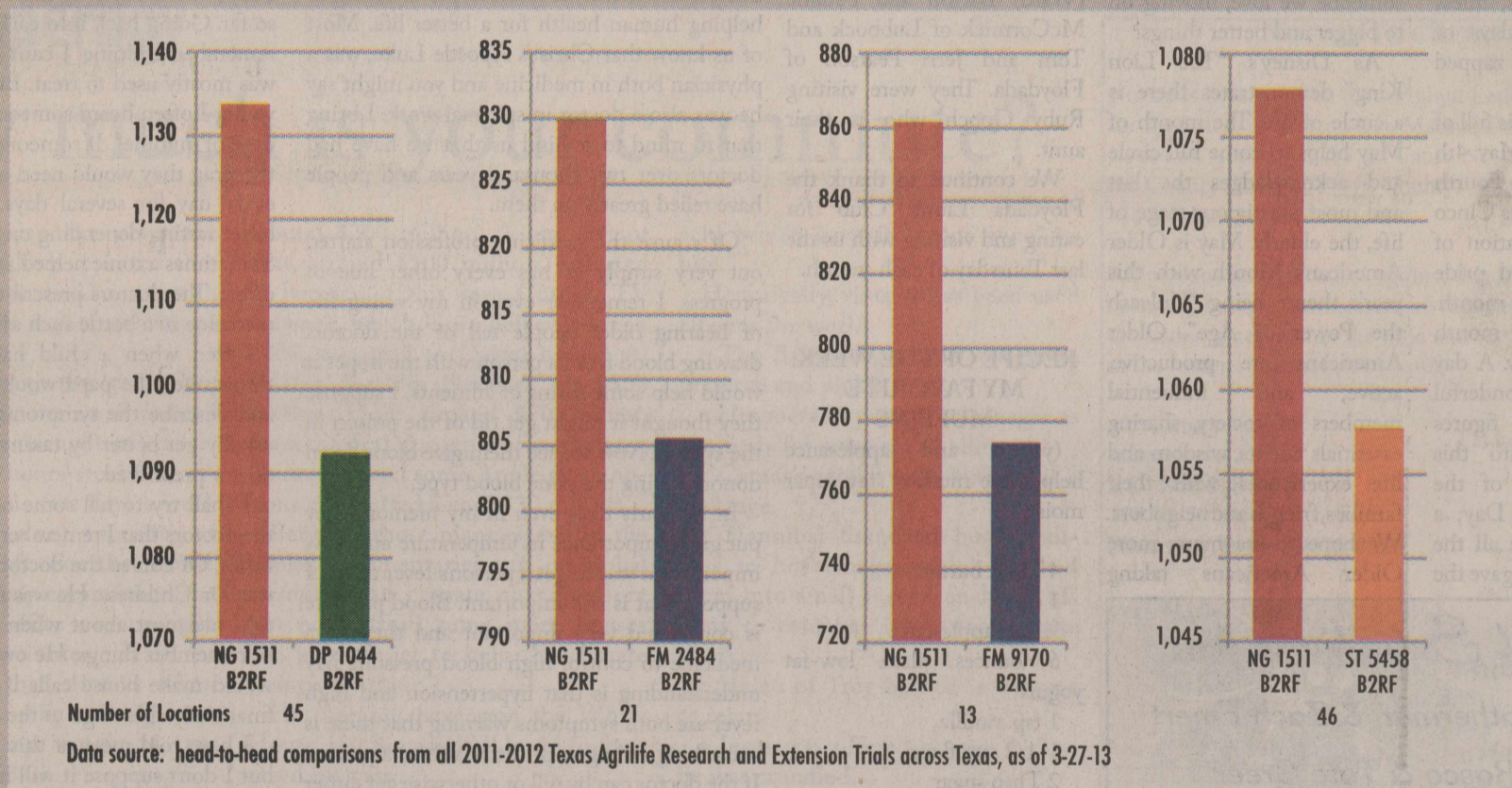


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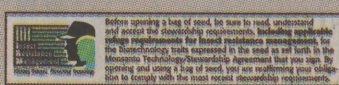
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Look Who's New



BRYNLEE ANNE ANDERSON

Bella Anderson and Trent Espinosa of Celina, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their baby sister, Brynlee Anne Anderson. Proud parents are Dusty and Brook Anderson.

Brynlee was born at 11:40 a.m. Monday, April 15, 2013 at the Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Allen. She weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and was 19-1/2" long.

Proud grandparents are Mike and Barbara Anderson of Floydada, Texas and Mitch and Michelle Harrison of Quinlan, Texas.

Great-grandparents are Joyce Adkins of Ralls, Texas and the late Lawrence M. Simmons, Jr. of Crosbyton, Texas, Louis and Ferne Anderson of Floydada, Texas, Robbie Mayo of Quinlan, Texas, and Merl Harrison and the late Tom Harrison of Dallas, Texas.

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margaret Jones

May Flowers: May is here! The weather is starting to turn from warm to hot. What a difference a few weeks has made. In April we went back and forth between warm days, hot days and downright cold days, not to mention our little snow/sleet storm the second week of April. But, not it's May, time to celebrate and smell the May flowers, unless of course the two days of freezing temperatures zapped them.

The month of May is full of celebrations of life! May 4th is Stars Day "May the Fourth be With You." There is Cinco de Mayo, the celebration of Mexican heritage and pride at the start of the month. In the middle of the month there is Mother's Day. A day we celebrate the wonderful mothers or mother figures that brought us into this world. At the end of the month is Memorial Day; a day to commemorate all the men and women who gave the

biggest sacrifice of all, their life, in U.S. military service.

May is also the time that many young people pass their first major accomplishment in life; graduation. Children and grandchildren, brothers, sisters and friends of the family are able to celebrate this very important milestone in a young person's life. What better time to celebrate someone we love, moving on to bigger and better things?

As Disney's "The Lion King" demonstrates there is a circle of life. The month of May helps us come full circle and acknowledges the last and most prestigious stage of life, the elderly. May is Older American's Month with this year's theme being "Unleash the Power of Age". Older Americans are productive, active, and influential members of society, sharing essential talents, wisdom and life experiences with their families, friends and neighbors. We hope to see many more Older Americans taking

the initiative to "Unleash the Power" available at the Center and in our community. (Through my readings I took the liberty to quote from this month's article from Seniors are Special News...UMC Health System)...

Several friends visited and had lunch at the Center on Wednesday, May 1st. Among them were Johnnie (Ward) Barton and Pauline McCormick of Lubbock and Tom and Jerri Pearson of Floydada. They were visiting Ruby Gooch who is their aunt.

We continue to thank the Floydada Lion's Club for eating and visiting with us the last Thursday of each month.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK: MY FAVORITE MUFFINS

(yogurt and applesauce help these muffins stay super moist.)

- 4 Tbsp. butter
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup applesauce
- 6 ounces plain low-fat yogurt
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1-1/2 cup flour
- 2 Tbsp sugar
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 3/4 cups drained cranberries
- 1/3 cup chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease muffin tins or use paper liners (6-8). Combine butter, egg, applesauce, yogurt and vanilla. Mix well. Mix flour, sugar, baking powder and baking soda in a second bowl. Add fruit and nuts. Stir wet ingredients into dry ingredients. Spoon into muffin tins, bake 20-30 minutes. Remove immediately from muffin tins and place on a wire rack to cool. (makes 6-8 muffins)

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - Think big thoughts, but relish small pleasures.

MEMORIALS

By Margaret 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.

Jon LaBaume's twin brother, Don and his wife, Janice of Abilene visited with Jon and Elaine on Friday and Saturday as they were on their way to Colorado. They spend the summer as "camp greeters" in the Durango, Colorado area.



