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General Obligation Bond Tops City's November Ballot in Floydada

By Charles Keaton
Hesperian-Beacon

Floydada city voters will be asked to vote on a \$750,000 General Obligation Bond to help with park improvements in the city. The election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 5. Voting will take place at the Floyd County Courthouse.

The main focus of the bond will be to build a new swimming pool across from the Massie Activity Center according to Hulon Carthel, member of the Parks Improvement Committee.

Carthel said that they will also be replacing the playground equipment in that park since much of it is broken and the slide, which is made of metal, is too hot to slide down during the late spring and summer months, as well as address issues at Annie Taylor Park.

A General Obligation Bond, according to city manager Jeff Johnston, allows the city to use the funds where the improvements are needed most, such as the swimming pool and the softball parks in Annie Taylor Park. If the bond passes it will cost the citizens about \$8.00 a month either as an ad valorem tax or added to the water bill.

"The current pool has become a liability to the city," Kori Covington, a member of the Parks Improvement Committee said. "The pool has issues and we need to address these issues

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Integrity plus industry's best tools equal dramatic results at Paradise

"If you want something done right, do it yourself," is an adage we've all heard - advice that Jenna Payne, owner of Paradise Med Spas of Texas, has taken to heart. In fact, it's the reason her business exists.

After years of working in the healthcare industry, Jenna grew tired of watching client after client walk away unhappy with their aesthetic procedure results. Whether they wished to reverse the permanence of a tattoo, reduce the effects of aging or achieve a weight loss goal, it seemed that the outcomes were far too often unexceptional. Through this experience, Jenna recognized the need for a high-quality medical spa in Lubbock.

"The more I learned, the more I realized why people were extremely dissatisfied. They were spending too much money on treatments applied with substandard equipment, and so, they got substandard results," she shares.

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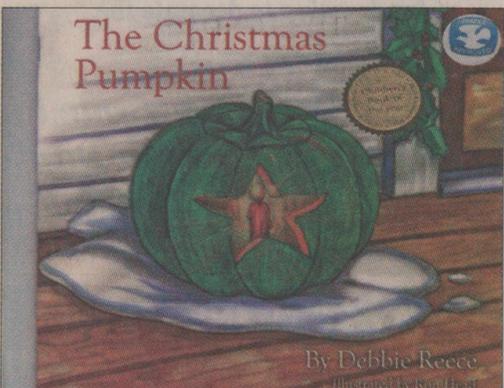
Author of "The Christmas Pumpkin" to be signing books at Punkin Days

Debbie Reece, well-known author of the 2010 Children's Book of the Year "The Christmas Pumpkin" will be at Payne Pharmacy this Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for children's story time and book signing.

The story is about a green pumpkin that wasn't ready to "shine" at Halloween, but was able to bring a smile to Santa's face in December.

Both the paperback version, \$8.00 and the hardback edition, \$16, are available now at Payne's.

Make a point to stop by with your children on Saturday morning for "story time" at 10:30, 11:30 and 12:30 a.m.



Punkin Day is here!



26th Annual Punkin Day

Downtown Floydada - Oct. 12, 2013

By Darolyn Snell
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

Our Punkin Day Celebration is finally here! This Saturday, October 12th, the Floydada Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture invites YOU to join us for a day of fun, games and lots of prizes!! We have an event-filled day planned with something for everyone.

Get an early start by stopping in at the Floydada Lions Club Pancake Breakfast and fueling up for the day, as they begin serving at 7 a.m.

At 8 a.m., get cooking at the Chili Cook-Off on the grassy area north of the EDC office OR get over to the beautiful Whirlwind Gym at the high school and get signed up for the 5K race that starts at 9 a.m. or the Fun Run that starts at 10 a.m.

Nothing your cup of tea yet...THEN be downtown when the arts and crafts booths open at 9 a.m. With over 80 vendors already signed up to be here, you are sure to have a wide variety of goods and services to browse through. Of course, make one of your stops our Chamber of Commerce booth in front of the First National Bank. We have brand new Pumpkin Capital T-shirts for sale for only \$12 for adults sizes and \$10 for kids sizes. Our brand new cookbook will also be for sale that day for only \$15 and all the recipes in it were submitted by local and area cooks. While you are at the Chamber booth, be sure and register your guesses in our multitude of contests. "Guess the Number of Seeds in the Jar", "Guess the Number of Candy Pumpkins in the Jar", and "Guess the Weight of the Trailer of Pumpkins", all will offer a \$25.00 cash prize to the winner this year. At 10 a.m., the Chamber of Commerce will kick off the "Pumpkin Games" that include everything from wheel barrow races for kids and adults to pumpkin bowling.

As you get ready to continue on through our wonderful Punkin Day events, be sure and purchase your Cow Patty Bingo tickets from any chamber member, at the Chamber booth or from a Floydada Boy Scout or one of their leaders.

Make plans to spend your entire Saturday with us downtown, you won't run out of fun

things to do. Make your way through the vast selection of Arts & Crafts booths, enjoy a snack or even a meal with any one of numerous food vendors that will be on hand.

Take a journey back in time with a stroll through the Floyd County Historical Museum and even learn first hand how to make rope.

Stop by the Friends of the Library Book Sale taking place inside the Floydada Library located just east of the courthouse. Pick up an old favorite to read again or find a new selection to enjoy. They will have plenty to choose from.

Participate in the Cake Walk that will be held at the corners of California and Wall Streets. It's a great way to win something to satisfy your sweet tooth.

Take part in ANY of our numerous contests throughout the day. Especially our new contests including the Mr. & Miss Punkin Chunkin contest and the Pie Eating Contest. But don't miss out old favorites like the Costume Contest.

In the all new Little Mr. & Miss Punkin Chunkin Contest beginning at 12:45p.m., boys and girls can try out their "pumpkin chunkin" skills by seeing how far they can throw a pumpkin that is appropriate for their age and size. Also all contestants are encouraged to show their "Pumpkin" spirit by their attire. This contest will be held next to Script Printing and special prizes will be awarded.

Entry into the new Pie Eating Contest that will start at 2:30 p.m. under the pavilion is free, but only the first 25 people to sign up will get to compete. So make sure you sign up early, even at the Chamber booth first thing in the morning.

The Costume Contest gets underway under the pavilion at 3 p.m. and is open to anyone who wants to don a costume and show up for the fun! With age divisions from infant to adult, and prizes of cash and gift cards to infant and adult competitors AND bicycles to the girls and boys age groups, there are many prizes to be won. So break out those Halloween costumes early and come be part of the fun.

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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.

PUNKIN DAY

IT'S HERE! The Floydada Chamber's "Punkin Day" will be held this Saturday, Oct. 12th downtown Floydada on the square. Lots of games, booths, food and family fun. See you there!

FLOYDADA LIONS CLUB

Floydada Lions Club "Pancake Breakfast" will be held on Saturday, October 12 from 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. at 100 E. California Street (old Sue's Gifts building). Tickets are Adults - \$5 and \$2 for children under 6.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library will be holding their annual "Book Sale" on Friday, Oct. 11th from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 12th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. The book sale will be held in the Floyd County Library Conference Room. They are still taking book donations. If you have any questions, please call 983-4922.

BOOK SIGNING

There will be a book signing at the Hardy's Classic Cars & More (111-A E. Missouri St.) on Saturday, Oct. 12 from 1 - 4 p.m. for Lana Payne Barnett, author of Lonely Graves. See article in the Hesperian-Beacon this week for more info.

CHRISTMAS PUMPKIN

Debbie Reece, the author of the "Christmas Pumpkin" will be at Payne Pharmacy Saturday, Oct. 12th during Punkin Days. There will be "story time" and she will be signing books from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Be sure to come get your copy. See the article in this week's Hesperian-Beacon for further info.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Calvert Home Health holds their blood pressure clinic on every first and third Thursday of each month between 9 - 11 a.m. at the Community Room of the First National Bank of Floydada.

Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact the FCHB office at 806-983-3737 or email: fchb.editor@yahoo.com

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Deaths

Henry Hinton

James "Henry" Hinton, age 93, went home to be with the Lord, Monday, September 30, 2013 in Lubbock.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Saturday, October 5, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church in Floydada.

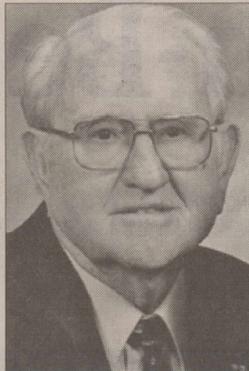
Interment followed at the Dougherty Cemetery in Dougherty. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Henry was born to John Robert and Ada Jameson Hinton in Sylvester, Fisher County, Texas on November 13, 1919.

He is predeceased in death by his sister, Maudell Alexander and his brother, William Hinton. Surviving sisters include Lois Hughes of Dallas, Texas and Christine Lyles of Hale Center, Texas. Following Henry's birth, the family moved first to Magdalena, New Mexico and then Roswell, New Mexico before settling in the Dougherty community of Floyd County, east of Floydada.

Growing up on the farm and helping with the family blacksmith shop, Henry learned the value of hard work and a job well done. He worked on the farm and attended school in Dougherty and graduated from Floydada High School in 1938. He was farming in 1941 when Pearl Harbor was bombed on December 7, 1941. To quote his Army memoir, "I left crop in the field and went to the Army."

Henry was honorably discharged as a Technical Sergeant of Company B 132



HENRY HINTON

Infantry, US Army in September of 1945 after serving three and a half years in the Pacific Theater of World War II, serving in New Guinea, Luzon and the Philippine Liberation.

After the war, he and his brother, William continued to farm in the Dougherty community, and worked together on the Floyd County, Crosby County and Swisher County farms as "Hinton Brothers" for many years until retirement.

Henry married Olive Nan Gross on November 11, 1951 at the Gross family home in Sandhill.

Henry's influence extended to his sons as he first helped them raise sheep and cattle and then encouraged and assisted them as they showed farm raised Polled Hereford steers and Suffolk sheep as winning champion animals at major stock shows.