MR. AND MRS. BILL BIGHAM

Courtesy Photo

Bill and Anita Bigham of Lockney celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a surprise party with family and friends. Bill married Anita Cooper on April 20, 1963. They are the parents of Gary and Melissa Bigham of Amherst, Troy and Deanna Bigham of Lockney, Clint Bigham of Lockney and Stacy and Frank Hereford of Austin. They also have 7 grandchildren.

Museum Archives Doctors and Home Remedies Past and Present

Reprinted from the Centennial Edition, Hesperian May 24, 1990

By Will Martin

Have any of you ever been in a large crowd of people and have someone yell, "Is there a doctor in the crowd?" Certainly someone as had some sort of health emergency happen to them, and they won't call for a lawyer or any other kind of professional. That shows to me just how much faith and dependence most of us have in doctors, nurses, paramedics and others that are used to promote good health.

We read in history many years back of early doctors and medicine men's hopes of curing or helping human health for a better life. Most of us know that Christ's Apostle Luke, was a physician both in medicine and you might say he was also a doctor in spiritual work. I bring that to mind to remind us that we have had doctors over two thousand years and people have relied greatly on them.

Of course the medicine profession started out very simply as has every other line of progress. I remember even in my young life of hearing older people tell of the doctors drawing blood from a person with the hopes it would help some forms of ailments. I suppose they thought it might get rid of the poison in the system. Now we see them give blood from donors having the same blood type.

In the early days even in my memory they put great importance in temperature and how important it was to get a person's fever down. I suppose that is still important. Blood pressure is considered very important and they have medicine to control high blood pressure. My understanding is that hypertension and high fever are both symptoms warning that there is something wrong with the health of a person. If the doctor can by pill or otherwise get either one to normal they have located the trouble. Maybe I had better quit trying to be a doctor and talk of other thing pertaining to doctors.

I have already spoken on the art of early doctors. The early American Indian and people of other countries had their doctors or medicine men. I suppose they would experiment with different herbs and roots to make teas to drink. They would probably pass their good remedies on to the next generation.

Advanced medicine of more civilized countries made progress and started schools for doctors to teach what they had learned and researched. They have gotten better and learned more in every line of doctoring.

The early doctors that I remember, gave to the patient such things as paregoric, calomel and pills that I don't know what they were made of. They did not have machines that could show just

what was wrong with a person, as they have now.

The early doctors used castor oil for helping regulate a persons bowels. They had some medicines that were used to help in treating the bladder and kidneys but I don't remember any of them just now. We used to have a lung ailment

called lagrippe that I think was later similar to influenza or a real bad cold. The doctors had treatments for these if they could get to them in time. Tuberculosis, when I was young, was an ailment that was almost impossible to cure until they discovered a means of treatment to control it. If I am correct it was a ailment that I would say ate up a persons's lungs. You hardly hear of it now.

Pneumonia was a very dreaded ailment up to the late 1930's If I am correct, it was about this time that the medical profession discovered penicillin. If I understand it right penicillin in various forms kills as many germs in a person's body as most any drug that has been discovered so far. Going back into early medicines, I also remember Quinine. I can't remember what it was mostly used to treat. But when I was real young I often heard someone say, "He needs a dose of quinine". If someone was weak and on the drag they would need a spoonful of tonic every day for several days. This was usually bitter tasting depending on what it's base was. Sometimes a tonic helped and sometimes they didn't. The doctors prescribed several kinds of medicine in a bottle such as these tonics.

Often when a child had the croup, sore throat, etc., the papa would go to the doctor and describe the symptoms. The child would usually get better by taking the medicine the doctor prescribed.

I shall try to tell some of the things about the doctors that I remember down through the times. Of course the doctor that delivered me was Dr. Childress. He was the one that mama told me most about when I was old enough to remember things. He owned a hospital but would make house calls if a person was not financially able to go to the hospital.

I have told most of this in writings before, but I don't suppose it will hurt to tell it again. Our family was living in a dirt floor half dug-out with an outside canvas tent that served as a kitchen and eating place.

Papa was in the process of building a room connected on the east end of the dugout, when it happened to be time to call the doctor. While mama was waiting to have the baby. Dr. Childress helped papa to nail down the boards for the floor until mama got ready to have the baby.

Dr. Childress was a very good doctor and mama and papa were very well pleased with his service and the baby "Will", made it fine in the next few months.

I'm not sure if this is true or not, but I heard tell that in a few weeks when papa went to pay for my birth. Dr. Childress told him it would be \$15.00. Papa said that was too high. The doctor told papa that I was one of the ugliest kids he had ever delivered, so he said he would charge five dollars for helping nail down the floor and ten dollars for delivering the kid. He also said mama kept his services all day from other patients. Dr. Childress died about two years from then.

To be continued;

Floydada Senior Citizens Menu

Monday Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail, low fat milk	Wednesday Roast beef, baked potato w/sour cream, buttered carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, chocolate pudding, low fat milk	cream, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, low fat milk
Tuesday Taco salad & corn chips, seasoned corn, watermelon, peach cobbler, low fat milk	Thursday BBQ chicken filet, baked potato w/sour	Friday Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald pears, low fat milk

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Floydada Council Discusses Leasing Agreement for Nursing Home Facility

By Sara Sisemore
Correspondent

The Floydada City Council met on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, to discuss purchasing new pickups, putting a new roof on the old nursing home building, and leasing the old nursing home facility to the Spirit of Sharing and Senior Citizens.

City Manager Gary Brown informed the council of bids they received for three new pickups. The bids were as follows: a 2012 pickup for \$23,702 for the Electric Department, a 2013 pickup for \$26,322 for the Water Department, and a 2013 pickup for \$28,548 for the Police Department. The council accepted these bids as presented.

The council discussed matters concerning leasing space in the building located at 925 W. Crockett St. to the Spirit of Sharing and the Senior Citizens group. Houchin suggested the council include in the lease that S.O.S. may use their portion of the facility at 925 W. Crockett with no rent with the condition that they donate to the city the net proceeds from the sale of their current building. Council member Bettye King voiced the possibility of the city receiving at least 75 percent of the net profit from the sale of their current building. Council members Green and Gabriel de la Fuente said they don't see any reason the city shouldn't receive 100 percent of the net profit from the sale of S.O.S. and Senior Citizens' current buildings. Green suggested that if S.O.S. and Senior Citizens sublet their portion of the nursing home facility, that the city receives 50 percent of the rent.

The council unanimously approved the proposed lease with the condition that both S.O.S. and Senior Citizens donate 100 percent of the net profits from the sale of their current buildings, with the agreement that if they sublet their portions of the nursing home facility that the city receives 50 percent of that rent.

The council considered selling the vacant land located south of the laundry building located at 925 W. Crockett St. Brown told the council, "There is a little track of land that is probably 8/10ths of an acre for which we have no use. The interested party, who owns land on either side of it, is interested in it." Houchin suggested if the council decides to sell the land that the purchaser pay

for the cost of having the land surveyed. The council unanimously approved a motion to sell this portion of the property.

There will need to be some remodeling done on the building located at 925 W. Crockett St. According to Brown, there was black mold found in the north wing of the old nursing home; this is the wing that the Spirit of Sharing was hoping to use. There is a contractor coming to access the damage. The beginning suggestions from a contractor on what to do is probably going to be to seal that wing off at the doors and then work on getting rid of the mold. The contractor said the sheet rock can be cut out, then everything bleached. They now make a carpet that can be laid down and sealed which complies with health standards. Also, one room will have to have a window put into it. The other wing is ready to be moved into.