Henry has been an active member in the First United Methodist Church of Floydada, serving on many committees including chairman of the board and Sunday School superintendent. He

has served as a board member of the Floyd County Museum. Henry and Olive were named Pioneer Couple of the Year by the Floyd County Pioneer Association in 2010.

Henry and Olive have enjoyed the recent past as residents of Shepherd's Meadow in Floydada, and especially appreciate the loving, caring environment there.

Henry was a loving husband and father, confidant, supporter and friend to many. His presence here on earth will be missed, yet carried on by the legacy of those he influenced.

He is survived by his wife, Olive Nan (Gross) Hinton; three sons, James Fred Hinton and his wife, Sharon of Floydada, Harold Ray Hinton of Monte Vista, Colorado, and Troy Dean Hinton and his wife, Kim of Wichita Falls, Texas. Henry and Olive enjoyed special times with their grandchildren, Kyle Hinton of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Ralph Hinton of Greeley, Colorado, Brad Hinton of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Eric Hinton of Springfield, Illinois, Katie Hinton of Floydada, Texas, Carly Hinton of Monte Vista, Colorado, Matthew Hinton of Floydada, Texas and Nadia Hinton of Nacogdoches, Texas.

The family suggest memorials be made to the First United Methodist Church, 203 W. Kentucky, Floydada, Texas 79235 or to the Floyd County Museum, P.O. Box 304, Floydada, Texas 79235.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com

William Eugene "Gene" Smith

William Eugene "Gene" Smith, 66, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, passed away on September 12, 2013 at home peacefully in the presence of family from Lou Gehrig's disease.

He was born on April 7, 1947 in Floydada. His mother is the late Ida Mae Smith. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, September 18, 2013 at the Bill Merritt Memorial Chapel in Bethany, Oklahoma. Arrangements were under the direction of Bill Merritt Funeral Service.

Local survivors include his son, William Scott Smith and his daughter, Michelle Smith McRee and his grandchildren, Spencer, Britten, Stetson, Whitney and Chevy.

Online condolences may be made at www.dignitymemorial.com/bill-merritt-funeral-service

Carlyne Wright

Carlyne Wright, 74, of Spur passed away October 2, 2013 in Plainview.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, October 4, 2013 at the First United Methodist Church in Spur, Texas. Rev. Glenn Beaver officiated assisted by Rev. Kimmett Bellows. Visitation was held on Thursday October 3, 2013 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Zapata Funeral Home of Spur.

Carlyne Wright was born February 6, 1939 in Haskell, Texas to Charles and Lorene McFadden. She married Robert Wright October 16, 1954. Carlyne worked and retired as contract labor for the post office. She was also co-owner of the Spur Food Pantry.

Carlyne is survived by her husband, Robert Wright of Spur, Texas; daughter, Debra Lambright and husband, Jessie of Plainview Texas, daughter, Robbie Cross and husband, Marion of Plainview Texas, son, Steven Wright and wife, Tarri of Lockney, Texas, son Mark Wright and wife, Tonja of Knott Texas, and daughter, Donna Powell and husband, Donald of Spur, Texas; eleven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Carroll McFadden and Lorene Campbell, brother, Billy Don McFadden and great-grandson, Callen Clark Wright.

In lieu of flowers the family ask donations be made to the Robert Wright Medical Fund @ Spur Security Bank or the Spur Food Pantry.

Ministerial Alliance to host Christmas Celebration

By Tim Franks
Pastor FBC

Christmas is always an exciting time of the year for our community. This year the Ministerial Alliance of our community would like to add to the excitement of the season. As our community celebrates the birthday of Jesus, the Ministerial Alliance of Floydada will host a special community wide Christmas Celebration on December 15, 2013. The celebration will be a great opportunity for our entire community to worship the Lord Jesus Christ together during the Christmas season. During the celebration we will also be honoring the wonderful local organization, Spirit of Sharing. Spirit of Sharing is an integral part of our community as it helps many people that find themselves in need.

The Ministerial Alliance would like to invite you to be a part of the community choir that will be a major part of the celebration. Our hope is that over fifty people will join the community choir for this celebration service. There will be a total of eight rehearsals. All rehearsals will be held in the choir loft at First Baptist Church, Floydada beginning sharply at 4:00 p.m. Rehearsal dates are October 6, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 24 and December 8. There will also be a dress rehearsal December 15. Please come be a part of the choir for the Christmas Community Celebration Service, December 15, 2013.

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Opal Essie Campbell Kratzer

Opal Essie Campbell Kratzer, age 87, of Floydada, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, October 4, 2013.

A celebration of life service was held at 1:30 p.m. Monday, October 7, 2013 in the Chapel at Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada. Pastor Vance Mitchell officiated. Interment followed at the Floydada Cemetery.

Open visitation was held from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Sunday, October 6, 2013. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.



OPAL KRATZER

Opal was born on July 8, 1926 in Haskell County, Texas to William and Addie (Burrows) Lindley. Opal and James Warren Campbell were married on August 14, 1944 in Stamford, Texas. They had 31 wonderful years together before his death in 1975.

Opal loved life and being with her family and friends. She loved to dance and won many waltz contests in her lifetime. She loved being in her home and enjoyed watching cooking shows on

television and cooking in her kitchen.

Opal is survived by her daughters, Nancy Myrick and her husband, Dwayne of Grand Prairie, Texas and Laura Turner and her husband, Tracy of Floydada; grandchildren, Angela Arias and her husband, Juan of Desoto, Texas and Dwayla Armstrong of Grand Prairie; great-grandchildren, Lauren Armstrong, Andrew Arias and Olivia Arias; sisters, Doris Whitworth of Sulphur Springs, Texas, and Letha Lightfoot of Corsicana, Texas and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Opal was preceded in death by her husband, James 'Jim' Campbell, two brothers and five sisters. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Memorials may be made in Opal's name to the Floydada Senior Citizens.

Online condolences may be made at www.moore-rose.com.



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SOCIETY

Floydada Senior Citizens News

By Margarette Word
Special to Hesperian-Beacon

We had a great turn-out for our S.O.S. and Senior Citizens "Open House" several days ago. We THANK you for taking the time to come to our new location.

We hope that you will come and be a part of the Center. Please call 983-2032 if you plan on eating with us. Meals have been very good. Sylvia needs to know how much food needs to be prepared each day, so please call if you plan on eating.

I'm writing this article on Sunday afternoon and I can't remember the visitors we had this past week. You may remember the Blassingame's... Ruby and Darrell were here for several days visiting relatives. Ruby came to our Open House and saw a lot of friends they made while they lived here in Floydada. I also learned late this evening that Opal Campbell Kratzer passed away.

Thank you for remembering the Center when you need to make a memorial donation for a lost family member or a friend. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Texas 79235 and our phone number is 806-983-2032.

In memory of Jared Trengove – Mitzi and Danny Nixon

In memory of Tommy Assiter – Nita Miles

In memory of Ruth Greer – First National Bank of Floydada, Tom and Karen Farris

In memory of Kelly Chadwick – Ruth Hammonds, Janet Milam, Gary and Emma Pate, Tom and Karen Farris

In memory of Jean McClintock – Ruth Hammonds

In memory of Henry Hinton – Ruth Hammonds, Janet Milam

An honorarium for **Tony and Anita Whitfill** – by the 1950 Study Club was given to the Center.

Thought for the Week - The most

important thing in any relationship is not what you get but what you give.

Eleanor Roosevelt (1884-1962)

MENU

October 14 – October 18

Monday – Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail, low-fat milk

Tuesday – Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, tossed salad w/dressing, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin custard, low-fat milk

Wednesday – Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald pear, low-fat milk

Thursday – Homestyle lasagna, garlic bread, brussel sprouts, pears, low-fat milk

Friday – Cheese burger, potato wedges, tomato wedge, salad, melon medley, low-fat milk



COY LABAUME AND DEBRA CLIFT

LABAUME AND CLIFT TO WED

Coy LaBaume and Debra Clift are happy to announce they will exchange marriage vows on Saturday, October 26, 2013 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center in Muncy, Texas.

The prospective groom is the son of Jon and Elaine LaBaume of Floydada.

The bride-elect is the daughter of John and Janice Clift of Chickasha, Oklahoma, and the granddaughter of Ruby Adkins of Purcell, Oklahoma.

Coy and Debra both work for the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice at the Tulia Transfer Facility.

After a short trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, Coy and Debra will make their home in Plainview.

Friends of the Library

By Carolyn Cheek

Punkin' Days is here and we are ready with a great sale at the library. Please remember to shop early if you want the best books we have to offer. Our sale opens on Friday morning, October 11th at 9 a.m. and we will be there to help you until 5 p.m.. We will open again Saturday morning, October 12th at 9 a.m. and be there until 3 p.m. or if we still have customers we will stay later.

We are very excited about all the books we have to offer and know that you will want to be stocking up for you fall and winter reading. Reading a book is a very rewarding experience.

Please come, browse, and find the perfect books for your library. Remember that all our proceeds go to help our local library and other community projects. We look forward to seeing you there.

Light the Cross

By Iantha Smith

Special to Hesperian-Beacon

The Cross in the canyon has meant many things to me over the years. As I look upon the hill, I see my father, Louis Pyle, having a vision come true. I see the big white Cross standing on the hill lit up in glorious splendor. I feel a stirring in my heart as I am reminded of the Cross and what it represents in my life. The vision I see each time I drive thru the canyon lifts my spirits.

I wonder how many travelers have driven at night and marveled at the sight on the hill? As my family have experienced so many deaths this week, I have been questioned by my children and grandchildren about the loss of their father and grandfather, Gene Smith and Aunt Patsy Hammonds.

I look at the Cross and wonder how many strangers might be feeling the same way. Sad, feelings of despair, hope to someone without hope. I know when I look at the Cross, I am reminded that Jesus died for my sins and my heart swells for thankfulness.

What does the Cross mean to you?

Money or memorial donations may be sent to the Ministerial Alliance designated to the "Light the Cross" fund. Memorial cards will be mailed out to the families acknowledging the gifts. Donations can be sent to Iantha Smith, PO Box 143, Floydada, Texas 79235 or Property Bank of Floydada, 217 W. California Street, Floydada, Texas 79235.

DONATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:

In memory of Gene Smith – Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McGaugh

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In memory of Patsy Hammonds – Mrs. Ruth Hammond's Family

In memory of Gene Smith – Iantha Pyle

In memory of Gene Smith – Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pyle

In memory of Gene Smith – Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pyle

In memory of Patsy Hammonds – Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pyle

Constitutional Amendment Election to be Held Nov. 5

By Ginger Morgan

Floyd County Clerk

The Constitutional Amendment Election will be held on November 5, 2013.

Early voting for this election will be conducted in the Floyd County Courthouse Annex, Community Room, 105 S. Wall, in Floydada, and the First United Methodist Church, in Lockney starting October 21, 2013, through November 1, 2013, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Election Day, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at both places.

If you are 65 years or older, a student, active military, nursing home resident or planning on being out of town for an extended period, you might want to vote by mail.

To be entitled to vote an absentee ballot by mail, a person who is eligible for early voting must make an application for an early voting ballot to be voted by mail as provided by the law.

An application may be obtained from the office of the Floyd County Clerk, 105 S. Main, Room 101, Floydada, Texas 79235.

You may also call 806-983-4900 for an application, or more information. Also, you may download an application from the Texas Secretary of State website www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/forms.

The Floyd County Clerk's office is currently receiving applications until October 16, 2013.

LOCKNEY SENIOR CITIZENS MENU

October 14 – October 18

Monday – Smoke sausage

Tuesday – Mexican stack

Wednesday – Chicken fried steak

Thursday – Soup and cornbread

Friday – Meat loaf

Flu shots will be given on Thursday, Oct. 10 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for ALL and ONLY Senior Citizens. You MUST bring your Medicare card.



PARADISE HAS COME TO FLOYDADA!

Paradise Med Spas of Texas is now offering treatments to the Floydada community every **Wednesday!**

Call **806-785-7727** for more information or to schedule an appointment!

39th Running Water Draw Arts & Crafts Festival

Oct. 18, 19 & 20
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FLOYDADA SCHOOL

TxDOT and Floydada Art Students Collaborate on Snow Plow Art Project

LUBBOCK—The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and Floydada Independent School District's high school art students, have joined forces to paint a snow plow that will be used in Floyd County during this year's winter weather operations. Designed and painted by Floydada High School art students, the snow plow will be on display during the community's Punkin' Days being held Saturday, October 12.

"We hope that as these students and their parents see the snow plow at work this winter in their community, they will not only have a sense of achievement, but this experience will have impressed on them the size and power of the equipment used to battle snow storms," said Ted Moore, P.E., Lubbock District director of maintenance.

Festival attendees will also have the opportunity to learn about the importance of always using safety

belts as department employees demonstrate the all too very real consequences of not wearing a seat belt with a Rollover Simulator.

"Safety is so important to TxDOT, we are constantly looking for creative ways to educate the public; not only about safe driving habits, but also on the possible hazards motorists face when driving during inclement weather," Moore said.

"This is the second year we've worked with a local school to paint a snow plow, but it's the first-time to work in conjunction with a community event. We're thrilled to be a part of this year's Punkin' Day's festivities."

Rollover Simulator demonstrations are scheduled for every half-hour beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing to 2 p.m.

For more information, contact Dianah Ascencio, Public Information Officer at (806) 748-4472.

Football Contest Standings Week 6

	THIS WEEK	OVERALL
Sammy Bradley	22/30	124/167
Dale Miner	22/30	124/167
Coy LaBaume	24/30	124/167
Johnny Dorman	22/30	121/167
Franklin Harris	23/30	121/167
Stanley Collier	25/30	121/167
Brent Sanders	26/30	121/167
Max Yeary	23/30	119/167
Diane Ramon	19/30	116/167
Boyd Lee	21/30	116/167
Lanny Barnett	24/30	116/167
Paul Lopez	21/30	114/167
Pam Fulton	22/30	113/167
Ricky Ascencio	18/30	111/167
Martin Ramirez	17/30	107/167
Steve Stringer	17/30	98/167
Jace Klein	15/30	93/167
Nic Sherman	20/30	87/138

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Floydada Tiger League



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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **DONNIE CAROL MERIWETHER**, Deceased, were issued on September 27, 2013, in Cause No. 5956, pending in the County Court of Floyd County, Texas, to:

MONTGOMERY MERIWETHER

Claims may be presented in case of the attorney for the Independent Executor addressed as follows:

MONTGOMERY MERIWETHER,
Independent Executor of the Estate
of DONNIE CAROL MERIWETHER, Deceased
c/o STEPHEN L. ROHDE & ASSOCIATES
PO Drawer L
Tulia, Texas 79088

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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LOCKNEY SCHOOL

Lockney Elementary students rewarded for their positive behavior



Courtesy Photo

Lockney Elementary students recognized and earning the PBIS award for August 26 – September 10 are (l-r) Nathan Hernandez, Jisiah Lara, Brailey Kidd, Hunter Lefevre, Christopher Ledesma, Isaac Lopez, Pablo Morales, Jesus Gonzales, Dahlen Silva.



Courtesy Photo

Lockney Elementary students recognized and earning the PBIS award for September 23-30 were Ky Rendon, Ariel Alvarado, Caleb Pritchard, Addison Durham, Annalicia Hernandez, Taylor Egnew, Taylor St. Dennis, Marie Solis, Damion Gonzales, Abran Castillo, Iann Rodriguez, Sean Gonzales, Nathan Vasquez, and Dimitri Melendrez.



Courtesy Photo

Lockney Elementary students recognized and earning the PBIS award for September 11- September 20 were J'Ann Pena, Eulyssia Casias, Arlen St. Dennis, Cole Poole, Pablo Morales, Aidan Bustillos, Haygen Lefevre, Aatrayu Leal, and Rhianna Castillo.

Special to the Hesperian-Beacon

Lockney Elementary began a new student behavior program this year. Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) focuses on promoting desired behaviors in students by rewarding good choices and positive behaviors. This

year students that are caught "being good" by following the rules, being good, respectful citizens and generally exhibiting positive behaviors at school are given a red ticket by staff members. Those students then go to the office to sign the Celebrity Book. After that the students' parent is called to inform them that their child is making good choices and

showing off positive behaviors at school. Students also put their name in a drawing for a small prize.

Jean Anne Williams, Lockney Elementary principal said, "We are seeing good, positive behavior every day in all parts of the building and we are excited about the positive way children and staff are interacting."

Longhorns Fall to Tulia Hornets 35-16

By Charles Keaton

Quarterback Ky Teeter passed for 146 yards and a touchdown, rushed for 68 yards and a touchdown and had four receptions for 88 yards but that wasn't enough to spark the Lockney Longhorns to victory as the Tulia Hornets game to town and claimed a 35-16 victory. The Horns hosted the Hor-

nets in the last non-district game for both squads.

The Horns scored first with 4:01 left in the first quarter when Teeter rushed 13 yards for the score and Mauricio Davila caught the two point conversion from Teeter to go up 8-0.

In the second quarter, the Hornets got their offense rolling when quarterback Jon

Martinez ran in from 13 yards out to make the score 8-7 with 10:39 left in the half. Martinez then connected with Brandon Jackson late in the second quarter to give the Hornets a 14-8 halftime lead.

In the third quarter, neither team could find the end zone as the defenses stepped up their efforts.

Tulia took advantage of short fields in

the fourth quarter to forge ahead. With 9:06 left in the game, Martinez hit Kevin Bartram for a 16-yard touchdown pass and following the extra point the score stood at 21-8. The Hornets again punched it in as Tony Kelly ran it in from 14 yards out to make it 28-8 with 4:10 left in the game. Less than two minutes later, Martinez

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LONGHORNS

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found an opening and rushed in from 26 yards out to seal the victory for the Hornets as they took a 35-8 lead with 2:23 left in the game. The Horns completed the scoring for the night when Teeter found Davila open for a 15 yard touchdown pass with 1:20 left in the game to make the final score 35-16.

Offensively, the Horns out gained the Hornets 349 yards to 279 yards but miscues on special teams, kept the Hornets deep in Lockney territory especially in the fourth quarter.

Head coach Jay Ragland said, "We gave Tulia three short drives that all started around our 30." Ragland said the short drives for the Hornets were the key to the loss.

Teeter completed 10 of 25 passing for 146 yards, a touchdown and two interceptions, Daylen Gatica completed eight of 18 passing for 142 yards. Davila hauled in eight passes for 103 yards and a touchdown, Teeter had

four receptions for 88 yards, Gatica had four receptions for 48 yards, Eli Guerra had two receptions for 31 yards and Nic Sherman had two receptions for 18 yards. Teeter also had 16 carries for 68 yards and a touchdown for the Horns.

For Tulia, Martinez was nine of 19 passing for 156 yards, two touchdowns and an interception. Jackson caught 2 passes for 51 yards and a touchdown, Anthony Panda had three catches for 48 yards and Bartram had two catches for 41 yards and a touchdown.

The Hornets also had 24 carries for 123 yards rushing and three touchdowns, two by Martinez and one by Kelly.

Both teams turned the ball over two times and Lockney suffered 12 penalties for 105 yards and Tulia had 13 penalties for 110 yards.

"The turning point in the game was when we had a short punt and then gave up a punt return with a penalty at the end of the return," Ragland said, "These were on back-to-back series and both led to scores."

Consistency on offense

is one thing Ragland is looking for as the Horns prepare for district play.

He said they would have positive gain on one play but then a bad snap or a penalty would wipe out the gain.

Offensive player of the week was Teeter as he accumulated 302 all-purpose yards and the entire defense was the Defensive player of the week by holding Tulia to only 279 yards.

The Horns are now 2-3 on the year. The game against Olton which was called due to weather does not count in the overall standings.

The Horns begin District 2-1A Division 1 play by hosting the Hale Center Owls Friday night at Mitchell-Zimmerman Stadium at 7:30.

They will have an open date Oct. 18, then a road trip to New Deal on Oct. 25, then host Sundown on Nov. 1 for the final home game of the year and then travel to Tahoka to complete the regular season.

The Tulia Hornets, who are now 3-2 on the year, begin District 2-2A Division 2 play by hosting the Abernathy Antelopes Friday night.