The council discussed the disposal of equipment left in the building at 925 W. Crockett St. Brown said there are probably 15-20 beds, walkers, porta-pottys, sharps containers, and wheelchairs. The council agreed to ask the Senior Citizens to hold a yard sale to sell the equipment left in the building, with 50 percent of the profits going to the Senior Citizens and 50 percent going to the city.

The council has gone out for roofing bids for the old nursing home facility at 925 W. Crockett St. Brown said, "We sent out notices for bids and received back four bids." He noted, though, that one of the bids had arrived unsealed, so it could not be used. With receipt of the building, the city received \$25,000 from the former owners of the old nursing home facility. De la Fuente asked to abstain from the vote and discussion on the roofing bids as he is related to one who sent in a bid.

The sealed bids were opened and read to the council: Mendoza Roofing bid to do the project for \$35,525, Rod Vela Roofing for \$30,000, and Molinar Roofing for \$39,600. The council approved a motion to accept Rod Vela Roofing's bid of \$30,000 for the roofing project.

After the \$30,000 bid was accepted, a representative from Mendoza Roofing was

present to ask the council to reconsider on the basis that all of his workers are local and the materials will be purchased locally. It was asked if time was of the essence in getting a new roof on this building. Brown said if it ever starts raining, then yes, it is. Houchin expressed her concern that in order to accept a different bid at this point that the council may have to go back out for bids. After much discussion, Green made a motion to rescind the acceptance of the \$30,000 bid. The motion to rescind was approved.

Then, King made a motion to award the bid to Mendoza Roofing for \$35,525. The motion passed, with one abstaining.

Brown noted to the council concerning the new city manager position that the city has received approximately eight applications. The deadline was Friday, April 19, at 8 p.m., and Brown said he expected there might be two or three more that arrive before Friday. The council agreed to have a special meeting on Tuesday, April 30, to decide which applicants to ask to come for interviews.

During discussion concerning the 2013 Consumer Price Index (CPI) Adjustment to Municipal Telecommunications Right-of-Way Access Line Rates, Mayor Bobby Gilliland noted that the council has not increased the rates, but have kept them the same over the years for the benefits of Floydada's citizens. The council agreed to continue not to raise the rates.

Brown explained to the council about a letter he received in early March that said the city has received grant funds to use on projects for the airport, but the city has to have used them by the end of Sept. 2013 or the funds must be returned. The letter continued saying if the money is returned, then it will be allocated to another airport in Texas that has not received the funding that they needed. If the money is not returned or used by the end of Sept. 2013, then the money will go back to the Federal Government. These funds, in the amount of \$265,800 were a fiscal year 2010-2011 allotment. Green made the motion to return the airport funds. The council unanimously approved his motion.

The council considered joining Buy

Board, a state-wide purchasing co-op which is set up through the school board association. Brown explained that the city would have access through Buy Board to many different things at pre-approved low rates. Additionally, membership is free. Board member Gail DuBois made the motion to join the Buy Board. This motion was unanimously approved.

Sgt. Reuben Ramon recommended to the council that the property located at 304 E. Georgia continues in the condemnation process. Councilman Green made the motion to proceed with the condemnation of the property, with it to be torn down within 30 days.

The council unanimously approved a motion to adopt a Proclamation declaring 2013 Colorectal Cancer Awareness and Prevention Year.

The council received a request from WTMPA to allow Gary Brown to continue to serve on the board following his retirement as city manager. It was noted that Brown is president of WTMPA and has done a good job. City Attorney Karen Houchin said if the council wishes to do this, they need to make a motion to amend the current ordinance which names the city manager to sit on the board in order to specifically name Brown to sit on the board. The council unanimously passed such a motion.

The council unanimously approved asking Philip Smitherman to serve another two-year term on the Mackenzie Municipal Water Authority board.

The council considered the offer of \$350 from Lupe Stewart for the taxing entity property located at 812 S. Main St. (Lot S/2 6-7-8, Block 17, Bartley). This property is right off of Crockett and Main Streets. Houchin said the city's minimum is \$300 per lot, so for three half lots, the minimum bid should be \$450. The council approved a motion to ask Stewart to resubmit her bid next month.

The council reviewed the cash balances and investments, and approved payment of the March 2013 transfers, fixed expenses and city bills. They also approved the minutes from the March 12 and March 19, 2013 meetings.

The Paperboy

How much is your commute?

Saw a story on the news the other day which reported that commuters in the U.S. spent an average of \$9,000 a year getting to and from work.

The older I get, the more I'm thankful for life in the small town. I stay busy and the thought of spending three or four hours stuck in traffic five days a week is not appealing at all. For the record, my commute to the office is around two minutes. Half of that time is taken up by walking from my truck to my desk.

I haven't added up the annual cost for my commute, but I'd put it closer to \$9 than \$9,000.

I always thought of Al Gore as sort of a stiff board with an ego. The kind of guy who thinks he's an expert on everything. The internet comes to mind as well as a dozen other examples.

Apparently, there are others who have a higher opinion of the man.

Nearly president Gore is a money-making machine. In fact, he's making much more money than he ever would have or could have as president.

Since the Bush v. Gore Supreme Court decision in 2000, Al Gore's net worth has gone from \$1.7 million to

around \$200 million. A big part of that, around \$100 million, occurred in January of this year. Current TV network, which Gore helped start in 2004, was sold to Qatari-owned Al Jazeera Satellite Network for \$500 million. Gore banked \$70 million from the deal. A couple of weeks later, Gore exercised some Apple stock options and netted a cool \$30 million.

Between those maneuvers and the books, documentaries, etc. on global warming and climate change, Gore can now afford some more houses and a larger jet to help the climate change continue.

He may not have won the White House, but his windfall looks to have eased his pain.

Not long ago I was using some vinegar to clean my coffee maker at home. My wife and I began a conversation about the product and the fact that my mother used it for a great many things.

On the website vinegartips.com they claim to have 1,001 uses for the product. What I learned on the website was the long history of vinegar.

According to the site: "The word vinegar comes from the French word 'vinaigre' which means 'sour wine.' It was probably discovered by accident thousands of years ago - after a cask of wine had gone bad. When the wine was first made, natural sugars were fermented into alcohol. Over time, bacteria in the air transformed the alcohol into acetic

acid, which gave the "sour wine" its bite."

Historically, vinegar has been used all over the world.

- The Babylonians used vinegar to preserve and pickle food.
- Hippocrates prescribed vinegar as a remedy for a variety of ailments.
- Caesar's armies used vinegar as a beverage.
- Hannibal drenched huge boulders in hot vinegar which cracked them into small pieces, enabling his army to continue its journey across the Alps.
- Helen of Troy bathed in vinegar to relax.
- Jesus was offered vinegar before he was crucified.
- Early Europeans used vinegar as a deodorizer.
- During the Bubonic Plague people poured vinegar on their skin to protect themselves from germs.
- Cleopatra dissolved pearls in vinegar to prove that she could consume a fortune in a single meal.
- Sailors used vinegar as a food preservative during long voyages.
- World War I medics used vinegar to treat soldiers' wounds.

It's hard to believe the same product you can use to eliminate corrosion can be used to soak vegetables making them pretty tasty.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Warren Dee Mathis, Deceased, were issued on April 29, 2013, in Cause No. 5948, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to: Barbara Joan Mathis, Independent Executor.