Courtesy of R.K. Hunt Photography
No more going forward for the Tulia running back as an unidentified Lockney Longhorn defender tries to stop the forward progress of the Tulia Hornet player. The Horns were defeated by the Hornets 35-16 and now are preparing to host Hale Center in the district opener this week.

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October 14 - October 18

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Breakfast- Chicken-n-biscuit with syrup, fruit juice or fresh

fruit, milk variety
Lunch-Beefy Queso, tortilla chips, refried beans, garden salad, orange smiles, milk variety

Wednesday

Breakfast-Pancake/sausage on a stick, oven roasted potatoes, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

Lunch-Beef & bean burrito, oven fries, fresh veggie cup, fruit gelatin, milk variety

Thursday

Breakfast- Sunrise sandwich, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

Lunch- Chicken nuggets w/ gravy, garden salad, baby carrots, fresh grapes, breadsticks, milk variety

Friday

Breakfast-Breakfast taco, fruit juice or fresh fruit, milk variety

Lunch- Pizza choice, crunchy broccoli salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, milk variety

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FLOYD §
CITY OF FLOYDADA §

TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the City of Floydada, Texas, on the 5th day of November, 2013, in accordance with a resolution adopted by the City Council which is a part of this notice for all purposes and reads substantially as follows:

A RESOLUTION ordering a bond election to be held in the City of Floydada, Texas, making provisions for the conduct of the election and resolving other matters incident and related to such election.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Floydada, Texas hereby finds that an election should be held to determine whether said governing body shall be authorized to issue bonds of said City in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLOYDADA, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: An election shall be held on the 5th day of November, 2013, in the City of Floydada, Texas, which date is not less than seventy-one (71) nor more than ninety (90) days from the date of the adoption hereof and is a uniform election date pursuant to Texas Election Code, Section 41.001, for the purpose of submitting the following measure:

"SHALL the City Council of the City of Floydada, Texas, be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the City in the principal amount of \$780,000 for park and recreational facilities, including constructing and equipping a new swimming pool and splash pad, playground equipment, improvements to softball fields; such bonds to mature serially or otherwise over a period not to exceed THIRTY (30) years from their date, to be issued and sold in one or more series at any price or rates and to bear interest at any rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise) as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance or sale of the bonds; and whether ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon all taxable property in the City sufficient to pay the annual interest and provide a sinking fund to pay the bonds at maturity?"

SECTION 2: The entire City shall constitute one election precinct for this election and the Floyd County AG Extension Building, 105 South Wall Street, Floydada, Texas is hereby designated the polling place. The persons hereby appointed to serve as the election officials at said polling place are as follows:

JANETTE HARRISON PRESIDING JUDGE
DEBBIE BERTRAND ALTERNATE PRESIDING JUDGE

The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) nor more than three (3) qualified clerks to serve and assist in holding said election; provided that if the Presiding Judge herein appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of the clerks.

On Election Day, the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

SECTION 3: Early voting shall be conducted at the City Hall, 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas 79235-2717, in accordance with the provisions of Texas Election Code. Early voting for this election shall begin Monday, October 21, 2013 and end Friday, November 1, 2013, and the hours designated for early voting by personal appearance at such main early voting place shall be from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on each day, except Saturdays, Sundays and official State holidays. Selia Arellano, City Secretary, is hereby appointed early voting clerk and shall appoint and designate deputy clerks to assist with such early voting.

Additionally, early voting shall also be conducted at the Floyd County AG Extension Building, 105 South Wall Street, Floydada, Texas, during the hours of 8:30 am and 5:30 pm. on each day, except Saturdays, Sundays and official State holidays.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers of the aforesaid polling place shall also serve as the early ballot board for this election.

SECTION 4: A voting system or systems meeting the standards and requirements of the Texas Election Code, as amended, is hereby adopted and approved for early voting by personal appearance and by mail and for election day voting.

Ballots shall be prepared in accordance with Texas Election Code, and permit electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid measure which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

"THE ISSUANCE OF \$780,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES"

SECTION 5: All resident qualified electors of the City shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A., Election Code and V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 1251, and as may be required by law, all election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

AVISO DE ELECCIÓN DE BONOS

EL ESTADO DE TEXAS
CONDADO DE FLOYD
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A LOS ELECTORES CALIFICADOS RESIDENTES DE LA CIUDAD DE FLOYDADA, TEXAS:

SE INFORMA que se llevará a cabo una elección en la Ciudad de Floydada, Texas, el 5 de noviembre de 2013, de acuerdo a una resolución adoptada por el Consejo Municipal, que es parte de este aviso para todos los propósitos y dice substancialmente lo siguiente:

UNA RESOLUCIÓN que ordena llevar a cabo una elección de bonos en la Ciudad de Floydada, Texas, que dispone cláusulas para llevar a cabo la elección y resolver otros asuntos incidentales y relacionados a dicha elección.

CONSIDERANDO QUE el Consejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Floydada, Texas, por este medio encuentra que se deberá llevar a cabo una elección para determinar si dicha entidad gubernamental deberá estar autorizada para emitir bonos de dicha Ciudad en la cantidad y para los propósitos identificados aquí dentro; ahora, por lo tanto,

RESUÉLVASE POR EL CONSEJO MUNICIPAL DE LA CIUDAD DE FLOYDADA, TEXAS:

SECCIÓN 1: Se deberá llevar a cabo una elección el 5 de noviembre de 2013 en la Ciudad de Floydada, Texas, cuya fecha no es menos de setenta y un (71), no más de noventa (90) días de la fecha de adopción de esto y es una fecha uniforme de elección conforme al Código de Elección de Texas, Sección 41.001, con el propósito de presentar la siguiente medida:

"¿DEBERÁ el Consejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Floydada, Texas, estar autorizado para emitir bonos de obligación general de la Ciudad en la cantidad principal de \$780,000 para parques e instalaciones recreativas, incluyendo la construcción y equipamiento de una nueva piscina y un cojín acuático, equipo para juegos infantiles, mejoras a los campos de softball; dichos bonos deberán madurar en serie o de otra manera en un período que no exceda de TREINTA (30) años de su fecha, para ser emitidos y vendidos en una o más series a cualquier precio o precios y para generar un interés a cualquier tasa o tasas (fija, flotante, variable o de otra manera) como se deba determinar a discreción del Consejo Municipal al momento de la emisión o venta de los bonos; y si se deberán recolectar impuestos de acuerdo a su valor a toda propiedad sujeta a impuestos en la Ciudad, suficientes para pagar el interés anual y proporcionar un fondo de amortización para pagar los bonos al momento de su madurez?"

SECCIÓN 2: Toda la Ciudad deberá constituir un recinto electoral para esta elección, y el Edificio de la Extensión AG del Condado de Floyd, ubicado en 105 South Wall Street, Floydada, Texas es por este medio designado el lugar de votación. Las personas aquí nombradas para servir como oficiales de la elección en dicho lugar de votación son como sigue:

JANETTE HARRISON JUEZ QUE PRESIDE
DEBBIE BERTRAND JUEZ ALTERNO QUE PRESIDE

El Juez que Preside deberá nombrar a no menos de dos (2), no más de tres (3) encargados calificados para servir y ayudar en llevar a cabo dicha elección; siempre y cuando el Juez que Preside aquí nombrado realmente sirva, el Juez Alterno que Preside deberá ser uno de los encargados.

El día de la elección, las casillas deberán estar abiertas de 7:00 A.M. a 7:00 P.M.

SECCIÓN 3: La votación anticipada deberá ser conducida en el Ayuntamiento, ubicado en 114 W. Virginia Street, Floydada, Texas 79235-2717, de acuerdo con las cláusulas del Código de Elección de Texas. La votación anticipada para esta elección deberá comenzar el lunes 21 de octubre de 2013 y terminar el viernes 1 de noviembre de 2013, y las horas designadas para la votación anticipada por medio de presencia física personal en dicho lugar principal de votación deberán ser de 8:30 a.m. a 5:30 p.m. cada día, excepto sábados, domingos y días feriados oficiales del Estado. Selia Arellano, Secretaria de la Ciudad, es por este medio nombrada encargada de la votación anticipada, y deberá nombrar y designar encargados asistentes para ayudar con dicha votación anticipada.

Además, la votación anticipada también deberá ser conducida en el Edificio de la Extensión AG del Condado de Floyd, ubicado en 105 South Wall Street, Floydada, Texas, durante las horas de 8:30 am y 5:30 pm. cada día, excepto sábados, domingos y días feriados oficiales del Estado.

Para fines de procesar las boletas en la votación anticipada, los oficiales de elección del lugar de votación indicado anteriormente también deberán servir como el consejo de votación anticipada para esta elección.

SECCIÓN 4: Por este medio se adopta y aprueba un sistema o sistemas de votación que cumple con los estándares y requerimientos del Código de Elección de Texas, como ha sido modificado, para la votación anticipada por medio de presencia física personal, por correo, y para la votación el día de la elección.

Las boletas deberán ser preparadas de acuerdo al Código de Elección de Texas, y permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" de la medida anteriormente expuesta que deberá aparecer en las boletas de manera substancial como sigue:

"LA EMISIÓN DE \$780,000 EN BONOS DE OBLIGACIÓN GENERAL PARA PARQUES E INSTALACIONES RECREATIVAS"

SECCIÓN 5: A todos los electores calificados residentes de la Ciudad se les deberá permitir votar en dicha elección. Esta elección deberá ser llevada a cabo y conducida de acuerdo con las cláusulas de V.T.C.A., Código de Elección y V.T.C.A., Código de Gobierno, Capítulo 1251, y según lo requiera la ley, todos los materiales y procedimientos de la elección deberán estar impresos tanto en inglés como en español.

Roll over



Charles Keaton/Hesperian-Beacon

Early Friday morning, a westbound 18-wheel tractor-trailer rolled over just east of the intersection of U. S. Highway 70 and FM 378. The driver of the rig was not injured but traffic was backed up for some time as wreckers had to be called in to pull the truck upright. Road construction continues along U. S. Highway 70 from Floydada to the Hale County line. Currently there is a several inch drop-off from the roadway to the shoulder. Drivers are encouraged to use caution until construction is completed. The Texas Department of Transportation expects all construction to be completed by Thanksgiving depending on any weather delays.

The Paperboy

Guest Column

Your Community, Your Newspaper, Your Life

By Jim Zachary

As newspaper executives struggle over whether the news should be digital first, tablet first, SMS first or print first, readers know exactly what they want their local newspaper to be — community first.

Reading a newspaper is not like reading a novel, a magazine, a history book, poetry, prose or any other type of literature.

Newspapers are not about what has happened in the past, what is happening some place else, or what happens in an author's imagination.

Newspapers are about us.

Newspapers are about our child's first school field trip, a Friday night high school football game, a livestock show hosted by the agriculture extension office or an increase in our property tax rate. At least those are the things that a relevant newspaper is all about whether you read it online or sit down with a morning cup of coffee and enjoy the traditional printed edition the way it was meant to be.

Newspapers — viable, strong, growing, thriving newspapers — are all about the communities they serve.

Sure, in the interest of transparency, some newspapers have struggled in recent years.

Many more are growing.

So what's the difference between the newspapers on a downward spiral and those that are adding days of publication, adding staff and printing more sections and pages than ever before?

Really it is not all that complicated.

In fact, it is rather basic.

The difference is community.

Newspapers, like any business or individual, will always struggle when they stop doing the things they do well.

In a quest to be more modern, to be more business savvy, or to use more silicon, we cannot lose sight of the single most important characteristic and historically important aspect of a quality newspaper — you — our readers.

We hold public officials accountable, advocate for openness in government and champion the cause of ordinary citizens, because we are committed to the neighborhoods, cities, county and coverage area we serve.

Watered down editorial pages, articles that read like a public relations campaign for government and page after page of wire service content will never resonate in the same way as celebrating our own community and standing up for its citizens.

Newspapers hold public officials accountable because it makes the place we call home a better place to live and because it is the right thing to do.

Newspapers do not make the news.

They report it — all of it.

Of course, a newspaper wants to celebrate its community.

We share the great human interest stories, provide a slice of life in the county, highlight worthwhile causes, focus on interesting people and most especially on our young people with every edition.

With intelligent, thoughtful, compelling commentary, coupled with clearly written, straight-

forward news reporting we work every day to tell the truth and in that way we remain a vital and positive part of the community.

The newspaper belongs to the community.

That is why we work every day to give citizens a voice, to empower them and tell their stories.

That is why we hold government accountable because at our very core we believe that government belongs to the governed and not to the governing.

That is why we embrace the newspaper's role as the Fourth Estate.

According to historian Thomas Carlyle, Irish statesman and author Edmund Burke (1729-1797) said, "there were three Estates in Parliament, but in the Reporters Gallery yonder, there sat a Fourth Estate more important far than they all," (Heroes and Hero Worship in History, 1841).

Though in many places reporters have reduced themselves to simply being a mouthpiece for local government, reporting what officials want them to report and hiding what they don't, a community and a democracy is best served when the newspaper provides a forum for checks and balances as the Fourth Estate of government.

Great newspapers, relevant newspapers that are embraced by their communities and consequently profitable, growing newspapers have not forgotten that role and have not abandoned these values.

We are not the enemy of government — rather we are the champions of citizens — of our community.

We know if newspapers do not stand up for citizens and protect the rights of free speech and the rights of access to government, then no one will.

We work each day to build a culture and incubate an environment where those elected feel accountable to those who elected them.

Newspapers should be the most powerful advocate citizens have and be their open forum for a redress of grievances.

Any newspaper that represents the interests of the governing, more than the interests of the governed, is not worth the paper it is printed on or the ink that fills its pages.

Newspapers, the good ones, still make a difference in the communities they serve.

Burke also said, "All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing."

As newspaper reporters, editors and staff, we have the daily, or weekly, opportunity to do something — something that matters to our community and in all of our lives.

As long as people still read, still care about their quality of life, still love the place they call home and still pay taxes, newspapers that retain their role as the Fourth Estate and that celebrate the lives of ordinary people, will remain relevant, will matter to the community and be a part of your every day life.

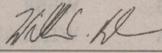
Jim Zachary is a newspaper veteran who has championed government transparency. He is the editor of the Clayton News Daily and the Henry Daily Herald in metro Atlanta and director of The Tennessee Transparency Project.

Accident



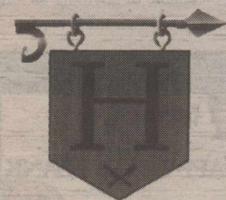
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Thursday afternoon a late model car carrying two people pulled out in front of a westbound semi-tractor/trailer at the intersection of Shubert and U. S. Highway 70 in Lockney. Both passengers in the car were transported to Mangold Memorial Hospital to be checked out but neither was admitted. The driver of the truck was not injured.

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Whirlwind News



AB Duncan Students Take Off to the South Plains Fair

By Kimberly Pacheco
Staff Writer

Students from AB Duncan set out to the South Plains Fair taking their minds off of school for a while. The South Plains Fair was held in Lubbock, Texas during the week of September 20- September 28, 2013. There were many exciting things to do at the fair such as: going to the circus, getting hypnotized, eating different kinds of foods, riding all types of rides, and enjoying the music and concerts from different musical artists.

Some students who attended the fair were very enthusiastic when they came back to school the following Monday.

"It was pretty fun and exciting," said fifth grader,



Raymond Hernandez.

Most students agreed that the best thing about the fair was getting to spend time with their families in a positive way.

"I got on rides with my mom and dad," said fifth grader, Natalie Rodriguez.

The fair always has a variety of delicious foods like sweet funnel cakes, crunchy corndogs, and soft cotton candy that people can enjoy

while having some fun.

"The funnel cakes were fresh and really good," said sixth grader, Lindsey Marquez.

Students were really entertained by the rides, whether they were insane roller coasters or just riding little rides that were safe.

"The 'Wipe Out' was my favorite ride; it spun me around really fast," said sixth grader, Isaac Hernandez.

FHS Students Succeed in the South Plains Fair Stock Show

By Rebekah Hall
Staff Writer

Every year in the month of September the South Plains Fair kicks off the season for area high school and junior high students to enter its stock show. This allows the students to compete with their animals. Some of the students at FHS and FJHS participated and were geared up for another great year. While getting their animals ready, the students

worked hard and diligently.

Kirby Nixon and Logan Everett competed in the Ag Mechanic Show. They received "Best in the Show" with a trailer they both built.

"We worked hard to build the trailer in the class periods during the day. A few days before the show we stayed after school. It was definitely worth the hard work and dedication," said sophomore, Kirby Nixon.

The students' hard work was evident with how well

they did.

"They all did a fantastic job throughout the week at the South Plains Fair," said Agriculture Communications teacher, Vance Lemons.

Upon receiving the results, some students were satisfied and excited with how well they performed.

"I received two first places with the breeds I brought to the fair. I also won reserve breed. I think I did very well," said eighth grader, Keenan Nixon.

Technology Offers Monetary Funds for Students

By McKenna Johnson
Staff Writer

Technology is around students everyday, especially at Floydada High School. Not only will the skills students have learned using technology be beneficial in acceptance to college, but it might also help pay for

the many expenses college requires. For students who are diverse in the many different kinds of computer applications, choosing a favorite program should be simple. The Direct TV Technology Scholarship will award one student with \$2,500 for the most creative and stylish 500-1000 word

blog entry describing the "importance of technology in your life." To apply for this scholarship, students must be graduating in 2014 and must have a blog with a website URL. For more information regarding the Direct TV Technology Scholarship, please visit the following website.

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The Courage to Go to College

By McKenna Johnson
Staff Writer

The John F. Kennedy scholarship foundation will be awarding one student with a \$10,000 scholarship for the strongest essay under 1,000 words discussing a U.S. elected official who has chosen to do what is right, rather than what

is expedient. This scholarship is available for all high schools students enrolled in grades nine through twelve. Students entering must describe an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official that occurred during or after 1956. The second place contestant will be awarded \$1000 and five fi-

nalists will also be awarded with \$500. The deadline for submissions is January 6, 2014. A short information form is also required for submission, but filling out the form should only take a few minutes. For more information regarding this scholarship visit the website below.

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest.aspx>

Better To Be Safe Than Sorry

By Bethany Morales
Staff Writer

As the flu season vastly approaches, many people are taking the necessary precautions to avoid becoming infected with this disease. The best protection against the flu is the flu shot. The flu is a respiratory illness caused by the influenza virus. The common cold and flu are similar, but influenza

is a more severe disease. Approximately 36,000 people die from the flu each year.

Symptoms of the flu include the following: a high fever, a cough and/or sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, headaches and/or body aches, chills, fatigue, nausea, and vomiting (mostly common in children). The common cold symptoms are a runny

or stuffy nose, itchy or sore throat, cough, congestion, sneezing, watery eyes, and a low-grade fever.

In order to help teachers stay healthy Central Office provided free shots for FUSD employees last Thursday. It's recommended that everyone get the flu shot to avoid contracting the influenza virus. It's better to be safe than sorry.

Breast Cancer Awareness Brings Community Together



By Aaron Chavarria
Staff Writer

Saturday, October 5, 2013 Susan G. Komen's "Race For the Cure" provided an opportunity for the Floydada community to join in and support the fight against breast cancer. This event took place at the Memorial Civic Center at Lubbock, Texas and many people ran or walked in support of their family members and loved ones.

By participating in the Race For the Cure charity event, people experienced an occasion that has changed the way society views breast cancer. Supporters made a difference in this race by celebrating survivorship, honoring those who have lost their battle to this disease, and raised funds and awareness for the fight against it.

"What inspired me to participate in the race for the cure was our tenth grade English teacher Miss. Cynthia Smith going through what she went through. What also inspired me to participate in this event is the fact that my mother, aunt and former librarian Mrs. Jan Willson were all diagnosed with breast cancer. I believe the race is a good way to keep the focus on what we can do to help the women in our lives who have suffered from breast cancer," said Principal, Wayne Morren.

There were multiple participants who took part in this race who have already participated at least once before.