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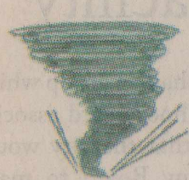
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Whirlwind News



Academic Banquet Highlights Students' Accomplishments



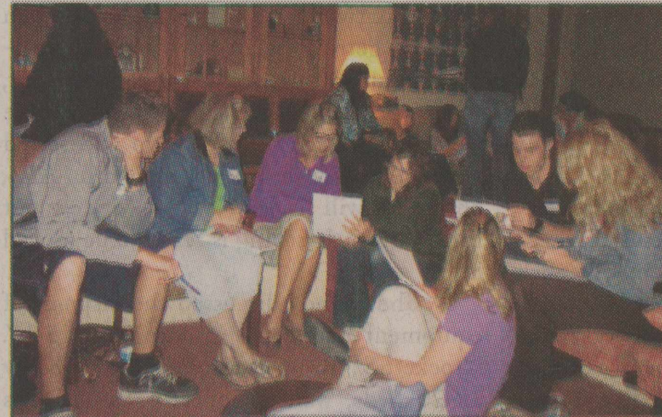
By Hunter Schwertner- Staff Writer

On Thursday, May 2, 2013, over one hundred pupils were recognized for their educational achievements at the Tenth Annual Academic Banquet. FHS offers students the opportunity to excel in anything from UIL to BPA to even dual credit courses. Many students were en-

thusiastic about this year's assembly. "The best part about the banquet is seeing everyone get honored for working to the best of their abilities," said junior Tiara Villa. By working hard and diligently, the attendees would not have fulfilled these successes. "I made sure to keep my grades up at all times," said senior Christian Cabello. "I also tried to stay involved

in the school in order to be a good example for others." Without the teacher's support and care, these accomplishments would not be possible. "The smiles on their faces for their accomplishments are always nice to see," said chemistry teacher Ms. Leatherman. "It is also exciting to see the parents of these students come to the banquet and see their kids get recognized."

Learning Techniques to Captures Kids' Hearts



By Merritt Johnson - Staff Writer

On April 29, 2013, a group of the faculty from the junior high campus along with the Curriculum Director, Anne Carthel, travelled to Round Top, Texas to attend the Cap-

turing Kids Hearts program. The program trains teachers to have the skills and tools to enable them to successfully do their jobs. "All teachers are so excited

to get back to class so they can put their new knowledge to work," said eighth grade science teacher Terra Chesshir. Some of the many tools learned at the training session included: developing self-managing classrooms, increasing classroom attendance by building students' motivation, and decreasing delinquent behaviors. "We learned at CKH to grow students through empowerment with the goal of self management. Building trust through relational capacity will make our learning teams stronger," said Chesshir. The staff who attended the program is anxious to share their new outlook with the students. "We are excited to change the atmosphere in our school," said Chesshir.

Shop Smart to Maximize College Experience

By: Homero Ramirez-Staff Writer

The Shop Smart Scholarship wants to recognize and award students planning to continue their education after high school. Participants must be high school seniors, citizens of the United States, and have a 2.0 minimum GPA. They must also complete an online application and submit an essay of 500 words or less. The essay will explain how your college experience is or will be enabled by remarkable frugality, ingenuity, effort, or thrift. There will be five \$2,000 scholarships awarded to the winners. The deadline is June 1, 2013. For more details relating to this scholarship and others please refer to the website links below. Some scholarships may require the creation of a profile to access them; it should not take any more than five minutes.

<http://www.bradsdeals.com/scholarship>
<http://www.samsungscholarship.com/>

A Guide to Preparing for College

By Malorie Alaniz- Staff Writer

Since the school year is coming to an end, it is important that seniors are working on getting everything ready for college. There are several things that need to be done before the year is over. Here are some ways to be college ready:
Meningitis Shot: To apply for a college, you must have this vaccination. Every college requires a copy of your shot record to ensure that this shot has been administered to

the potential student.
Parking Permit: To keep your car on campus you will have to purchase a permit from your college of choice. Once your vehicle is registered, you will be given a sticker to place on your vehicle to park on campus.
Scholarships: By this time, it is a good idea to have applied for several scholarships. Applying for many scholarships will be helpful

when it comes time to pay for different fees in college.
Orientation: The sooner you apply for orientation the better. By attending early you can help your chances of being enrolled into the classes you want.
Financial Aid: Every college will also require that you apply for a FAFSA. This will show you if you are eligible for any grants to attend college.

Duncan Welcomes Head Start Enlistment



By Carly Carthel- Staff Writer

School will soon be over and programs such as Head Start are already requesting enrollment. Thursday, May 2, 2013 was the enlistment for students who are 4 years

of age and will be starting Kindergarten in the upcoming fall semester. This program has brought help to numerous families in our area throughout the years.

"Head start is a program for income eligible families and for 4 year old kids that we help to prepare for kindergarten and provide family services for family," said Lubbock Head Start employee Stephanie Aguilar. This program has proven to be beneficial for Floydada families. "I think it is very successful. We are here to help mostly low-income families to become self sufficient," said Floydada Head start employee Norma Hernandez. If you missed the enlistment day on Thursday you can make an appointment to sign your child up with Norma Hernandez at Elementary.



Above: Several businesses in Floydada participated in National College Day on Friday, May 3, 2013. Staff and students alike showed their support by wearing their favorite college's apparel.

BPA Travels to Orlando, Florida

Mattie Sanders - Staff Writer

Amongst a crowd of suits and ties, an unexpected amount of high school students are gathering in the lobby of a hotel. The assembly of people in closed-toed shoes and slacks makes it hard to establish the youth from the adults. Schools from across the country have brought their finest kids to the sunny city of Florida for one reason. The students are members of Business Professionals of America (BPA) and they're here to win a national title in their events. Four students from Floydada High School will attend this year's National BPA Com-

petition. Emily Hall, Merritt Johnston, Landry Morren, and Hunter Schwertner will travel to Orlando, Florida from May 8th to May 12th to represent their town and school in a professional manner. "It is a great honor because I've worked really hard these four years to get the opportunity to get to nationals," said senior Merritt Johnston. "The fact that I get to compete my senior year, and hopefully place, on a national level is really exciting." Earning their way to nationals was an extremely difficult task that required a lot of effort and work. There is no

doubt that the community is proud of the team for all they have and will accomplish. "It is very fulfilling to see students do their best in competition and then be rewarded for all their hard work," said BPA sponsor Tasha Hughes. The skills and traits they take from the competition will benefit them for the future no matter what happens. "My favorite part about being involved with BPA is the opportunities it offers for its members," said junior Hunter Schwertner. "Whether you are planning on entering the business world or not, everything that it offers is beneficial."

FHS Softball Finishes Season in Playoffs

By: Emily Hall-Staff Writer

On Saturday, April 27 2013, the Lady Winds softball team competed against the Childress Lady Cats in the first round of district play. The Lady Winds suffered a tough loss with a score of 21-4.

"We started off real strong, and then we fell apart," said senior Kelsey Nutt. "I know all of the seniors had hope and believed in everyone. No matter what happened out there, we are still proud of all the girls." This year history was made and a lot was accomplished

throughout the season. "It was the best season we have ever had," said head softball coach Armando Morales. "We are the first team to ever make playoffs in softball and place at a tournament. This is also the most number of wins we have ever had in

one season." This year, there were nine returning players that set good examples for the new members. "I learned how to work hard and have faith in all of my teammates," said freshman Jacque Barrera. "I had a great experience making

it to playoffs my first year playing." Emotions ran high, especially for all of the seniors on the team. Senior Kelsey Nutt has some advice for the underclassmen. "I got really attached to the game and really close to all of the girls," said Nutt.

"Don't take anything for granted and do your best in anything you do." Although the outcome of the game wasn't what was hoped for, the town of Floydada is proud of the Lady Winds and all of their achievements this season.