"This was my second time running in the Race for the Cure," said sophomore, Roxann Chavarria. Last year I really enjoyed running in this event and this year was even better."

For those who participated

in the race for the first time were really happy on how it turned out.

"For my first time running in this event, I was extremely excited to be a part of the race for the cure. It was a privilege to support those who have survived and lost their lives to breast cancer," said junior Josh Chavarria

People take this race seriously and are determined to return year after year for their loved ones.

"I decided to return to the Komen "Race For the Cure" event in honor of my friend Cynthia Smith who battled breast cancer and conquered it," said Counselor, Nikki Smith.

For many, this event has a deeper meaning to them and has become a life changing experience that they will always cherish.

"As a breast cancer survivor, each year the "Race for the Cure" fills me with indescribable amount of joy," said, sophomore English teacher, Miss Smith. "This year as I released my balloon, tears flowed from my eyes as I remembered my own battle with cancer. I am forever grateful for the love and support of my friends and family who have joined me in my personal fight against breast cancer."

FHS Wraps up a Successful First Six Weeks

By Tucker Lowrance
Staff Writer

This past Friday marked the end of the first six weeks at FHS. The students were very excited to finally have one six weeks under their belts.

"I think I did alright, but I definitely believe I could have done better," said junior, Joseph Rosa.

Some students didn't try their best but will make a better effort next time.

"I didn't try my best because I felt it would not be that difficult," said Rosa. "I'll give a bet-

ter effort in the future for sure."

For the teachers and staff their first six weeks has been a hectic one but know that they have the strength to power through it.

"So far it's been really good. I was extremely busy the first couple of weeks, but things have leveled out now," said librarian, Hope Warren. "Students are getting familiar with the new materials in the library, the new books, and the new look. I've had kids come in and check out things, so it has been a really good six weeks."

Expectations have certainly

been high for the students, and Floydada looks to increase their academic standards.

"We wanted to come in this first six weeks and set a good foundation for the year and develop a good, positive culture," said Principal Wayne Morren. "We've implemented a policy on mastery, and started including more things in our after school tutorials because we want to reach a higher standard. I am pleased to say that I believe these standards have been met, and we are looking to build off of this strong first six weeks."

Whirlwind Word Search

Floydada High School Staff

BY KIMBERLY PACHECO

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Welcome to FUSD

Meet Mrs. Jordan Beedy

By Mattie Sanders
Staff Writer

By the end of the six weeks, tests are handed out to the students of FUSD to test their knowledge over what they have learned this far into the school year. In every hallway, and classroom, it is always evident that kids are building relationships and adding to what they know everyday. In one English classroom, kids were not only taught new information about reading and writing, but also began learning about the new face in their classroom: their teacher.

Jordan Beedy is the fifth grade teacher. With a degree in multidisciplinary studies from Texas Tech University, she teaches English and reading.

Mrs. Beedy grew up in Lubbock with one younger brother named Taylor. She recently got married to her husband this last summer who also happens to be named Taylor. They have one dog named Allie.

Other than spending time with friends and family, she enjoys reading, and going to the lake outside of her job. In the classroom, however, she takes her job seriously and focuses on the kids.

"I hope to help my students feel like they are successful," said Beedy. "I want to give them the tools they need to do their best and pass the test. I hope that they will realize that they are capable of anything as long as they put their mind to it."

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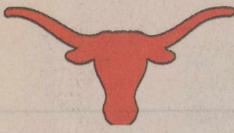
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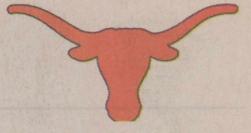
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Longhorn News



Celebrity Day



The spirit theme for this past Friday was Celebrity Day. This is a day when students dress up like their favorite celebrity to show their school spirit. When I asked one student how they felt about today he said "it's like becoming somebody you're not for one day and making all your worries go away. I really enjoy it!" One of the favorite celebs for this year was Prince William and Princess Kate along with their baby, George, who managed to get in the picture too! Pictured here as William and Kate are Kameron Hunt and Isabella Rodriguez.



Friday's Game

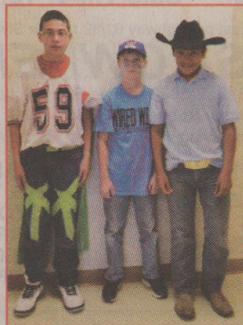
A week ago last Friday our football game was held in Olton between the Olton Mustangs and the Lockney Longhorns. The weather that Friday night was pretty rough. Throughout the day there was light rain and by game time it had begun to rain even more. The game ended up being delayed in the second quarter due to lightning around Olton. After being delayed for over 30 minutes the game was eventually called off due to the weather. We asked Lockney's Athletic Director, Malcom Moerbe, what his opinion was on how the

game went and he said "It was a close ball game and both teams in my opinion were evenly matched. I think that if the game was longer either team could have had a great shot at winning." The Lockney fans were confused as to whether the game was cancelled or forfeited. Coach Moerbe went on to explain, "The game was cancelled because of the weather and, no, we didn't forfeit the game but rather the game was not counted as an actual game." The final score of the game was Mustangs 8, Longhorns 0.

GO HORNS!

Color Wars

The Jr. High students and facility showed their support to our Lockney Shorthorns as they took on Tulia on Thursday by having Color Wars. Each grade wore a different color to see who had the most spirit for the Shorthorns. With the 8th graders wearing orange, 7th graders wearing green, 6th graders wearing blue, and the facility wearing pink they all fought to prove who had more spirit. "This helps show what great spirit Lockney Jr. High has for our Shorthorns" says teacher, Dezi Pharis. With a landslide the 8th graders take the win! Pictured wearing their pink shirts and caps are the Lockney Jr. High teachers.



Theater Trip

On Wednesday October 2nd, the Lockney Theater class took a trip to Snyder where they watched the play, **FAULTY TOWERS**. This play is based on the British TV sitcom, which centers on the "best-loved bad hotel in the world" and it's owners--the snobbish and manic Basil and his lazy and domineering wife Sybil. The purpose of taking the field trip is to gain knowledge about acting, to observe and critique other students acting, and to see how this knowledge can be applied to their fall and spring plays. The LHS theater class looks forward to seeing you in the audience this year!



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Looking Back on a Grand Life

Longtime High Plains cotton farmer has witnessed dramatic advances in his field

By John Morthland

Ed Smith was born and raised about 18 miles east of Lubbock in Lorenzo, where he began helping on his family's cotton farm as a child. It's the only life the 84-year-old has ever known, which is why he still keeps a hand in the family operation by helping his son, Eddie.

He still remembers his first tractor, which he bought new in 1951. It had only a four-row planter. "Really, there was only so much it could do," he recalls. But four rows soon grew to six, then eight, and ultimately to the much-bigger computerized tractors with 16 rows, guided by GPS, that his son uses today.

"When I was farming in the 1950s, I had one employee to farm three or four hundred acres, or I did it

by myself—most of us did," Ed says. "It's necessary to farm a lot more land today because of the cost of all the equipment, which is much bigger and more complex."

He used to irrigate by digging ditches with a tractor. Wells provided enough water for the small amount of land despite a six-year drought during the 1950s. Harvesting was done by hand, with the U.S. government running a program for braceros, or migrant farm workers from Mexico, who came to work seasonally. Pesticides and herbicides were nowhere near as effective as today's chemicals.

"Education has to improve along with the improving technology," Ed notes. "The technology has gotten past me at my age, but these younger guys are all able to handle it because they learned from U.S. agricultural experiment stations and from going to Tech and A&M."

Indeed, Ed doesn't even climb aboard a modern tractor with GPS because out of habit he always handles the steering wheel, which sabotages the cali-



brations and requires them to be computed again.

One substantial result of all this technology is that ag financing has changed drastically for farmers. "I never had any money when I was a farmer because everything I made went into equipment, and it's still pretty much hand-to-mouth today but with much larger figures," Ed says. "We had good years and bad years but we always managed because we didn't have as much expense. The amount of money you have to borrow now, you can lose so much you're out of business in a year, and it'll take five or six years to get back in it."

"But it's still a grand life," he quickly adds. "Your community, your church, your family, you're all involved together."

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John Morthland is an Austin writer.

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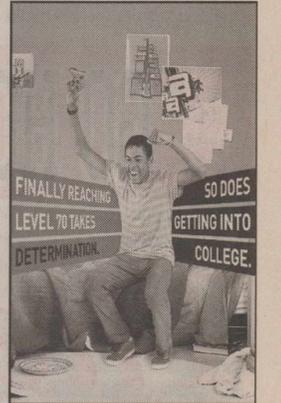
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At 4 p.m. join us back at the Pavilion as the winners of our numerous contests are announced.

Then Saturday evening make sure you are signed up and ready to be part of the Fire Depart-

ment Car Cruise. This is also a new event and you do need to register to participate. The registration form is available on the Chamber website and you can always contact the Chamber office for more details.

One final new event to mention to this year's celebration. In this week's Hesperian-Beacon you will find another article, about TxDOT and the Floydada High School art students and a very special project they have been working on. I encourage you to check out that article and be ready to experience a unique opportunity this

Punkin Day.

Of course, as always, you can get all the details on all events by contacting the Chamber by phone at (806) 983-3434, by email at FLOYDADACHAMBER@YAHOO.COM, or on the web at www.floydadachamber.com/punkin-days. Use any of these ways to learn anything you need to know about our upcoming festivities, even find maps and directions.

We look forward to seeing you downtown with us this Saturday at our 26th Annual Punkin Day Celebration.

BALLOT
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and the most economically feasible way is to construct a new pool."

According to Carthel, the new pool will be ADA compliant as well as having a splash pool. The splash pool would be accessible to everyone from young to old, regardless of abilities or disabilities.

The current pool is not ADA compliant and if it were to continue to operate the city could face civil penalties up to \$55,000 according to the Americans with Disabilities

Act 2010 update.

"A new, modern pool, that is water friendly and people friendly will help attract new families," Covington said. "We need to look to the future and all the improvements we are seeking, the pool, the parks, the softball fields, will provide a long-term benefit to Floydada."