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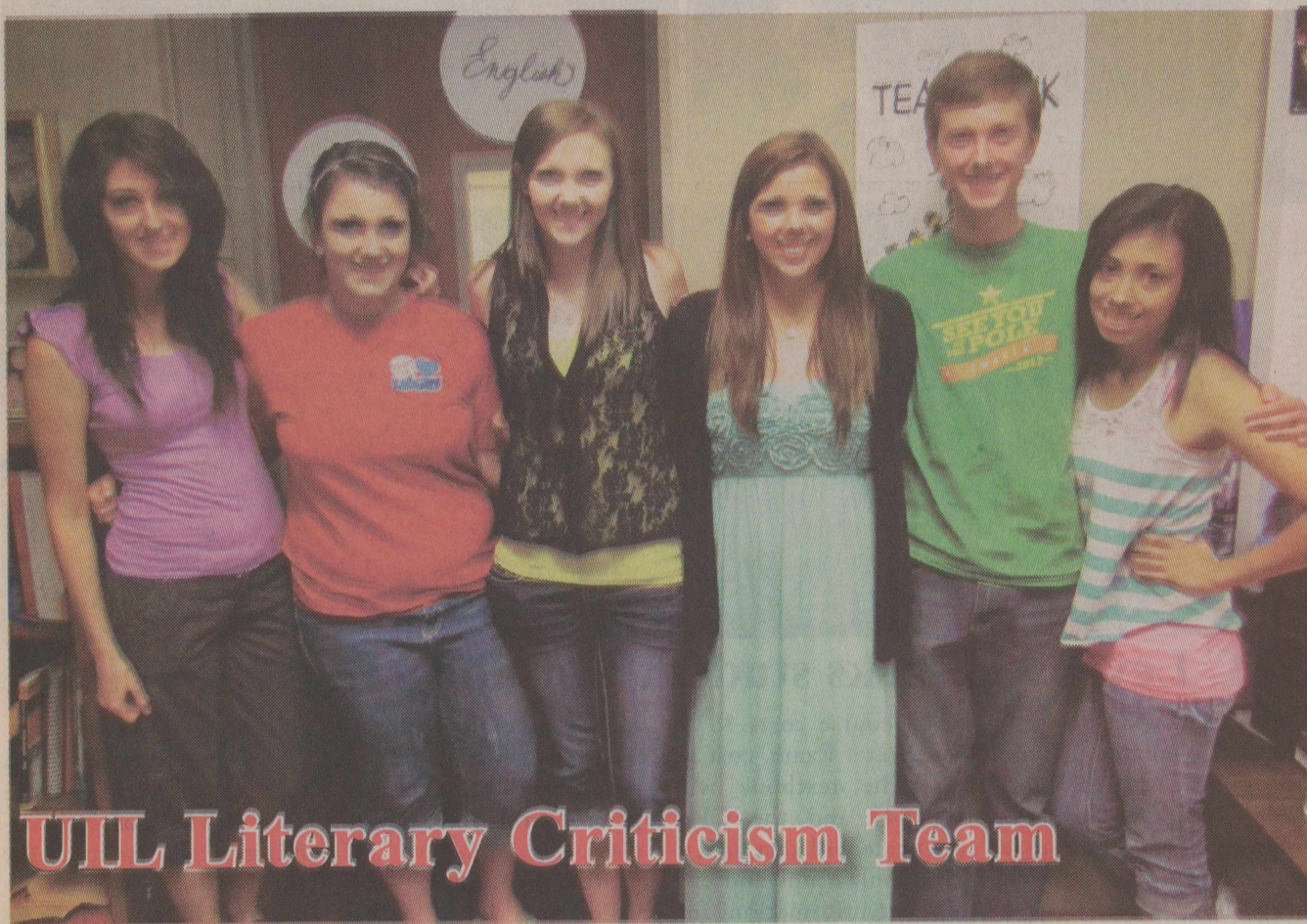
The National Honor Society will be delivering Main Street Pizza from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. every night but Tuesdays (excluding prom) until May 18th and will be accepting donations as well. All proceeds will go to Janette Ybarra.



Lindsay Stewart

Lindsay Stewart grew up in Lockney and has been here since birth. She has one sister, Lauren, who attended Lockney High School. Some of her hobbies and interests are acting, art, music, working out, and sewing. Some extra-curricular activities that she's involved in are UIL literary criticism, theater, band, student council, NHS, and tennis. The thing she loves the most about Lockney High School is getting to see her friends every day. Some of her most memorable moments in Lockney would be going to state with her literary criticism team three years in a row, getting the best actress award in one act play this year, being crowned Homecoming Queen, the band trip to Branson last year, and going to state solo and ensemble her junior year. Outside of school she likes to hang out with friends, spend time with family, make crafts, draw, be active, watch movies, and catch up on her sleep. Her friends would describe her as artistic, kind, intelligent, and trustworthy. The thing she loves about Lockney is that it's a tight-knit community where people are really supportive and friendly. Something that people don't know about her is that she's trying to teach herself how to play the guitar in her free time and that she likes to jog and do yoga. After high school, Lindsay will be going to college at the University of Texas at Austin where she will be majoring in Architecture/Interior Design.

Lockney UIL headed to state competitions



By D'Lyn Morris
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

For the first time in LHS history, the UIL Science team will advance to the State meet to be held May 22 at The University of Texas in Austin. On Friday, April 19, 2013, Mary Sammann (senior), Levi Kasner (freshman) Jace Klein (freshman), Hunter Thompson (junior), Jake Bramlet (junior) and Taylor Rose (senior) won the Regional science contest over 8 other teams. Sammann placed 2nd overall and tied for Top Biology Alternate. Kasner finished 5th and was the Top Physics alternate. These students have been working on this contest since September with their coaches Racheal Kasner and D'Lyn Morris. The two hour test consists of 20 biology, 20 chemistry, and 20 physics questions, where correct answers add 6 points and incorrect answers subtract 2 points from the score. The LHS Literary Criticism team placed 2nd in the Regional meet. Lindsay Stewart (senior) earned 2nd place, while McKenzie Kemp (senior) finished 5th. Jasmine Pena (junior), Darby Long and Ashley Roberts (sophomores) and Jake Moore (freshman) made up the team. These students spent many hours reading selected novels and poetry, studying flash cards, and preparing for the essay portion of the test. They were coached by Lesha Woodard and have reached the state meet each year for the past 5 years. Lockney High School takes great pride in their UIL academic program and teams and congratulates these students and coaches for their efforts and success.

UIL Literary Criticism Team



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Whirlwinds Are Bi-District Champs, Advance to Area Playoffs



All Photos by Mita Chavarria
FLOYDADA WHIRLWIND BASEBALL TEAM MEMBERS: (top row, l-r) Coach Brady Webb, Mike Cisneros, Tyler Renfro, Landry Morren, Adam Suarez, Seth Nielson, Venturo Gonzales, Hunter Galvan, Librado Chavarria, Tucker Lowrance, Matthew McGowen, Ryan Chavarria, Coach Matthew Nix; (bottom row, l-r) Cristo Rosa, Danny Martinez, Jon-Paul Chavarria, Ben Perez, Rikardo Cervera, Royce De los Santos.

By Coach Webb

FLOYDADA 9
 DENVER CITY 3

Friday, May 3rd was our first game of a best of 3-game series against the Denver City Mustangs. Seth Nielson started and went all 7 innings, had 6 strike-outs and only allowed 2 runs. Matthew McGowen, J.P. Chavarria, Tyler Renfro, Adam Suarez each had a hit. B.J. Perez had 2 hits, and Hunter Galvan and Danny Martinez both went 3 for 4 on the night.

FLOYDADA 7
 DENVER CITY 0

The second game of the series was on Saturday, May 4 and we had Hunter Galvan starting on the bump. Galvan threw a complete game 1 hitter, striking out 7.

Tyler Renfro, Danny Martinez, J.P. Chavarria, and Michael Cisneros all had a hit, while Hunter Galvan and Matthew McGowen went 2 for 4.

I'm very proud of these boys! We played great defensively, pitched really well, and had good at-bats!

The Whirlwinds will play in the Area playoff round against Bushland. It will be a 3-game series and will start on Friday, May 10th at 7 p.m. in Littlefield. The second game will be Saturday, May 11 at 1 p.m. in Littlefield. The third game, if necessary, will be 30 minutes after the end of the second game.

WHIRLWIND BASEBALL TEAM AREA PLAYOFF GAME

(3 games series)

Floydada Whirlwinds vs
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Friday, May 10th at 7 p.m.
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2ND GAME

Saturday, May 11th at 1 p.m.
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3RD GAME

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SPC Levelland seeks students for upcoming CNA class

LEVELLAND – Spaces are still available in the upcoming Certified Nurse Aide course at South Plains College. The course will run May 13 through May 31. The class will meet Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Technical Arts Building Room 107. Clinicals will be arranged from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The course costs \$375. The State Exam cost is \$93. The textbook will cost \$47 and the CPR certificate will cost \$35. Immunizations and enrollment information includes Hepatitis B Series, 2 MMRs, Tetanus not

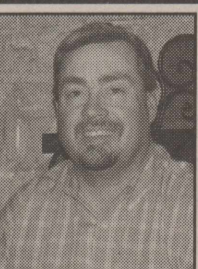
older than eight years and a current negative TB test not older than six months prior to the first day of class. Students must have valid state issued photo identification and social security card prior to enrollment.

For more information and to register for the class, call Kasey Reyes, administrative assistant for the Division of Continuing and Distance Education, at (806) 716-2341.

Floydada School Menu

Monday Breakfast-Cheese pizza or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch- Beef & cheese chalupas, garden salad, fried beans, applesauce, tortilla chips, milk	Wednesday Breakfast-Pancakes/syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Chicken fajitas w/ peppers & onions, 8" tortilla, charro beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, milk	and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, apple slices, baby carrots, breadsticks, milk
Tuesday Breakfast- Sausage/biscuit or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch-Country style steak, whipped potatoes/	Thursday Breakfast- Oatmeal and cinnamon toast or cereal	Friday Breakfast-Breakfast burrito or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk Lunch- Fish tacos w/ fish strips, corn tortillas, sweet potato fries, coleslaw, sliced peaches, milk

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LOCKNEY SCHOOL

Lockney Longhorns claim Bi-District Championship



Lockney Longhorns, 2013 Bi-District Champs

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In a two game match against Clarendon, the Lockney Longhorn baseball team came out on top with the Bi-District Championship.

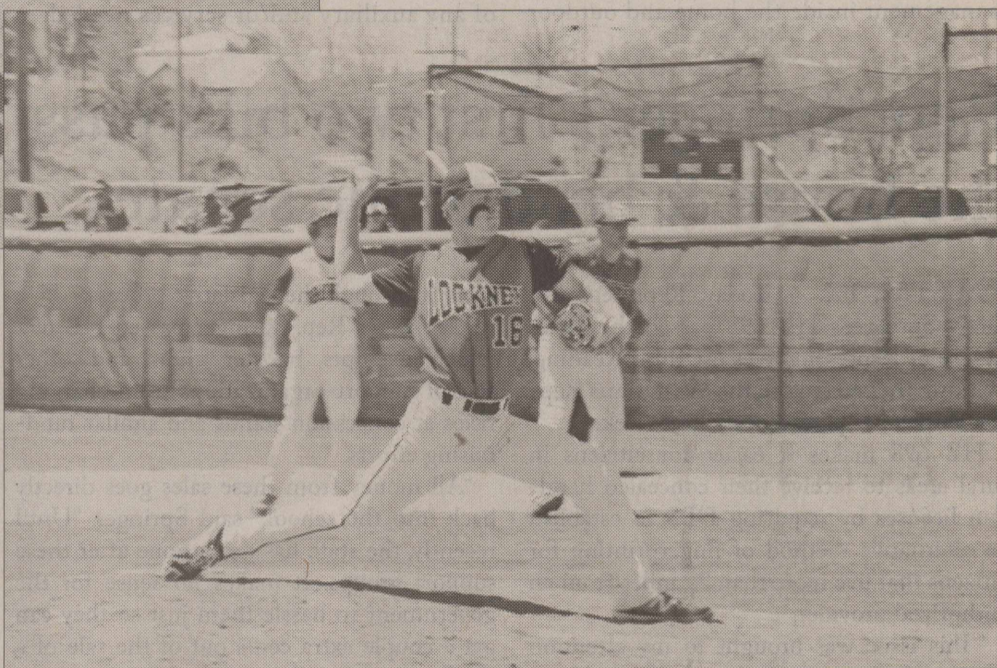
Coach Reynolds said that Friday's game, played in Lockney, went very well with Ian Dunbar pitching a great game. By the end, the Longhorns came out with a strong 8-point lead at 12-4.

"Saturday was a little iffy,

we had a couple of errors," said Reynolds. "We battled back in the 7th inning and scored seven runs to win the game."

The final score was 12-9, ending their play against Clarendon, and naming them Bi-District Champions.

The Longhorns will proceed to Area play against Stamford on Friday in Ralls at 4 pm. The coaches have agreed to play one game due to ongoing testing and some students going to the state



Rodney K. Hunt Photography

Ky Teeter winds up for a strong pitch on Saturday in the Longhorn's bi-district playoff game against Clarendon. After two wins, 12-4 and 12-9, the Longhorns will proceed to Area play against Stamford, scheduled in Ralls on Friday at 4 pm.

Good Luck, Longhorns!

Area round - Friday at 4:00 p.m.
at Ralls vs. Stamford

Felan wins gold at Special Olympics



Courtesy Photo

Angel Felan, a 6th grader at Lockney Junior High, participated in the South Plains Area Athletic Competition for Special Olympics Texas on May 4, 2013. He earned a bronze medal in the softball throw and a gold medal in the 50m assisted walk. Angel is on Blue Thunder Special Olympics team and the child of Maria Segovia.

Little Longhorns



Jennifer Harbin/Hesperian-Beacon

Little Longhorns: (back row) Hunter Lefevre, Kassandra Ramirez, Hailee Widener, Jerry Franklin, Ky Rendon; (middle row) Eddeney Chavira, Jeremiah Hernandez, Aubree Urrutia, Anyaleigh tambunga; (front row) MiKayla Hernandez, Iann Rodriguez, Saylee Diepenhorst.