Covington said the old pool, which is over 50 years old, is leaking and trying to repair it does not make economic sense. It is important that our water resources are managed correctly and a new pool with all the new technologies including the latest in water conservation controls

would help the city and the citizens.

Johnston said that if the bond passes, the added tax would only be in place until the bond was paid back. He said that it will be labeled a 25-30 year bond but he thinks that it would only take seven to eight years to pay it off.

Carthel and Covington stressed the need for the citizens of Floydada to pass this bond issue in order to make the city more appealing to new families especially those with children. They both said that with the continued growth of the wind farms and the related industries, new families will be attracted to the area.

PARADISE
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By 2012, she didn't want to standby any longer. She stepped out on faith and opened Paradise Med Spas of Texas - an innovative medical spa which would operate with high standards and serious integrity. The spa has done just so, celebrating its first successful year in business earlier this month.

Located at 4611 50th St. Suite B., Paradise Med Spas of Texas promises to provide the industry's best noninvasive aesthetic treatments, administered by highly-trained technicians who use the industry's best equipment.

"We do things the right way, utilizing the best tools and techniques. If the 'best' changes in a year, we'll offer that instead," Jenna says.

Popular services at Paradise Med Spas of Texas include LipoLaser, Laser Tattoo Removal, Laser Toenail Fungus Removal, Diamond Tip Microdermabrasion, 100% Organic Spray Tan and Whole

Body Vibration.

LipoLaser, when used in conjunction with Whole Body Vibration, has proven to be one of the spa's most effective treatments.

"Our clients have experienced an average inch loss of one-half to three inches per 20 minute session. They love it because it's non-invasive and practical; so quick and easy, they can do it on their lunch break!" Jenna explains.

"The LipoLaser safely targets adipose (or fat) cells, stimulating them to release water, free fatty acids and glycerol. Having released these three compounds, the fat cells 'shrink' significantly, resulting in painless inch loss. Our Laser Tattoo Removal is yielding results which are just as exciting - full removal in months instead of years, with no scars!"

Always growing, Paradise Med Spas of Texas will continue to add the services their clients demand, but only as they are able to offer the best on the market.

Two new services recently added are Laser Hair Re-

moval, which is fast, pain-free and effective, and Zero Gravity Treatments - the highly-effective, non-invasive, pain-free way to achieve tighter, younger-looking skin without the downtime or pain of a facelift.

In addition to offering a full menu of services at their Lubbock location, Paradise Med Spas of Texas is now set up in Floydada and is offering select treatments to the Floydada community one day a week.

Every Wednesday, Paradise Med Spas of Texas will take appointments for Zero Gravity Lifting Treatments, Microdermabrasion, Chemical Peels, and 100% Organic Spray Tan. Based on the demands of the Floydada customers, Paradise Med Spas will also take appointments for Laser Tattoo Removal and LipoLaser on a per-request basis.

To learn more about the spa's philosophy, staff and services, visit www.paradisemedspas.com, or call (806) 785-SPAS (7727) to schedule your free consultation.

Home Country

By Slim Randles

The Club didn't last long.

It wasn't the dues, which were nothing. It wasn't being worried about being elected recording secretary or something if you missed a meeting. There were no officers, no directors and no meetings.

It was born of an idea that occurred to Doc one day. He said the members of the Mule Barn truck stop's philosophy counter and world dilemma think tank should organize.

After his third cup, Doc turned to the others and said sitting there having coffee day after day without any real purpose just didn't seem right.

Doc said, "There are so many things a real organization can do."

"What would those things be, Doc?" Steve asked.

"Giving shoes to orphans," Doc said. "Or curing hunger in third world countries. Or we could watch TV and file complaints."

Then Dud piped up. "Would we have to wear funny hats and have a secret handshake and a password?"

"Absolutely," Doc said. "Otherwise, how would you know who was one of your brother club members and who wasn't?"

Mavis said, "What's your secret password? Regular or decaf?"

"I don't think we should let women join," said Bert.

Nobody nodded until after Mavis had topped off the cups, and had gone into the

bowels of the kitchen.

"Okay," Steve said. "Let's get this straight. No meetings. No name for The Club, right? No officers. No dues to pay. All we have to do is give our shoes to some orphans, right?"

"And feed kids in third world countries."

"I don't know any kids in third world countries. Could we feed one or two around here, just to kinda e-e-e-ease into it?"

"I don't think so," said Doc. "We gotta come up with a third world country and then find out who's in charge of feeding kids. Then we can send them something."

"I move we adjourn this meeting," said Steve.

"There are no meetings," said Doc.

Since no one could name a third world country without a map or listening to National Public Radio, The Club died a quiet death.

Preview the Home Country Minute television spot at <http://youtu.be/yWS09PpG3Cc>. Then have your local station email shaunriley1961@hotmail.com for details.

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Buffalo Grass Chapter holds meeting

By Missy Minick

The Buffalo Grass Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution held their first 2013-2014 meeting on September 24th.

Several members were present for a program about the Constitution and a salad supper. Their next meeting is being held October 22 at the Floyd County Museum at 6:30 p.m. The program will be Native Americans and interested parties are invited to attend.

For more information contact Chapter Regent Sherry Colston 806-983-2669.

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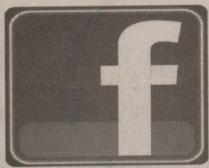
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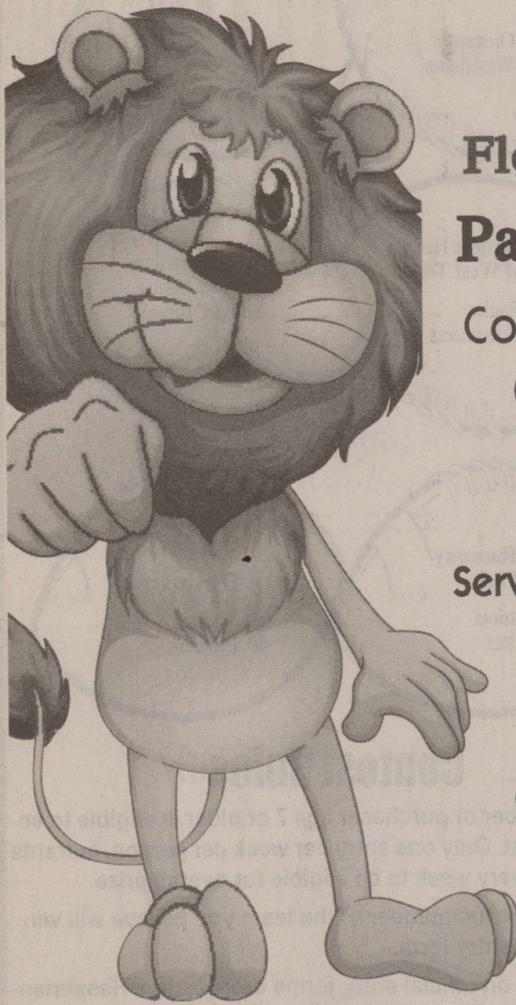
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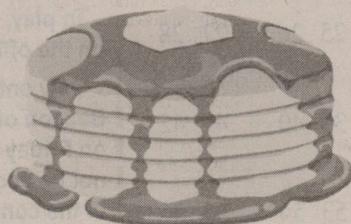
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Adults: \$5.00

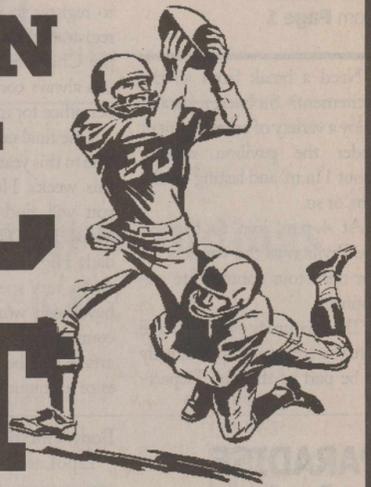
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Winners will be announced in next week's issue of the Hesperian-Beacon.

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Quality Body Shop 21. Texas Tech 22. Iowa State	Heart's Desire 23. Texas 24. Oklahoma	Davis Lumber 25. Florida 26. LSU	Lowe's Pay-n-Save Floydada 27. Baylor 28. Kansas State	D&J Gin 29. Texas A&M 30. Ole Miss
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Official Entry Form

Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon Football Contest

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Contest Rules

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

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

Only entries on official entry forms brought to a Hesperian-Beacon office in Floydada or Lockney no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday will be accepted. Photocopies and mail entries will not be accepted. Three cash prizes are awarded at the end of the contest. In the event of ties, prizes will be combined and shared equally by those tied.

Print your name and address plainly on the official entry form and double check your choices before clipping out the entry form and depositing it at a Hesperian-Beacon office before 4:30 p.m. on Friday. Entries are limited to one per person per week.

At the end of the 10-week contest period, the person with the best overall record will win a first prize of \$100. Second place will be awarded \$75 and third will be \$50.

Floyd County Historical Museum Memories – 1979

DOUGHERTY SCHOOL

By Ruth McIntosh

The Dougherty Common School District came into being in 1929 as a result of the consolidation of Mayview and Newland schools. An attractive and comfortable building was constructed on land given by F. M. Dougherty. Four classrooms, a book-room, and a good-sized auditorium provided enviable facilities for the 72 students who enrolled in the 9 grades taught that first year. Through the early 30's, enrollment remained in the 75-95 range with a faculty of four, but through the years those figures have gradually decreased to the present level of 30 to 35 students and a 3-teacher faculty. Only six grades are currently taught.

Through the years various physical changes have been made to the school. Around 1940 the book-room was made a cafeteria, a cellar was dug in 1959, and in 1961 a gymnasium was constructed north of the school building. With both a cafeteria and a gymnasium, the school became the logical setting for many community activities, and surely there is no one in the community who does not have fond (or otherwise) memories of Halloween Carnivals, chile suppers, volleyball tournaments, variety shows, and even a pre-lib woman-less wedding. And many of the earlier students will remember when Austin Circle in the center of town was Dougherty's Drag.

As in the case with any rural school, the various teachers left their distinctive marks on the school. For example, Floyd Blankenship in the early 30's had a talent for producing plays, and it was frequently standing-room-only for such productions as Wild Ginger. The G. C.