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Contract No. 1001645

Proclamation of April as Fair Housing Month

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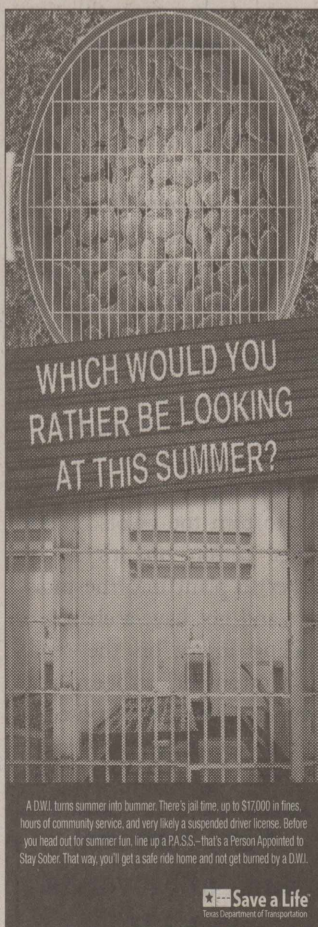
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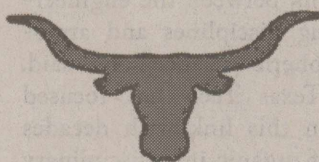
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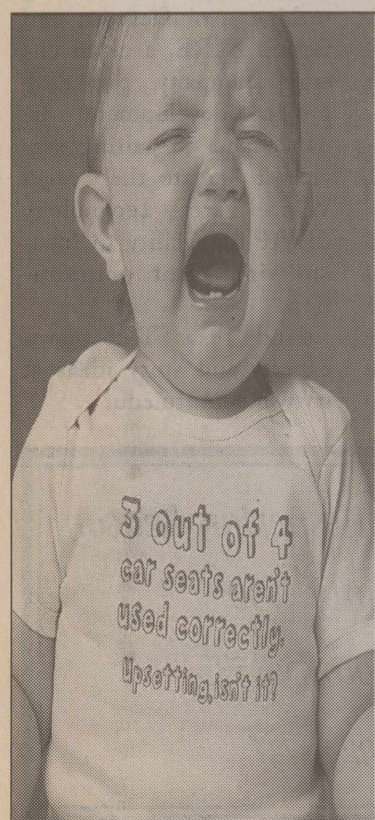
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AGRICULTURE

Home Water Conservation Meeting slated for May 28

By Ethan Fortenberry
CEA-AG
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 practices.

Register to attend by calling the County Extension Office at 806-983-4912.

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.

Rep. Springer's first two bills pass the house & head to the senate

AUSTIN, TX. -- Today, Representative Drew Springer's HB 698 passed the Texas House of Representatives on Third Reading, marking the second bill the West Texas Representative has passed in the last week.

HB 698 makes it easier for citizens in rural areas to receive their concealed handgun licenses by requiring DPS to establish an alternative method of fingerprinting for citizens that live more than 25 miles from an authorized provider.

"This issue was brought to my attention by several constituents, along with the Texas State Rifle Association," said Springer. "In many areas, citizens are having to drive up to 100 miles to get the required prints to exercise their Second Amendment rights. It is not right to disenfranchise citizens just on the basis of where they choose to live, my bill addresses this inequality."

HB 698, will move onto the Senate where Sen. Craig Estes (R - Wichita Falls) will

carry it through the legislative process.

Last week, Rep. Springer passed HB 697 which exempts booster clubs and other school support organizations from charging taxes at concession stands and similar fundraising efforts.

"All money from these sales goes directly back into the school," said Springer. "Until recently, the state has never gone after these support groups. It makes no sense for the government to hassle them just so they can get a couple extra cents out of the sale of a Dr. Pepper. My bill formally puts into statute that these groups are exempt from taxes."

HB 697 has been referred to the Texas Senate Finance Committee and will be carried by Sen. Robert Duncan (R - Lubbock).

If you have any questions or comments on either of these bills, feel free to contact Rep. Springer's Capitol office by phone (512) 463-0526 or by email Drew.Springer@house.state.tx.us.

Patience is a virtue when it comes to planting

Since we obviously can't control when it rains, one thing we should control according to Daniel Olivier with Bayer CropScience is the weed population. Taking some extra precautions before putting those cotton seeds in the ground could make a big difference in your whole growing season.

"Getting closer to the planting season, definitely need to be getting their pre-emergence out, starting to pre-water and getting the fields ready, and start with a clean slate," Olivier said. "Really try and get the weeds under control before we get into planting. It's always a better idea to start with clean fields, it's easier to control weeds."

Olivier concentrates mostly on the region north of Lubbock where many growers rotate be-

tween several different crops. He advised that producers continue with their rotations and try to pick drought tolerant varieties as the dry spell continues.

"Water issues are really big for us now and everybody is aware of that, it's still dry," Olivier said. "We're hoping for some moisture, maybe some more rain. We've gotten some rain in some areas, but cotton is definitely a crop that can handle more drought situations."

No till or strip till are other management options that producers are trying to help reduce moisture loss.

"One of the things to keep in mind when you go in and do the strip till is make sure you go back and pre-water really good and firm up the seed bed," Olivier said. "We don't want to plant the seed and then

start irrigation and then really sink the seed where it's too deep to germinate or emerge."

Of course another important choice is picking the variety that best fits your farm.

"Our FiberMax 2011 Glytol or our 9250 Glytol Liberty Link are two excellent choices, early maturing varieties that just really fits the far northern High Plains exceptionally well," Olivier said. "They're high yielding varieties with great quality as well and really perform good under very high irrigation situations, limited water, or even your dry land. Those two varieties perform really, really well."

And Olivier said that patience is truly a virtue this time of year. Getting anxious and planting too early can expose those cotton seeds to drastic temperature changes, especially with the late cool fronts our region is seeing this spring.

"One of the things I will do is urge growers to be patient with the planting. We always get in a hurry and soil temperatures are really critical for cotton and germination and emergence," Olivier said. "The other thing is if we can plant in to moisture instead of having to turn the pivots on and water cotton up, it's always better to plant into the moisture and not have a chance of chilling injury on the seed."

Cottonseed can be especially vulnerable when exposed to cold temperatures, either in the soil or through applied moisture.

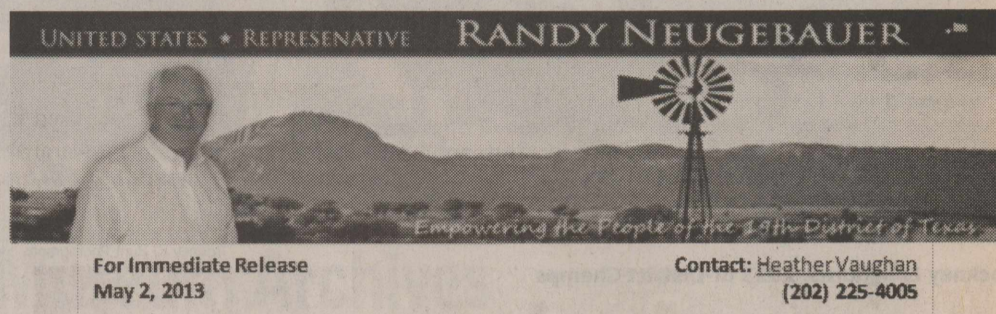
NCC Statement Regarding USDA/EPA Honey Bee Report

The National Cotton Council (NCC) is aware that the scientific community is in agreement that there are multiple factors involved with bee health decline and more study is necessary to determine which of these factors are the most important.

The list of factors (in no particular order) include: parasites, pathogens, and diseases; bee genetics, including lack of genetic diversity; diet and nutrition; bee management issues, including transportation stress from migratory beekeeping, overcrowding, feeding practices, and chemicals used by beekeepers to control mites; habitat loss and other environmen-

tal stressors, including loss of forage area; pesticides including acute and cumulative exposure; and potential cumulative and interactive effects of each of these factors.

Although cotton is a self-pollinating crop that does not require bees for pollination, some beekeepers do request permission to place their hives on cotton producer's property next to row crops, including cotton. The NCC has been and continues to be engaged in issues surrounding bee health, and it continues to seek improved crop production techniques that protect crop yield and enhance environmental outcome.