Tiner years, 1953-1959, were principally the baseball years, and the all day tournaments with Lakeview and South Plains held all the excitement of a World Series. Also Mrs. Tiner staged wonderful musical programs with costuming that made a wardrobe specialist out of every mother, but I understand that the present teachers, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Dennington, are equally gifted in that line.

With the construction of the gymnasium, basketball became the popular sport, and for several years, carloads of parents and friends were making trips to McAdoo, Flomot, Floydada, and other area towns to boost their teams.

Scholastically the school has made a reputation for itself through the years, providing more than its proportionate share of honor graduates from Floydada High School.

A highlight in the history of the school was the Homecoming held in 1963 when over 525 people came to share nostalgia at its best.

Near tragedy struck the school in 1974 when a gas explosion demolished one of the classrooms and seriously injured several students. At the time there was talk of not repairing the damage and just "going ahead and consolidating," but most of the people were not ready to give up their school. So it remains today, and is undoubtedly still giving its students experiences to cherish forever. Some years back, four or five Dougherty ex-es, all students in colleges or universities at the time, were reminiscing about their days at Dougherty, and one pretty well summed it up when she said, "You know, anyone who didn't go to Dougherty just missed something!"

That's about how all the ex-es feel.

Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH
810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening7:00 p.m.

CARR'S CHAPEL
Service Every Sunday:
Morning Worship9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
West College & Third,
Lockney
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,
Lockney
Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth) ..7:15 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
Beau A. Hart, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. Timothy Askew
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
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Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study...6:00 p.m.

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Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

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Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
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Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
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Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA
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Jesus Caballero, Pastor
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Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

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Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ...10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

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Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
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Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST
Lockney
Beau A. Hart, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
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Pumpkins leave Floyd County vines for fall harvest

Harvest booming in "Pumpkin Capital USA" Floyd County

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There's no easy way to lift a 200-pound pumpkin. The Halloween-affiliated crop is in peak harvest, but can't be picked with the same machines that have eased the collection of other commodities.

Rather than risk damaging pumpkins with a mechanical harvest, human hands remove them from the vine.

Some are fairly easy to collect, but others can grow large enough to draw sweat from those human harvesters. Sometimes they even have to team up to load them onto trailers.

"They're very heavy — the biggest ones weigh 200 pounds," Jose Sifuentes, a farmhand with Assiter Punkin Ranch a few miles south of Floydada, said in Spanish.

Those giant pumpkins Sifuentes describes aren't alone in their county.

With 600 acres of pumpkin fields yielding a total of about 24 million pounds each year, Floyd County claims an unofficial "Pumpkin Capital USA" title.

Justin Jaworski, Floydada's director of economic development, noted how the crop impacts the area economically. Floyd County pumpkins are shipped all over the country, and harvest season brings jobs.

"Every year, it is one of our signature crops," he said. "It's a sig-

nificant contributor."

This year, area growers so far have good news to report.

The county honors its signature crop with Pumpkin Days, a festival now ready for its 26th year. Activities — including a 5k run, costume contest, chili cook-off and games — will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, in downtown Floydada.

Jason Pyle, co-owner of the Pumpkin Pyle on the north side of Floydada, said he's enthusiastic this season about both yield and quality.

He added that's because after drought led to disappointing past crops, he prepared this year with drip irrigation. Midsummer rain gave an added boost at peak growing time.

"We did have some timely rains to help out a little bit," Pyle said. "Compared to last year, it's a whole lot better."

Pumpkin is planted in May and harvested as soon as fall weather allows.

Tim Assiter, owner of the Assiter Punkin Ranch, said harvest typically begins in mid-to-late September, when demand is steady and the temperatures start to drop.

"Heat's not a pumpkin's friend — you want to harvest it when it's cool," he said.

Javier Reyes-Lopez, another Assiter farmhand, said even after collecting pumpkins for hours each day, there's still plenty more where those came from. Harvest continues until Halloween, or until a freeze damages the crop.

"There are still a lot of pumpkins," Reyes-Lopez said in Spanish. "This year there are more, and they're bigger."

Pumpkins also differ from crops such as cotton and sorghum in their lack of size uniformity. While those 200-pound giants abound the fields — and Assiter has seen a few reach closer to 300 — plenty others are miniature-size.

They're not all orange, either. Visits through Floyd County fields



Photo Courtesy of Josie Musico/Lubbock AJ
Farmhands Jose Sifuentes, left, and Javier Reyes-Lopez concentrate on a tough lift. Pumpkins at Assiter Punkin Ranch just south of Floydada have been known to weigh up to 200 pounds and are harvested by hand.

can reveal a rainbow of white, red, green and tan pumpkins.

Although some might see their uses as mainly pie filling and Halloween décor, pumpkin enthusiasts are quick to note the arts and crafts projects they can base. For example, autumn-themed flora spilling from a pumpkin display could make a Thanksgiving-table centerpiece.

"Traditionally in the past, the Halloween pumpkin has been used for children to make a Jack-a-Lantern, but in today's market there are many varieties that are used for display in various shapes and colors," Assiter said.

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Pumpkin still star of Floydada's show

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Floydada Chamber of Commerce Charla McHam thinks about pumpkins, a lot.

She has to. As the leader of Floydada's main civic organizations, she is in charge of the annual Pumpkin Day celebration held on the courthouse square each October. "Everything we do is to promote Floydada, and the pumpkins," she told the Herald last week.

The event, now in its 26th year, features everything from pumpkin decorating to "pumpkin chunkin" — but the events that haven't always been on the schedule are what's bringing new life to the event.

McHam and her volunteer crew started a new twist on an

old tradition last year doing away with the traditional baking contest and focusing on the pumpkin itself. With that, the Unusual Pumpkin Recipe contest was born.

The contest, one part Iron Chef, one part country fair, pits pumpkin lovers against each other to see who can come up with the most creative pumpkin dish.

"With culinary advances, everybody's past pumpkin bread and pumpkin pie," McHam said.

Last year's winner of Pumpkin Enchiladas beat out some brave combos like Pumpkin Chili and Pumpkin Margaritas.

This year promises to be just as entertaining. The event will double as the kickoff to Pumpkin Day as the contest will be

held at 6 p.m. Monday, October 7 at First National Bank's community room.

And while pumpkin sandwiches or something equally strange may not be for you, the Chamber is hosting a contest that pits your stomach against the standard pumpkin pie. A Pie Eating Contest has been added to the schedule for Saturday.

But part of what makes the events special for McHam is the family atmosphere. She said her favorite event is the costume contest (both for kids and adults) because it is always fun to see what people dress up as.

And the growth of the event has been promising. "We've had really great response. We're going to have over 70 vendors. We try to do as many things for

free as we can. We try to keep it family friendly."

The fact Pumpkin Days moved from a grassy lot to the courthouse also symbolizes growth, said McHam. "Everything is in the streets, the vendors and the booths. It takes every bit of three blocks, some times we need more."

Part of the outgrowth of a bigger event is the impact it has on the city. "There are other businesses around, people go to the restaurants to eat. They go to the stores to shop."

And the fact that they now officially become not just Pumpkin Capital USA, but the Pumpkin Capital of Texas thanks to the work of State Rep. Drew Springer, has played a big role in growth for the event. "It really lets people know who we are and where our community comes from."

People who travel across state lines just to share their love of everyone's favorite orange squash.



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26th Annual Punkin Day

Saturday, October 12, 2013
Downtown on the Square
Floydada, Texas

EVENTS:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013
8:00 P.M. Unique Pumpkin Recipe Contest - First National Bank Community Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2013
7:00 P.M. Judging of Best Decorated Home & Business

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2013
Friends of the Library Book Sale - Floyd County Memorial Library Community Room

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2013
--- Downtown on the Square ---
7:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. Floydada Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
100 East California
8:00 A.M. Registration for 5K & Fun Run - Whirlwind Gym
Chili Cook Off Begins
8:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. Floydada Fire Dept. Car Show Set Up With Nifty Fifties Car Club
9:00 A.M. Arts & Crafts Booths Open
5K Race Begins
Decorate Your Own Pumpkin at the Chamber Booth
9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M. Friends of the Library Book Sale - Floyd County Memorial Library Community Room
9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. Floyd County Historical Museum Open & Rope Making Activities
10:00 A.M. Entertainment Begins
Fun Run Begins
Let the Games Begin !!
11:00 A.M. 5K & Fun Run Awards Ceremony - Pavillion
Floydada Fire Department Car Show
11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Cake Walk - Corner of California & Wall Streets
11:15 A.M.-2:30 P.M. Entertainment Under the Pavillion
12:30 P.M. Chili Cook Off Judging
12:45 P.M. Mr. & Miss Punkin Chunkin Contest
1:00 P.M. Chili Cook Off Samples Sold to Public
2:30 P.M. Cow Patty Bingo Begins
Pie Eating Contest at the Pavillion - Prizes Awarded
3:00 P.M. Costume Contest Under the Pavillion - Prizes Awarded
4:00 P.M. Cow Patty Bingo Winner Announced
Chili Cook Off Winners Announced
Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin Trailer Winner Announced
Guess the # of Pumpkin Seeds & Candy Pumpkins Winners Announced
8:00 P.M.-10:00 P.M. Fire Department Car Cruise

Arts & Crafts Booths & Vendors
Entertainment at the Pavillion
Classic Car Display & Show
Cow Patty Bingo
Games for Kids & Adults
Costume Contest
Rope Making at the Museum
Book Sale at the Library
Floyd County Friends of the Library

AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOOTH:
Buy your "pumpkin capital" t-shirts, caps
Guess the number of pumpkins in the jar
Winner announced at 4:00
Cow Patty Bingo Tickets can be purchased from Floydada Boy Scouts or at the Chamber Booth for \$5.00 each.

GAMES SCHEDULE:
10:00 Pumpkin Drawing -- Draw Face on Pumpkin
10:30 Wheelbarrow Race (ages 13 and younger)
11:00 Wheelbarrow Obstacle Course Adults
12:15 Pumpkin Toss
1:30 Pumpkin Ring Toss
2:00 Pumpkin Bowling
2:30 Sack Races

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11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Dine In or Carry Out

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