Neugebauer Announces Legislation to Help Reduce Windstorm Damage

WASHINGTON, DC—Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) announced new legislation today to reduce windstorm damage. H.R. 1786, the National Windstorm Impact Reduction Reauthorization Act (NWIRP), promotes research that helps save lives, reduce injuries and lessen damage from windstorms. The bill updates and improves a program first introduced by Neugebauer in 2004.

"Every year, windstorms create billions of dollars in damage," Neugebauer said. "Worse, they cause thousands of injuries and fatalities. This bill facilitates research that can reduce damage and save lives."

Neugebauer announced the legislation at the National Wind Institute (NWI) at Texas Tech University. He was joined by Chancellor Kent Hance, Interim President Dr. Lawrence Schovanec, and NWI Director Dr. John Schroeder.

"Texas Tech is doing some of the most in-

novative windstorm research in the country," Neugebauer said. "The work being done here has practical applications that help us build stronger, safer buildings."

Neugebauer's legislation supports basic research to better understand windstorms, atmospheric science research and data collection, and the development of risk assessment tools and damage mitigation techniques. NWIRP includes research and development at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, the National Science Foundation, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. It increases transparency and improves interagency coordination.

"When a family loses their home in a tornado or hurricane, they don't just have to rebuild their house—they have to rebuild their lives," Neugebauer said. "Research that improves safety and protects lives during windstorms is critical."

Texas Tech Combines Wind Research, Education into National Wind Institute

Texas Tech University has created the National Wind Institute (NWI) to better support the interdisciplinary research and educational opportunities in wind science, engineering and energy.

The announcement comes today (May 6) from Texas Tech officials at the American Wind Energy Association WINDPOWER 2013 Conference and Exhibition in Chicago.

The institute combines the former Wind Science and Engineering (WiSE) research center and the Texas Wind Energy Institute (TWEI) into one entity. For NWI Director John Schroeder, the move strengthens the already solid interdisciplinary approach to all things wind.

"Wherever wind is involved, there is a strong link between the engineering disciplines and atmospheric science," he said. "Texas Tech has focused on this link with decades of organic interdisciplinary research and educational activities. Recently, we've added economists, lawyers, policy experts, cyber secu-

ity experts and business professionals to broaden our team even farther."

All of the university's wind-related educational opportunities will now fall under the new institute. WiSE created the first doctorate in wind science and engineering. TWEI offers the only Bachelor of Science degree in wind energy as well as a variety of graduate and professional development certificates.

"Texas Tech's wind research and educational opportunities have always been interdisciplinary," said Michael San Francisco, interim vice president for research. "The establishment of NWI builds on Texas Tech's commitment to transdisciplinary research and will provide a better foundation for collaboration and support for our wind efforts."

Texas Tech's wind research dates back to 1970. Following a May 11 tornado that killed 26 people and destroyed large sections of the city, faculty representing the university's civil engineering department and atmospheric sciences group

began to think what could be done to minimize the effects of severe wind events such as tornadoes and hurricanes on lives and structures.

In the past 15 years, Texas Tech has expanded into the wind energy sector, but continued to provide a strong focus on the inherent link between engineering and atmospheric science. Current projects include measuring wind farm complex flows, evaluating turbine-to-turbine interaction, enhancing wind turbine power performance, grid integration, and next-generation energy storage.

NWI has also formed a major partnership with Sandia National Laboratories; Vestas, a leading turbine manufacturer; and Group NIRE, a clean energy company providing project development, finance and consulting services to create the Scaled Wind Farm Technology (SWiFT) Facility to focus on wind plant optimization.

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He was a member of the Georgia State Assembly for over twenty years and was

a government agent to the Cherokees. He surveyed the boundaries of the state and the tribe, which is still known today as the Blair Line. Blairsville, the county seat of Union County, GA, is named for him.

STUDENT
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as a school dietician, seeking to learn about American school services.

"I switched my major to hospitality to learn more about food service systems, management, marketing and operations," said Choo.

She is "crossing her fingers" after working hard for the past three and a half years at Tech

in hopes that she will graduate in August.

She came to Lockney for her dissertation and was guided under Marks in the school service managing of a school (Pre-K through twelfth grade) in one cafeteria, which is unusual to find according to both Marks and Choo.

"During my study, especially with Marks, I learned a lot," said Choo. "And for future study, (I know that) to meet with a school food service manager is the best way to learn."

Choo said that she feels she chose a good research topic and is grateful to Marks for making her feel so lucky and part of Food Service.

Marks commented how good natured and appreciative that Choo was during her stay at Lockney Elementary.

As for her future, Choo plans to become a professor in the U.S. That is her first choice, but she is happy with returning to South Korea or another country to pursue her passion for School Food Service Marketing.

SYSTEM
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Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

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Lockney
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Wed. Communion...8:00 p.m.
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English..... 9:45 a.m.
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Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
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Evening Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
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Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
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Mayor Bobby Gilland (center), other community members and students at Floydada High School made GenTX Day a success in recognizing the importance of higher education and future preparedness by wearing college shirts to work and school.

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Beef and Heart Health: A Healthy Partnership

AUSTIN, TX - For the fifth consecutive year, the Texas Beef Council (TBC) is partnering with the American Heart Association (AHA) to share with consumers the many ways beef can be part of a heart-healthy diet. In honor of National Heart Month in February, TBC celebrated the yearlong partnership by showcasing heart-healthy lean beef at Go Red for Women Luncheons in major Texas markets. "We are very pleased to partner with AHA once again to showcase beef's positive role in a heart-healthy diet," says Lerin Meyer, TBC nutrition coordinator. "Checkoff-funded beef nutrition research studies have been instrumental in providing accurate beef nutrition information to not only consumers, but leaders within the health professional commu-

nity. These studies allow us to partner with reputable health organizations such as AHA."

This year TBC has sponsored and attended Go Red for Women Luncheons in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, San Antonio and will also be involved in the upcoming Houston luncheon.

On the national level, the Beef Checkoff Program recently announced that three additional fresh beef cuts are now certified to display the AHA Heart-Check mark. With that, retailers have the opportunity to market a total of six different extra-lean beef items to shoppers using one of the most trusted icons on food packing today.

"Our AHA partnership in Texas compliments the efforts taking place on the national level with results that

are certainly milestones in the checkoff's charge to educate consumers on beef's positive nutritional benefits," says Dr. Dick Sherron, Texas physician, cattleman and TBC board member. "Working with leading health organizations like AHA to help educate consumers and stimulate beef sales continues to be a focus for the Texas Beef Checkoff."

Headquartered in Austin, the Texas Beef Council conducts the \$1-per-head checkoff program for Texas beef producers. The Texas Beef Council also helps fund national and international beef checkoff programs to increase marketing opportunities for the entire U.S. beef industry. For more information on this and other checkoff-funded programs, please visit TexasBeef.org or call (800) 846.4113.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NUMBER 23167

APPLICATION D & J Gin, Inc. has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 23167, which would authorize continued operation of a Cotton Gin located at 306 East Shurbet, Lockney, Floyd County, Texas 79241. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=34.1166&lng=-101.438&zoom=13&type=r>. The existing facility and/or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less, and organic compounds.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on March 4, 2013. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Lubbock regional office, and the Floyd County Courthouse, 100 South Main Street, Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Lubbock regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alterations and changes to emission factors. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include the enhancement of operational control at the plant or enforceability of the permit. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **The TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from D & J Gin, Inc., 306 Shurbet Street, Lockney, Texas 79241-2031 or by calling Mr. J. Kelley Green, Director of Technical Services at (512) 615-1102.